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Idaho not a racial bastion, survey suggests

The Associated Press

BOISE — Preliminary results of a survey conducted last month show that Idaho — despite some high-profile hate groups — generally is not the hotbed of racial and religious intolerance some might think.

But the figures released Friday by the Northwest Coalition Against Malignant Harassment and the Idaho Human Rights Commission also indicated a number of Idaho residents still harbor some negative feelings toward certain races, ethnic groups or religions.

"Idaho has gotten a bum rap and today we have the facts to prove it," said Tony Stewart, president of the five-state Northwest Coalition. "For the first time we can point to accurate data showing that Idahoans have generally friendly feelings toward minorities and Jews — the groups most attacked by white supremacists."

Though healthy minority report prejudices

Human Rights Commission director Marilyn Shuler said she was "alarmed" by results indicating 26 percent of the respondents had unfavorable or very unfavorable feelings toward Southeast Asian refugees, 25 percent against Hispanics and 14 percent against blacks.

"I'm making an interpretation that unfavorable feelings is prejudice," Shuler said, adding that education was the key to overcoming the problem.

"That education also comprises people looking into their hearts and saying, 'Hey, what am I like,'" she said.

But overall, she and Stewart said they were encouraged by findings that "the majority of Idahoans have at least moderately warm feelings toward every race and ethnic group about which they were questioned."

The results were based on telephone interviews by Boise State University's Survey Research Center with 444 people statewide during four evenings last month. Center director Gregory Raymond said the results, based on a "stratified random sample" of Idaho residents, were accurate to within less than 5 percentage points.

The Survey Research Center plans to release the complete findings of the survey in about four weeks, Raymond said. That data also will include the relationship between Idaho's Mormon and non-Mormon communities, which Shuler said has been a concern of the Human Rights Commission for some time.

Gov. Cecil Andrus said Friday that the results of the survey offered "concrete proof" of what he always had believed.

"The welcome mat is not out for hate groups in Idaho, over and over, with one voice. They have said we won't condone violence, we won't tolerate hate, and we won't provide a safe haven for those who do."

Andrus applauded the Human Rights Commission and the Northwest Coalition for its work to dispel the negative image of Idaho created by the presence in the state of such groups as the white-supremacist Church of Jesus Christ Christian-Aryan Nations, based in the Panhandle community of Hayden Lake.

"It is true, I am sorry to say, that some small but loud hate groups have settled in this state, and we have re-

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Election heats up

Dukakis, Gore split Wyoming

The Associated Press

CHEYENNE, Wyo. — Tennessee Sen. Albert Gore Jr. and Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis split the prize Saturday in Wyoming's Democratic presidential caucuses. Wyoming Republicans were dividing their delegates between George Bush and Bob Dole.

Dukakis in Idaho — B5

Both Democrats claimed victory. Gore of the state convention delegates. Dukakis of the straw vote. They both won four national convention delegates.

With results in from all 23 county caucuses, Gore won 79.5 of the state convention delegates, Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis 77 and Missouri Rep. Richard Gephardt 68.

However, in the popular vote at county caucuses, Dukakis narrowly won with 766 votes, followed by Gore 747, Gephardt 685, Jackson 439, Simon 108, uncommitted 191, Hart 32. This straw vote does not affect selection of national convention delegates.

The Associated Press count gives Dukakis and Gore each four national convention delegates from Wyoming, while Gephardt gets three delegates and two are uncommitted.

Other candidates winning state convention delegates were Jesse Jackson with 38, Illinois Sen. Paul Simon with 10 and Gary Hart with 1. None of them received enough support to qualify for any delegates to the national convention.

Victory is Bush's in South Carolina

The Associated Press

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Vice President George Bush stormed to a resounding victory in the South Carolina Republican primary Saturday, overwhelming three GOP rivals with a showing he hoped would trigger a decisive harvest of Super Tuesday delegates.

Sen. Bob Dole edged Pat Robertson in the battle for second place, but with 46 percent of the total vote, Bush won all the state's 37 convention delegates. Rep. Jack Kemp was fourth, putting a virtual end to his long shot hopes. Still, he said, "We're alive, we're going on."

It was a setback for Robertson. He once said he would win here and instead polling place interviews suggested his popularity might be waning even among his core constituency.

Robertson congratulated Bush on "a really magnificent lead" and "a splendid note of disappointment when he said, 'For better or for worse, this is my first political campaign. I've never run in any political life.' ... It looks pretty good, the rest of the South." However, Bush was leading throughout the region in the pre-election polls, with Robertson favored to win none of the states.

Port of Hope denies using inside information



By CRAIG LINCOLN
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Port of Hope used inside information from a competing center while bidding for and eventually winning a state substance abuse contract, a northern Idaho jury ruled recently.

Port of Hope officials steadfastly deny the charges, even though a Coeur d'Alene jury on Feb. 23 ordered Port of Hope to pay the competing substance abusers center \$164,000.

"We were really shocked with the verdict," Barry Meyers, Port of Hope's executive director, said Thursday. "It appeared to me there was no evidence entered into that trial showing any wrongdoing."

The Turning Point, a center providing outpatient alcoholism treatment services in northern Idaho, charged Port of Hope received confidential information from a Turning Point consultant who agreed to work for Port of Hope if it got the contract.

