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Lighthouse at Boom Island Park and Minneapolis, Minn., skyline frame Mississippi River, now frozen solid

Real estate is Far... credit rescue bill

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Reagan signed the Farm Credit System rescue bill with misgivings Wednesday, saying some provisions foster a tendency to put federal props under the agricultural economy.

"We're finding fault with some aspects of legislation to bail out as much as \$4 billion in federally guaranteed bonds for the debt-ridden credit system, Reagan said the measure "ensures that the farm credit system will continue as a principal source of private credit to America's farmers."

During a bill-signing ceremony in the White House Roosevelt Room, he also said the legislation "implements many needed reforms to the system to ensure its long-term viability."

The president painted a generally rosy picture of farming in his remarks, but he also said "many of America's farmers are still suffering from the aftereffects of the runaway inflation of the '70s."

"The farm credit bailout "should help alleviate some of those woes," he said.

White House spokesman Martin Fitzwater told reporters earlier that "the overall economic conditions in the agricultural sector resulted in the system suffering massive losses. To prevent the system from going into default, which would reduce the availability of agricultural credit and adversely affect investor confidence, Congress passed legislation which would help the system recover."

The Farm Credit System is a 70-year-old network of 37 banks and hundreds of local lending co-ops. It provides credit to one-third of the nation's farm borrowers but has registered losses of \$4.8 billion over the last two years.

"The system's problems are generally blamed on the crisis that swept over rural America in the early 1980s, when land values plunged in the wake of falling crop prices, combined with long-term borrowing at high rates."

Congress authorized the federal land banks in 1916 with federal money, and the rest of the Farm Credit System came along in 1933 with more government funds, said Joe Terrell of the Farm Credit.

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Cold, snow leave half nation shivering

By The Associated Press

An Arctic cold wave drove thousands of homeless to jammed shelters across the eastern half of the country, set low temperature records Wednesday and turned whirling bits of ice into a "pillar of light."

Even as fierce winds eased, a big snowstorm began moving in from the Plains, forcing the Oklahoma temperature to plummet and closing schools across a wide area. Oklahoma City's airport closed, and Dallas' two airports, soaked by freezing rain, reported many delays and cancellations.

Across the Midwest and Northeast, homeless shelters were filled to capacity and beyond, with hundreds sleeping on couches or air mattresses on the floor. Others took shelter in subways, bus and police stations and building lobbies.

"We can hold up to about 50, but it's one of those things where you can't, say no," said Skip Kelley of the Inner City Mission in Springfield, Ill., where the low was 5 degrees below zero.

"Twenty-four deaths were attributed to the weather in the past 24 hours."

Four deaths were attributed to exposure in Illinois; three in Texas, two in Michigan and one each in West Virginia, Indiana, Ohio, New Jersey and Washington, D.C. Two traffic deaths were attributed to the weather in Oklahoma, two in Louisiana, where freezing rain glazed roadways, and one each in Texas, Connecticut, Utah and Ohio.

One man was suffocated in Colorado by a propane heater, and a Texas Highway Department employee died when a truck's sand-spreader box fell on him.

Power companies reported record demand, and the bitter cold meant dead car batteries, stalled vehicles, cracked pipes, delayed school openings, power outages and frostbite.

Electric socks, insulated underwear and portable heaters sold like hotcakes, and zoo animals were kept inside.

"To my knowledge, there's not a (snow) shovel available in the state," said David Shumake, manager of the Horn-Seed Co. in Oklahoma City. "We have steel shovels, plastic, aluminum... anything that can move any volume of snow is gone."

The winter storm belted northern Arizona and New Mexico, Utah, Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Arkansas and northern Mississippi with wind and snow, and freezing rain paralyzed drivers to the south of the snow areas. The snow and ice was expected to push through to the Eastern third of the nation by Thursday.

Oklahoma Transportation Director Neal McCaleb called the snowfall there, which totaled a foot in some areas, the "third 20-year storm" in a month. In December, the state was hit by a major snowstorm and a crippling ice storm.

"This one promises probably to be bigger than the two previous storms combined, in terms of expense," he said, estimating emergency costs at more than \$2 million.

In Utah, snowfall of more than a foot snarled traffic Wednesday morning and delayed Utah Transit Authority buses by 60 minutes.

The weather service in South Bend, Ind., where the temperature hit 10 below overnight, reported an unusual phenomenon called a "luminous pillar" — a vertical column of light produced at night by light being bent, or refracted, as it passes through tiny ice crystals.

Record lows were set or tied in at least 11 cities Wednesday, including Chicago at minus 14 and Youngstown, Ohio at minus 2, but the severe weather didn't surprise National Weather Service forecasters, who said it would remain frigid for at least a few more days.

"We were pampered somewhat the last couple of years. Generally, the cold snaps weren't that severe and didn't last as long," said Byron Paulson in Minneapolis. The unpampered townspeople of Tower suffered the unofficial state low of minus 38 Wednesday.

Philadelphia's shelter service said it was placing 60 percent more people this year than last. In



Blanket-wrapped man tramps through deep snow covering Oklahoma City

Flow records show excess diversion

By JANE ROBISON Times-News writer

BOISE — Since 1984, Rim View Trout Company periodically has diverted more water at Niagara Springs than it has a licensed right to take, Rim View's records show.

Rim View, locked in a battle against area residents and the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation for more water at Niagara Springs, turned over its water flow records to the Department of Water Resources to comply with a DWR order.

At the Niagara Springs rehearing in December, Rim View asked for a protective order to prevent the flow measurements from becoming public. But Rim View withdrew that request, Christine Ely, DWR spokeswoman, said.

The Times-News obtained a copy of the flow measurements on Wednesday.

Bob Burks, a retired Wendell farmer fighting Hardy over his water applications at Niagara Springs, said Wednesday the records "prove what I've been saying all along."

"When a farmer takes more water than he has a license for, we call it stealing," Burks said, who is president of the Idaho Water Users Association and a Northside Canal Company board member.

"In his explanation to the DWR, Rim View owner Earl Hardy said the fluctuations of flow measurements prior to Dec. 20, 1985, occurred because of seasonal fluctuations and upstream use by irrigation pumps."

Hardy said the total water flow to Rim View Trout Farm was measured at 140.9 c.f.s. on Sept. 30, 1981. When that measurement was taken, Rim View employees secured the diversion gate wheels with chains and locks.

"The locks remained in place and the gates were not changed from Sept. 30, 1981 until Dec. 20, 1985," he said. "This accounts for the fluctuation of flow measurements prior to Dec. 20, 1985; above and below the 140.3 c.f.s. covered by Rim View Trout Company's licenses, which occurred from seasonal fluctuations and upstream use by irrigation pumps."

Rim View's flow measurements, taken twice a month, show Rim View regularly received more water than 140 c.f.s. One measurement showed Rim View took 152.3 c.f.s.

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Ads warn taxpayers to get serious soon

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The folks who created Smokey Bear and "Just Say No" delivered a new message Wednesday: "Scary things can happen unless you get serious real soon about your federal tax return."

Two television commercials with eerie music, bright lights and props that could fit into "Poltergeist" or "The Exorcist" were broadcast on TV Tuesday. The return tax is aimed to tackle the panic builds, the voice says, because you're leaving your taxes for the last minute.

But in less than 90 seconds, the taxpayer gets the right, does the right thing, and that scares off the tax collector.

The IRS is spending about \$1 million for production costs. But the ads were created free by the council and the McCann-Erickson advertising agency. "We urge taxpayers to take the message to heart and start now," IRS Commissioner Lawrence B. Gibbs told a news conference at which the campaign was unveiled Wednesday.

The ads are the latest attempt by the IRS to persuade 106 million couples and individuals to acquaint themselves with the new law, to inspect the tax packages that most already have received,

SIS opponents cite nuclear waste problems

The Associated Press

BOISE — There's no safe place to put radioactive waste from a proposed nuclear-weapon facility that might come to the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory, so work on the project should halt, an anti-nuclear group says.

Dan Reicher told a news conference here there is no need for the Special Isotope Separator, a facility which INEL hopes to land. And since there is no safe place to store waste if the project is built, it should be halted until those concerns can be answered.

"In view of the DOE's Department of Energy dismal track record at its weapons facilities, it is critical that outside experts review the need for and safety of SIS," Reicher said.

Peter Mygatt, information officer at the Idaho Operations Office of INEL at Idaho Falls, dismissed the allegations.

He said the amount of nuclear waste to be generated by SIS, under 8000 cubic feet per year is a "drop in the bucket" compared with amounts already stored at INEL.

He said about 1 million cubic feet of recoverable nuclear waste is stored at INEL.

The SIS facility isn't scheduled to go into production until at least 1994, so the problem of storage of its waste isn't immediate, Mygatt said.

Reicher is with the Natural Resources Defense Council. The council and the anti-nuclear Snake River Alliance sponsored a news conference to announce formation of a panel of scientists and arms control experts to review DOE's plans to construct SIS.

Within a couple of months, DOE plans to release its final environmental impact statement on construction of SIS. It would generate nuclear weapon material.

Reicher said his groups question the need for SIS in the first place.

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Teenagers tell of dreams, insecurities in book

The Associated Press

LOMBARD, Ill. (AP) — Thousands of teenagers speak bluntly on race, homosexuality and the conflict between the American dream and reality in a new book compiled by 60 of their peers.

"It was very eye-opening... I learned not to be judgmental and not to accept stereotypes," said Gina Nolan, a Northwestern University sophomore.

She was a senior at Glenbard East High School when students there began work in 1985 on "Voices-of-Conflict: Teen-agers Themselves."

The suburban Chicago students interviewed 4,000 people, mostly teen-agers, during visits to 26 cities. Excerpts from the interviews reveal the conflicts, insecurities, dreams and bitterness of Americans on the edge of adulthood.

The project "shocked me out of my suburban complacency," said Dave Seng, an editor of the book who is attending Loyola University.

"The American Dream Propaganda. The two are related," said Jennifer, 14, of Flemington, N.J., identified only by her first name like many teens in the book.

"American children see America as the best place to live. They don't realize that America is one of the hardest countries to live in... I see America as a struggle... something to hurry up and get over with," she said.

The Illinois students, all on the staff of the school newspaper, Kelly, financed their travels with small grants and with proceeds from an earlier volume published in 1984.

"We began to see after the first book that there was more we needed to deal with," said Howard Spangola, an English teacher and the project advisor.

A third volume, "Voices of Hope," is planned, he said.

The delegation was well received, Spangola said. "The students would

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The discrepancies between Rim View's measurements and measurements taken by the U.S. Geological Survey at Rim-View's diversion.

For example, on March 13, 1984, USGS measured 160 cfs at Rim View's diversion. On the same date, Rim View's records show 144.8 cfs.

But on another occasion, USGS measured 82.2 cfs, while Rim View's records show 132.4 cfs.

USGS measurements at Hardy's diversion at Niagara Springs date back to 1972.

But Rim View's records turned over to DWR only go back to Feb. 22, 1983.

Rim View said it took flow measurements between Sept. 20, 1984, and Feb. 22, 1983, but it was unable to locate the records.

Rim View's attorney, state Sen. Bill Ringert, R-Boise, said the commercial trout hatchery has installed new control devices, and "you won't see that type of diversion in the future."

Asked if Rim View could legally claim water to which it had no claim, Ringert said there was some question.

"The Legislature firmed up that point (illegal diversion) last year, but before that, I'm not so sure," he said.

But Lynne Krogh-Hampes, deputy attorney general with DWR, said after 1983, it is "illegal to divert water without coming to the department first, to obtain a permit or license."

"Unfortunately, until last year, we had no mechanism to enforce that," she said.

Last year a law gave the DWR authority to issue injunctions prohibiting unauthorized diversions.

Krogh-Hampes said DWR has no immediate plans to sue Hardy, but "we've just recently acquired the records."

In a related development, the Times-News also obtained a copy of a March 1987 agreement between Rim View Trout Company and Idaho Power signed by Ringert as

assistant secretary of the Rim View Trout Company.

Ringert said Wednesday he is not on Rim View's board of directors and he does not own any interest in any of Hardy's trout companies.

"I signed the limited purpose agreement, but the limited purpose was signing that the fact that he was president of the company," Ringert said. "I don't own any interest in that company."

Ringert sought heat from Hogman, Valley residents who were representing Hardy and also serving on the Senate Resources Committee.

Residents have charged a conflict of interest, but Ringert denied any conflict.

Ex-officer waives hearing

TWIN FALLS—A former Twin Falls police officer has waived his right to a preliminary hearing on rape charges.

Morgan Linderman, 23, waived his preliminary hearing last week. Preliminary hearings, used in only a few cases, are held before a magistrate judge to determine if evidence is sufficient to justify a trial in district court.

Linderman is represented by attorney J. Dee May.

Linderman was charged with rape Dec. 7. Court documents allege Linderman had sexual relations with a female under the age of 18 several times during the period between Sept. 12, 1986, and July 1, 1987.

The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare conducted an initial investigation, which occurred outside Twin Falls County. The girl is no longer living in Twin Falls County.

Health and Welfare contacted Twin Falls County Prosecutor K. Ellen Baxter and the local Health and Welfare office.

Locally, the criminal investigation was conducted by Buhl Police Chief Les Cochran.

Linderman contacted Police Commander Gary Cordex Oct. 1 to say criminal charges may be filed against him.

He was suspended from active duty Dec. 1, and voluntarily resigned Dec. 3.

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think us to giving them a chance to talk."

Here are some excerpts from the book.

On race:

"If we had more black people in my school, the relations would be better." said Stacy Dool, 14, of Dubuque, Iowa.

"I resent blacks because I see a lot of them driving Mercedes down the road, and I am jealous of them," said Tari of Decatur, Ga.

On homosexuality:

"I have a friend who has a preference for males... I don't advise him. I let him be free, which is how I feel - free," said Kelly Brown, 16, of North Little Rock, Ark.

"I have met two gay guys... I saw and talked with both of them," said Jessie Wood Lucas, 18, of Trenton, Ky. "Don't you ever go around them again. You can get AIDS," was my dad's first response about them.

"I kept my distance from them about a week, then finally realized they were my friends."

Bailout - Protest

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the system's private trade.

The system continued to rely on federal backing through the Depression and for some time afterward, Terrell said. The last of the federal "seed money" was paid off in 1968, he said.

The Senate sent the legislation to Reagan on an 85-2 vote Dec. 19.

Reagan used the bill-signing ceremony to criticize some provisions that he said encourage continued reliance by farmers on federal aid and are too expensive.

"Unfortunately, the Congress declined to require the system to provide as much self-help as we believe was appropriate, and created new and potentially expensive federal support mechanisms for agricultural markets for private-sector agricultural loans," he said.

"Of principal concern is the additional forbearance provided by the producers that have been substantially delinquent on loans issued directly by the Farmers Home Administration of the United States Department of Agriculture."

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He said recent disarmament agreements will greatly reduce the need for nuclear warheads, and that the United States already has far more than it needs.

Reicher said it was recently discovered that there are serious problems with the Department of Energy's Waste Isolation Pilot Plant, WIPP, in New Mexico.

WIPP has been planned as the repository for nuclear waste from INEL and other points in underground salt caverns.

Reicher said it was discovered that water is leaking into the caverns, which could make WIPP unusable.

He called it a "serious and potentially unresolvable problem" although he passed out copies of a New York Times article which said

government engineers say the problem is not nearly so serious and that it can be fixed.

If WIPP can't be used for nuclear waste storage, Reicher said, that could mean there will be no place to put waste from INEL.

"It may be left in Idaho, permanently," he said.

Mygatt disputed the seriousness of the problem at WIPP.

Reicher said anti-nuclear groups already have serious concerns about the need for SIS, and the fact there might be no good place to store its radioactive waste "is an additional source of concern."

Reicher said SIS "is not a 'done deal' that can't be changed."

He said it will take a decade of approval from Congress to provide funding, and each session will provide an additional opportunity for opposition.

Today's weather

Unsettled conditions to hang on

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding:

Today, areas of fog and low clouds will lighten clearing. Light snow flurries. Light winds. Highs upper 20s to low 30s. Tonight and Friday, areas of night and morning fog and low clouds. Otherwise increasing clouds late tonight with a chance of snow late tonight and Friday. Lows upper teens to mid-teens. Highs in the 20s to low 30s.

Camas Prairie and Wood River Valley:

Today, areas of valley low clouds and partly clearing in the afternoon. Light winds. Highs mid-20s to low 30s. Tonight and Friday, light fog and low clouds with increasing clouds late tonight with a chance of snow late tonight and Friday. Lows upper teens to mid-teens. Highs in the 20s to low 30s.

Northern Utah and Nevada:

Utah - Partly clearing with a few snow flurries today. Increasing clouds again tonight leading to scattered snow mainly mountains and west on Friday. Lows 15-20. Highs upper 20s and mid-30s.

Nevada - Decreasing snow west and scattered snow east Friday. Overnight lows zero to 15 northeast and 15 to 20 elsewhere. Highs in the 30s and low 40s.

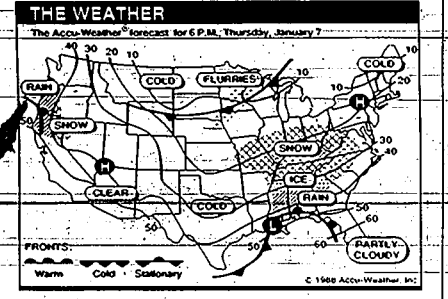
Summary:

At mid-afternoon Wednesday light snow was falling in the Magic Valley and eastward as well as along the Montana border. Winds were in the 10 to 15 mph range in the south while in the north the winds were mostly light. Temperatures were mostly in the upper 20s and low 30s.

The warmest temperature in the state Wednesday was 38 degrees at Emmet while the coldest reported the coldest at 6 degrees below zero.

The extended outlook for southern Idaho, Saturday through Monday, shows periods of mountain rain or snow lower valleys through the period. Highs 30s Saturday, warming to between 35 and 45 on Sunday and Monday. Lows teens and 20s at first warming to the mid-20s to lower 30s by Monday.

Elsewhere in the nation Wednesday, the highest temperature was 76 degrees at Fort



Myers, Fla. and the lowest was 37 degrees below zero at Huron, S.D.

Idaho road report

BOISE (AP) - Road conditions late Wednesday, reported by the Idaho Department of Transportation:

U.S. 25 - Rigdon-Whitebird Hill, dry; wet; Granville-Winchelst, wet, icy spots; Winchester-Lewiston, icy spots; Weiser-New Meadows, dry, icy spots; Marsing-Orion-Lincoln, icy spots; broken snow floor.

Interstate 84 - Caldwell area, dry; Boise area, dry; icy spots; Boise-Glenns Ferry, dry; Bliss-Twin Falls, dry; Twin Falls-Burley, dry; wet; Burley-Idaho line, wet, icy spots; snow floor broken snow floor.

Idaho 55 - Horseshoe Bend-Donnelly, broken snow floor; Donnelly-New Meadows, icy spots.

Idaho 21 - Boise-Idaho City, icy spots; Idaho Falls-Lewiston, icy spots; broken snow floor; Grandeur Junction-Stanley, broken snow floor.

City	High	Low	City	High	Low
Albion	27	10	Boise	38	20
Arden	30	15	Boise	38	20
Atlanta	21	24	Boise	38	20
Boston	20	14	Boise	38	20
Chicago	20	14	Boise	38	20
Denver	13	0	Boise	38	20
Detroit	13	0	Boise	38	20
Fort Worth	20	10	Boise	38	20
Houston	20	10	Boise	38	20
Los Angeles	12	0	Boise	38	20
Memphis	12	0	Boise	38	20
Minneapolis	12	0	Boise	38	20
Phoenix	12	0	Boise	38	20
Portland	12	0	Boise	38	20
San Francisco	12	0	Boise	38	20
Seattle	12	0	Boise	38	20
Washington	12	0	Boise	38	20

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Unlike most banks, the Farm Credit System has no depositors, but instead borrows money in credit markets to lend to farmers, ranchers and an assortment of other agricultural concerns.

The bill authorizes a temporary assistance corporation to sell \$4 billion in Treasury bonds. The government will pay interest for five years after which the payments will be shared with the system for five years. The system will pay the remaining interest.

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Deficits could stifle Idaho's recovery

BOISE (AP) — The future of the economic recovery Idaho began last year hinges with the federal government and its actions in red ink on both the domestic and international fronts.

stronger than it has been." — A change in policy to avert a recession, which analysts say would probably choke off the state's brief economic recovery, would likely be left to the next president and Congress after the November election, Matthews said. "And the question is whether the financial markets will let that go long."

On Tuesday, Idaho Mining Association Director Jack Peterson told the committee that because of the uncertainty since the stock market crash and the persisting deficit problems, the nation and the state would be dragged into a recession late this year and early in 1989. Most other analysts have predicted continued but only modest growth into 1989.

Earlier Wednesday, Idaho Power analyst John Church said he expected growth to continue in 1988 at an even better rate than last year, and he cited a "mutual economic forecast that foresees no recession through 1989."

The committee is assessing the forecasts of various government and industry experts to develop a projection of the revenues the state

can expect from the current tax structure during the budget year that begins in July. That figure will guide lawmakers in the formulation of a new state budget and any tax increases to be considered.

Matthews said that despite the concerns about fallout from the Oct. 19 stock market crash, there appeared to be little impact in Idaho.

"I think that most Idaho consumers will view that as an indication that they just ought to be a little more careful, pay down their debt and save a little," he said. "I don't think it had the dramatic effect that might have initially been feared."

Matthews was also somewhat less optimistic about the state's job picture than Employment Department analyst Jim Day. Day told the committee he expected employment to grow by over 1.3 percent in 1988, but Matthews indicated he believed growth would run closer to 1.2 percent.

Church, arguing that some of the factors which will slow down the national economy could boost Idaho's fortunes, predicted nonagricultural jobs would grow 2.8 percent next year.

In large part, Church credited his forecast to the renewed optimism about the state's economy.

"This optimistic attitude will aid in the economic growth of the state as much as any outside factor and will stimulate vital internal growth of existing firms," he said.

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Farm hotline gets new lease on life

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Family Farm Hotline, set to go on hiatus in January, has once more been pulled back from the brink of extinction.

The Idaho Office on Aging has contributed \$1,600, which it hopes will keep the hotline in operation into March.

Operations Manager Jon Sandoval said the office also has applied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for \$150,000 to fund an 18-month project that would use the hotline to help older farmers stay on their farms or ease their transition to a different lifestyle.

The departments must find some more money to keep the hotline alive from March to July, between

the end of the Office on Aging money when the federal grant money picks up.

The farm hotline was established in 1985 in response to the withering financial crisis that hit Idaho agriculture. It has run out of funds several times, only to be kept alive by donations.

Agriculture Department Director Dick Rush has said he would not ask the Legislature to fund the program after being turned down the last two years.