Milan A. Jockle, a physician who owns Turning Point in Coeur d'Alene, brought the suit against Port of Hope, based in Twin Falls.

"I started as a volunteer to do some community work," the Spokane-based physician said Friday. "So I mean, I'm just a physician trying to do some good. Once I got cheated, I wouldn't let go. It became a matter of principle ... and the jury believed me."

The jury returned its verdict Feb. 23 after a trial lasting more than two weeks.

Port of Hope's attorney says he plans to ask the court to set

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Pressure builds on GOP to raise education support

The Associated Press

BOISE — The signs are mounting that the 1988 legislative session is moving toward a crescendo, and with them has come increasing pressure on Republican leaders to abandon their drive to hold 1989 state spending at \$679 million.

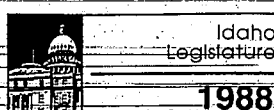
"We've already passed that," said Sen. Darrel McRoberts, a moderate Twin Falls Republican who serves on the budget committee.

McRoberts, like others who were working with leaders to pare back spending wherever possible, had firmly backed the hold-the-line strategy. If the pledge was honored to keep the lid on taxes this year, he knew that would be the only way to generate the extra cash moderates want for education — the Legislature's top spending priority.

But in less than a dozen votes last week the committee wiped out the pool of revenue it had built during the two previous weeks, sending the education budget outlook well below any target that could win support in the full Legislature.

"We need more money," was all McRoberts had to say at the close of a week that turned a state budget of only \$679 million into a dream.

Senate Republican President James Risch of Boise



remained adamant that taxes will not be raised to balance the budget, creating speculation about raids on other government funds to make ends meet.

But in spite of Risch's statements, talk of tax hikes picked up in Republican circles, and a number of tax bills were waiting in the wings.

House Appropriations Chairman Kathleen Gurnsey of Boise said at least a modest tax increase, probably for corporations, was needed to balance the budget.

And as the week ended, House Republican Caucus Chairman Michael Simpson of Blackfoot won introduction of legislation adding \$4 million to \$6 million to corporate tax bills in the next year.

That tax hike would delay for a full year a major change in the state corporate income tax system — a plan that was roundly rejected by Republicans and

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Crash probe rules out engine failure

The Associated Press

DENVER — Engine failure has been ruled out as a contributing cause in the crash of a Continental Airlines jet that rolled over on its back just after taking off from Denver's airport, killing 28 people, federal investigators say.

The National Transportation Safety Board is scheduled to hold four days of hearings this week in suburban Golden on the Nov. 15 crash of Continental Flight 713.

"There's no evidence of malfunction before the loss of control of the aircraft," NTSB spokesman Ted Lopatkiewicz said Friday. "There's no evidence of malfunction before the loss of control of the aircraft."

The DC-9, powered by two Pratt & Whitney JT8D-7 engines, had just lifted off the runway during a snow storm when it rolled over and crashed upside down.

The safety board is planning to examine the experience of the jet's pi-

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lots, turbulence from another jet that was landing on an adjacent runway and wing icing among potential factors, Lopatkiewicz said.

Investigators have called 29 witnesses, including some of the 54 survivors of the crash. After the hearings, the board may take several months before reaching a conclusion on the cause of the crash.

"There is a tremendous amount more work that has to be done in the months ahead," Continental spokesman Bruce Hicks said. "I don't expect that you're going to have any member, anybody at that hearing that will proffer a probable cause finding."

Lopatkiewicz said the jet's engines were torn down and the results showed they were producing full power from the time the plane took off until it crashed.

Budget

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Democrats alike, including Gov. Cecil Andrus, just two months ago.

GOP leaders in both houses, however, still have no clear idea exactly where their rank and file will make a stand. Senate Republicans met for several hours behind closed doors last week without providing any sense of direction, and the House Republicans do not plan to meet on the issue until this week.

But Simpson conceded that it had become all too apparent that more revenue was needed to draft a 1989 state budget that could pass.

That point became obvious when the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee suddenly lost the majority that had formed to keep spending down. By the time conservatives regained control, more than \$2.6 million in spending enhancements had been approved with some of the hardest spending decisions still ahead.

Conservative Rep. Bob Geddes, R-Preston, promised to fight for defeat of some of those bills on the floor although he expected little success. Among those spending enhancements was money to pay for the 1988 election, set up a statewide accounting system, that officials say is needed to preserve the government's credit rating and cover judicial pay increases that have already been approved.

Geddes simply warned his col-

leagues that ever additional dollars they spent was coming straight out of support for schools.

"To do those kinds of things, we're just asking the taxpayers to dig deeper into their pockets," he said.

But even if conservatives could be won over in drafting the remaining budget, analysts pointed out that a \$679 million overall spending blueprint would only provide \$352 million for public schools and \$166 million for higher education.

In fact, however, those figures without additional revenue are probably optimistic, many lawmakers say. Other monetization spending demands remain to be handled.

Both houses have already given overwhelming approval to creating a special health program for low-income pregnant women. The Senate vote was unanimous, and the cost is \$1.6 billion a year.

The Senate on Friday overwhelmingly passed a \$900,000 increase in the legislative appropriation that leaders say they need to avoid going broke.