Rick Phillips, Rush's assistant, said the role of the hotline has changed in the last year.

The number of financial calls has been reduced. Rush's assistant Rick Phillips said, "I don't know why. I haven't seen any improve-

ment in the financial situation."

Phillips speculated that publicity about the farm crisis has made lenders and attorneys more aware of the problems and more willing to try innovative solutions.

At any rate, he said, the callers lately have asked for more basic agriculture information, such as about the water supply. There also have been several calls from older farmers with questions about what resources are available to them, the reason for Sandoval's interest.

The Office on Aging can provide assistance with such services as peer support groups, mental health, job training, nutrition, transportation and legal services.

Report clears police of wrongdoing

POCATELLO (AP) — An investigation by the state Department of Corrections cleared the Pocatello police of any wrongdoing in the Dec. 8 fatal shooting of a 32-year-old man.

Local authorities had asked for the investigation into the death of Kelly Mourtson, Pocatello. He died at his parents' home in a standoff with police, who were summoned over a family dispute.

A summary of the report, released Wednesday by Prosecuting Attorney Lundy EchoHawk, said there was "no violation of department policy or Idaho Code." EchoHawk declined to release the entire report, citing confidentiality and privacy issues.

"I have reviewed the lengthy report and I find there was no criminal wrongdoing by officers," the prosecutor said. "I've confirmed

that this unfortunate killing was justified and my office will not be filing any criminal charges."

Bannock County Chief Deputy Coroner Don Snook said there would be no coroner's inquest.

Findings confirmed that Mourtson was shot twice in the chest by police. The fatal wound, according to autopsy findings, was to the left side of the chest.

The fatal confrontation between Mourtson and police began following a Dec. 6 family dispute involving Mourtson and his father, Peter Mourtson, who shot a flashlight of a responding officer's hand, barricaded himself in the basement of the house for more than 50 hours and exchanged gunfire with police sharpshooters, who surrounded the house.

Efforts by a police negotiating team, Mourtson's family and a psy-

chiatrist failed to convince him to give up without a fight.

Six officers were fired upon by Mourtson, who was found dead clutching a handgun. There were two other weapons nearby.

Investigators concluded that police fired 95 rounds of ammunition and used 18 types of tear gas and two stun grenades during the long standoff.

The tear gas was lobbed into the house several times in an unsuccessful attempt to force Mourtson out of the house. The pungent gas failed, however, to have any effect on the man.

Mourtson's resistance to the gas has continued to puzzle medical authorities, Snook said. He said autopsy findings showed no visible signs of any effect on Mourtson's lungs as a result of the gas.

Skoro joins Corrections

BOISE (AP) — The veteran chairman of the Idaho Commission on Pardons and Parole has resigned to take a full-time job in the Department of Corrections.

Commission officials announced Wednesday that Tony Skoro will serve as a special assistant to the Corrections Board.

Skoro, a former federal marshal from Gem County, had served on the Pardons and Parole Commission for five years. He guided the panel through a period of debate with state lawmakers over parole policies during a time when the public was calling for stiffer prison sentences and a federal judge had slapped a cap on the state prison population.

State officials will begin interviews Jan. 15 to find a successor for Skoro.

Company supports education spending

BOISE (AP) — The general manager of Idaho's largest employer has called on state lawmakers to stick with the pledge they made last year for significant spending increases in education.

"I can't speak for corporate Idaho," Hewlett-Packard Boise Division General Manager Doug Carnahan said Wednesday.

"But Hewlett-Packard will support an increased investment in education, and if it takes more tax dollars to do that we will support that," Carnahan said.

Appearing before the Legislature's joint Revenue Projection Committee, Carnahan said his company was not pressuring for dramatic increases in overall state spending, but he said the budget should be tightened in all areas and then a priority spending list developed with education at the top.

"What we're looking for is an incentive to invest in the future," he told the committee. "Raise the

tax rates to us. That's okay. We're not trying to make a profit off any incentives."

Carnahan's comments came as the committee continued assessing the economic fortunes of the state and the prospects for tax receipts to underwrite a new state budget for the fiscal year that begins in July.

The committee will not make a recommendation on an expected revenue total until later this month. But it has become increasingly apparent that tax receipts will fall \$20 million or more short of the amount needed to sustain future state operations at their current level and continue the program of increasing state support for education begun last winter.

"They will have to come up with some more money," Carnahan said, even though Republican legislative leaders have insisted their plan is to "hold the line" on both taxes and spending this year.

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Opinion

Barley commission would be invaluable to Idaho growers

With the disappearance of local cattle feeding operations, the marketing of barley has changed especially here in Southern Idaho. Areas that consumed more barley than was grown locally suddenly became exporters of barley. The feed yard that sold for 20 plus years no longer exists. We did have an influx of dairies which helped soften the impact of the closing feeding operations. I sold 1985 and 1986 crops to a dairy. But then came the dairy herd buyout program. The dairy we sold to no longer exists. We still have our 1987 crop in barley.

Barley is too important of a crop in Idaho to be left to chance. Idaho barley production for the period of 1984-1986 averaged over 76 million bushels per year. The value of the 1984 Idaho crop was \$216,078,000. Idaho ranks consistently 2nd or 3rd in the nation in barley production. North Dakota is first, and we vie with Montana for second or third.

The 1988 National Barley Growers Association's Annual meeting and Exhibition and the Red River Days will be held January 13 and 14 in Grant, N.D. All of the major barley growing states are being represented except Idaho. Idaho should be represented.

Don Suchan

I heard Steven Naught from the State of Washington Commission comment about going to Washington D.C. and finding the gentleman that was in charge of writing barley policy and programs for the USDA. It was the first time he had a barley grower talk to him since he had been there which was 20 years. We need more and better representation.

Idaho can grow malting barley that can be developed. If Idaho is to get into this market we must have a vehicle with which to compete with Washington, Montana, North Dakota, and other states which do have barley commissions.

Idaho can grow malting barley which has helped but we still need a viable feed market so everyone is not competing for the same acre. A common need for both malting and feed barley is research.

Feed lot operations would benefit from research such as variety evaluation through feeding trials. Washington is in the second year of a three year study of this type. They are already realizing benefits from this study.

In a letter from Great Western Malting Co. is the following statement. "Great Western in conjunction with others in our industry, spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on research in developing an agronomically and analytically superior barley variety. This research is not always targeted at the state of Idaho but is adapted to all areas of malting barley production across the northern tier of the U.S. At this very moment you can be sure that research is also being done in Canada, Australia and in Western Europe aimed at improving the agronomic and analytical performance of barley in those areas. If we are to maintain a competitive position not only in the U.S. but specifically in Idaho, research dollars must be spent of developing new, competitive cereal grains."

The malting industry has worked very close with USDA's Agricultural Research Service (ARS) scientist here in Idaho with variety development and disease control. USDA-ARS which currently conducts much of the barley variety development and testing in Idaho, is reducing emphasis on variety development and placing more emphasis on acquisition, evaluation and enhancement of germ plasm. The present program of cultivar development specifically for

Idaho needs to be continued either with state aid or by the growers to keep Idaho competitive with other barley growing areas. We are being out spent; North Dakota invested \$800,000 in 1983. In 1986 Idaho spent \$200,000 with \$114,000 that coming from ARS.

It is imperative that we invest in not only variety development, but also in disease control such as Barley Yellow Dwarf, Kernel Blights, Russian Wheat Aphid and other diseases. In the case of Barley Yellow Dwarf for each one percent of infestation it results in one percent loss in yield.

In a discussion with Mr. Barry Treat of Adolph Coors Co., Golden, Colorado, we talked about the research needs of barley growers from their perspective. Mr. Treat commented the need for pathogen research here in Idaho needs to be expanded in terms of dollars spent and personnel involved. Coors doesn't have the capability of doing all of the research that needs to be done.

For some reason, the pathological problems are greater in Idaho than other areas that grow barley for Coors Co. This may be due to climatic and/or cultural practice, soil types, etc. Research is needed to find controls that are economically feasible. Research work is slow. Mr. Treat said, "I am

just now in the final testing of varieties for release that he started nine years ago. They rely heavily on Idaho ARS program. I asked Mr. Treat about the effects of the Russian Wheat Aphid in Colorado and he gave the figures that Colorado State University Extension Service had put together on the impact on the Colorado wheat crop. In 1986 it totaled \$13 million. In 1987 is estimated at \$20.5 to \$27.1 million. One million to 1.2 million acres were treated at a cost of \$8 per acre spread applied. Some growers had a 100 percent loss with no treatment. This same aphid affects barley as well as wheat.

Mr. Treat felt that combined efforts in research would be money well spent.

A Barley Commission, made up of barley growers nominated by barley growers and appointed by the governor that is funded by a barley check-off of five cents a hundred weight or 40 cents a ton could address these and other areas.

Please remember that our commodity commissioners are producers like the rest of us and that they are working to improve all agriculture. A yes vote will mean positive future for the barley industry in Idaho.

Don Suchan farms near Paul, Idaho.

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Vets don't require a place in Cabinet

WASHINGTON — As a former Cabinet member, I vigorously disagree with Thomas K. Turnage's rationale for elevating the Veterans Administration to Cabinet level.

Things sure look different from the inside. When one sits in Cabinet meetings as I have, discussing governmental issues with all departments and the president present, one can truly appreciate the importance of that body as a policy-making tool. But I can also appreciate how its effectiveness is diluted when there is too much discussing and too little deciding.

When the Reagan team took office, the emphasis was on the Cabinet Council system. Its purpose was to go through various policy options and come up with key recommendations for the president to consider. The Cabinet Council becomes more than a forum. It is one of the president's principal ways to focus his thoughts.

My chief concern with the proposal of a Department of Veterans Affairs is that it will reduce the Cabinet's effectiveness. Too many advocates in the Cabinet Room advising the president confuse the issues and are counterproductive. The confusion of the Cabinet is not what we need. It will ultimately force the president to rely more and more on White House staff in private meetings and less and less in his Cabinet in its meetings.

The Cabinet, through sheer size, can be self-defeating. It slows procedures down. In fact, case can be made that there are too many secretaries sitting around the Cabinet Room as it is.

President Carter created the Department of Veterans Affairs as a political constituency. Now we have an effort to recognize veterans with their own department. Turnage tries to make the case that veterans' voices should be heard at the highest level of government.

John R. Block

I disagree with his basic assumption that veterans are not heard now. First, almost without exception; Cabinets are dominated by veterans themselves. As a result, these Cabinet members are sensitized through their own experiences.

I am a West Point graduate, served as an airborne ranger and am a member of the American Legion. As such, I believe in a strong military and support all veterans' organizations. My background is similar to others in the Cabinet. I've been in countless Cabinet meetings, and never once did I get the impression that veterans were being given the short end of the stick. Veterans always got their due.

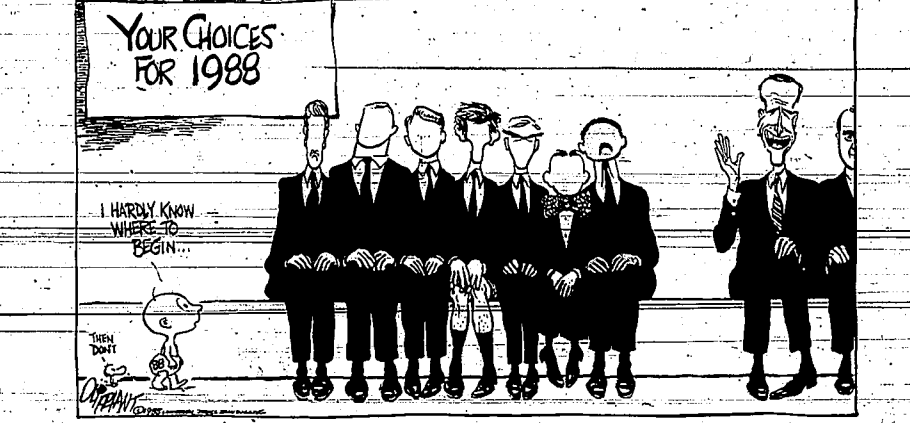
Second, the VA was set up to meet veterans' needs. Any personal animosities attributable to factors other than an inability to get the president's ear at a Cabinet meeting.

Yes, the Veterans Administration does a great number of things in health, housing and education. But it is not the best place for creating a new department? By that rationale, we'd create a Department of Aging to pull together all the government programs for the elderly. And why not a Rural Development Department?

Organizational consolidation for its own sake is not sufficient justification for another Cabinet office. Veterans have certainly "earned every benefit they receive," but that's not a valid rationale either.

Veterans do have a voice as individuals in the Cabinet and as an institutional voice in the VA. We veterans do not need a Cabinet department to look after our interests.

John R. Block was secretary of Agriculture from 1981 through 1986.



Fleet vulnerable to fiscal irresponsibility

SAN DIEGO — A day after docking, the aircraft carrier Ranger seems enveloped in a veil of calm, this in contrast with the violent ballet of operations at sea.

With three-quarters of the crew of 4,500 ashore after five and one-half months away, the quiet conduces to thinking about the darkening future of U.S. defense. The Navy will be increasingly important but increasingly vulnerable to the cold fiscal climate that is one of the few certainties about the 1990s.

The first sailors to step on the dock were the 83 fathers whose children were born while the Ranger was on station near the Persian Gulf. Viewed from dockside, a carrier looms large — and with it the responsibility of the Navy and the Constitution are just in the sight — impressive. But it is less so when you consider how much of the nation's weight must be leveraged by only 15 carriers.

Of course carriers have limitations on their abilities to project power. In some situations, a significant portion of their aircraft are needed to protect the fleet. Furthermore, carriers would be vulnerable in a war with the Soviet Union. But since 1945, U.S. forces have been involved only in lesser threat environments. An increasingly important virtue of carriers is their freedom from the sort of dependence on foreign governments that comes with overseas bases.

Often the best way to deliver munitions from the air is from planes using ground bases. But carriers can move around, look menacing and linger. Besides, we do not have bases everywhere we might need them, and we soon may have fewer, even if the decline of the dollar does not cause Congress to trim overseas-based forces.

Because the future of the Philippines is



George Will

clouded, so is the future of Subic Bay, the Navy facility serving ships operating all the way to the Persian Gulf. The domestic politics of Greece and Spain pose a threat to bases. Congress panders to Greek-Americans by being rude to Turkey, thereby jeopardizing other facilities. And the worse things get, the worse they get. As more bases become vulnerable, some host countries raise the rents in the form of ex-torted U.S. aid.

Movement toward a world with fewer and then still fewer nuclear weapons — movement spurred by Reagan's reckless rhetoric stimulating nuclear weapons — makes conventional forces increasingly important. But they are expensive, and defense budgets are becoming increasingly vulnerable.

In his memoir, David Stockman wrote about using the deficit to make fiscal messes the meter of political invention. To force the politicians to turn against their own handiwork — the bloated budget of the American welfare state. Oh? In Reagan's eighth year, the welfare state is virtually unscathed. The target has become Reagan's handiwork, the defense budget.

The Reagan buildup is over. It lasted five years and was well worth the price. But in the subsequent two years, defense spending was almost flat. In the eighth year, defense spending will decline.

No Reagan accomplishment is more important than the enhancement of the military in

terms of morale as well as material. And the Navy has been the biggest winner among the services. However, naval officers, like most military officers, stress that high morale is a function of feeling necessary — of being used, as the Ranger has been in conjunction with the re-flagging operation.

Budget constraints produce a cheese-paring mentality and nickel-and-dime economizing that inflicts a death-of-a-thousand-cuts on morale. For example, Navy aviators can make more money and spend much more time at home by flying in the friendly skies of commercial aviation. And operating out of America's air ports is much more relaxing than being hurled off a runway into the North Pacific ocean. Those fliers who stay in the Navy do so because they like flying. They will be demoralized by cut-in-flying time.

A carrier — a compressed city — is a complex organism, as are the armed services collectively. Their health can be jeopardized in small, subtle ways. Carriers like the Ranger exemplify the complexity and necessity of the services.

The Ranger is the eighth Navy vessel to bear that name. The first, commissioned in 1777, was captained by John Paul Jones. On Valentine's Day, 1778, he received a formal salute from the French flotilla. That was the first official acknowledgment by another nation of the American flag, and hence the new government.

Today, 210 years later, the eighth Ranger is part of a fleet that is increasingly important to the government's responsibilities, but is increasingly vulnerable because of the government's fiscal irresponsibility.

George Will writes for Newsweek.

Letters/ Cancer clinic should be built, staffed in Boise

Patient expresses opinion

A cancer clinic in Twin Falls is great, but as a cancer patient I plead, if the patient is important, then let Boise build and staff the clinic.

When I first became ill it was discovered I had cancer, the specialist I saw at the time told me I would go to Salt Lake, but I was already familiar with MSTI in Boise and said I would go there and did. Once there, at our first tests I was told I could not be cured but they could prolong my life for 3-5 years. That was nine years ago.

While I go in and out of remission and the cancer treatment isn't very pleasant, I am still here to see my kids and my grandchildren. For them I tolerate the treatment.

I was fortunate enough to have a Twin Falls doctor that I have complete faith in and Boise doctors that I feel the same about.

The same doctors have been at MSTI for nine years that I know of and I would guess they have seen about everything at that clinic. They have the vast experience. That's important.

My first year of illness was a nightmare because of what took place here in Twin Falls at MVRMC. One mistake after another. I could live five in my case alone that first year. That was nine years ago and some improvements have been made.

We must take into consideration the cost of building a clinic from scratch as opposed to one being built with an already established hospital, being MSTI. MSTI would staff a Twin Falls clinic with people from MSTI and some nurses from Twin Falls who would go to Boise for training. This was all explained to me by assistant administrator Mr. Gunderson from Boise. MSTI is all for the patient. Please consider the cost and how and where the money will come from if it is a priority a Twin Falls project or if Boise builds it as a satellite of MSTI.

If the patient is most important, then please let Boise come in.

JERRY BERLIN
Twin Falls

Comparison to shell game

Remember the carnival shell game? For a

small wager one tried to guess under which nutshell the pea was hidden.

This is a quizzical anecdote pertaining to another version of the shell game with water substituted for the pea.

There are several dams, located along a river, impounding water to generate electrical energy. There are upper-middle and lower dams designated as ABC structures. C-structures are the greater producers of wattage.

A positive and negative watt is produced at B-structure to induce the proper amount of static. The negative and positive watts collide, activating the joules. The inductive joule motion creates short circuits that emit deceptive sparks. A quantity of H2O — (KOT) is necessary to cool the overheated joules.

The amount of H2O at A-structure will be diminished. An increased minimum flow of H2O will be maintained at structure B.

After carefully reading this "bit-of-wat," can you determine watt watt's watt?

JOE SHEPPARD
Twin Falls

A question for the utilities

As a rural resident, I read with interest of our power and phone companies intent to change my mailing address. I recognize the benefit of more accurate addressing for emergency response purposes and I appreciate our utilities offer to share that information with our local post office. I question, however, how far our utilities offer to reimburse costs will really go? Will the utilities be reimbursing we rural residents for our costs of contacting each and every person or

company sending mail to us, advising our new addresses? Will the utilities be providing change-of-address cards, stamps, reimbursement for our time? And what about the future hidden costs of letters or packages "returned to sender" because our old addresses expired? We didn't ask for this change. I don't feel the utilities should require we rural residents to pay for it. How about a credit on every rural utility bill? What about it utilities.

JOHN JENSEN
Twin Falls

Letters welcome

The Times-News welcomes letters to the editor but will reject those it considers libelous or in bad taste. Each letter must be signed and should include the writer's mailing address. Letters of more than 400 words may be edited for length.

Defense debates priorities

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pentagon leaders trying to sort out budget priorities for next year have decided to continue building Trident missile submarines—but to reduce the Army's active-duty strength, officials said Wednesday.

Defense Secretary Frank C. Carlucci and his deputy William H. Taft IV are also leaning toward reducing the active-duty Air Force strength, said the officials who

asked not to be identified.

The future of other major weapon programs—however—particularly those in the Air Force, have yet to be decided, the sources said.

Carlucci, now touring the Persian Gulf, will have to decide the fate of weapons such as the mobile Midgetman missile and ASAT satellite-killing rockets when he returns next week, the officials said.

"There's still a long way to go and

a lot of issues to decide," said one official involved in the budget deliberations.

The Defense Department has known since the end of November how much money it would receive in fiscal 1989—which begins next Oct. 1—because congressional and

White House negotiators addressed the matter in fashioning a deficit-reduction package.

Before the compromise was negotiated, the Pentagon had sought a fiscal 1989 budget of \$332.1 billion.

The deficit-reduction package, however, sets a ceiling of

\$299.6 billion.

Thus, Carlucci and Taft want the armed services to propose budget cuts of \$32.9 billion.

According to the Pentagon, the services suggested cuts to meet the target.

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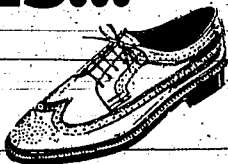
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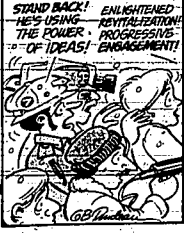
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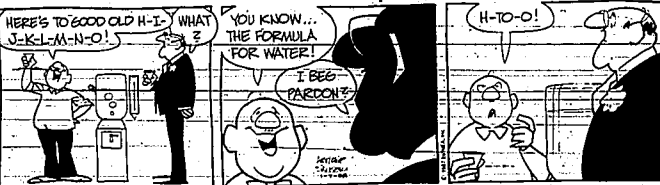
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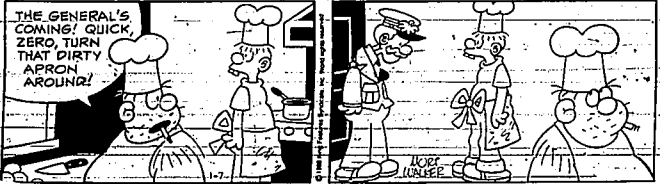
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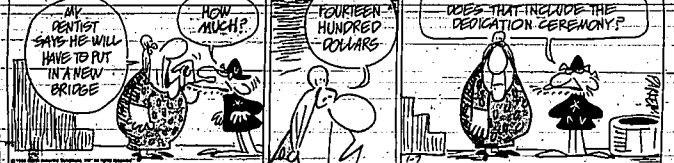
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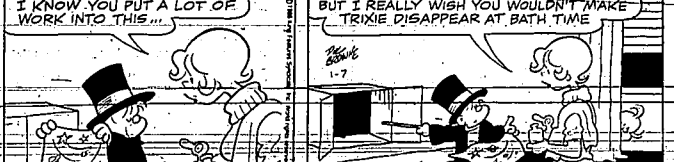
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L.M. Boyd
What's what

WORD PAIRS

Lot-of-words show up only with companion words. You never see "spic" without "span"; for example. Or "shrift" without "short." Or "akimbo" without "arms." Any other?

Women with "high IQs" are inclined to be sexier than women of average intelligence. Or so concludes a Syracuse clinical psychologist.

Daily Horoscope

GENERAL TENDENCIES: You can make some very positive advances early today, but later on a costly argument could develop, unless you're careful to prevent it. This evening will be a fine time for socializing or romance.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19): Be on the lookout for some wonderful career opportunities. Don't get into any arguments over finances, or you'll regret it later.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20): You'll be able to recognize future developments with unusual clarity today, so take advantage of this

they? A. Fifty, give or take a few. About the size of goose eggs. Those eggs

SOME PUBLICATION
Client asks, What's the world's largest publication? That would be the collected British Parliamentary Papers of the 19th Century. The whole shebang weighs 3.64 tons.

If a compulsive drinker is an alcoholic, a compulsive worker shouldn't be a workaholic, but just a workic, says our Language man. But "workic" doesn't sing.

Saint Patrick was also credited with having driven the ants out of Puerto Rico.

EGGS
As for cancer, the risk of dying of it today is no different than it was 60 years ago.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22): Be sure you don't make any financial commitments—that you really can't handle. Let your friends know just what it is that you want.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21): You can get some great ideas from acquaintances today. Find a way to get rid of that inner anger you've been feeling, and progress quickly.

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Crisis eases; spill moves into Ohio

PITTSBURGH (AP)—Western Pennsylvania's water crisis eased Wednesday after emergency supplies were hooked up and a million-gallon oil spill moved downstream into Ohio, where the governor said more than a million people could be affected.

Ohio Gov. Richard Celeste declared a state of emergency for communities preparing to close water intake pipes or step up purification processes.

Partial water service was expected Wednesday afternoon in Pittsburgh, a suburb where it was cut off to about 15,000 people Monday afternoon.

Meanwhile, the federal Bureau of Standards entered the investigation into Saturday's spill, which occurred when an Ashland Oil Co. tank collapsed along the Monongahela River south of Pittsburgh.

What was left there may be a tank that cracked and moved off its foundation by 100 feet. It is cracked. It is collapsed. It is crumpled," said Richard Wright of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Center for Building Technology.

Emergency crews nipped by near-zero temperatures Wednesday vacuumed oil from the Monongahela River and upper Ohio River, formed by the Monongahela and Allegheny at Pittsburgh. The cleanup was expected to take weeks.

In Ohio, Celeste said the pollution "will affect several hundred thousand people initially in com-

munities along the Pennsylvania border, but if the oil slick moves downriver toward Cincinnati, we could see as many as a million-plus people... have their drinking water affected."

The trouble was spreading downstream with a surface slick estimated by the Ohio River Sanitation Commission to be 28 miles long. Commission spokeswoman Jeanne Ison said the slick, which is breaking up, is accompanied by submerged, emulsified oil running at least 16 feet deep.

The oil was expected to reach Wheeling, W.Va., 87 miles downstream from Pittsburgh, early Thursday. City employees rigged two pipelines across the Ohio River to keep the water flowing to 42,000 residents.

Toronto, Ohio, a town of about 7,000, was forced to close its intake Wednesday, said Richard Shank, director of the city's water utility. Liverpool was able to turn its pumps back on.

Bob Conkle, East Liverpool's water superintendent, said the treated water would be good to drink or wash your clothes with, or we wouldn't put it in the line," he said.

Near Pittsburgh, water was to begin flowing to low-lying neighborhoods first, with conditions expected to be almost normal by the weekend.

The news tantalized residents with thoughts of normality.

Former policemen among 9 charged

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Nine men were indicted Wednesday in the 1985 torture-slaying of a U.S. drug agent, including a reputed Mexican drug lord and the former Mexican police official who headed the investigation of the agent's death.

U.S. officials who announced the indictments accused their Mexican counterparts of failing to cooperate in the investigation of the death of U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration agent Enrique Camarena Salazar, a case that has strained relations between the countries.

U.S. Attorney Robert Bonner pledged to bring those responsible for the slaying of Camarena and a Mexican pilot who flew missions for the DEA to justice in this country if they aren't prosecuted in Mexico.

The United States government will not let the murder of an agent by a terrorist organization go unavenged," Bonner said. Defendant Rafael Caro Quintero, reputed head of one of

Mexico's five biggest drug families, and three of the others charged are in custody in Mexico awaiting trial on charges related to the Camarena killing. Three of the defendants are in U.S. custody on federal charges, and two others are at large and believed to be in Mexico.

Bonner said he hoped to bring those in U.S. custody to trial within two months, but declined to respond specifically to questions about possible extradition efforts against those in Mexico.

The prosecutor said charges were brought in the United States, even though the crime was committed in Mexico, because the murder of a U.S. agent anywhere in the world is considered a crime against the United States.

Bonner and Drug Enforcement Administrator John C. Lawn, who joined him at a news conference announcing the indictments, said they were confident justice will be done in one country or the other.

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More spending cuts might be necessary

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Reagan administration, working on a proposed \$1.1 trillion federal spending package, may need to go beyond a budget pact with Congress for more savings, budget director James C. Miller III suggested Wednesday.

He hinted additional deficit-reduction measures might be needed to reach the \$136-billion deficit-level set for fiscal 1989 by the Gramm-Rudman law.

Miller spoke as heads of federal departments got their first glimpse of President Reagan's proposed fiscal 1989 budget. The final document, for the budget period beginning Oct. 1, will go to Congress in mid-February.

Miller said the budget would propose more than \$1 billion in AIDS research spending along with hefty increases for space and drug-enforcement programs.

It will also advocate continued building of the Trident missile submarine but a cut in the active-duty strength of the Army—according to Pentagon officials who insisted upon anonymity.

At the same time, the new budget will recycle a number of previously rejected Reagan proposals. These in-

clude plans to sell to the private sector Amtrak rail passenger service, regional power administrations and the government's naval petroleum reserves, said other officials who also insisted on not being identified.

The document will also call for sharp reductions in federal housing construction—funds, water-treatment grants, and in a wide range of other domestic spending programs, the officials said.

Miller told reporters he hoped spending levels, outlined in the Reagan-Congress budget agreement late last year, following the stock market collapse, would be adequate to meet the fiscal 1989 deficit target of \$136 billion.

But, he added, "if we cannot hit the \$136 billion... we'll have to go outside the agreement for more savings. But we would achieve those additional savings consistent with the spirit of the new agreement."

House Budget Committee Chairman William H. Gray III, D-Pa., said that, if the administration must come up with additional savings, it shouldn't limit itself to domestic spending cuts but should also consider more defense reductions and new revenue measures.

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Department rebuts Kemp accusations

WASHINGTON (AP)—The State Department on Wednesday rejected charges by Rep. James Kemp that the Soviets had provided a forged photograph of the SS-20 nuclear missile and tried to deceive the United States.

"It's a good quality photograph," spokesman Charles E. Redman told reporters as he held a glossy aloft and said it accurately depicted the medium-range missile to be outlawed under a U.S.-Soviet arms control treaty.

But Kemp, a New York Republican and presidential aspirant, persisted.

"I find it hard to believe that the Department of State would so quickly dismiss evidence of a Soviet violation that appears to involve serious discrepancies and reportedly is causing serious and unresolved concerns among government analysts," he said.

"Not only was the glossy SS-20 photo provided weeks too late, but it showed apparent major discrepancies with U.S. data and with previous information provided by the Soviets. The Department of State owes us and the American people a complete explanation of these circumstances now."

Redman said U.S. monitors would be able to "match that photograph against reality" when they inspect Soviet missiles under provisions of the accord signed last month by President Reagan and General Secretary Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

But Kemp said "the United States cannot accept Soviet violations and cannot rest its security on the mere hope that future inspections might help resolve such controversies."

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U.S. gulf force under review

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — Defense Secretary Frank Carlucci said the size of the American force in the Persian Gulf, but he added that the United States remains committed to defending U.S. flag vessels there.

In Washington, Reagan said he was not ordering any ships withdrawn from the gulf, where Iran and Iraq have been at war since September 1980.

Carlucci arrived in Bahrain on Wednesday, and a senior official of the island sheikhdom said the U.S. Navy had helped save the region from chaos.

The U.S. defense secretary began his tour Tuesday in Kuwait, which has put 11 tankers under the American flag so the Navy can protect them, and a ranking Soviet official arrived there as Carlucci left.

Karen Brütens, deputy chief of

the International Relations Bureau of the Soviet Communist Party's Central Committee, said the war was "one of the most important objectives of Soviet policy in the region."

He said Moscow has "agreed to discuss" a possible resolution to end the U.S. Security Council's demand July 20 for a ceasefire, but did not not endorse the American proposal for an arms embargo.

President Saddam Hussein of Iraq said in Baghdad his nation is ready for any move by Iran. Iranian forces are reported missing on the southern border for another winter offensive, when sloppy weather gives Iran's lightly armed units an advantage over superior Iraqi armor.

In Bahrain, Carlucci's scheduled included meetings with Sheik Hamid bin Isa al-Khalifa, the crown prince and defense minister, and Sheik Isa

bin Salman al-Khalifa, the head of state.

Before leaving Kuwait, Carlucci told The Associated Press he had not authorized reductions of the 33-ship U.S. force in and near the gulf, but said later that changes always were under consideration.

Our commitment to protecting American-flag vessels and our commitment to continue to work with the moderate Arab states to meet their legitimate security needs in the gulf will remain unchanged whatever the outcome, he said in an interview with ABC News in Bahrain.

In Washington, Reagan responded to a question about withdrawing forces with the comment: "That one's easy — No."

Administration sources had said the helicopter carrier OKINAWA would be pulled out and the battleship Iowa might follow.

Israeli troops battle rioters

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli troops fired tear gas and rubber bullets at rock-throwing Palestinian rioters in the occupied territories Wednesday, and an Arab shouting "God is Great!" stabbed a soldier and was shot in the shoulder.

The soldier was cut in the hand, and U.N. officials said four Palestinians were hurt in clashes with soldiers. The army clamped curfews on several cities and refugee camps to quell the protests.

The violence stymied Israeli efforts to restore calm and defuse international criticism of its handling of the month-long rioting in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. Army gunfire has killed 24 Arabs. Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin said 1,978 Palestinians were arrested in the past month. Of those, 908 were released, 300 were tried

and sentenced, and were acquitted. The rest were awaiting trial, he said.

The violence Wednesday was sparked the day before, when an Israeli soldier shot and killed a 25-year-old resident of the Gaza Strip city of Khan-Yunis and wounded several other people.

On Wednesday, soldiers fired tear gas and rubber bullets to disperse protesters in the West Bank city of Qalqilya. Troops also clashed with stone-throwing demonstrators in nearly a dozen other sites, including Gaza City, Ramallah, Rafah and several refugee camps.

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Armacost: Soviet loss was high

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Michael Armacost, U.S. undersecretary of state, said Wednesday a drive to free the Afghan garrison town of Khost from years of guerrilla siege appears to have succeeded, but Soviet casualties were high.

He added that Soviet and Afghan troops would have difficulty maintaining control of the 72-mile road to Khost, which they say has been opened to supply convoys from Garder, the provincial northwestern capital. Khost is near Afghanistan's border with Pakistan.

"It's not self-evident from what I have heard or seen that they can sustain a position in Khost for very long, given weather conditions and the strength of resistance in that area," Armacost said.

In Kabul, Soviet Foreign Minister Edmund A. Shevardnadze ended two days of talks with Afghan leaders and reiterated that the Kremlin wants to withdraw its estimated 115,000 troops from its rugged southern neighbor within 12 months.

"Many unanswered questions remain," however, Kabul Radio quoted the Soviet envoy as saying. It did not elaborate.

The United States is the anti-communist guerrilla's main supplier of arms, and Shevardnadze also was quoted as reiterating that U.S. military aid to the rebels must end before Soviet troops will withdraw.

Fuel shortage hits Poland

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — A severe shortage of diesel fuel has resulted in train cancellations and forced farmers to leave thousands of acres of land unplowed, officials report said.

Government spokesmen say Urban blamed the shortage on a sharp increase in demand. Poland imports nearly all of its diesel fuel from the Soviet Union, and Urban said the imports had not been restricted.

"Consumption has considerably grown without increasing imports," he said.

Scarcity of fuel added up to the problems, and also a breakdown at one of the refining plants producing this diesel fuel, Urban said Tuesday at his weekly news conference.

Urban said farmers initially had suffered from the diesel shortage, but added that the issue has now exploded at the railway.

The official PAP news agency reported Wednesday that the Polish State Railways had canceled a number of freight and passenger train services because of a diesel fuel supply. The railways normally have a seven- to 10-day supply.

Illegal clams upset Shanghai stomachs

BEIJING (AP) — About 20,000 Shanghai residents got sick after eating clams harvested from heavily polluted waters off the coast of east China's Jiangsu province, the official Xinhua News Agency said Wednesday.

The municipal government has halted sales of the clams and confiscated more than 300 tons of them, the report said.

Shanghai health officials were quoted as saying people began showing up at hospitals Dec. 29 complaining of vomiting, diarrhea and fever. No deaths have been reported.

The illness was traced to the clams, which had been sold illegally by private traders.

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Local insurers say Andrus' statements false

By MARTA CLEVELAND
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Two insurance company executives have accused Governor Cecil Andrus of making false and misleading statements about workers' compensation insurance during his promotion of the state fund last week.

In an Associated Press article, the governor said one reason many Idaho companies are giving up private workers' comp insurance and joining the state fund is because premiums have been hiked so high that the companies can't afford them.

"That's just not true. Every company charges the same rate. By law you can't charge more," said Tim Obenchain, president of Obenchain Wheat Insurance Co. in Twin Falls.

The insurance rate is set by the National Council on Compensation Insurance.

"The article implies that you can get insurance cheaper from the state. And it's not true," agreed Gary Robb, vice president of Industrial Indemnity Insurance Co., the largest private workers' comp insurance company in Idaho.

"I'm going to ask the governor for a retraction of the parts that are out and out lies."

The article cited Andrus as saying that another reason for the increase in state fund users is because the state's coverage is attractive to most companies and governmental agencies.

"He implies that state agencies choose to go with the state fund over private companies," Robb said.

Gov. Obenchain (the state fund) is the only game in town for governmental agencies."

By law, governmental agencies have to use the state fund.

Andrus did not say those things, said Monte Carleton, who administers the state fund, and who accompanied the governor on his promotion tour.

"What he said was that everyone pays the same rates, but the dividends from the state are higher, and that effectively reduces the rate," Farley said.

The governor also said that the state system is "a better deal for most people."

Again Robb and Obenchain took issue.

"He says they do a better job. Well, they don't. When they can't cover someone we do it," Robb said.

The state fund cannot cover any company that does business outside the state. So private companies insure long-haul truckers and river-

runners and other high risk groups even though they are not profitable," he said.

Private insurance firms provide far better service than the state," Obenchain said, and their dividends are as high as the state's on a percentage basis.

Andrus announced Tuesday that the state fund is returning \$10.8 million in dividends this year, an 84 percent of 44 percent of its clients' premiums.

"We deliver refund checks every day," Obenchain said. Some of his accounts pay more than the 44 percent state average.

In the private insurance

business, the individual company stands on its own. In an injury record, while the state fund lumps all businesses of one kind together, and treats them all the same, he said.

That is not true, Farley said. The state deals with each company individually. He also said he knew of no insurance company that pays back 44 percent in dividends.

Robb acknowledged that private insurance companies are in business to make money. They can't make money on companies that are too small, or don't pay their premiums or file too many accident

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Annual snowpack very low

TWIN FALLS — It may have been a white Christmas but snowpack in the area is below normal, continuing the low-snowpack situation that occurred last year.

Although precipitation in the Magic Valley was slightly above normal for December at 1.14 inches, the area was below normal for the year. With 8.61 inches of moisture accumulation in 1987, the valley was .59 inches below the yearly average, says Bill Galkin, at the National Weather Station in Kimberly.

Snow depths and water content on the Big Wood and Little Wood watersheds are below normal for Jan. 1, says Gale Roberts of the U. S. Soil Conservation Service office in Halley.

The Big Wood River watershed has 84 percent of the normal water content in its snowpack, according to an SCS press release. The Little Wood is at 69 percent of the long-term average.

"We need several good snowfalls to bring the water content up to near normal. Reservoir levels are extremely low due to last year's drought, so a lot of snow is needed to replenish them," Roberts says.

Snow depths vary from 41 inches at Vienna Mine to eight inches at Muldoon snow course.

Moisture in Idaho Power Co.'s Pocatello, Burley and Boise service areas is 6 to 15 inches below normal. Under normal conditions, this area should have received 10 to 15 inches by now, according to the company.

"It's too early to be extremely concerned," says Scott Larrondo, IPC hydrologist. "But with the reservoirs as low as they are, people are naturally worried."

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December provided snowball ammo for youngsters, like David Cahoon, 10, in Twin Falls. Times-News photo/ANDY ARENEZ

Order gives access to jury transcripts

By CRAIG LINCOLN
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A judicial order has given two of 11 defendants challenging drug-related indictments access to normally secret grand jury transcripts.

Fifth District Judge Daniel Hurlbutt ruled Wednesday to release relevant portions of the transcripts to Jiwanna Diaz and Barbara Murray, who were indicted by a September grand jury.

The two defendants are linked not only by the judicial order, but both were indicted as a result of a search warrant that has been challenged successfully in court before. Murray was indicted for cocaine possession and Diaz was indicted for possession of marijuana with intent to deliver.

Hurlbutt and 5th District Judge Daniel Meehl reviewed transcripts from the four-day grand jury privately before deciding whether to release the transcripts as requested by several defense attorneys.

The decision to release the transcripts came after several defense attorneys challenged 11 of the 17 indictments issued by the September grand jury, the second called by Twin Falls County Prosecutor K. Elmer Baxter last year.

Those attorneys had moved to quash indictments issued against their clients, saying prosecutors were guilty of misconduct by admitting illegal evidence and pursuing cases that had been dismissed in prior court proceedings.

At a Dec. 2 court hearing, those defense attorneys argued they needed to review the grand jury's transcripts to support their charges, but prosecutors argued the defense attorneys had not provided information about the secret proceedings before pursuing their charges.

Attorney Monte Carlson, who represents Murray and Crystal Jane

Rogers, said he was pleased about the decision to release relevant grand jury transcripts for Murray, but disappointed he didn't gain access for Rogers.

"I was very earnest in my arguments for both of them," Carlson said.

Public Defender Michael J. Wood represents Diaz. He declined to comment, saying he wanted to wait until he saw the judges' reasons for their decisions.

Both Meehl and Hurlbutt said they expected to have written decisions explaining the release or non-release of each defendant's transcript soon.

Both declined to comment until their written decisions are released. Diaz and Murray were both indicted as the result of a Feb. 19 raid on Diaz' house. However, Diaz and another person were taken to preliminary hearing on similar charges, where 5th District Magistrate Judge Thomas R. Cushman ruled the police either must say why their confidential informant was or get the case thrown out.

The police released the case was thrown out and Cushman entered an order saying prosecutors must refile charges before him or not at all.

Since then, Diaz has been indicted twice on different charges resulting from the same raid.

Murray has been found innocent by a jury on misdemeanor marijuana possession charges from the same raid but indicted twice by a jury on cocaine possession charges.

The grand jury in September was the second called by Baxter to investigate drug-related charges. The first grand jury, which met in June, issued 21 drug-related indictments.

However, those indictments were thrown out when defense attorneys argued, and Meehl and Hurlbutt agreed, that the county's jury-selection procedure was flawed.

BLM proposals may stop damage to Hagerman fossil bed

By MARK PRATTER
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The U.S. Bureau of Land Management may be able to save some of the world-famous Hagerman fossil beds from damage caused by agricultural irrigation, said a spokesman Wednesday.

The agency is not sure recently completed concrete lining of irrigation canals will do all it takes to prevent further damage. Ted Weasna, a BLM paleontologist, told Rotarians at the Turf Club on Wednesday.

Weasna gave a history of the 3.5-million-year-old fossil site, and showed slides that included examples of recent landslides in the area.

The Bell Rapids farming tract is located on a plateau immediately above the fossil beds. It started in 1974 when farmers and investors purchased Desert Entry Land from the government for \$2.50 per acre.

BLM believes that water seeped through the porous canals needed to irrigate the tract, saturated the soil and that resulted in massive landslides last April that damaged the fossil beds.

But Bell Rapids Mutual Irrigation Co. says the canal never leaked enough to make a difference but the irrigation company is trying to be cooperative.

The canal lining project cost \$715,000 with BLM paying \$572,000 and Bell Rapids picking up the \$143,000 balance, according to

BLM. Weasna told Rotarians that there was a major landslide at the fossil beds in 1983. He said 120 feet of cliff face was lost in the 1983 to 1984 period. Some 50 acres of the site have been destroyed by landslides, he said.

Exploration is impossible in landslides areas because of the danger from unstable soil, Weasna said.

Water studies show the flow from underground springs in the area has increased from 1985 to 1986, Weasna said.

Despite the problems, there has been a move to showcase the fossil beds and provide them with greater federal protection.

A bill passed in the Senate that would make the fossil beds a na-

tional monument managed by the National Parks Service. Sen. James McClure's bill calls for an appropriation not to exceed \$5 million to carry out the monument act.

However, the bill does not address the purchase of Bell Rapids farmlands to create a buffer between the tract and the beds.

The bill expressly prohibits the government from purchasing lands other than by donation, purchase with donated funds and exchange or bequest.

Rep. Richard Stallings, D-Idaho, said he would introduce his own version of the fossil bed bill but whether Stallings' bill will take up the erosion issue is unclear at this point.

Weasna said 16 other fossil

parks in the United States are known to be situated as Hagerman.

Hagerman is only 25 miles off a major freeway system (Interstate 84). Weasna said the fossil beds could attract 100,000 visitors per year.

The fossil beds are now managed by BLM but some tourists say they are difficult to find because of a lack of signage. BLM doesn't offer individual tours but will show the site to organizations that make an appointment, Weasna said.

BLM lacks the money to provide the interpretation and protection of the site, BLM said.

The fossil beds are known to paleontologists throughout the world, in part because of the Hagerman site. They contain outstanding examples

of life in the Pliocene-Blmcan Age, Weasna said.

The climate at the site was once much wetter and there was a lake where animals came to feed.

Some 110 species are represented including the well-known Hagerman man-horse that Weasna said was actually a zebra.

The site was discovered in the 1920s by a local rancher who contacted the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C. about the bones he found. Hagerman fossils can be found in the Smithsonian, at the Idaho State Museum in Pocatello, the University of California and the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor probably has the best collection, Weasna said.

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Drugs apparent aim of recent doctors' office burglaries

By KEN ARMSTRONG
Times-News writer

BUELL — Three doctors' offices in Twin Falls County have been burglarized within the last week, but at least law enforcement officials said Wednesday they are not yet talking the times together.