The budget committee was also on the verge of reconsidering previous decisions to reorganize the final commitment to repairing the problem-plagued welfare benefit computer and providing the cash needed to prepare

for the opening of the prison addition at Orofino and the new maximum-security prison in Boise.

Those two items carry a combined price tag of over \$1.1 million.

Showing those expenses into the \$679 million budget target drags the allocation for public schools down below \$350 million — a level over \$12 million under the governor's recommendation and one Andrus has called disastrous.

As he has done in the past, Senate Education Chairman Jerry Sversten, R-Cataldo, has carried a group of moderates — he claims eight in all — who will hold out for a public school allocation of \$356 million. The strength combined with the 16 Democrats would be enough to torpedo any bill the moderates found unacceptable.

"We've got a lot of differences of opinion inside the Senate majority," admitted GOP Caucus Chairman Jerry Twigg of Blackfoot. And he said it was "pretty obvious \$351 million isn't going to sail."

McRoberts has been trying to reinforce that feeling, circulating comparison figures on the spending decisions already made. Those calculations show that while available revenue is expected to increase by less than 2 percent, spending is up over 7 percent in the non-education agencies.

Racism

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Southeast Asians comprise only 0.1 percent of Idaho's population, or about 1,000 people. Hispanics are Idaho's largest minority group, comprising between 3-8 percent and 5.3 percent of the population. Blacks and Japanese-American comprise 0.3 percent each, and American Indians 1.1 percent.

The study indicated people with college educations generally had better feelings toward minorities and Jews than high school graduates or those without a high school diploma.

Shulr- said she was most concerned about the fact that 43 percent of those surveyed reported they believed they or someone in their household had been discriminated against on the job because of race or religion. Two percent also said they believed they or someone in their household had been harassed, physically hurt or the target of property destruction in the past two years because of racial or religious intolerance.

Seventy percent of the respondents said the incidents they mentioned had not been reported to authorities, and only 57 percent said they knew where to report such incidents.

"These results suggest that more work needs to be done to encourage people to report acts of malicious harassment due to race and religion to authorities," Stewart said. "All the laws we've passed are ineffective if victims don't come forward."

Health service protest march draws thousands

LONDON (AP) — More than 60,000 people, including thousands of nurses, marched through London Saturday demanding the government increase funding for Britain's state-run health services.

The line of demonstrators, led by the general secretary of the Trades Union Congress, Norman Willis, extended for nearly 7 miles beside the Thames River as the marchers walked to Hyde Park and an afternoon rally.

Demonstrations also were held in Birmingham, 100 miles northwest of London, and in Stirling, Scotland.

The congress, which represents 88 unions and 9.58 million workers, wants the government to provide an additional \$1.33 billion for the National Health Service in the March 15 budget.

Dispute

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aside the verdict, saying the jury's verdict is wrong.

The dispute started in late 1985. According to court documents filed by Turning Point, Douglas Frame, who was director and administrator of Turning Point in Coeur d'Alene, fell into disfavor with the company's owner and resigned the day after Christmas in 1985.

His announcement occurred just as Turning Point, Port of Hope and other treatment centers began preparing bids for a state contract worth about \$200,000 a year to provide services to indigents.

Jeckle offered a part-time contract to Frame to help Turning Point prepare its bid. Frame's Turning Point contract paid \$200 a month.

Jeckle said Frame accepted the job, but then passed confidential information to Port of Hope and its executive director, Barry Meyers, at the same time Frame was preparing Turning Point's bid.

Sometime in January 1986, Frame agreed to be Port of Hope's northern Idaho administrator if the Twin Falls company won the state contract.

Turning Point and Jeckle say the confidential information Frame passed over to Hope included copies of portions of Turning Point's bid and reports on Turning Point's progress on its bid.

Frame's duties with Turning Point included attending staff meetings where Turning Point's bid was discussed. Turning Point said he also had access to confidential information on the bid.

"Fifteen pages of the bid we wrote were in their bid," Jeckle said. "Pictures of our facilities were in their bid and Doug Frame took those pictures inside and out. Doug Frame's resume was in their bid."

Port of Hope won the contract April 10, 1986. On April 13, Frame told Jeckle he was going to work for Port of Hope, according to Jeckle.

Turning Point appealed the decision giving the contract to Port of Hope. That appeal, which went primarily through administrative procedures, is unresolved.

But Frame denies giving Port of Hope any confidential information, says Jeckle knew of his agreement with Meyers in January.

"They made all kinds of allegations, but the final story is I didn't give him anything," Frame said.

Meyers agrees.

"None of that happened. He didn't give any information to me," Meyers said. "I've been writing bids since 1980 and don't need any help."

But Jeckle said Turning Point's and Port of Hope's bids were strikingly similar.

Frame was so incensed at Jeckle's claims he filed a countersuit alleging Jeckle libeled him. Frame lost his countersuit.

But Turning Point didn't wait for the state to decide who got the contract in northern Idaho before filing its suit in June 1986.

Likewise, Port of Hope isn't waiting to contest the jury's \$164,000 decision against it.

Chuck Hosack, Port of Hope's attorney for the case, said he will ask U.S. District Judge Gary M. Haman to either set aside the jury's verdict or overturn it.