Two of the burglaries involved forced entry into a doctor's office during non-business hours. The first burglary occurred at Dr. Dan Notziger's office, located at the corner of Highway 30 and Fair Street in Buhl.

It was in L. Ron Romero's of the Buhl Police Department's jurisdiction. Wednesday the office was closed between noon and 7:45 a.m. Sunday, Romero said Wednesday that "different kinds of drugs" were stolen, but added that the police department does not yet have a complete accounting of the narcotics involved.

One of them were sample drugs, and

they don't know how many they had in the office, Romero said.

Notziger said Wednesday that the drugs stolen included Demerol and other serious narcotics.

"It was just hard stuff," Notziger said. "The people were very sophisticated. They knew just what they wanted and they wanted it."

Romero said entrance to the office was gained by breaking through the side door, possibly by kicking it. He said a couple of other rooms in the office had apparently been searched during the burglary, but nothing was taken.

The police department does not yet have any leads or suspects, Romero said.

Two other burglaries at medical offices were reported Monday morning in Twin Falls. Drugs were not stolen during either burglary, but the two doctors involved said they were certain drugs were intended targets of the break-ins.

Dr. Joseph Lyman's dentist's office was located at 401 Green Lane. It was burglarized Wednesday night. The office was burglarized sometime between Saturday evening and Monday morning. Cameras equipment and \$32 in cash were stolen, according to police reports.

"We don't keep any (drugs) here," Lyman said. "But I'm sure that's what they were looking for."

According to police reports, drawers and cabinets in the office were ransacked. Dr. Lyman said he does not have a southern and eastern part of the building had been pruned or hacked.

Dr. William Tooleman, an orthodontist whose office is located at 197 Eastland Dr., also reported Monday morning that his office had been burglarized during the preceding weekend.

Dr. Tooleman said he was looking for drugs. One casting plaster was stolen during the burglary. According to Tooleman, his office

was burglarized last October when stereo equipment and a camera were stolen. Jim Quilla, director of the Department of Public Safety in Twin Falls, said Wednesday that no arrests have been made in either of the burglaries. Neither the Buhl nor the Twin Falls police departments are working together, the three doctors were told.

Lyman said he has a connection or contact with Romero, said he was intending to send an airtel teletype throughout the state to see if other doctors' offices have been broken into and to see if any arrests have been made.

According to Quilla, burglaries directed at stealing drugs from doctors or pharmacists usually come in cycles.

"In our area, he said, 'We'll have a number of them for a certain time, and then they'll quiet down for awhile. If you're

talking drugs, it's more or less based on supply and demand."

Area doctors said such attempts are a constant source of worry.

"I don't have any question about it," Clarence Tanaka, a pharmacist at the Pay Less Drug Store in Twin Falls, said Wednesday that such burglaries occur "off and on," but that no attempts aimed specifically at pharmacies have been recently reported.

"I would say it's a matter of not stocking so many items that it makes it worthwhile for the people to try," Tanaka said.

Lyman said his former office on Eller Avenue was victimized several times by burglaries.

"We really had steel doors and bars in the windows," Lyman said. "One time they went through everything — and dropped it on the floor. It took us a whole day to clean it up."

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Police make arrest following struggle

By KEN ARMSTRONG
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Following a physical confrontation with Twin Falls police, a Boise man was arrested early Wednesday morning on charges of possessing stolen property and resisting arrest, according to police reports.

Kris Sorenson, 23, was arrested shortly after 1:30 a.m. in the 1200 block of Adams Avenue. East Sorenson was one of three passengers in a car which police pulled over after discovering it had recently been reported stolen.

The vehicle, a 1966 Plymouth Fury, was reported stolen Dec. 31 by a Boise resident, Don Schwartzmiller. Sorenson was charged with possession of that vehicle and with possession of various items of stolen jewelry — including a gold necklace valued between \$100 and \$300 — and a man's ring with diamonds and sapphires.

When officers approached the car and ordered Sorenson to place his hands on his head, he responded by yelling an obscenity at the officers, according to reports. Sorenson thereafter tried to punch officer Ken Carter, which Carter attempted to grasp Sorenson's right elbow.

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Those companies are well-served by the state fund, he said. "Don't get me wrong. The last thing I want is for the state to go out of the insurance business. It serves a valuable purpose," Robb said.

But he estimated that about 80 percent of the \$10.8 million in dividends the state is paying are going to governmental agencies, not to private companies.

Again, not true, Parsley said. Approximately \$7 million went to private companies and \$3 million went to public agencies.

Robb said he may buy advertising or hire a public relations firm to help correct the false information he feels Andrus gave out.

"We can't let this go," he said. "People need the real facts."

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Last year Idaho's mountain snowpack was the second lowest on record for April 1.

About 40 percent of the Snake River drainage's annual snowpack normally accumulates by Jan. 1, Larrondo says.

Right now the moisture accumulation is between 70 percent and 80 percent of the normal range.

"If we stay near that level, we will have adequate water for the farmers," says Max Van Den Berg, project supervisor at the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation in Burley.

The 30-day forecast for the Magic Valley is encouraging, the possibility. The National Weather Service predicts above-normal precipitation, and near-normal temperatures in January.

Obituaries

Ray O. Bush

TWIN FALLS — Ray O. Bush, 76, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1988, in Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital.

Born May 4, 1911, in Sherman, Texas, he attended school in Hensley. He entered the printing trade in 1936 in Salt Lake City, Utah. He worked in Salt Lake and then in Ballestrich, Mich. He resided in the U.S. Army during World War II, serving in North Africa, Sicily, Normandy and Northern France. After his discharge in 1945 he continued working in the newspaper business in Burley and then at the Times-News in Twin Falls, where he retired in 1978 after 33 years at the newspaper. He married Louise Smith on Jan. 20, 1962, in Twin Falls.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church, the Magic Valley Golf Club and the Intermountain Pacer's Guild.

Surviving are his wife, Louise, one daughter, Robert L. Bush, of Boise, and two nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister.

The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls, with Dr. John Parish, of the First Christian Church, officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Park.

Alma M. Bohling

TWIN FALLS — Alma M. Bohling, 80, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Aug. 4, 1988, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital.

Born Aug. 6, 1907, in Davenport, Neb., she married John Bohling on Sept. 30, 1933, in Davenport. They moved to Idaho in 1937. They had lived in the Magic Valley ever since. He died on Feb. 10, 1975.

She was a member of the Peace Lutheran Church in Filer.

Surviving are one son, Bernice Bohling of Twin Falls; one daughter, Lois Kelley of Twin Falls; four sisters, Hulda Schnackenberg of Custer, Wash., Esther Wittrock of Seattle, Wash., Alberta Edlund of Twin Falls, and Verma Thomason of Springfield, Ore.; one brother, Walter Holman of Davenport; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Gary Bohling, one granddaughter, Rhonda Bohling, and two brothers.

The funeral will be conducted at 3 p.m. today at the Peace Lutheran Church in Filer, with Pastor Gary Benedict officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park.

Conrad W. Larson

TWIN FALLS — Conrad Walter Larson, 83, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 5, 1988, at his home of natural causes.

Born March 19, 1902, in Weiser, he graduated from Twin Falls High School and Utah State University, where he received his B.S. He was president of the Ski Club in high school. For the last 10 years he was a black jack dealer in Jackpot, Nev.

Surviving are the Methodist Church. He was preceded in death by his parents and one daughter.

A graveside service will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday at Sunset Memorial Park, under the direction of the White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Kelley Rutherford

JEROME — Kelley Rutherford, 78, of Jerome, died Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1988, at his home of an extended illness.

Born Oct. 13, 1909, in Cairo, Mo., he came to Idaho at an early age. He married Lois (Loire) Long on Nov. 21, 1936, in Filer. He farmed for 40 years and worked for Agrow Seed Co. in Filer for 14 years. He farmed at Filer until he was 70.

He was a member of the Nazarene Church for 51 years and had been a member in Filer. Twin Falls and Jerome.

Surviving are his wife of Jerome, one daughter, Joy Moser of Jerome, Calif.; five brothers, Eugene Rutherford of Buhl, Ray Rutherford of Filer, Harold Rutherford and Victor Rutherford, both of Vancouver, Wash.; Robert Rutherford of Huntsville, Ala.; two sisters, Helen Vincent of Cairo, Mo., and Marie, Pugh, of Moberly, Mo.; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by two sons, Damon and Darrel Rutherford and two brothers.

The funeral will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday at the White Mortuary Chapel in Twin Falls, with the Rev. Mel Raymond officiating. Private burial will be in Sunset Memorial Park.

Friends may call at the chapel today and Friday from 3 to 8 p.m.

The family suggests memorials to the First Church of the Nazarene of Twin Falls Building Fund.

Franklin R. Benson

BURLEY — Franklin Ross Benson, 78, of Burley, died Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1988, in the Burley Care Center.

Born July 3, 1909, in Oakley, he was reared and educated in Oakley. He married Margaret C. Buchanan, She died on Sept. 18, 1971. He had lived in Los Angeles, Calif., where he was employed by the city of Los Angeles. He married Leslie Dolly Benson on Jan. 16, 1972, in Las Vegas, Nev. Following his retirement they moved to Burley where they had since resided.

He was a member of the LDS Church.

Surviving are his wife of Burley, two sons, Michael Ross Benson of St. George, Utah and James C. Benson of Boise; three daughters, Laura Benson of Boise, Beverly Kelly of Idaho Falls and Joyce Ostermiller of Orem, Utah; one brother, Elmer Benson of Boise; one sister, Lila Wilson of Homer, Calif.; 13 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one sister.

The funeral will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Friday at the Joseph Payne Memorial Chapel in Burley. Interment will follow at Pleasant View Cemetery.

Friends may call at the chapel today from 8 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the funeral on Friday.

Walters, 62, of Twin Falls, who died Sunday, he held at 2 p.m. today in Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls. Burial will be in Twin Falls Cemetery.

BURLEY — The funeral for Pearl Harmsen Vallette, 63, of Burley, who died Saturday, will be held at 10 a.m. today in the Springdale LDS Ward, 200 S. 475 E., Burley. Interment will be in the Dechle Cemetery. The McCulloch's Funeral Home in Burley is in charge of arrangements.

JEROME — A graveside service for Jeanne M. Jenkins, 72, of Jerome, who died Tuesday, will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday at the Jerome cemetery. Friends may call at the Howe Robinson Funeral Chapel in Jerome today from 4 to 6 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to noon.

Released

Cassia Bowen, Victoria Keris, Sara Luna, Laurin Spurgeon and Isabel Burrows; Teresa Chavez of Rupert; Nellie Kidd and Gertrude Johnson, both of Declo.

Birth

A baby to Mr. and Mrs. John West of Rupert.

Elnora Pool — Elnora Pool, 62, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday evening, Jan. 5, 1988, at St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Boise.

Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by the White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Patrick Welch — Patrick Welch, 79, of Boise and formerly of Twin Falls, died Monday, Jan. 4, 1988, in Idaho Falls.

Born Jan. 11, 1908, in Spokane, Wash., he was educated in private schools in both the United States and Canada, until entering the University of Washington in 1926.

He was a film producer for industries. He traveled extensively throughout the United States, Europe and the Far East. He married Lemoyne Troy on Feb. 27, 1943, in Boise.

Surviving is his wife of Boise.

At his request, no public service will be held. A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

The family suggests memorial contributions to favorite charity.

Druzella Preston — Declo — Druzella "Zella" Lotz Preston, 87, of Declo, died Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1988, in Cassia Memorial Hospital.

Born March 3, 1900, in Panguitch, Utah, she attended school in Panguitch until 1918 when she moved with her family to Declo. She married Leyland Preston in 1919. He died on June 8, 1974.

She was a member of the LDS Church, and was active in Relief Society.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Fred (LaVerna) Larson of Burley, Della Stimpson of Declo and Faye Helmsong of Pocatello; two sisters, Lola Blahom of Hemet, Calif., and Hazel Hall of Pocatello; nine grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson. She was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers and two grandchildren.

The funeral will be conducted at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Declo LDS Church, with Bishop Alma Turner officiating. Burial will be in Declo Cemetery.

Dale Huttanus — BURLY — Dale Huttanus, 34, of Buhl, died Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1988, in a hospital in Seattle, Wash.

Services

RUPERT — The funeral for Herbert "Herb" Earl Brackett, 75, of Rupert, who died Saturday, will be conducted at 11 a.m. today at the Hansen Mortuary Chapel. Burial will be in Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call at the Hansen Mortuary in Rupert prior to the time of the service.

GOODING — A memorial service for Doria Hansen Field, 62, of Gooding, who died Monday, will be held in the First LDS Church today at 11:30 a.m. The family suggests memorial contributions to MISTI at Boise or to the Camas School Computer Fund. Cremation was handled by White Mortuary of Twin Falls.

BURLEY — The funeral for Mary Opal Walters, 62, of Twin Falls, who died Sunday, will be held today at 2 p.m. in McCulloch's Chapel in Burley. Burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery. Friends may call at McCulloch's today and Friday from 3 to 8 p.m.

FILER — The funeral for Eva Bell Peterson, 76, of Filer, who died Sunday, will be conducted today at 10 a.m. in the Filer LDS Stake Center. Friends may call at the church one hour prior to the time of the service. Arrangements are under the direction of the White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

TWIN FALLS — The funeral for Ernest Miller, 77, of Twin Falls, who died Saturday, will be conducted at 2 p.m. today in the White Mortuary Chapel. Interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park. The family suggests memorials to the Idaho Heart Association.

TWIN FALLS — The funeral for Viola

Hospitals

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Mrs. Danny Bulker and Nancy Rogers, both of Jackpot; Clyde Dwight of Rupert; Aaron Koch of Buhl; Patricia O'Donnell of Twin Falls; Phillip Powell of Shoshone; and Tamara J. Hearn of Jerome.

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Mrs. John Knodel, Martha Lowery, and Josephine Vann, all of Twin Falls; Lee Larsen and Mrs. Rod Thompson and daughter, both of Jerome; and Mrs. Barry Messner and son of Burley.

Released

Sons to Mr. and Mrs. Danny Baker and Nancy Rogers, all of Jackpot; New; daughters to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Verbeck of Buhl; and Patricia O'Donnell of Twin Falls.

Possible mislabeling found

BOISE (AP) — A supply of a possibly mislabeled cold medicine suspected of containing a tranquilizer potentially fatal to children was sold at Warmart stores in the Northwest, the state Department of Health and Welfare said.

The entire supply of Lot No. 16718 of Waramart Acti-Date Nasal Decongestant syrup was pulled from store shelves last Thursday was discovered.

after notification by the manufacturer, My-K Laboratories of Morgan Grove, Ill., Waramart Vice President Dave Goodwin said Wednesday.

But Goodwin said most of the 36 dozen bottles of the medicine purchased by Waramart were still at a Boise warehouse when the mistake was discovered.

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Fossils

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The towns beds show some 300,000 years of change in animal and plant life.

There is still a lot more to be learned, Weasna said.

One finding is that the rate at which sediment deposits were laid down above sediment was dry to Oregon and Northern California instead of the Columbia River System, he said.

The site is getting a lot of damage now from irrigation runoff, Weasna said. "If we don't stop it, the future will tell," he said.

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Magic Valley

Elkhorn resort completes renovation project

BY BARBARA NEIWEIRT
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY — The Elkhorn Resort at Sun Valley has completed a \$6-million renovation of the hotel and its facilities.

With the finishing touches on the last suites, being completed just in time for Christmas guests, the project has been underway since April under the direction of Elkhorn owner Mike Kuoli.

"I think Mike Kuoli has always been concerned Sun Valley has been a great destination and that Elkhorn can play a substantive role as part of that destination," said Elkhorn general manager Mike White.

The resort, built 11 years ago just before the first Alibi oil crisis curbed travel and tourism spending, has had a rocky history. It has changed hands several times,

been foreclosed upon and had a parent company file for reorganization in bankruptcy court. In 1982, it closed for 10 months.

Kuoli has owned the resort for three years now and has invested in capital improvements because of what White calls Kuoli's "dedication to quality."

"We are just trying to keep up with the times as far as design and comfort are concerned," White said.

The dear-of-the-132-guest-rooms-lounge and lobby had become "dated and tired."

To compensate for that, the renovation includes an expansion and refurbishment of the lobby, entrance, lounge and elevator; two new restaurants on the grounds — Tomlin Joe's and Papa Dinos; re-branding the Clubhouse Restaurant; completely remodeling and refurbishing all hotel rooms; new conference rooms in the hotel

complex; the addition of nine new suites and junior suites; golf course improvements; a new health center with exercise equipment; a new parking area for an additional 200 cars; and redesign and upgrading of the plaza area.

Most notable to the resort's visitors is the lower lobby and lounge. The dark oak woodwork, green carpeting and recessed lighting give a feeling of warmth and a touch of elegance appropriate to a mountain resort. The lobby lounge is offset from the main lobby by a wall of etched glass windows, evoking the snow-covered hillsides surrounding Elkhorn.

The guest rooms have been upgraded with the addition of a wall between the main room and bathroom areas, mirrored doors on the closets, tupe and white wallpapering, refrigerators, remote-control televisions with built-in

videoplayers, and all new furnishings.

The top floor of the hotel has been remodeled to include nine suites and junior suites with full kitchens, jacuzzis and fireplaces. The Summit lounge on the top floor is a new addition for family lounge and features a wet bar, library, comfortable furnishings and a view of the surrounding hills. A continental breakfast and evening hors d'oeuvres are served on this concierge level.

While the last of the suites were completed just as Christmas guests arrived on Dec. 19, some construction work remains.

Five guest rooms on the main floor have been eliminated to make way for conference space within the hotel building. Prior to now, meeting space was available in a building across the plaza by Jesse's restaurant.

White said the additional inter-

ing rooms within the hotel will be a big plus for convention attendees, eliminating the need to walk outside to reach the meeting rooms.

The lounge bar may be replaced this spring with an additional meeting space, White said.

The Elkhorn complex now includes a hotel, convention facilities, several restaurants, an 18-hole championship golf course, two Olympic-size swimming pools, a small, open-air shopping mall, and one on-site ski lift.

In addition to the reconstruction efforts, White, who is general manager under the Amfac Resorts management, said upgrading of services at the resort has also been initiated. New this year are upgraded airport services with transportation provided, and from condos, upgraded front desk service and increased bellhop staffing.

personnel department has been created to oversee the resort's 300 employees.

Additionally, in cooperation with Sun Valley, the resort has been set up in the lobby which allows visitors to purchase their ski-lift tickets on the premises rather than at the mountain or Sun Valley Co's Sport Center. This has never been done before and shows a spirit of cooperation between the two resorts, White said.

Judging from the two holiday weeks surrounding Christmas and New Year's, White said the response to the improvement has been "phenomenal." Comments from guests have been positive and reservation bookings are more than double last year. White said his projections for the year are for two and a half times more business than in the 1987 season.

Abuse is problem

Detective knows his horses

The Associated Press

BURLEY — Cassia County has hired a detective to investigate a type of abuse that often goes unmentioned — horse abuse.

"We do really have a problem with animal abuse," says Cassia County Sheriff's Deputy Alan Smith. He says the department receives at least two or three calls per month. Part of Smith's job is to investigate those calls.

Smith is believed to be the only Idahoan to attend the National Horse Abuse School held in August in Durango, Colo.

Animal abuse is not rampant here, but it is common enough, that Cassia Sheriff Billy Crystal felt someone in his department should be trained to recognize and deal with the abuse.

Most of the abuse is unintentional — what Smith calls "backyard horses" neglected or abused by owners who simply don't know how to properly care for them.

"The problem worsens in the winter, when horses are taken from the pasture and kept in corrals. Smith says unlike cats and dogs, horses are completely dependent on the owner for food, water and shelter.

He says he has never found an abused animal at a farm or ranch, and usually the farmer or rancher is the one who points out the problem to him.

Most abusers are families who buy a horse or two for their children or themselves and have not learned proper care.

Smith says when he hears about a case of abuse, he contacts the owner and goes to examine the animal. If he verifies that it has been abused, he works it out with the owner.

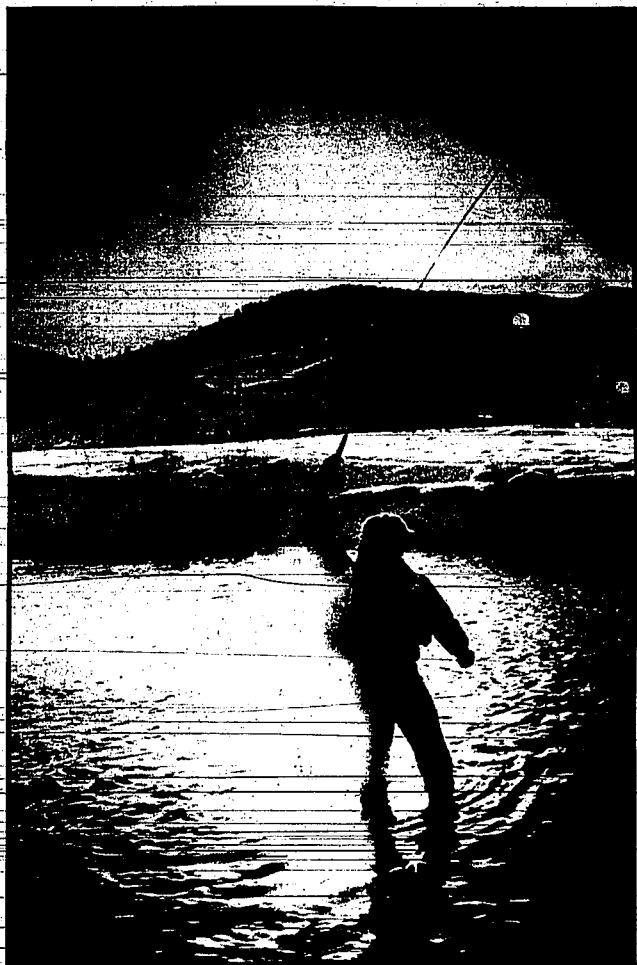
"We're not trying to harass people, we want to educate them," he says. Most people are very cooperative and he has never had to bring criminal charges.

The horse abuse school gave Smith the hands-on background he needed to measure the condition of an animal. That method is the Henneke Condition Score System, similar to a system used in the beef industry for years but just recently adapted to horses. The system is used to measure the animal's body fat.

Most abuse stems from inadequate food, lack of water, and improper care of the horse's hooves, he says.

Smith says a horse needs at least 15 gallons of water per day, and in the winter the water should be kept at about 35 degrees or it will lower the animal's body temperature.

He says a 1,000-pound horse needs 20 pounds of feed per day and a mineral block to supply salt. If the horse isn't being ridden, alfalfa hay will do. If it is ridden or is a mare with foal, it needs grain. The horse needs adequate shelter from the wind and should have its hooves trimmed every six to eight weeks.