"We're saying the result from the jury verdict was incorrect either as a matter of law or based on the facts or

both," Hosack said. "Obviously, we feel there are good grounds for the motions or we wouldn't be making them."

Port of Hope officials say they can't believe the verdict.

One long-time board member agrees.

"We just couldn't believe it," said Greg Fuller, a local attorney and Port of Hope board member. "In my estimation, the jury did not render a verdict consistent with the facts."

Jeckle thinks the decision is simple. "The jury voted 12-0 in our favor," he said.

Meyers thinks the jury was prejudiced against southern Idaho.

"Here you have Turning Point doing business in Coeur d'Alene, and there you have Barry Meyers and Doug Frame from Twin Falls against them," he said.

Meyers says he won the contract because Port of Hope offered impatient treatment programs and Turning Point's bid.

Jeckle said he offered inpatient services in Spokane, where he works as a physician.

Port of Hope, a \$2-million not-for-profit corporation, has been offering substance abuse counseling since 1971 in Twin Falls.

In recent years, the Twin Falls center has expanded to other areas of Idaho.

These expansions have caused friction, not just in Coeur d'Alene.

During the same time period it was bidding on the northern Idaho contract, Port of Hope was embroiled in a fight with Walker ACT Center in Gooding over a state contract formerly awarded to Port of Hope.

Although a review committee recommended Walker ACT Center over Port of Hope, Port of Hope was awarded the bid, Walker Center appealed.

After six months of dispute and court suits, the two Magic Valley substance abuse centers split the \$137,845 contract evenly.

In northern Idaho, the dispute continues and Turning Point is going bankrupt.

"We're about to go out of business," Jeckle said. "We're bankrupt."

Meyers said he wanted to expand because of stories northern Idaho didn't have good alcoholism treatment programs and because Frame, who was an old friend, was looking for a job.

Despite the verdict, Port of Hope shouldn't be hurt financially by the verdict, Meyers said an insurance will cover legal costs and the jury's \$164,000 verdict, if they fail on appeal.

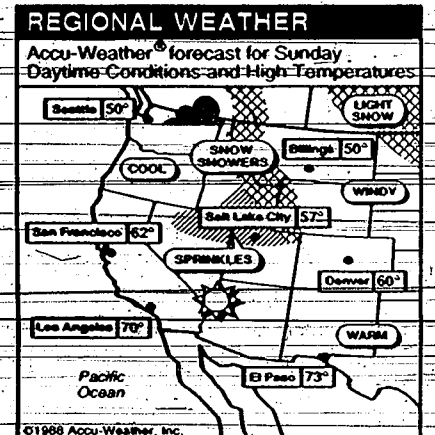
Today's weather

Chance of rain, clearing tonight

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding.

Today, rain likely during the morning. Chance of afternoon rain showers. Highs upper 40s. West winds 18 mph.

Tonight and Monday, fair with a high possibility late night and early morning fog. Lows with lows 20 to 25. Highs upper 40s.



The extended forecast for southern Idaho, sunny, mild days and clear, cool nights — Tuesday through Thursday. Highs in the 50s to lower 60s. Lows in the mid 20s through the 30s.

Elsewhere in the nation, Friday's highest temperature was 86 degrees at Fort Myers, Fla., and the lowest was 4 degrees below zero at Jackson, Wyo.

Idaho road report

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Department of Transportation reported mostly clear roads across the state Saturday night, with some valley rain and ice or snow at higher elevations.

Road Conditions:

U.S. 95 — Plummer-Sandpoint, wet, fog.
Sandpoint-Camadan border, icy spots.
Biggins-White Hills — dry.
Crater-Groville-Moscow, dry.
New Meadows-Weiser, dry.
Marsing-Oregon line, wet, fog.
Interstate 90 — Fourth of July Canyon, wet. Lookout Pass, icy spots, chains advised on towing rigs.

U.S. 12 — Lewiston-Lowell, dry.
U.S. 10 — Pocatello — Caldwell area, dry.
Interstate 84 — Caldwell area, dry.
Boise area, wet.
Boise-Utah line, dry.
Idaho 55 — Horseshoe Bend-New Meadows, icy spots.
Idaho 01 — Boise-Idaho City, wet, rolling rocks.
Idaho City-Lowman, icy spots, broken snow floor, rolling rocks.
Granger Junction-Stanley, icy spots.
U.S. 20 — Mountain Home-Aero, dry.
Aero-Idaho Falls, wet.
Idaho Falls-Montana line, wet, icy spots.
Idaho 26 — Wet, icy spots.
Idaho 01 — Wet.
U.S. 93 — Nevada line-Aero, dry.
Aero-Salmon, dry, icy spots.
Lost Trail Pass, broken snow floor.
Idaho 75 — Shoshone-Ketchum, dry.
Galena Summit, icy spots.
Interstate 80 — Raft River-Pocatello, dry.
Interstate 15 — Utah line-Monida Pass, dry.
U.S. 30 — McCammon-Wyoming line, dry.
U.S. 01 — Dry.

Summary:

The National Weather Service says another Pacific cold front expected to reach Idaho today. It will bring rain to the lower elevations and bring snow to the mountains. Showers will end in western Idaho by this afternoon and in eastern sections late tonight. High pressure building inland, the cold front will bring mostly fair skies to the state on Monday.