Brisk fishing
Snow and brisk winter weather isn't enough to keep Howard Koenig from wading into the Big Wood River north of Ketchum. The Seattle resident was in the resort town on a visit and said he usually spends more time fishing than skiing when going to the Sun Valley area.

Council given final advice

Roper retires in Burley

BY DONNA SCHORZMAN
Times-News correspondent

BURLEY — Retiring City Councilman Jim Roper stepped down from the council Monday, but not before offering some advice to city officials.

Roper spoke at the first of two abbreviated meetings Monday, the first with the retiring council and the second with the newly installed council.

Roper had previously served an eight-year term on the council, retired and then recently came back to serve another two-year term in office.

Roper warned the council that "government has become complicated. It takes a lot more study and time for the legislators to know what's going on."

He also said that as he reviewed last year's audit, he found "one warning sign."

"We spent more than we took in, and that's dangerous. In one year it's not a serious thing, but if it happens more than one year, it could become a serious thing," he said.

He noted that it is important for council members to watch the comparison between income and expenditures, as well as the comparison between budget and expenditures. Sometimes the budget will include money that the city does not actually receive, and he warned the new council to be watchful of that possibility.

However, City Clerk Bud Brinegar said after the meeting that he saw no cause for concern with the last budget. The city was awarded a \$112,500 grant to develop a park with baseball diamonds in the northeast corner of the town. The grant was to be used with city matching funds.

The city had previously received the state money, although much of the work has been done, he said. Consequently, next year's budget will include the \$112,500, making receipts greater than expenditures, he said.

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Jerome seats new council

BY KRIS ROBERTS
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — At the first City Council meeting of the year, Mayor Ralph Peters swore in Jerome's new councilmen. Other departmental appointments were also made at the Tuesday night meeting.

Rocky Jackson and Donald Jacobson were sworn in for their two-year terms after winning election in November. They replace Jeanne Vandiver and Henry Pharris, who ran unsuccessfully for reelection.

The council members elected Gerald Ostler as president of the council. Robert E. Williams was reappointed city attorney for another two years. And firefighters and police officers were approved.

Assignments for the councilmen included Gerald Ostler, liaison for police and fire; Nathan Brooks for irrigation, sewer and finance; and Donald Jacobson for city planning, streets and parks, and planning and zoning departments. Rocky Jackson was appointed liaison to the water and parks department and Mayor Ralph Peters will head administration and library.

Other business included the bids for the sanitation contract for the city of Jerome and a drainage bid also made at the Tuesday night meeting.

The sanitation contract will be opened Jan. 19 and are expected to be approved at the meeting that day.

The council voted to turn a damage claim for \$2,000 over to the city insurance company to investigate. The claim is for property damage, labor, time, and a new set of sand pipes. The damage occurred when the city turned water supplies on if the water had been shut off. Turning the water on caused a pipe or valve to burst and flooded two rooms of a house while nobody was home.

At the meeting, the City Planning and Zoning Commission submitted a letter to be approved by the council and then sent on to the Jerome County Planning and Zoning Commission and the county commissioners.

The letter addresses the possibility of forming an area of impact around the city, with zoning there to be controlled by the city. The city could then develop this area approximately a mile around the city.

The council approved the letter and it will be sent to the county offices for consideration and negotiation.

The meeting ended with council reports from each city department and a thank you to the two council members who had been replaced.

No relics found in hotel ruins

BY BARBARA NEIWEIRT
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY — Rumors of Chinese dens and tunnels beneath the ruins of the old Hiawatha Hotel are just that — rumors.

According to Dr. Thomas Green, state archaeologist with the Idaho Historical Society in Boise, there is nothing of historical significance on the Hiawatha site and the department has no intentions of pursuing the matter any further.

The State Historical Society pushed to have the Hiawatha Hotel "de-listed" from the National Register of Historic Places primarily because the hotel was substantially destroyed by fire Jan. 10, 1979. It was removed from the register on Jan. 31, 1986.

The site is under scrutiny at this time because the U.S. Postal Service has been negotiating for that property, along with a parcel of land across the street, which housed the Wood River lumber yard, for construction of a new postal facility for Hailey. Recent budget cuts have inadvertently postponed the land acquisition and construction plans for the facility, however.

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Ketchum Bank shows bold growth

The Associated Press

KETCHUM — Ron Slucom considers his the best of all possible worlds.

He lives in Sun Valley, works in Ketchum and is president and chief executive officer of Mountain State Savings Bank. It's Idaho's only federally insured savings bank and, in percentage terms, the fastest-growing bank in the state.

"It's fun. It's been the best job of my life," he said.

The former president of First Interstate Bank of Idaho, Slucom readily admits that Mountain State has a narrowly defined mission. From its resort base, it aggressively pursues large, high-quality residential and construction loans, and the large accounts that make up the top 25 percent of the banking market.

It is a philosophy that would-state banks that dominate Idaho's financial skyline, but Mountain State has found a niche and developed it with startling success.

"You can't be everything to everybody," Slucom said. "Eighty percent of our transactions are real estate or real estate oriented."

During a seven-year period that has brought two Idaho savings and loans to their knees and other institutions to a standstill, Mountain State has increased its assets, deposits and profits by 10 times.

From its original capitalization of \$880,000 in August, 1978, Mountain State assets have grown to \$78 million, deposits have hit \$63 million and profits are up to \$821,000.

"We've been profitable since the first month," Slucom said.

"They're making the right decisions for their market," said Lamin Pomerantz, director of public information for the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle. The government organization assesses thrifts and savings banks such as Mountain State.

"Of their nine years, half of them have been very tough on Idaho. They're doing something right over there," he said.

Slucom says it is several things. From his picturesque office in the

old Pete Lane Mercantile building, he offered a list:

- Mountain State.
- Guess after market share. "We didn't pay a hell of a lot of attention to where the economy was going. We went after other banks' customers," he said.
- Emphasizes asset quality. When real-estate speculation swept the Ketchum-Sun Valley area in the late 1970s and early 80s, Mountain State sat out the dance. When the recession tolled midnight, the bank kept rolling while some investors, real-estate agents and lenders found that their cargoes had turned into pumpkins.
- Makes mostly conventional variable-rate loans, and avoids loans guaranteed by the Veterans Administration and Federal Housing Administration. Such loans lack profit and approval takes too long. As its ads now running on Boise television emphasize, with proper documentation, Mountain State loans are approved in six days.
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Burley

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 Council members expressed gratitude to retiring Councilman Roper for his years of service, and Mayor Ken Frank presented Roper with a plaque from the council, commending his service to the city.
 Roper's last official act on the Burley City Council was to adjourn the first meeting of the night.
 The primary order of business for the second meeting was the swearing in of the new city council. Returning Councilman David Gibbons and Leonard King were sworn in by City Attorney Bill Parsons, along with newly elected Councilman Derlin Taylor.
 Leonard King was elected president of the council.
 In other business, the council rejected bids received for new garbage trucks so that new specifications can be written. It will then accept new bids. Bringer said bids on the first set of specifications were greater than the amount the council had planned to pay.
 Requests for liquor license renewal were also approved by the council.

Artifacts

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 Green said there is certainly a possibility Chinese did inhabit the site, possibly dating back as far as the 1870s, but the type of artifacts which would be left behind - bottles, old cans, coins - are not of the same value or significance as it had been a Chinese habitation site, an intact area which could be excavated.
 Green said after the historical society's site review, the postal service has no further requirements to meet at this time regarding the Hiawatha site.
 However, another building adjacent to the lumber yard which houses a sign shop "has potential" for listing on the historical register, said Dr. J. J. Astebery, the Idaho state architectural historian with the Historical Society.
 Astebery said the postal service has hired a consultant who is currently working on determining if the sign shop would qualify for historical designation. She said any federally funded projects have to take into account historical listings or those eligible for listing in the national register, although this does not preclude construction on the site.
 A review process arbitrated by the National Park Service would be in order if the consultant reached a different conclusion about the designation - than the Historical Society, Astebery said.

Ketchum

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 rate in resort communities. As it has expanded, it has hired people who know the new markets.
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 The bank requires a \$1,000 minimum checking balance and charges stiff penalties if customers drop below that, but also offers high interest for checking - up to 6 1/2 percent for balances of at least \$15,000.
 The days of the free lunch are over, Slocum said.
 Thirty-five percent of Mountain State's deposits are in checking accounts that average \$6,000 each. They also come from 40 states and six continents.
 Other keys, Slocum added, are a high level of employee loyalty, the bank's resort image and an active, knowledgeable board of directors.
 "We have low turnover, way below the industry policy, to promote from within. All our officers have stock options and all employees get annual bonuses based on performance. I think they feel like it's their company, not their employer, and that makes a difference."
 Its resort base allowed Mountain State to consistently meet its earnings targets of \$250,000 or more and protected it from Idaho's nagging recession.
 "It hasn't been a boom here," he said, "but the economy is better than most."

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Regulators consider phone plan

BOISE (AP) — Idaho utility regulators have begun considering whether MCI Telecommunications Corp. should be granted a certificate to operate in Idaho, and if so under what degree of regulation. At a two-day public hearing that began Wednesday in Boise, staff testimony on MCI's application before the Idaho Public Utilities Commission generally favored MCI's position. PUC staff economist Ganesh Krishnan said in prefiled testimony that in-state com-

petition from companies such as MCI clear should mean lower prices and more efficient use of existing telecommunications facilities. He also said that MCI's entry into the Idaho market need not hurt universal telephone rate base and rate-of-return regulation or some form of limited regulation. That issue has drawn fire from a number of phone companies throughout Idaho, questioning whether if MCI's application is approved, the company should be subject to competition before the Idaho Public Utilities Commission generally favored MCI's position. "Encouraging competition will result in pricing which would be fair to others already operating in the telecommunications market."

Short-run competition may yield to long-run oligopoly. The commission also is considering whether if MCI's application is approved, the company should be subject to competition before the Idaho Public Utilities Commission generally favored MCI's position. "Encouraging competition will result in pricing which would be fair to others already operating in the telecommunications market."

Mountain Bell and other companies have argued that long-distance competition should be declared illegal or markets subject to competition should be deregulated for all the companies involved. MCI asked the PUC in August 1986 for authority to operate in Idaho without regulation so it could resell the access facilities of Mountain Bell and the transmission facilities of Western Tele-Communications.

Montana, Idaho sign power pact

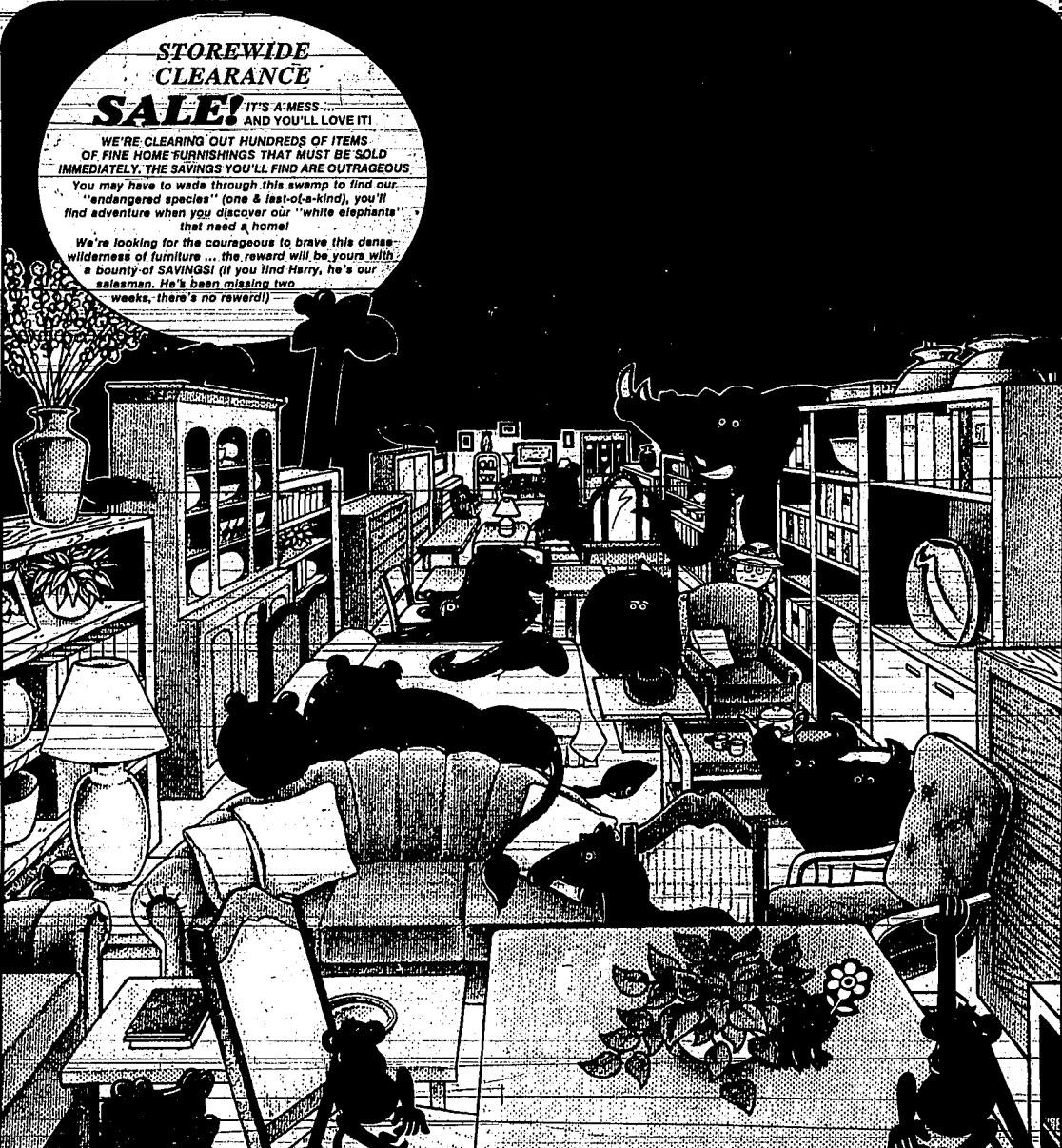
BOISE (AP) — Utilities in Idaho and Montana will exchange power under an agreement aimed at helping both companies operate more efficiently. Under a 10-year contract that became effective Jan. 1, Idaho Power Co. will provide Montana Power 60 average megawatts during three winter months when Montana experiences its highest electrical loads, said Idaho Power spokesman Larry Taylor. In return, Montana Power will provide Idaho Power 75 average megawatts during two summer months when Idaho historically has its highest loads, Taylor said. A similar exchange contract between Idaho Power and Washington Water Power has expired. Idaho Power's hydroelectric production continues below normal this year because of low water conditions. Of the average megawatts consumed used, 844 megawatts came from the Jim Bridger plant in Rock Springs, Wyo., and the Valmy plant in northern Nevada; 804 from hydroelectric plants, and 37 from cogenerators and small power producers.

Group wants district debt off the books

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A local property owners group has filed a tort claim demanding that the Coeur d'Alene School District board balance its books within 90 days. Ronald D. Rankin, president of the Kootenai County Property Owners Association, on Tuesday delivered a tort claim notice to acting Superintendent Doug Creswell. The property owners association contends the school board is violating state law by operating in debt. The group said it will seek a lawsuit against the district if there is no response. In the claim, attorney Rollie Watson, representing the property owners association, wrote that Coeur d'Alene's five-member school board is in violation of the U.S. Constitution's 14th amendment, which guarantees due process. Besides Smart, school board members are Ron McIntire, Dan English, Gerald Johnson and Irma Anderl. The claim also accused the board of violating a state law that prohibits its indebtedness in public school districts without the consent of two-thirds of the public. The property owners contend that district boards have approved three consecutive unbalanced budgets, including last summer's budget that had a \$1.17 million deficit. Stan Wood, an auditor, told the board in December that it had carried over a \$2 million deficit but had trimmed it to \$869,000 during this budget year. Board member English said money to balance the books can't be pulled out of "thin air." "It's very frustrating, but we'll do whatever we can," he added. School district attorney Charlie Dodson said Rankin was wrong when he cited the law concerning indebtedness. That law does not apply to the "ordinary and necessary expenses authorized by the general laws of the state," Dodson said. He also said the board faces budget problems that are not within its control.

Simplot reopens after roof repairs

CALDWELL (AP) — About 180 workers will return to work at the T.B. Simplot Co. potato processing plant in Caldwell on Jan. 18 after the building's roof collapsed in November. Simplot spokesman Fred Zerza said reconstruction of the roof will be 90 percent complete by Jan. 15. No workers were in the building when the roof gave way during Thanksgiving weekend from a weak roofing truss. The hush-brown production line has been closed since that time. The food processing plant employs 1,100 laborers. Zerza said the cost of repair is about \$1.4 million.



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Dollar's rally sparks stock market gains

NEW YORK (AP) — The stock market put together a modest gain Wednesday, extending its early-1988 rally through its third session.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial stocks up 26.67 points in the year's first two trading days, added another 8.30 to close at 2,037.90.

Gainers outpaced decliners by about 7 to 5 on the New York Stock Exchange, with 835 issues advancing, 661 declining and 385 unchanged. Big Board volume totaled 169.74 million shares, against 209.56 million in the previous session.

The market's advance Monday and Tuesday was widely attributed to encouragement over a rebound by the dollar in foreign exchange.

The dollar's recovery continued Wednesday, bolstered in part by a Japanese television report that the United States, Japan and West Germany had privately agreed to hold the dollar within a specified range of 120 to 140 yen.

However, analysts said a good many investors remained skeptical about the prospective durability of the dollar's rise.

They also said stock traders were reluctant to chase after the recent Wall Street rally, questioning whether the market could put together a sustained advance so soon after the crash in October.

Nevertheless, the upswing has carried the Dow Jones industrial average to its highest level since

last Oct. 19, when it stood at 2,246.74, just before taking a 508-point drop the following Monday.

International registered the day's best percentage gain among NYSE issues, jumping 4% to 184. Neosix Inc. began a \$17.50-a-share tender offer for IU's stock.

Grand Auto, traded on the American Stock Exchange, rose 4% to 15. On Tuesday the company said it had agreed to be acquired by Paccar Inc. for \$16 a share.

DCNY Corp. rose 1 1/2 to 20 1/4. The company reported sharply higher earnings for the fourth quarter.

Among actively traded blue chips, International Business Machines gained 1 1/2 to 122 1/2; Union Carbide 1 1/2 to 24 1/4, and General Electric 1/4 to 47.

Sterling Drug added 2 1/4 to 78 1/2 on a top of a 17 1/2-point jump Tuesday on word of a takeover bid from Hoffman-La Roche.

Ashland Oil fell 1 1/2 to 54 1/4. The company said it may not have had proper approval to fill a storage tank that collapsed over the weekend, causing an oil spill in two rivers in the Pittsburgh area.

As measured by Wilshire Associates' index of more than 5,000 actively traded stocks, the market advanced 0.30 percent to 1,550 billion.

The NYSE's composite index of all its listed common stocks edged up .28 to 144.28.

SEC hears testimony on broker honesty

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Securities and Exchange Commission urged Wednesday to disclose the acquisition industry of "bad apples" by requiring brokers to disclose their disciplinary record to potential customers.

Edward Brodsky, an attorney who represents disgruntled investors, said that before customers entrust their life savings to a broker, they ought to be told if the broker ever acted improperly.

"That customer might think twice about dealing with that salesman," Brodsky said at an SEC roundtable discussion.

SEC Commissioner Aulin L. Peters organized the session after reports surfaced following the October stock market crash that some brokers had pushed unsophisticated small investors into exotic and risky investments.

Brodsky, a partner in the New York law firm of Spangler Carlson, was supported by Virginia securities director Lewis Brothers,

who represented the North American Securities Administrators Association, an organization of state regulators.

The state securities regulators have maintained that the experience of many small investors in the stock crash shows that some brokers, in the pursuit of fees and commissions, failed to heed the SEC's "know your customer" rules requiring them to recommend only suitable investments.

Representatives of Wall Street firms, however, denounced the proposal, saying a requirement to disclose even a minor disciplinary action would amount to a de facto lifetime suspension from the securities business.

"I thought that branding people on the forehead and wearing red letters around the neck went out quite awhile ago," said James C. Treadway, general counsel of Paine Webber. "I think Mr. Brodsky's proposal... is absolutely ludicrous."

Brothers said disciplinary actions taken against brokers are on the public record and he saw nothing wrong with making the information more readily available.

SEC Chairman David S. Ruder said he frequently hears complaints "of the high-producing, but scurrilous registered rep who travels from firm to firm," but "there seems to be no industry effort to put that person out of the business."

The securities executives said fear of defamation suits makes investment firms reluctant to disclose the real reason a dishonest broker was fired when the broker applies for a job at another company.

"There are a lot of what I would consider bad apples who are always skirting very close to the line who have not been terminated but they just move on because they know the law is too weak to do anything there... is our vulnerability to defamation actions," said Dennis H. Greenwald, executive vice president of Dean Witter Reynolds Inc.

Legislation granting investment firms a qualified privilege to disclose damaging information about brokers to other firms would make it easier for firms to get truer

Debit card use will become routine in many businesses

Have you ever tried to pay for groceries by check in a crowded store where you are known only to find yourself waiting for what seems an eternity before the cashier secures the manager's approval?

(Not to mention the nasty glances you endure from those waiting in line behind you?)

Or have you ever crossed a burger-fries-and-a-sod-drink-but-had-to-discard the idea because you didn't have any cash and your credit cards were worthless in a fast-food restaurant?

You may soon be able to use a debit card for purchases that typically require cash or a check. But just how soon depends on where in the country you live.

What is a debit card?

Ask a typical American and you're likely to get a blank stare. But the fact is that if you use an automatic teller or an ATM for banking transactions, you are already using a debit card.

Debit cards electronically siphon funds from your checking or savings account. The most common use: to get money from an ATM at the bank. But a growing number of retailers are arranging deals with local banks or banking networks so that customers can use debit cards to make purchases at their stores.

In California, for instance, several fast-food chains, grocery and convenience stores have installed point-of-sale (POS) terminals that allow customers to pay for purchases with an ATM card instead of cash or a check.

All you need to do is insert your card into the POS terminal, which automatically debits your account, typically at the checkout counter,



... punch in your personal identification number and the proper amount is transferred from your bank account in seconds!

Despite the fact that Visa and MasterCard introduced Entree, a national POS program, in October, 1987, and the American Bankers Association has drawn up industry guidelines for POS systems, it will still be months or years before most of us can actually use our ATM cards in stores.

"It is a concept that has been around for years, but only recently have we seen a national effort," notes Alan Pohlman, president of New York Cash Exchange (NYCE), the largest regional ATM network in the country. Pohlman predicts that within the next year or two, some of the major banks that are part of the NYCE network will start working with retailers in this area.