Saturday — afternoon — temperatures were in the 60s at the lower elevations while higher elevations were in the upper 30s and 40s. Temperatures fell from 81 at Mountain Home to 38 at Idaho Falls.

Skies across the state were mostly cloudy. It rained at Idaho Falls Saturday afternoon and at Pocatello. Winds around the state were generally light.

The warmest temperature in the state Friday was 65 degrees at Hagerman. Stanley reported the coldest at 12 degrees.

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Atlanta	50	41	Miami Beach	77	72	Seattle	49	39	04
Boston	54	35	New York	45	30	Spokane	54	33	01
Chicago	44	17	Minneapolis	45	20	Washington	48	30	
Dallas	69	39	New Orleans	58	51				
Denver	54	25	Phoenix	43	20				
Des Moines	47	25	Philadelphia	42	26				
Detroit	41	10	Omaha	47	29				
Honolulu	83	71	Portland	80	55				
Houston	73	49	Pittsburgh	38	12				
Indianapolis	49	19	Portland, Me	38	17				

Twin Falls

Max	Min	Pcp
59	41	20
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66	39	06

Today's sunset: 6:34 p.m.
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No Contra aid for 4 months; dilemma disarrays Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Democrats say any prospect of new aid to the Nicaraguan Contras is dead for the next four months, leaving the rebels high and dry and the United States without any clear policy to ward Central America.

Democrats and Republicans are blaming each other for the surprise rejection of a compromise aid package last week, and no one seems able to point the way out of the nation's most divisive foreign policy dilemma.

Congress is in disarray, with House Democrats still smarting from the loss and voting to ignore the issue until at least June and Senate Contra backers scrambling against the odds to resurrect an aid package.

President Reagan has offered no new solutions, but instead is repeating well-worn entreaties for aid to a Congress that seems to be paying less-and-less-attention.

And as the year wears on and elec-

tions draw nearer, it will become politically more difficult to reach a solution.

Eyes will focus this week on Central America, where the Contras and high-level representatives of Nicaragua's Sandinista government will meet in a small town along the Costa Rican border in an effort to revive stalled cease-fire talks.

"We're sitting here sort of waiting, and reacting to what they do," said Rep. David Bonior, D-Mich., the author of the \$30 million Democratic "humanitarian" rebel aid package that was rejected, 216-208, on Thursday.

"Who is intransigent down there will determine what happens in the Congress. That's the way it should be."

In the Senate, a group that has supported the rebels in the past called for quick approval of a new aid package, saying continued help to maintain the

Contras as a fighting force is the only way to pressure the Sandinistas into concessions at the bargaining table.

"The stalemate in Congress has produced a breakdown in the peace talks," contended Sen. David Boren, D-Okla. "We'd better get something done within the next 30 days."

On Feb. 3, the House defeated Reagan's \$36 million aid proposal by an eight-vote margin, and House Speaker Jim Wright, D-Texas, set out to draw up a new version with a more "humanitarian" emphasis.

The defeat was a disappointment for Wright, who seized the initiative on U.S. Central America policy last fall and has sought to encourage a five-nation peace process begun by Costa Rican President Oscar Arias.

Bitter Democrats blamed the defeat on Republicans, saying they wanted simply to deal a symbolic defeat to Wright and to hold out for a military solution in Central America.

Walsh expects indictments soon

WASHINGTON (AP) — Independent counsel Lawrence E. Walsh is sending up signals that his 13-month investigation will soon yield criminal indictments against key participants in the Iran-Contra affair.

Criminal charges stemming from the sale of U.S. arms to Iran and the diversion of profits to the Nicaraguan rebels in 1985 and 1986 have been expected for months.

But the tight-lipped prosecutor has made a number of recent moves that clearly suggest indictments are imminent within the next few weeks.

Last month, for instance, Walsh hired former U.S. District Judge Herbert Stern to represent his office against legal challenges to "possible prosecutions."

The grand jury that has met secretly since late January 1987 was recalled for additional questioning of a number of witnesses who testified

months ago — another sign that Walsh's staff of 28 prosecutors is presenting the final pieces of evidence before seeking indictments.

Walsh, who commutes to his home in Oklahoma City each weekend, has been spending more time each week in Washington, sometimes leaving for home on Friday instead of on Thursday.

The flurry of activity strongly suggests that Walsh is putting the final touches on indictments against targets of his investigation.

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5 airlines disregard gun plea

LOS ANGELES — Five major airlines have ignored a plea from Los Angeles International Airport authorities — made after last December's jet crash caused by a gun-wielding former airline employee — that all flight crews pass through airport metal detectors.

Officials from American Airlines, United Airlines and TWA confirmed to the Los Angeles Times that some of their crews bypass normal passenger metal detectors. They said their current security procedures are effective and argued that switching to metal detectors would be costly and inefficient. Further more, they said, their security policies have been approved by the Federal Aviation Administration.

A United official, who asked not to be named, said United crew members who do pass through normal passenger metal detectors do so primarily as a public relations gesture. Seeing crew members submit to the same sort of inspections gives waiting passengers a "warm and cozy" feeling, the official said.