The banking industry has long tried to figure out ways to make the debit card/retailer store partnership work. Their motivation: To make the most of their huge investment in electronic banking. The incentive for retail stores: They save on processing fees and reap the obvious benefits of instant payment.

And the advantages for you?

Speed. "What better way to zip in and out of a store than when the transaction is done as easily as checking out an library book?"

• Safety. There's no need to carry wads of cash.

• Credit control. There's no chance of overdrawing your account because your money is immediately deducted from the account. And, unlike credit cards, you can't run up debts that incur lots of interest.

In addition, some companies such as Mobil and Exxon have arranged their own deals that permit customers to make either credit or debit transactions with the same card. To induce you to use the card as a debit card, both companies offer the same 4-cents-per-gallon discount that they offer to customers who pay cash.

Now some of the disadvantages:

• Say goodbye to the notion of float. Your money goes immediately into the store's account. You do not have the free credit that you get with a credit card's interest-free grace period, nor the few days of float on a check.

• Even if the retailer does not charge for using the debit card, some banks levy a fee for each transaction.

• If you are dissatisfied with a purchase, there is no check to stop or credit company to handle complaints.

Note: The Federal Reserve recently amended the regulations so that retailers who offer point-of-sale electronic fund transfer services need not send you a periodic statement. Instead, the accounting holding institution, typically your bank, is responsible for including these transactions on the periodic statement it sends to you.

Sylvia Porter writes on matters of interest to consumers.

D-J averages

NEW YORK (AP) — Dow Jones averages by industry	Open	High	Low	Close
30 Ind	2037.90	2041.00	2034.00	2037.90
Auto	181.10	182.50	180.00	181.10
Chem	151.00	152.00	150.00	151.00
Comp	120.00	121.00	119.00	120.00
Energy	100.00	101.00	99.00	100.00
Finance	110.00	111.00	109.00	110.00
Food	90.00	91.00	89.00	90.00
Health	80.00	81.00	79.00	80.00
Indus	150.00	151.00	149.00	150.00
Metals	70.00	71.00	69.00	70.00
Oil	60.00	61.00	59.00	60.00
Pharm	100.00	101.00	99.00	100.00
Transp	80.00	81.00	79.00	80.00
Util	70.00	71.00	69.00	70.00
Gov	100.00	101.00	99.00	100.00

Metal prices

NEW YORK (AP) — Selected metals prices per lb.	Open	High	Low	Close
Aluminum	85.00	86.00	84.00	85.00
Copper	1.51	1.52	1.50	1.51
Gold	315.00	316.00	314.00	315.00
Iron	100.00	101.00	99.00	100.00
Nickel	120.00	121.00	119.00	120.00
Palladium	150.00	151.00	149.00	150.00
Platinum	180.00	181.00	179.00	180.00
Silver	1.60	1.61	1.59	1.60
Zinc	1.10	1.11	1.09	1.10

Most actives

NEW YORK (AP) — Some of the most active stocks	Symbol	Change
IBM	+0.12	
Microsoft	+0.25	
Apple	+0.18	
Oracle	+0.30	
Unisys	+0.15	
Qatar	+0.20	
WorldCom	+0.10	
Verizon	+0.12	
AT&T	+0.08	
Time Warner	+0.15	

Livestock futures

CHICAGO (AP) — Futures trading on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange	Open	High	Low	Settle
Live Cattle	21.00	21.25	20.75	21.00
Hog	42.00	42.50	41.50	42.00
Feeder Cattle	18.00	18.25	17.75	18.00
Lean Hogs	55.00	55.50	54.50	55.00
Wool	1.20	1.25	1.15	1.20

Sugar futures

NEW YORK (AP) — Sugar futures trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange	Open	High	Low	Settle
1115	18.50	18.75	18.25	18.50
1116	18.50	18.75	18.25	18.50
1117	18.50	18.75	18.25	18.50
1118	18.50	18.75	18.25	18.50
1119	18.50	18.75	18.25	18.50

Today's stocks

SP500	Open	High	Low	Settle
SP500	2037.90	2041.00	2034.00	2037.90
Dow Jones	2037.90	2041.00	2034.00	2037.90
Nasdaq	1000.00	1005.00	995.00	1000.00
Amex	100.00	101.00	99.00	100.00
NYSE	100.00	101.00	99.00	100.00
AMEX	100.00	101.00	99.00	100.00
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Amex stocks

NEW YORK (AP) — Wednesday's Amex	Symbol	Change
Amex	+0.10	
Amex	+0.12	
Amex	+0.08	
Amex	+0.15	
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Closing prices

NEW YORK (AP) — Closing prices of New York Stock Exchange	Symbol	Price
IBM	120.00	
Microsoft	150.00	
Apple	180.00	
Oracle	200.00	
Unisys	220.00	
Qatar	240.00	
WorldCom	260.00	
Verizon	280.00	
AT&T	300.00	
Time Warner	320.00	
Amex	340.00	
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Markets

Closing commodity futures

Table with columns: Month, Commodity, Close, High, Low, P.M. Close. Includes items like Feb. live cattle, Apr. live cattle, Jan. live hogs, etc.

Quotations from Sinclair and Co.

Local interest stock quotations

Table with columns: Closing price, Change, Company Name. Includes Albertsons, Blu-Chu Val Fnd, Conagra, etc.

Valley beans

Table listing prices for Great northern, Small white, and Sweet corn.

Valley grains

Table listing prices for Soft white wheat, Hard white wheat, and Durum.

Livestock

Table listing prices for various livestock including cattle, hogs, and sheep.

Quotations from Edward D. Jones & Co.

Western grain

Table listing prices for various grain types like Durum, Hard white, and Soft white.

Commodities

Table listing prices for various commodities like Wheat, Corn, and Soybeans.

Gold futures

Table listing prices for Gold futures contracts.

Potatoes

Table listing prices for various potato grades.

Chicago grain

Table listing prices for Chicago grain markets.

Denver beans

Table listing prices for Denver bean markets.

Produce

Table listing prices for various produce items.

Airline consumer problems increased at end of 1987

WASHINGTON (AP) — Airline flight delays and baggage problems increased during November, the Transportation Department reported Wednesday in its monthly scorecard on the airline industry.

Delta Air Lines reported the best on-time record with 83.2 percent of its flights arriving within 15 minutes of schedule. Southwest Airlines was second at 82.7 percent.

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TWIN FALLS CANAL COMPANY NOTICE OF REGULAR STOCKHOLDERS MEETING INCLUDING VOTING ON A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND BYLAWS

You are hereby notified that the regular meeting of the stockholders of the Twin Falls Canal Company will be held on Tuesday, the 12th day of January, 1988.

Marketing cooperative names head

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Norbert, president and general manager of Owen W. Sumstion has resigned, and executive vice president Kenneth D. Rutledge has replaced him as head of the world's largest turkey marketing cooperative.

Sumstion's retirement ends 31 years with the company

Sumstion's retirement was effective Jan. 1, said Richard P. Shinn, chairman of Norbert's board of directors.

Rutledge, 41, joined Norbert in 1984, serving as director of operations, assistant general manager and executive vice president.

Prior to that, he was director of procurement and manufacturing for Swift and Co. of Chicago.

MEYERS AUCTION SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 1988

Located at 571 North 3rd (one block north, 1 block east of the northeast corner of the city park) Hagerman, Idaho. SALE TIME: 12:00 Noon. Lunch at the Cookshack. LIVINGROOM FURNITURE. Matching blue-slate and swivel rocker.

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Legals Announcements-Selected offers-Real estate

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What it means for your ad to be "classified"

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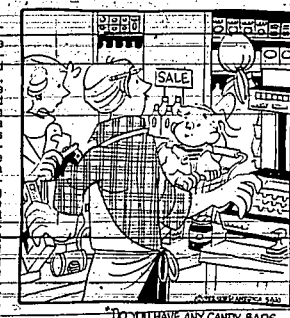
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Do you have any candy bars with KETCHUP in 'EM?™

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Private room available for ladies in state licensed parlor...

Professional Massage Therapist... Full-time or part-time...

Professional man, also writer, wishes to meet committed christian female...

Aggressive self-starter to handle and working door-to-door...

Now hiring, Tour guides, Casino workers, bartenders, gift shop clerks, photographers, musicians, hostesses...

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007-Jobs of Interest

Experienced long haul truck driver, good pay and unique benefits...

Full charge office manager... Full-time position...

Medical Records consultant for consultation in a 104 bed facility in Gooding...

Now hiring for a management position, must be flexible & willing to relocate...

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007-Jobs of Interest

Snake River Oaks is accepting applications for part-time cashier...

Television production assistant for shooting and editing commercial, programs and sporting events...

Therapy Technician wanted at Gooding, 28 bed JCFM unit...

Now hiring for a management position, must be flexible & willing to relocate...

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017-Business Oppty.

ATTENTION CLASSIFIED READERS! If you have had problems with any products or services...

Television production assistant for shooting and editing commercial, programs and sporting events...

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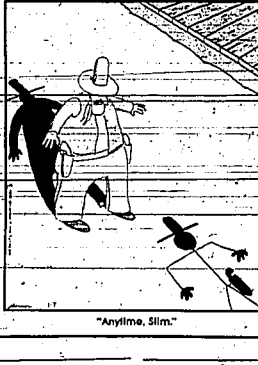


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THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



"Annye, Slim."

051-Urban, Houses
B205 3300 3 bdrm country house between Twin-Kimb...

051-Urban, Apts & Duplexes
Deluxe 3 bdrm, 2 bath, w/ pool, carpets, lots of closet space...

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102-Cattle
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030-Homes For Sale
STEAL IT!
Attractive 2 bdrm home in top location...

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050-Rooms For Rent
WELCOME TENANTS!
Furnished 2 bdrm, in quiet area...

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HAMLETT REALTY
OFFICE, 733-4079
Dove Hamilton, 733-4030

ELSPINGER REALTY
734-6880 or 733-8578

031-Out of Town
Home in Springville, Utah on acreage...

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Kimberly, split or rent, nice 14 x 65 mobile home...

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052-Mobile Home Rentals
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062-Pets & Supplies
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033-Business Property
Well-built masonry house, 4 bdrms, 1 1/2 bath...

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053-Office and Business Rental
BLUE LAKES OFFICE PARK
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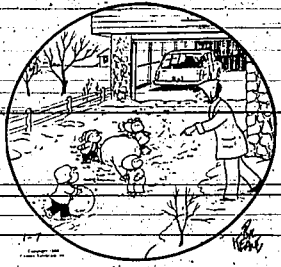
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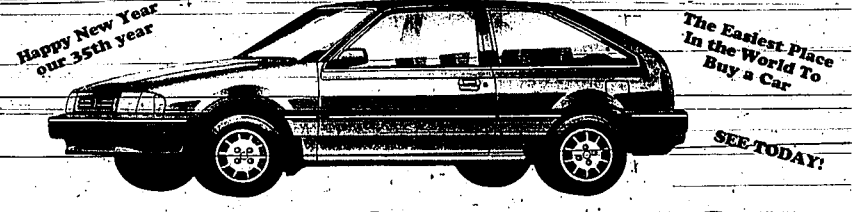
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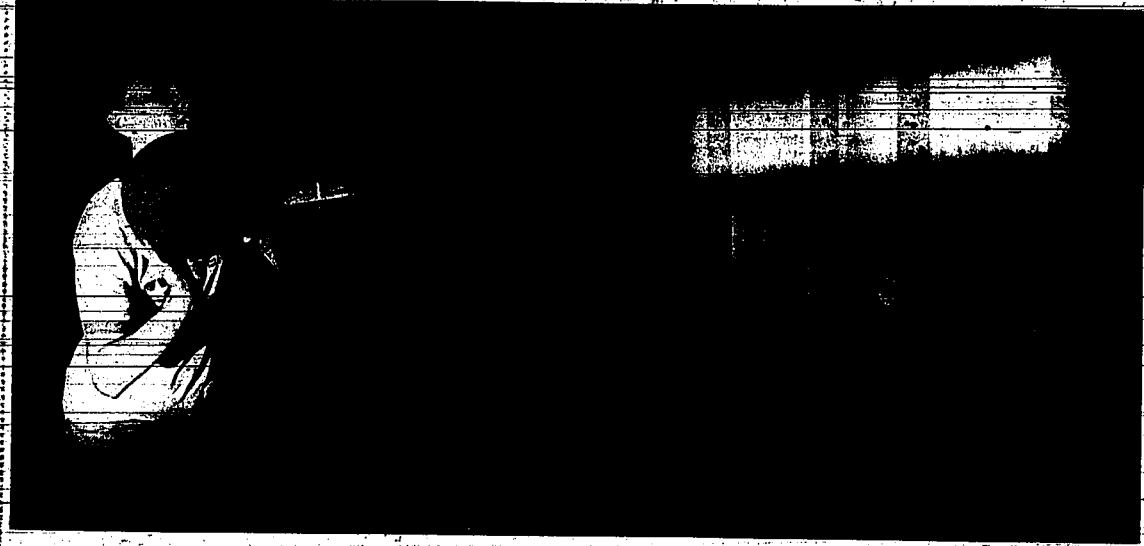
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Senior point-guard Lori Reed has been averaging 18 points, nine rebounds, six assists and six steals a game for the 12-2 Valley Vikings

Straight shooter

Valley High's Lori Reed is both a team leader and talented scorer

By COLIN MULDOON
Times-News correspondent

HAZELTON — Lori Reed and the Valley Vikings are making things interesting in the Canyon Conference girls' basketball race in '88.

The Vikings are 12-2 and a win over Declo here tonight would lift the Vikings into a first place tie.

Credit—a large portion of the Viking success to Reed. Take a look at the statistics.

Reed, a senior, is averaging 18 points, nine rebounds, six assists and six steals a game.

"Lori is one of the smartest players I've coached," Viking head coach Rod Malone said. "She knows where people should be (on the court) and she understands the game as well as anybody, boy or girl."

The 5-foot, 7-inch point guard is

now in her third year as a starter for the Vikings and, along with senior center Joy Schutte, has assumed the role of team general. A role that comes with its share of pressure situations, but it's a role Reed enjoys.

"Generally, I like to play under pressure," she said. "I feel it is my responsibility to take charge, especially towards the end. But sometimes I push it too much."

In her years at Valley, Reed has become popular with the conference coaches — for her abilities and her good sportsmanship.

"Lori is someone I have watched since she was a freshman," Gooding head coach Joleen Toome said. "She's exciting to watch and she's a good sport. I've never seen her mad or upset. She has good potential (to play in college)."

What sets Reed apart from the average Canyon Conference cager is her versatility. She can shoot, pass and she's quick enough to come over from her guard position to grab the rebound under the basket. Her shooting however, may be her most valuable asset.

"Definitely, you can not give her any room to shoot," Toome said. "She has good moves. She can drive or she can take the 12' or 15-foot shot from the wing. You can put your best defense on her and she'll still score on you."

Reed was born and has lived her entire life in Eden. She took up basketball in the fifth grade and because of her natural ability and competitiveness, she quickly grew fond of the sport. For the next six years, she attended basketball camps at the College of Southern

Idaho and in Medical Lake, Wash., honing her skills.

Among her natural abilities is her capacity for leadership.

"Lori's a great team leader," Malone said. "She likes helping the kids out. Lori complements the team and the team complements Lori."

While Reed, a three-year starter at Valley, may be the purest shooter in the conference, she would rather dish the ball off to a teammate than pull up and take the shot.

"If the team is doing well shooting during a game, I'd rather pass the ball and build their confidence, but it all depends on the situation."

Reed went on to say that her preference is driving to the hoop rather than pulling up for the 12-footer if the opponent will allow her to drive. Now in her senior year, Reed has

college in mind and said she has been contacted by several concerning her basketball and track endeavors. Those colleges include Cornell University, Idaho State and Washington State.

Reed has been near-perfect in her academic studies, accumulating a 3.9 grade-point average and said her career interest include physical therapy and psychology.

When asked about the chances of Valley winning the conference title, Reed seemed very optimistic.

"We're going through some adjustments right now, building our confidence," Reed said. "I think we can win the league title and I think we have some serious contention for the state title."

Tonight, against Declo, will be an apt indication of just how far Reed and the Valley Vikings will go...

The morning line

Good morning. It's Thursday, Jan. 7. There's a Canyon Conference girls' basketball showdown, scheduled for tonight at Valley High School in Hazelton between the frontrunning Declo Hornets (13-1, 7-0 in conference) and the Valley Vikings (12-2, 7-2). A win by Declo would all but give the Hornets the league title and the top berth in the District 4 Class A-3 tournament later this month; Valley, which has split two earlier meetings this year with the Hornets, is the only team with realistic chances of catching Declo. Tipoff is 8 p.m.

In Twin Falls tonight, the Bruin girls will host Minico in a game that will probably determine which team will get the host's berth in the first round of next month's Region III Class A-1 tournament. The 2-11 Bruins are 1-5 in Region III games, including a November loss to Minico in Rupert. The 2-11 Spartans are 2-8 in regional games, with victories over Twin Falls and Pocatello. If the Spartans win tonight, they could lose their final two regional games of the season and still wind up with a better record in the five-team region than Twin Falls. Game time is 8 p.m. in the Bruin gym.

In college basketball, the Big Sky Conference season opens tonight with a major showdown between 9-1 Boise State and 7-4 Montana State in Bozeman, Mont. The encounter between the two league leaders, which will be televised live in the Magic Valley by station KTVB, Channels 7 and 38, The University of Idaho, 8-4 in preseason, also opens its game schedule tonight in Moscow by hosting 3-5 Northern Arizona. Idaho State is idle this week.

The Western Athletic Conference season also opens tonight with Hawaii at BYU and San Diego State at Utah.

Two Top Twenty teams face formidable challenges today. In the Big Ten, 16th-ranked Purdue (10-1) hosts Ohio State (7-3), while in the NCAA, 13th-ranked Nevada, Las Vegas (10-0), must travel to Santa Barbara, Calif., to face the 8-1 USC Gauchos.

Wednesday's scores

Basketball	
Prep boys	
Burley 54, Buhl 45	
NBA	
Boston 117, New York 103	
Denver 98, New Jersey 93	
Philadelphia 116, Utah 98	
Cleveland 116, Los Angeles Clippers 100	
Detroit 90, Atlanta 87	
Los Angeles Lakers 103, Dallas 89	
Seattle 110, Houston 95	
Top 20	
Georgetown 62, Pittsburgh 67	
Iowa 84, Indiana 70	
North Carolina 76, Fordham 65 (OT)	
Michigan 92, Northwestern 69	
Wrestling	
Prep	
Idaho Falls 36, Minico 21	

Declo and Valley face off tonight in key conference game

By LARRY HOVEY
Times-News writer

HAZELTON — They've played twice and split by a total of three points. So when the Declo and Valley girls tee it up at 8 p.m. today in the Valley High School gym, the only thing anyone is willing to bet on is that it will be close.

While the higher profile result of this game would appear to be the Canyon Conference championship, the real motivation is the No. 1 seed in the District 4 Class A-3 tournament that begins at the end of the month.

Declo comes into the game with a

7-0 league record while Valley has lost twice, a two-pointer to Declo and a one-pointer to Filer. A Declo victory would take care of most contingencies.

"I would think," says Declo Coach Lynn Payne, "that a three-game lead with four games left to play should pretty well insure it, but I've heard of teams losing four in a row before, too."

"This game makes it tight or blows it wide open," he said.

Valley Coach Rod Malone, in a dogfight in his first year at the helm, sees it the same way. He has that last-minute victory over Filer Tuesday night may have put his

girls in the right frame of mind for this one.

"We found our post-holiday vacation weakpots and that the shooting hurt us. It was our poorest effort of the Tuesday game. But we had a good practice Wednesday and I think we corrected some of those things."

The first two games we had both teams played well and we were great games to watch. I expect the same type of game this time," he added.

Although he has the homecourt advantage, he wonders if it is enough because the Hornets pre-

sent some problems.

"First, we actually outsize them inside but they out-quick us," Malone said. "They run a very good offense and we have a tough time keeping up with them. And they are good outside shooters."

"I don't know how they do it, but they can get their girls very intense for a big game like this," he said. "And they stay intense the whole thing early but it just seems to waver after awhile."

Payne says the inside holds the key to his team's success.

"We have to neutralize their rebounding power. We have to keep

Joy Schutte off the offensive boards. We can't let Lori Reed have any open shots. And we'll have to play real good basketball to win down there."

While Payne said the game obviously was important, he would not emphasize it above the Hornets' long-term goal.

"We may have learned our lesson in volleyball this year when we tried our hardest to win the conference and then had a letdown at district. This winter we're not going to put all that emphasis on the conference. Our concern is to go into the district tournament emotionally level and playing good basketball."

Big Sky showdown tonight

By STEVE CRUMP
The Times-News

High noon will come a little early this year in the Big Sky Conference basketball race.

Boise State will open the 25th Big Sky season tonight at 7 p.m. in Bozeman, Mont., against the Bobcats, a battle between the teams picked to finish first and second in the league.

"It's a tough way to open the conference, but you got to play them sometime," said Boise State Coach Bobby Dye, whose Broncos are off to a 9-1 start. "So this is as good a time as any. If I had my druthers, I would just as soon open on the road in this conference."

Dye says that because his Broncos, due to the Big Sky's new nine-team format, get the final week of the regular season off last year they finished up with Montana and Montana State.

Boise State is the team in this conference with the fewest weaknesses, so I'd have to say they're the favorite," says Montana State Coach Stu Starmer, whose Bobcats are off to a 7-4 start. "Junior forward Wilson Foster has come in and given them a tremendous offensive punch. (Junior guard) Chris Childs and (senior forward) Arnell

Jones are two of the finest athletes in the conference. You throw in (senior guard) Doug Ustalo, who's a very talented player, and Boise State is unquestionably the frontrunner right now."

Boise television station KTVB, Channels 7 and 38 in the Magic Valley, will broadcast the game live, beginning at 7:35 p.m.

Elsewhere in the Big Sky on this opening night, the 8-4 Idaho Vandals will host 3-8 Northern Arizona at 8:30 p.m. MST in the Kibbie Dome; Weber State will play at Montana and Nevada-Reno will provide the opposition in Eastern Washington's first-ever Big Sky Conference game. Idaho State gets the week off.

On Saturday, the Broncos move on to Missoula to play the Montana Grizzlies (also live on KTVB at 7:35 p.m.), while Idaho will host Nevada-Reno and Weber State will play at Bozeman.

Boise State leads the Big Sky in defense, averaging just over 50 points a game, and ranks third in total offense, a dramatic improvement over last season with a 71-point average. The Broncos are first in scoring margin (plus-20 points), offensive field goal percentage (53.2 percent) and defensive field goal per-

centage (38.8 percent). The only category in which BSU does not stack up in the top half of the league is rebounding and in that department the Broncos are fifth.

But Montana State, which has lost once in the Brick Broadsen Fieldhouse in two years, will present a formidable obstacle.

"We Bobcats, who own a preseason victory over the University of Alabama of the Southeastern Conference, are averaging 75.3 points per game and hauling down 31 rebounds," Tom Dowd, a 6-foot, 3-inch senior forward, is the league's leading scorer with a 21.1-point average, while senior guard Chris Conway leads the league in assists and steals and senior guard Ray Willis is No. 1 on free throw percentage and carries a .763-point scoring average.

"We have a lot of experimenting in preseason after losing a couple of players, and we haven't played with much consistency except for Chris Conway, who's had some in an given us some good over all play," says Starmer. "Aside from that, we've been creating. We're still waiting for the other players to assert themselves."

Boise State has lost only to Wyoming; a Top Ten team; but has

played away from home only twice in the first 10 games. Dye said he prefers to start Big Sky play on the road, because there will be less pressure on the team to win.

"I think we're going to play two very fine teams," said Dye. He said both Montana schools are very hard to beat at home.


The Grizzlies, at 10-1, have the Big Sky's best preseason record. Their only loss was to the University of San Diego on the road.

Tim Floyd of Idaho said his team is about where it was last year at this time, but that's probably not good because it appears that the other Big Sky teams have improved.

Because of the Big Sky's balance, he said, it will be difficult for anyone to win on the road. "I think it's important to take care of your business at home," he said.

Like Starmer, Floyd has had one outstanding preseason success story in 6-7 junior forward Raymond Brown, a transfer a year ago from Mississippi State who is averaging 17 points and 5.9 rebounds a game and is the Big Sky's No. 3 field goal shooter with an average of 57 percent. With guards Ken Lockett and Altonio Campbell (4-

Ski report



More snow, mild air

Sun Valley — Sun Valley reported partly cloudy skies and mild temperatures Wednesday, with 25 inches of packed snow at midlope on Bald Mountain and 29 inches at the summit. Hours today: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Pomerelle — Pomerelle reported partly cloudy skies Wednesday following a 6-inch snowfall on Tuesday, leaving 42 inches of snow at the base and 62 inches at the top of the mountain. The access road has been plowed and sanded, but snow tires or chains are required. Hours today: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Magic Mountain — Closed.

Soldier Mountain — Closed; cross-country trails open.

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Clark agrees to \$3 million contract with Yankees



By BEN WALKER
The Associated Press

Baseball

NEW YORK — Jack Clark signed with the New York Yankees on Wednesday, becoming the first major free agent to switch teams since owners tightened the market in 1985.

The Yankees, who ones led the major league free agents, Catfish Hunter, Reggie Jackson, Dave Winfield and Rich Gossage, gave Clark a two-year contract worth about \$3 million.

Clark, one of baseball's most feared hitters with 38 homers and 100 RBI last season for the St. Louis Cardinals, earned \$1.3 million last year in the final season of a four-year deal.

Clark, 32, is expected to be the

Yankees' designated hitter with some limited action in the outfield. He will get \$1.6 million per year and can earn several hundred thousand dollars in incentives. Most of the bonus money is tied on the number of games he plays; he has been on the disabled list for four straight seasons and missed last year's World Series with an injured right ankle.

Clark rejected salary arbitration from the Cardinals, who Tuesday night offered a similar \$3 million, two-year contract after learning of the Yankees' interest.

Clark said that if the Cardinals made that offer sooner, he would

have stayed in St. Louis. But Clark said it was too late.

"I had a better offer from St. Louis for the money, but this is where the deal was," Clark said. "I came here — essentially — on a handshake."

Yankees General Manager Dal S. Stone's press conference after Clark's signing with announced said Wednesday the Cardinals' last offer called for a two-year contract at \$1.6 million per season with an additional \$100,000 "for appearing in 120-130 games." The Yankees also was a signing bonus of \$250,000 plus standard award bonuses which could be earned.

"If Clark would have preferred, we offered an alternative contract which would have included a one- or two-year guaranteed contract of \$1.

75 million for each season, without regard to number of appearances, plus a \$250,000 signing bonus and standard award bonuses," Maxwell said.

After negotiations with the Cardinals "bogged down," Reich said, Yankees owner George Steinbrenner have done business in the past and have become friends. "George knows how to do a deal," Reich said.

This is one of the quickest negotiations I've ever been involved in — will be involved in, as general manager," Yankees General Manager Lou Piniella said. "I spoke with Jack Clark's agent Monday. We spoke yesterday and signed today."

"We've had a tradition since Cat-

fish Hunter of bringing in top free agents," Piniella said.

Clark did not start after Sept. 9 because of his injury. He pinch hit once in the National League playoffs and was dropped from the Cardinals' World Series roster.

"I've got a clean bill of health even from the Cardinals' doctors," Clark said. "They're trying to beat me down about the injury, but I'm going to be healthy."

"I just had enough of it," he said, of the aborted talk with St. Louis. "I kept hearing was that I was a one-dimensional ballplayer. I couldn't do this. I couldn't do that. I was a good first baseman — after Whitey (Cardinals Manager Whitey Herzog) asked me to go to first base to help the ballclub."

Hoyas hand Pittsburgh first loss, 62-57

LANDOVER, Md. (AP) — The Big East's "other" Charles Smith outdid his Pittsburgh counterpart Wednesday night to help Georgetown hand the No. 2 Panthers their first loss of the season.

College basketball

Smith scored 13 of his 20 points in the second half. Charles Smith grabbed two clutch offensive rebounds in the closing seconds to lead the No. 14 Hoyas to a tight-in-contest 62-57 victory in the Big East opener for both teams.

The more notable Charles Smith of Pittsburgh's 6-foot-10 center, who entered the game averaging 38 points and eight rebounds a game. He scored 12 points Wednesday, but missed the final 13:44 of the first half with three fouls and was not a factor.

Equally, elbowed Bailey and Pitt forward Jerome Lane then shoved Rhimom.

Both benches cleared before peace was restored.

"Those kids should have been in my neighborhood if they thought that little thing was a fight," declared Georgetown Coach John Thompson.

Lane scored 12 points and had 16 rebounds for Pitt, which has never won at the Capital Center.

Iowa 84 Indiana 70

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — B.J. Armstrong scored 17 of his career-high 27 points in the second half and Mitch Hill had all of his 18 points in the final period as No. 18 Iowa rallied to beat 12th-ranked Indiana 84-70 in a Big Ten Conference opener Wednesday night.

North Carolina led 36-30 at halftime, but Fordham scored three straight inside baskets in the first two minutes of the second half and forced the overtime on Greg Pedro's two-foul shots in the final seconds but then could not keep up with North Carolina.

Williams, who had 10 points in regulation and finished with 15, scored two inside jumpers and a free throw as the Tar Heels built a 70-65 lead.

Miami 69 Kansas 60

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — Marlon Branch scored 20 points and Danny Ferris added 18 Wednesday night, leading No. 14 Kansas to a 69-60 victory over American University.

Michigan 92 Northwestern 69

EVANSTON, Ill. (AP) — Gary Evans scored 21 points and Les Vaughn added 18 Wednesday night to lead 11th-ranked Michigan to a 92-69 victory over Northwestern in a Big Ten basketball opener.

Auburn 72 Florida 67

AUBURN, Ala. (AP) — Chris Morris, taking up the slack for an Auburn team which has lost two starters in the past two weeks, scored 26 points Wednesday to lead the Tigers to a 72-67 Southeastern Conference victory over No. 15 Florida.

Duke 107 Miami 69

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — Danny Ferry scored 23 points and No. 9 Duke routed Miami, Fla., 107-69 Wednesday night in college basketball.

Seattle 110 Houston 95

SEATTLE (AP) — Tom Chambers scored a career-high 46 points and pulled down eight rebounds Wednesday night as the Seattle SuperSonics defeated Houston 110-95, snapping the Rockets' four-game winning streak.

Boston 117 New York 108

BOSTON (AP) — Larry Bird scored 52 of his 41 points in the first half and the Boston Celtics survived a late New York surge for a 117-108 NBA victory over the Knicks Wednesday night.

L.A. Lakers 103 Dallas 89

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Byron Scott scored 25 points and the Los Angeles Lakers came from behind to post their 12th straight victory, 103-89 over the Dallas Mavericks Wednesday night.

Denver 98 New Jersey 93

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Alex English scored 25 points and became the 14th player in NBA history to score 20,000 career points as the Denver Nuggets rallied from a 19-point deficit and defeated the New Jersey Nets 98-93 Wednesday night.

Cleveland 116 Utah 93

RICHFIELD, Ohio (AP) — Brad Daugherty scored 29 points as the Cleveland Cavaliers edged the Los Angeles Clippers their eighth consecutive defeat, 116-100 Wednesday night.

Philadelphia 116 Utah 93

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Cliff Robinson scored 26 points and Charles Barkley added 23 as the Philadelphia 76ers managed their eighth straight victory, 116-93 Wednesday night.

Burley boys beat Buhl for first win of season

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Off Murtaugh boys, 53-52

MURTAUGH — Brian Hall scored a basket with less than 10 seconds remaining here Tuesday night to lift Hansford to a 53-52 Magic Valley Conference boys' basketball victory over Murtaugh.

Minico matmen lose to I.F., 36-21

RUPERT — The Idaho Falls Tigers won the first six matches of the night to topple Minico 36-21 in a Gem State Conference dual wrestling match here Wednesday.

Big Sky

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junior who transferred from the University of Kansas a year ago — finished throwing opponents tied for 20 points per game, second-toughest in the league.

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Scores and Stats

Basketball			
Home	Vis	Score	Time
Boise	18	52	27
Idaho	14	42	27
Idaho State	14	52	27
Idaho Falls	14	52	27
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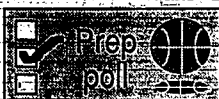
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Centennial supplants Spartans atop AP poll

The Associated Press

Meridian's Centennial High School, in its first season, has won a little title establishing itself. The Patriots, the only unbeaten big-school boys' prep basketball



six of 10 first-place votes and 44 of 50 points, ahead of Mihico, which got three first-place votes and 33 points.

Boys' basketball

team in the Idaho, replaced Rupert's Minico High School as the No. 1 Class A-1 team in this week's Associated Press poll.

In Class A-3, Fruitland replaced Lapwai as the No. 1 team, but in A-2 and A-4, the leaders remained the same.

In A-1, Centennial moved up from third to first, followed by the

1. Spartans and Idaho Falls' Bonnevillie High School, which fell from second to third with a 6-1 record. Pocatello's Highland High School, 4-1, and Idaho Falls, 4-2, moved into the rankings. In fourth and fifth place, respectively, after registering upsets of Minico and Bonnevillie. The Rams and the Tigers replaced Meridian and Rigby, which fell from the ratings.

from second to fourth after losing three of four games during the Christmas holidays. Orofino, 5-1, stayed in fifth place. In A-3, 9-0 Fruitland — the state's winningest boys' basketball team at the moment — replaced 8-0 Lapwai in the top spot. The Grizzlies received three of 10 first-place votes and 43 of a possible 50 points, edging the Wildcats, who got six first-place votes and 42 points. McCall, Donnelly, 8-0, moved up from fourth to third place, while 6-2 Sugar-Salem dropped from third to fourth. Grangeville, 5-3, moved into the ratings in the No. 5 spot, replacing A-4.

ring with an 8-0 record, nine of 10 first-place votes and 49 of a possible 50 points. Genesee, 4-1, moved up from third to second, switching places with Mackay, now 6-2. Rimrock of Brunau advanced from fifth to fourth with a 7-3 record, while 5-4 Kendrick dropped from fourth to fifth.

Class A-1		Class A-2		Class A-3	
1. Centennial	44	1. Fruitland	43	1. Lapwai	43
2. Mihico	33	2. Grangeville	39	2. Grangeville	39
3. Bonnevillie	33	3. Grangeville	39	3. Grangeville	39
4. Lapwai	33	4. Grangeville	39	4. Grangeville	39
5. Fruitland	33	5. Grangeville	39	5. Grangeville	39

Senior turns in high game for abbreviated holiday week

By The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Jim Baird had the high game of the season and Year Smith turned in the best series in an abbreviated New Year's week bowling schedule last week. Baird bowled his 268 in the Bowladrome seniors' league, followed by Stan Nunes and Jim Featherston, with identical 254s. Nunes' came in the Dairymen's League at the Bowladrome, while Featherston turned in an identical score in the Pintirpers' League at the Bowladrome.

Bowling Honor Roll



Lois Lufulw and Gay Blunt tied for women's high-game honors. Lufulw's 226 came in the Hazelton Mixed League at the Bowladrome, while Blunt's was registered in the Southwhirlers' League at the Bowladrome.

MEN'S HIGH GAME		WOMEN'S HIGH GAME	
Felix McLanore 216	Magie Bowl	Lois Lufulw 226	Hazelton Mixed
Mark Quantance 214	Magie Bowl	Gay Blunt 226	Bowladrome
Ed Chappell 214	Magie Bowl	Stan Nunes 254	Dairymen's League
John Stokessberry 214	Magie Bowl	Jim Featherston 254	Pintirpers' League

MEN'S HIGH SERIES		WOMEN'S HIGH SERIES	
Felix McLanore 601	Magie Bowl	Lois Lufulw 226	Hazelton Mixed
Mark Quantance 601	Magie Bowl	Gay Blunt 226	Bowladrome
Ed Chappell 597	Magie Bowl	Stan Nunes 254	Dairymen's League
John Stokessberry 597	Magie Bowl	Jim Featherston 254	Pintirpers' League

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Briefly in Sports

Ski-day-Friday at Pomerelle

ALBION — The Pomerelle ski school will be participating in the national "Let's Go Skiing America" program Friday, with a day of free beginner learn-to-ski classes. Ski school director Barry Whiting said the one-day program offers free ski lessons, to beginners age 7 years and over as part of a national ski promotion to encourage skiers to learn proper ski techniques and for increased skier safety in the sport. Whiting said his staff of instructors will donate their time to help 100 beginners get a start with the popular winter sport. Classes will be held at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. for the first 50 persons to register for each session. Registration will be accepted at the ski lodge Friday morning.

ISU hires two coaches

POCATELLO (AP) — New Idaho State football coach Garth Hall has hired Neal Richardson and Kyle Whittingham as assistant coaches, the school announced on Wednesday. Hall, named last month to succeed Jim Kooter as Idaho State coach, rehired Richardson, who has been an ISU assistant the last six years; Richardson, who has coached linebackers and the defensive line, will be defensive coordinator. Whittingham started the 1987 season as defensive coordinator at the College of Eastern Utah. He played for the Los Angeles Rams during the NFL players strike. He won all-Western Athletic Conference honors at Brigham Young University in 1980-81 and was the 1981 WAC defensive player of the year. Whittingham will be ISU's linebacker coach.

Brewers resign Molitor

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Paul Molitor has agreed to terms of a multiyear contract with the Milwaukee Brewers, General Manager Harry Dalton said Wednesday. The announcement came two days before the Brewers would have been prohibited for nearly four months from negotiating with him. Molitor's 59-game hitting streak last year was the fifth-longest in modern major-league history and seventh-longest overall. He was used mainly as a designated hitter last season. Because Molitor, 31, raised last month the team's offer to go to salary arbitration, the club would not have been able to negotiate with him again until May 1. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed in the prepared statement, but a news conference was scheduled for this afternoon.

Raiders sue Coliseum

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Los Angeles Raiders filed a lawsuit against the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission Wednesday, charging that the commission "has in bad faith denied the existence of its obligation to modernize the Coliseum." In the Superior Court cross-complaint to the commission's earlier lawsuit, the Raiders contend the construction of 160 luxury suites, the addition of 2,000 seats closer to the playing field and various other improvements were part of its agreement to leave Oakland for Los Angeles. The suit seeks more than \$9.5 million in damages, claiming the Raider organization "has been and will continue to be deprived of the income from luxury suites and additional gate receipts realized from additional seating in the Coliseum."

Boitano wins first event

DENVER (AP) — Brian Boitano made a strong start toward his fourth straight U.S. Figure Skating Championship Wednesday by easily winning the compulsory figures. Boitano, 24, of Sunnyvale, Calif., finished first in all three required figures, worth 30 percent of the total score. He is an overwhelming favorite to keep his lead throughout the short program (20 percent) and the free skate (50 percent) and join the previous two American champions as a four-time winner. Charlie Tickner won the U.S. crown from 1977-80, while Scott Hamilton held it from 1981-84. The senior women's compulsory are Thursday morning.

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Outdoors

You'll need professional help mastering this one

This is the third in a three-part series about cross country skiing in the Sawtooth and Wood River valleys.

By LYNN STONE
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM — Years ago on a wet, snowy day at Mount Hood, I was one of a dozen alpine instructors shivering through a clinic on Nordic technique.

We had worked dutifully through half the prescribed teaching progression when suddenly our leader dazzled us with a telemark turn. He had done it casually, unaware of the commotion that would be aroused.

None of us had seen a telemark before. At least not in real life (maybe in old photos of the sport's pioneers). I forgot my numba toes. The group clamored for a telemark demonstration. We spent the rest of the day falling, sprawling and

crossing our wooden skis as we tried to copy the maneuver.

Then someone shouted: "To the top, to the top!" and all of us raced toward the chairlift. With only light-weight touring gear, the easy intermediate slopes below loomed as a rugged struggle.

That was long ago. Now in my hallway stand two pairs of hefty, metal-edged telemark skis — one for powder and one for hard-packed snow.

The soft, low-cut touring shoes of a decade ago have been replaced with stiff, high-laced, mountaineering ski boots. Even the ski poles are different — shorter, stronger, made of high-strength aluminum and designed to be cleverly converted to an avalanche probe.

Telemarking — Back country mountaineering — are laced with risk tracks. Lift-served areas have telemark skiers dashing downward among the alpine skiers. Even children learn to telemark, enjoying sedate family ski tours.

Take it to an art form Telemarking, the ultimate

A telemark turn begins when a skier stems out the tail of one ski and slides that ski forward. This becomes the turning ski.

Pressure or weight applied (in that classic kneeling position) causes the turning ski to arc — or change direction. When done properly, the telemark position provides a solid base to tackle deep snow, crud or packed slopes.

Long-time downhill skiers have drifted to telemarking for a new skiing experience. Long-time Nordic skiers are using telemarking to descend slopes previously considered too difficult for nordics.

Telemarking is possible on any form of touring equipment. Given the choice, I'd have learned on genuine telemark gear — if it had existed. But proper gear or not,

just trying this useful way to change direction brings a gleeful dimension to Nordic skiing.

A telemark turn is most easily learned from a skilled friend or Nordic instructor on a gentle, packed slope. Nordic touring centers sometimes have such areas. Commercial downhill ski areas always have excellent beginning terrain.

But expect to purchase a lift ticket. Ski areas don't relish folks walking up hill among throngs of down-bound skiers. Besides, riding the lift is quick access to run after run of telemark practice.

To go beyond casual telemarking where avalanche danger may exist requires backcountry training and special equipment. That's another ball game.

Where to learn telemarking: Sun Valley Trekking.

Bob Jonas Sun Valley Trekking offers a cross-country backcountry skiing. From beginning tours and telemark lessons to hut-to-hut adventures in the Sawtooths. Every Wednesday at the Boulder Mountain yurt, a short distance from Idaho Highway 75 north of Ketchum. Sun Valley Trekking gives a day-long back country and telemarking clinic.

Jonas recently published a book called "Total Skiing" explaining the whole cosmos of the sport, including alpine, cross-country and backcountry skiing.

A six-page brochure explains all of Sun Valley Trekking's exclusive offerings. Information is available at 208-788-9586 or Box 2200, Sun Valley, 83353.

Sun Valley Helicopter Ski Guides

Nordic skiers have discovered the convenience and high adventure of backcountry helicopter skiing. Telemarkers can be set down in the Pioneer or Boulder mountains with a guide and have a day-long fall in untracked powder snow. Trips are planned according to skiers' abilities and include a flat canyon tour which even low, intermediate tourers can pleasurable negotiate. Information: 822-5108 or Box 978, Sun Valley, 83353.

Nordic Centers

Commercial nordic centers also give telemark lessons. Buser Ranch in the Sawtooth Valley has guided tours to Galena Summit. Sun Valley Touring Center gives telemark lessons on Dollar Mountain and Baldy. The touring center at Warm Springs Ranch and Galena Lodge also have telemark instruction.

Galena Summit

Telemarkers' new and old soon learn that Galena Summit is a choice destination for backcountry telemarking. Highway 75 climbs to 8,707 feet at Galena Pass, 30 miles north of Ketchum. Telemark skiers depart for powder fields.

Certain runs are local legends — the Cross, Avalanche Bowl, Bowling Alley, 2nd Antenna, Shot Shot, Titus Ridge, Humble Pie. Because of avalanche danger, only experienced skiers equipped with avalanche beacons, shovels and backcountry knowledge, should ski Galena Summit.

Unfortunately, scores of ill-prepared and avalanche-naïve skiers ski Galena Summit every week. No one has been fatally caught in an avalanche yet.

Easier and safer routes for telemarking are found off

Galena Overlook on the Sawtooth Valley side of the pass.

However, the southern exposure may cause windblown or sun-crusted snow conditions.

The best skiing is often among the tree-covered north slopes. For backcountry conditions, contact the Ketchum Ranger District at Sun Valley Road, 822-5371 or call the 24-hour avalanche report at 822-8027.



Candice Anderson tunes up on her telemarking on Dollar Mountain

Times-News Photo/LYNN STONE

Idaho seeks supplemental animals from Washington

By LARRY HOVEY
Times-News writer

JEROME — An apparent surplus of Rocky Mountain goats in Washington may give Idaho a chance to supplement some of its smaller native populations this spring.

An agreement with the National Park Service, the spare goats would come from the Olympic Peninsula. How many will go where hasn't been established because all the states in the West have applied for their share or more.

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game is looking at three sites in the Yankee Fork-Ranger District of the Challis National Forest. This would include Bowers Creek, in the Sheep Mountain area off of the east fork of the Salmon River; Ibeex Creek, approximately seven miles north of Look Creek Summit; and Lion Creek, about 10 miles west of Lion Creek Summit and within the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness Area.

If the animals become available, the first two sites would receive 10 goats, while the third would receive 20.

Craig Kvalo, Region 4 wildlife manager for the DFG, said he had submitted one area in the Little Wood and Big Wood river drainages south of Trail Creek.

"That's where we had to close a hunt because it didn't meet the production or population numbers outlined in our five-year management plan," Kvalo said. "I doubt we will be able to have a hunt there this year either."

The Olympic Peninsula goats were put on the peninsula many years ago and have thrived on the range and the lack of hunter harvest.



The Park Service first suggested moving the animals around the west several years ago but ran into a storm of protest from the Washington Department of Wildlife.

But the continued increase of the goat population evidently has changed some of those attitudes. "On projects like these you start believing when the shipping crates show up," said Kvalo. "A lot of things can happen before this gets into operation."