Only Pan American World Airways, among the six airlines that lease property at the airport, sends all of its employees through the special metal detector screening required of ticketed passengers.

L. A. gang-sweep nets 131 arrests plus drugs and cash

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A 200-officer anti-gang sweep through inner-city neighborhoods during the night and made 131 arrests by early Saturday, police said.

So far this year, more than 50 gang-related murders have occurred in Los Angeles County, authorities said.

The show of force followed a recent spillover of street gang violence from blighted neighborhoods into affluent communities. The sweep also resulted in the seizure of small amounts of cocaine and marijuana packaged for sale, 68 vehicles and a gun, said police Detective Tony Celli.

Twenty-two of the 131 arrested were held for investigation of drug violations. The task force also wrote 280 traffic tickets and arrested 21 people for investigation of driving under the influence of alcohol, Celli said.

The task force motto was "There is no law too small to arrest a gang member," police Lt. Bruce Hagerly said.

"The anti-gang detectives also seized \$860 in alleged drug profits, Celli said.

The task force was scheduled to hit the streets again Saturday night.

The severity of the area's gang problem was spotlighted in January, when a woman was killed by a stray gang bullet while strolling in the Westwood Village theater and restaurant district near the UCLA campus.

The death prompted widespread calls for increased police action against gangs, which in turn worsened racial tensions when workers of poorer neighborhoods complained that gangs violence in their districts had prompted such crackdowns.

Police departments throughout the

metropolitan area have responded in recent weeks by organizing task forces to combat the violence.

On Thursday in suburban Gardena, 14 people were involved in a bloody shootout between rival gangs on a street jammed with afternoon rush-hour commuters. Authorities said they intend to file attempted murder charges against all 14. Police Lt. Phil Shepherd said four people, including a passer-by, were wounded.

Meanwhile in Orange County, authorities were investigating a written threat they said was directed at two officers who are specialists in South-east Asian crimes.

Thomas Wright, a supervisor with the Orange County Probation Department's gang-violence suppression unit, said threats against the two officers are being taken seriously.

Congress tightens home loan rules

WASHINGTON — The House and Senate have made substantial strides in efforts to tighten the rules banks and savings-and-loans must follow when making home-equity loans.

New regulations governing loans secured by a borrower's home were part of banking legislation passed this week by the Senate and also part of a bill approved by the consumer-affairs subcommittee of the House Banking Committee.

Consumer groups said the Senate legislation closes more loopholes and provides more protection for borrowers than the House bill. The full House committee, however, is expected to strengthen the legislation before it is sent to the House floor for a vote, a committee spokesman said.

The borrowing boom kicked off by 1986 tax changes increasing incentives for consumers to use home-equity loans rather than consumer loans has produced some horror stories of owners who lost their homes or were faced with gigantic debt they had not expected. Calls for more consumer protection led to the current legislative proposals requiring that borrowers be given more information before

loans are closed and that lenders be restricted in the changes they can make in loan terms after the loans are signed.

The deductibility of consumer interest is being phased out over the next three years by the 1986 tax reform act, while the mortgage-interest deduction remains untouched. By using home-equity loans, which actually are second mortgages because they are secured against the house, consumers can retain interest deductions for many kinds of spending.

Home-equity borrowing "is leveling off" now, probably for seasonal reasons and because homeowners "have tapped a large share of the potential credit in their homes," said Wayne F. Bengston, vice president and director of consumer lending for the U.S. League of Savings Institutions. "But there is a tremendous market yet" and borrowing is expected to pick up, he added.

Bengston said he has few objections to the House legislation, sponsored by Rep. David E. Price, D-N.C.

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Meese link still puzzles investigators

WASHINGTON (AP) — Swiss businessman Bruce Rappaport has told investigators he did not suggest making payments to Israel's Labor Party to help pave the way for construction of a \$700-million oil pipeline in Iraq, sources familiar with a federal investigation said Saturday.

Such payments were mentioned in a memo to Attorney General Edwin Meese III from a lawyer hired by Rappaport, but the sources said the wealthy oilman told the office of Independent Counsel James McKay they suggestion did not originate with him.

Several sources said Saturday that Rappaport has agreed to cooperate with McKay in the investigation and will be granted immunity from prosecution unless he perjures himself.

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March showers keep hopes alive

Perhaps it was the influence of the extra day in leap year. Perhaps it was due to some alteration in the air and moisture circulation patterns over the west.

Whatever the cause, the series of showers which brought March in with dripping fleece were most welcome across the "Magic Valley," even though they didn't put even a minor dent in the current dry spell.

The principle benefit of the showers which first developed last Sunday and fell intermittently for several days was psychological. Besides showing that enough rain can turn up to settle some of February's dust, they kept alive the hopes of southern Idaho residents that someday normal precipitation will return.

At this point, with a light snowpack and little snow or rain to show for the past six weeks — usually a prime period for accumulation of snow and moisture — a lot of Idahoans who base their livelihood on the availability of water find themselves planning for the best use of what water there is and hoping for the return of near-normal precipitation.

As Magic Valley farmers begin preparing to plant their 1988 crops, there are some encouraging signs. A few more clouds appearing in the skies which remained surprisingly clear during February offer hints that those welcome words in the weather forecast, "chance of showers," will actually come to pass.

As winter passes into spring, most Idahoans — while appreciating the mild temperatures and watching the season's fresh greenery emerging — can't help but hope that somewhere out there is a big, wet late season snowstorm. Or better yet, two or three of them.

Coyotes are rated as most resourceful of all predators

I am writing in regards to an article in your paper, written by Mr. Mark Patten and a letter to the editor by Mr. Tito Rosas, concerning coyotes. The articles appeared Friday, Feb. 26, 1988.

First, let's lay a little groundwork for this discussion. Coyotes are rated by naturalists to be the most cunning, resourceful and adaptable of all predators in North America.

1. Ninety percent of the average coyote's diet is rodents. One coyote will catch more of these animals in one day than six house cats will catch in a month.

2. When grasshoppers are plentiful, he eats these insects excluding all other fare.

3. Unlike modern man, he kills only enough to sustain himself and his family. Only man and his domesticated pets, kill for the sheer joy of killing.

4. They mate for life, share family responsibilities and will take on a new mate only if the previous mate is killed or dies. (Perhaps we could learn something from them.)

5. He is very territorial, permitting no outsider to trespass, the male fights the males, (sometimes the wife helps), and the female takes care of all the little lonesome girl coyotes. No hanky-panky permitted.

6. When they form a pack in winter, only family members are tolerated. (Last year's children.)

7. There are large sheepmen who will not permit the shooting or poisoning of coyotes on their property. They say these little dogs are worth many hundreds of dollars to their stock

year, in the rodents and other vermin they help to control.

8. Yes, a coyote will eat sheep, but only if he has been properly trained, by the sheepman, to do so. Animals that expire, on the range, should be either buried or burned. Some stockmen do this, most do not. Domestic sheep are not the natural prey of any predator, except man. All predators are opportunists, when hungry, they eat whatever is available, even a friar. Keep in mind that, in winter, they may not enjoy a meal for several days. There are few men who, under similar circumstances, would not do as the coyote does.

Sheep were domesticated long before there was recorded history. So well has man bred them up and protected them that they now possess only the rudimentary instincts of self-preservation. My dad always said if a sheep blinks his eyes twice, he's dead and this is not too far removed from the truth. Sheep are not very tenacious of life. Its intelligence is rated far below all other animals worldwide.

The federal government reports that 644 sheep were killed on its land, (our land). It is a well accepted fact that predation on grazing land is exaggerated by a minimum factor of ten; then it is possible that less than 60 sheep were actually killed by predators. Accordingly, one sheepman in Wyoming admitted, all losses

on range land are attributed to predators, no matter the cause. This, he intimated, kept grazing fees down to the very low level of, four ewes/wlambs, \$1.54 per month. I do not know what the costs are today, but in 1977, grazing fees, state wide amounted to \$394,000. Administration cost for the same area that year amounted to \$667,000. Anyone interested in today's cost comparison, need only call or write the BLM and the Forest Service.

Mr. Marvin Cox states that coyotes kill calves, deer and elk. They will eat a still born calf, after all they are also scavengers. They might possibly kill a cow and a calf that was in the process of birth, if the cow was in such a position she was unable to gain her feet. A good cattle rancher would never dream of turning a cow that was ready to calve out of the calving ground. In other cases, the coyote is much too smart to accept a cow with a new born calf, even a bear or a cougar would think twice. As for deer, elk and antelope, I would guess these animals kill many coyotes as coyotes do the young of these animals.

Two coyotes could possibly bring down a healthy deer or antelope, but I doubt if they would ever try. An injury to a predator is quite often fatal and they appear to be well aware of this. As for elk, they would hang around and wait for a sick or badly injured one to die and when they were sure he was dead, would still wait several more hours before venturing in to close.

To Mr. Kimball: Walking to school in Filer I saw two coyotes near where Hawkins bean

warehouse now stands, about 1990. In Twin Falls, one on South Locust St., and several in the vicinity of South Park in 1936.

Mr. Guy Connolly: May I suggest you go to your favorite book store or to the library and get "God's Dog," by Hope Ryden. This young lady virtually lived with coyotes for two years. Even though you may be well versed on the animal, she presents a new insight.

Mr. Tito Rosas: I admire your candor and truly believe you are an honest hard working man. I also respect your boss, (patron you call him), for bringing fresh supplies for you and your dogs weekly. I have several friends who are sheepmen that have the same high regard for their herders, our wildlife, and public lands. Unfortunately, as is usually the case, there are those who, through greed and lack of consideration, rage and devastate the land upon which they hold a grazing permit. Many a hunter has passed by an abandoned sheep camp and became upset by the evidence of user and elk killed for whatever reason. Many hunters believe the sheepherder and his dogs live off the land.