There is a possibility that some British Columbia California big-horns may join the new herd in a part of Cottonwood Canyon. The Canadian sheep originally were scheduled to be placed in Owyhee County, but livestock interests in the area are protesting.

"That's a question that would require a double dose of supplemental planting this winter and should set that herd up in good shape," Kvalo said.

He said no environmental impact studies have been cleared for planting of sheep in other suitable ranges in Unit 54.

"It is rather a narrow corridor we could use," he said. "After that we start getting into overlap with domestic sheep grazing allotments."

That brings up the matter of domestic sheep infecting the big-horns, a conflict that probably led to extinction of the native herds in the area originally.

Chemical spill stresses vulnerability

Most of Idaho's major rivers survive in constant peril, thanks largely to the roads which have been built along their banks.

And in recent months, one of those — the Little Salmon River above Riggins — became a complex if temporary fatality.

Nearly all of the Little Salmon's wild chinook and steelhead died when a trucker left the road for yet-unexplained reasons and dumped 500 gallons of Milwax 200 into the water. Although the loss may not be permanent, two years' worth of juvenile wild salmon and steelhead are gone and even the insects on which the young fish feed are dead.

The bright red toxic chemical dumped in the wreck is used to treat seed grain and is being shipped to nearby every grain growing country in the U.S. and Canada as seed companies make ready next spring's wares.

The fungicide kills mold which grows on grain seeds after planting and which can keep them from germinating. Ironically, it is the chemical chosen to replace the mercury-based fungicides which made American and Canadian sportsmen suspicious of eating wild fish and



Mike Harrop

birds in the 1960's because of the possibility that humans might be poisoned by mercury residues.

At the time of this writing, Cecil Andrus has vowed to recover the value of the lost steelhead and lost fisherman dollars from the trucker and the firm which owned the truck, Southern Refrigerator Transport of Murfreesboro, Ark.

In addition, Andrus is examining the problem and hopes to find a way to prevent further accidents.

But there are few sportsmen or game managers in Idaho who would not rather have the wild steelhead back and let the trucking firm keep its money.

To someone who does not know the history of Idaho's recovering steelhead, the loss of a few fish might seem a mere bump splattered on the windshield of commerce.

Although the wild fish constitute a minority of the great runs that now come into the state once more,

they are our sole weapon against downstream interests who would harvest all the salmon and steelhead before they reach sportsmen and sportsmen.

Remember that without the famous rivers and trophy fish, many tourists won't come and Idaho could lose her second-largest industry.

And without the argument that the wild fish must be preserved to maintain a varied game pool for future hatchery efforts, Idaho's biologists would have no right to argue for the maintenance of a run into the state. Our hatcheries are paid for largely by federal dollars and the biologists' fisheries management has left us with only a weak voice on the interstate fisheries council which governs salmon and steelhead harvests.

As you pass a truck on the highway or watch a train making its way to track, think how that truck or any rail car may be loaded with poisons so deadly that a single load may be enough to wipe out the entire Idaho run of steelhead or salmon once it gets into the river.

Likewise, think how that truck or any rail car may be loaded with vast bodies of water as Lake Couer d'Alene or Pend Oreille.

They are not having any trouble finding feed-off-the-river bottoms. Until we get on covering all shrubs on the south-facing slopes, I think we're in good shape there.

He said the elk that move into Bullwacker and Warm Springs sites are in the vicinity, but so far are remaining on the slopes above.

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Still worse, one truckload of concentrated chemical could go into the Clearwater River at Orofino or the Snake at Ashton or even the Salmon at Challis.

But the entire Columbia River system of life below that point, perhaps every living animal far out into the ocean.

What's worse, the damage might persist for generations or even get into irrigation systems, sterilizing the farmland of the Snake River Plain.

As this column is being written, the drinking water of 60,000 people near Littleburg has been shut off because it has been poisoned by a spill of a million gallons of diesel fuel, which wound up in the Monogahela River when a storage tank collapsed.

It is only a matter of time before Monogahela-type spill occurs in Idaho or in one of our neighboring Northwestern or Rocky Mountain states.

Mike Harrop, assistant city editor for the Idaho Falls East-Register, writes a weekly column for The Times-News.

Winterfeeding still in poised position

By LARRY HOVEY
Times-News writer

JEROME — Winterfeeding of big game animals in the Magic Valley has not begun, but remains on a day-by-day basis.

Craig Kvalo, Region 4 wildlife manager for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, said a close look is being taken at the deer feed lot near Snowville, Utah, on the Idaho border where some baiting to keep the animals from moving into Utah already has taken place.

The bait stations continue on the Picabo Hills, another deterrent to

southern migration, but the major operations are still idle.

Kvalo said regular checking for elk feeding on the south fork of the Boise River hasn't turned up a major need as yet.

There's only about a foot of snow in the upper reaches and, in fact, we've heard reports there's more snow around Pocatello than in the headwaters," Kvalo said.

The trucks indicate the elk have been down checking to see if the goodies have been put out yet, but they've been leaving the area when they find it empty. There's been little if any major impact on the browse around the feed site and that's an in-

dication they aren't having any trouble finding feed-off-the-river bottoms. Until we get on covering all shrubs on the south-facing slopes, I think we're in good shape there.

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The underestimated .22 rimfire could help technique a lot

Like many beginning hunters, my first gun was a .22 rimfire rifle. It was a Winchester model 69A, which found its way under my Christmas tree in the late 1950s. Many hours of hunting and shooting followed, but somewhere along the way I lost interest in the .22 rimfire.

It was not until about six years ago that I rediscovered this little cartridge. Of course, the long-rifle version has been around for more than 100 years and is the most common and popular of all cartridges.

It is called the rimfire because the primer mixture is ignited by the firing pin striking the rim of the case. The .22-rimfire long-rifle is only one inch in length with a 40-grain bullet, so an elephant cartridge it is not. But its attributes



David Hocklander
Hunting

outweigh what it may lack in power. The .22 rimfire is still the best bargain for the shooter. One to two dollars for a box of 50 rounds is common, but even that price can be bettered by watching for sales. Most .22s can be found in any hardware, sporting goods or variety store. Recalls to light and the report is very mild compared to centerfire cartridges.

These attributes make the .22 rimfire very useful for learning and practicing shooting skills. It is a pleasant round to shoot and does

not intimidate the shooter. Proper techniques can be learned without worrying about bone-shaking recoil or a deafening muzzle blast. This was one of the uses I discovered for the .22 rimfire. I found I could practice all the techniques needed to shoot big bore silhouette with the .22

rimfire. Sight picture, grip, trigger pull, breathing patterns, etc., could all be practiced for little cost and under very pleasant conditions. Performance of this little cartridge is better than might be expected. Jack Jansen, who runs the Little Wood River Stock Shop in Gooding, has a 60-foot range next to his shop. Over the past few years he has tested many brands of .22 rimfire ammunition, both foreign and domestic. Testing was done from a bench rest with a H&R 6200 target rifle topped with a 205-powder Redfield 3200 scope.

During the course of 30,000 plus rounds of testing, many types of .22 rimfires were tried. They included match ammo such as Eley, standard velocity ammo (less than 1,128 feet per second), high velocity ammo and hyper-velocity ammo.

The match quality brands produced consistent one-hole groups. The top quality high velocity .22s, such as Winchester Super-X, performed nearly as well.

But the hyper-velocity ammo gave larger and less consistent groups. The economy lines such as the Winchester Wildcats and the Federal Lightnings often matched and sometimes out-performed

BULLET WEIGHT (GRS): 40		STD. BALLISTIC COEFFICIENT (C1): .103	
STANDARD METRO			
MUZZLE VELOCITY (FPS):			1200
RANGE (YARDS):			50
REMAINING VELOCITY (FPS):			1043
REMAINING ENERGY (FT-LBS):			97
TIME OF FLIGHT (SEC):			.135
TOTAL DROP (INCHES):			3-3
MAX-HEIGHT ABOVE SIGHT LINE (INCHES):			.5
ELEVATION REQUIRED (MOA):			8.5
DEFLECTION FOR 10-MPH CROSSWIND (INCHES):			1.7

RANGE YARDS	VELOCITY FPS	BULLET PATH FROM SIGHT LINE MOA	10-MPH-WIND INCHES
25	1111	1.7	.4
50	1043	0	1.7
75	990	-3.2	3.7
100	946	-7	6.4

their higher-priced brothers. For most uses, these cheaper versions would be more than adequate.

The velocity of the .22 rimfire-long rifle high velocity average about 1,000 fps with the type-velocity reaching 1,600 fps or more. There is some sacrifice in accuracy and an increase in the report with these faster .22s but they do provide more energy.

In order to achieve the higher velocity, manufacturers reduce the bullet size from 40 grains to about 32 grains and fill in the extra space with a larger charge.

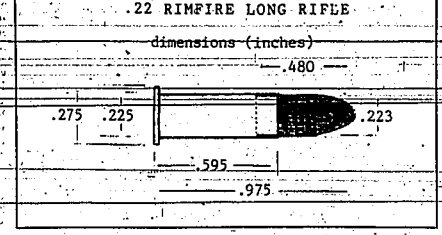
The .22 rimfire performs equally well at longer ranges. In silhouette shooting, this small cartridge can group under two inches at 100 yards and retain enough energy to topple the four-pound steel ram.

The testing showed that performance also varied when the lot numbers of the same brand of ammunition was different. The different lot numbers signify the ammunition was produced in different batches at the factory. Individual guns also showed a preference of ammunition, so try several brands until you find one your par-

ticular gun likes. A couple of boxes of .22 rimfire, a gun and a few empty pop cans will provide a whole family young and old with an afternoon of fun and economical entertainment.

Take some time and rediscover the .22 rimfire for yourself and I think you will find it very enjoyable shooting.

David Hocklander, a teacher and athletic director at Gooding High School, writes a weekly column for The Times-News.



Fishing ploys of new places might work well in old haunts

Every fishing area has different ways of fishing. Even when fishing the Snake River, you cannot fish every area in the same way. Fishing on Lake Mohave, the backwaters of Davis Dam on the Colorado River, has this same problem.

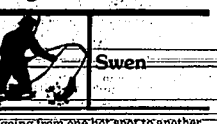
During the last months the fishery species move into shallow water and my unpaid fishing guides show me a few tricks I have never tried like fishing in Idaho.

Harold Peters, Bullhead City, Ariz., has fished Lake Mohave for eight years. He is recommended by tackle dealers as the "expert" of the area. Harold fishes two or three times a week and has a method he calls "vertical flutter jigging."

The jigging lure is simply raised off the bottom with an upward sweep of the rod. The lure is allowed to settle and flutter back down by lowering the tip steadily, allowing just enough slack in the line for the lure to sink normally.

Vertical jigging calls for positioning the boat over a hot spot. By taking anglers as the most important to the jigging lure as it flutters upward for three to five feet and then falls off fluttering down like a crippled minnow. Harold calls his method "yo-yoing."

My problem was knowing when I had a hit. We spent four hours



Swen

going from one hot spot to another and I never mastered the yo-yoing. Harold boated three bass and one small striped. I had the task of getting skunked and cleaning the catch.

I am going to try the yo-yoing method on the large browns and rainbow at Clark Canyon Reservoir in Montana next summer. There are large springs in the upper end of the reservoir where you cannot troll, this jigging method of Harold's just may be the ticket.

While trying to find just what my collection of patent medicine bottles held, I found I had a bottle that did contain "Peruna," a once-popular

remedy for "women's distress." I am just young enough to remember what my mother called "a wagon load of belief," the medicine show.

"Ladeez! Good citizens! Is that the way you awaken in the morning? Zesty? Popping with life? What? Who said no? A night of good rest would recharge the electricity

in your system! The sun's own tonic! Madam, I happen to have an original patent, a recipe given me by an Oriental princess."

Despite embarrassment the woman who indicated "no" she did not jump out of bed popping with life, was chosen to sample the tonic. Harold boated three bass and one small striped. I had the task of getting skunked and cleaning the catch.

The elixir of life, according to my research, was a combination of senna leaves, hypophosphite, calcium, fennel seed, sugar and alcohol!

Druggists estimate it was near 78 proof. No wonder a bottleful made a harried local fish go.

Granddad was a religious man. He did have medicinal whiskey hidden down in the barn, but also had his secret cache of medicine.

In fact grandmother purchased one brand for the exclusive use of grandpa. He had "Chamberlain's Cough, for flatulence or wind colic. Granddad never complained when taking his medicine. It contained 46 percent alcohol, plus chloroform and ether flavored with a bit of ginger.

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Twin Falls County has an addition to the Rock Creek Park. It is undeveloped, it has history, old rock buildings, trails, sites for flower gardens, sites for herb gardens, a shelter for your group, leave a legacy for generations to come.

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Call the county courthouse, tell them you want the county parks department, and give them your idea of what your group would do in the new park site.

So, you say, we don't want to get our hands dirty. How about putting up a trust fund to help in the development and expansion of this inner-city park?

The development will be in full swing by next spring, so get your group together and come up with a proposal.

Visit this area, look at the potential, and you will agree there is no better place to put your money and efforts.

Finally got a rebate. Have you ever tried for those mail-in rebates? Get the item at half price! Get the item or cost!

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crazy glue to the side of the bottle. Didn't work.

My solution was to wait until the bottle was empty after Christmas and then break the bottle and slowly pick the glass away from the paper.

After reading the instructions on the rebate slip, I found that I had to have the whole shebang in by last Jan. 1. This made null and void my break-bottle plan.

The frau finally solved the problem by using nail polish remover. She swabbed about \$2 worth of the stuff on and off it came.

Off went the whole mess in the mail and in four weeks I get a form letter that I must fill out before my \$1 rebate can come. Why did I buy their wine? Where did I buy their wine? Was I using the wine to drink or cook? Would I recommend their wine to my friends and family? To get my buck rebate, I would send my bank card number.

I finally got my \$1. My cost was a bottle of nail polish remover, two 22-cent stamps, two envelopes, plus about 4 hours of my time. Well worth it for my first lesson in rebates.

Swen, an avid Twin Falls fisherman, writes a weekly column for The Times-News.

Roving sheep makes hit in town

WEST YELLOWSTONE, Mont. (AP) — Grizzly bears, black bears, buffalo, moose, elk, deer and even mountain lions have visited this village on the edge of Yellowstone National Park.

But old timers say it may have been a first last weekend when a Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep — usually considered reclusive even by wilderness standards — wandered into town and settled in.

Marysue Costello was working in her office when she looked up and saw the bighorn standing next to the city library.

"I thought, oh, isn't it funny that someone stuck a stuffed animal across the street," she said.

"And then it moved its head," West Yellowstone Police Chief Jim Toth said. Police received their first report of the sheep Saturday afternoon.

It apparently walked into town near the west gate to Yellowstone Park, then continued on behind the Museum of the Yellowstone,



The police station and the Federation of Fly Fishers building.

The sheep stayed around the buildings, alternately grazing on the grass and resting. Small groups of people gathered to admire its curl and take photos. But they dogs began harassing it and police tried to chase the sheep back into the park.

When it came back out of the park late Monday afternoon, game

warden Dave Etzwiler decided to trap and relocate the animal. A crew of volunteers trapped the ram in cargo nets as it grazed on the lawn at the town clinic.

Etzwiler, who said he'd never heard of a bighorn visiting the town before, said that was the reason the sheep was trapped rather than tranquilized.

"Sheep are high-strung animals and can't tolerate much deviation in their body chemistry," he said. "They can't handle drugs, and it usually ends up killing the sheep."

The sheep was moved to the cliffs above the visitors center at Quake Lake, where there are a few other mountain sheep.

According to Etzwiler, the sheep was examined and was in excellent shape for this time of year.

"I don't know what possessed him to come down the road out of the park," Hobbs said. "He just kind of eased on down the road."

Letter

Reasons for pheasant decline

In a recent article by "Swen" and in Fish & Game reports, the same reasons are given for the decline in the pheasant population, mainly in

wordless rangers. Order — Corvidae, to which magpies, crows, blackbirds, ravens, jays, etc. belong, fills quite fully the ecological niche of "outlaw" in the Avian world. Instead of protecting magpies, a 10 cent bounty in effect for one year would be a worthy effort.

I might add a third factor, and that is the closure of the Jerome Game Bird Farm. Wouldn't the reopening of that facility make more sense than importing pheasants

from neighboring states? If we spent a fraction of the money we spent on settlement propagation, on rebuilding the Magee Valley pheasant population, wouldn't it benefit our hunters and have a positive economic impact on the area?

DONALD W. PUDER
Filer

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Outdoors briefs

Trekkers stay on skis

TWIN FALLS — The Trail and Trekkers will go cross-country skiing at Galena Lodge north of Ketchum Sunday.

There will be an \$11.50 charge for trail use and lunch. Participants should meet in front of the Greater Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce Building on Blue at Lakes Blvd. at 9 a.m. Those wishing to do so can gather for breakfast at J&B at 8.

Anyone interested can be obtained by phoning 734-4444.

Bowhunter banquet set

JEROME — The annual Idaho State bowhunter banquet will be conducted from 10 to 11 p.m. Friday night at the Jerome Elk Lodge.

Casolo of Intermountain Taxidermy

Highlights will be the bowhunter awards for bowhunter of the year, best of species and photo contest. The photo contest is divided into scenery, wild life and hunting categories.

The banquet fee is \$10 per person and festivities begin with a cocktail hour at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m., the Towell speech at 8 p.m. and the awards presentation at 9 p.m.

All interested persons are invited.

Trapshoot slated Sunday

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Gun Club will conduct a registered ATA trapshooting Sunday. Shooting will start at 9 a.m. with the program leading off with doubles.

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Whitefish is a worthy foe on those cold winter afternoons

Whitefish season is open and this most neglected Idaho gamefish is ready to provide sport for the winter fisherman.

It inhabits many of your favorite trout waters, waters that may not be legal for trout until May.

If you like a big haul of fish, you can take 50 whitefish. It is tough enough to catch since it takes a good fisherman to even come close to that number.

Whether you fish bait, lures or flies, the whitefish is no patay. Sometimes he is more finicky than a rainbow trout and generally requires a smaller hook, fly or spinner because of a small mouth.

The mouth is not only small but



Warren Scoth Fishing

more delicate than a trout and fears more easily. Light action rods with sensitive tips are best for whitefish technique.

Bait fishermen can use mealworms or maggots or even a piece of angleworm. A small Colorado spinner may help locate fish. Whitefish love caddis larvae and suck up stonefly nymphs or mayfly nymphs all winter long. Because of this,

they are great quarry for a fly-rodder.

In Missoula, Mont., on the Clark Fork River, special long whitefish rods are used to sweep riffles with several flies at a time. They use small clipped woolly worms, sizes 12, 14 and 16, sometimes with a little bait but not often. It is a technique that could be deadly on some Idaho waters.

If you like wild fish, consider the whitefish. He is not propagated in a hatchery, he will not tolerate polluted waters and, on the average, puts up a game if not spectacular fight.

Once in a while you will hook a big whitefish that will fight you to

the point that you are sure you have a rainbow. They will take dry flies like a champ, often with a little bubbly stump and a delicate smack of the lips.

Their first run is generally hard and fast. This is when you think you might have a trout. I don't think I ever caught a whitefish of over 4 pounds that didn't exhaust itself. They will tire faster than a rainbow, but I believe it has more to do with its cylindrical body shape and smaller caudal fin than their heart or tenacity.

The whitefish is treated like a trash fish by some Idaho anglers. I grew up thinking that way, but over the years have grown to respect its

place in the environment, the fact that it is always a wild fish, that it can be a lot of fun to catch and that it is available to me on the moving waters that I love to fish.

I also have learned that smoked whitefish is excellent and poached whitefish with crab sauce is something that is a treat that trout can't match.

The whitefish is related to trout. You can fish for whitefish in the same areas of a stream that will produce trout but seems most easily caught in medium to shallow riffles or just below where there is an abundance of caddis or midge pupae. At least, that is where I've caught most of mine. Occasionally,

a side eye or cutbank will produce a bigger-than-average fish.

The south fork of the Boise River has a good population of whitefish. The Upper Snake River drainage is well known for whitefish and there are some in the Big Wood River.

Read your regulations closely, fish legally, return the trout where required and go find a whitefish. You'll enjoy it. I do.

Warren Scoth, you operates a fly-boat in Wendell, writes a weekly column for The Times-News.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ APPLIANCE TIMER 3000 watts, 240 Volt, 60C320 security and safety for your home. Reg. \$11.45 11.95 ✓ 8 FT. BASEBOARD HEATER 2000 watts, 240 Volt, 60C320 22.95 ✓ MOBILE HOME PANEL Cutter-Hammer complete with main breaker 99.95 ✓ TRINE DOOR CHIMES Two note to eight note washmaster front door chimes from fashion wood, pine, and solid cherry wood starting at 12.96 ✓ MERCURY VAPOR SECURITY LITE 120 volt, 120 watt control die cast aluminum housing, great for outdoor lighting at a low cost 26.40 ✓ CORNISH EXTENSION CORD 36 Ft. 12-3 heavy duty cord, water and moisture repellent, U.L. listed. Reg. \$23.29 18.95 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ WHITE PORCELAIN STEEL BATH TUB Full Size 60"x30"x15 1/4" 78.50 ✓ FAN-GLO PORTABLE HEATER BY MARKEL 1198TE, 1500 watts, lifetime guarantee on radiant element 120 volt. Reg. \$59.95 49.50 ✓ HEATING REGISTER BOOTS & TAKEOFFS Close out, limited to stock on hand, 6, 7, 8" 1.00 ✓ SUREFIRE Soft Igniting propane torch with tank. Reg. \$38.64 26.95 ✓ MONARCH BEVELED EDGE WALL MIRROR 24" x 30" Also 30" x 30" \$28.95, 36" x 36" \$22.95 17.53 ✓ SHOPLIGHT 2 lamp, 40" fluorescent, all purpose lighting fixture, Tubes extra 12.85 ✓ EMERSON ENERGY SAVING DIGITAL THERMOSTAT without sacrificing comfort. Reg. \$81.79 56.50 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ SISCO SHOWER MASSAGE 275 water saver standards 7.95 ✓ EMERSON E-10 DISPOSER 1/2 HP Food waste disposer, do it yourself installation in five easy steps. Reg. \$33.75 29.95 ✓ FOAM PIPE INSULATION 63KTS. Conserves energy, saves water, cuts fuel bills, 6" fits 1/2 galv. 1/2 copper 1.65 ✓ RELIANCE STA-KLEEN WATER HEATER 66 GAL. element R-16 insulation 3-44-1ERT 283.00 ✓ RELIANCE STA-KLEEN WATER HEATER 82 GAL. 5 year warranty, 1-3590 watt TL element R-16 insulation 3-42-1ERT 323.00 ✓ B GRADE TOILET special purchase of white import closets allows this low price, seat additional. Slightly blemished 29.5

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