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Letters/Getting Corps of Engineers' attention takes more than letters

Petitions need signatures

I've decided if we are to really get the interest of the Corps of Engineers, it's got to be more than letters asking to be put on the mailing list. Quite a few of you have done this, but we need more names and addresses to show that the people of Magic Valley are firm in our belief that the headgate at the brink of the falls is an eyesore, one that makes us unable to see the falls, or to hear them as we've been able to since the first bridge was built back in the 1940s. Where there has always been a protected overlook so people could feel safe there overlooking the falls.

over the falls — water that will be there forever. I'm now asking those of you who helped to put forth the effort again to help remove the headgate that blocks the scenic view of the falls. It will take many people signing and circulating petitions to get it done. This time it's the federal government and Corps of Engineers we are dealing with. Please do all you can to get these petitions filed and if you need more, get copies made. You folks out there know your areas and it's impossible for me to cover such a large area. Please get them signed and see that they are picked up and back within two weeks, to me at Box 298, Wendell 83355.

This is all that is left to do at Niagara. We also, through your efforts, have the chance to get some fresh water at Crystal Lake. If the Corp, Fish & Game and Mr. Coie of Clear Springs Hatchery will cooperate, we hope to remove some of the sludge bars and gunk from the lake.

Please, I need your help. It is about the last remaining error that can be restored. Watch the letters to the editor in The Times-News and keep up-to-date.

There have been petitions put out to the towns and Magic Valley people are working on them and if you can't locate one, check at the following places: Wendell — either bank, Simmarlya Iron Skillard, senior center.

Gooding — Locke Agency, senior center. Gooding Leader

Hagerman — Senior center, Reeds Jerome — Ram Sports Center, senior center, Woods Cure, four lumber yards, Twin Falls — Blue Lakes Sporting Goods, Burks Tractor-senior center, Rupert — Coast to Coast Shoshone — Lincoln County Journal Buhl — Smith's Dairy, Arctic Circle

You do not need to be registered voters and yes students can vote — see that the petitions are picked up and mailed back by March 15. BOB BURKS Wendell

outrageous opposition to the 21-year-old law which gave them just a little tinge.

What he didn't say was parents were more about their ready access to their drug of choice, alcohol, than they do about the welfare of their children. We tolerate one young person in five with alcohol problems because to do anything about it would call attention to the fact that alcohol is a hazardous substance for all.

I have been told we are doing something about the problem, but DUI arrests are up and interest in preserving the family unit is at an all time low.

Now may be the time to license all drinkers in the hope of keeping it away from the under aged, convicted felons, and DUI repeat offenders. AICHE WALKER Bliss

Try licensing the drinkers

Nancy Reagan's statement, all drug users are complicit to murder does not exempt the alcohol industry, and considering their

Plurality in popular vote may not mean Jackson delegates

Linda Williams

say it is Jackson's racial identification

To be sure, Jackson is to the left of the other Democratic contenders, especially vis-a-vis foreign policy and the defense budget. Indeed, it is not all clear that a white candidate who embraced the Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat and Cuban President Fidel Castro would even be in major party competition in the United States in 1988. But, like the other Democratic and Republican candidates in the race, Jackson has modified his political views and behavior. He speaks far less about the Third World in general in 1988 than he did in 1984 and argues that his earlier behavior revolved around an attempt to open up much needed lines of communication.

Whether this is opportunism or ingenious excuses, it is nonetheless true that black candidates, despite their political views, are often viewed as exceptionally liberal or radical simply by the fact they are black. The case of former Wayne County Executive Bill Lucas is instructive. Lucas ran as a Reaganite Republican nominee for governor in Michigan; yet polls kept showing that whites thought he was a liberal like Detroit's Democratic Mayor Coleman Young.

Jackson is also quick to point out that the lack of officeholding experience is not his. Dwight D. Eisenhower, however, from being elected president and that only a few blacks have been able to get experience even in the House of Representatives; only one black has been a member of the U.S. Senate in the 20th century, and none has won a governor's office. The reasons here too seem to be race-related. Since there are no states that are majority black, and most black candidates for higher office have found it difficult to win statewide votes, blacks usually lose in statewide contests. In short, both the view of Jackson as a radical and his inexperience in public office are themselves factors inextricably linked to race.

Thus it is probable that Jackson's Southern white support will remain at best at the level he has won in the early primary and caucus states — roughly 8 percent to 10 percent — and will come as it did in those states not predominantly from poor farmers or blue-collar workers, but from younger whites in academic centers. That proportion of the white vote coupled even with massive black support will be enough to propel him into a sustainable front-runner status. Meanwhile the 20 percent or so of Southern blacks who said they remain undecided in late January polls might very well go to some other candidate or candidates.

Nevertheless, it is clear that Jackson is a major factor in Democratic politics in 1988. Super Tuesday will make Jackson and his supporters a force to be reckoned with at the Democratic convention, and his siphoning off votes from white candidates may raise the probability of leaving the Democratic race so muddled that it could produce a brokered convention.

In this latter possibility, there are obviously two scenarios — one of the leading white candidates bargains with Jackson, or they bargain with each other. The bargaining in both instances would probably involve the vice presidency, the more than 106,000 presidential appointments, the platform and the delegate selection rules for 1992.

The danger in bargaining with Jackson is that for the Democrats it may bring back the charge of caving in to "special interests"; the danger in not bargaining with him is that it may lead to an exodus of black voters from the Democratic Party. Blacks

may decide to vote with their bottoms stay-at-home, that is, on the day of the general election; or a substantial minority may support the Republicans or third-party candidates if they view Jackson as being mistreated — alienating whites or alienating blacks — may well doom the Democrats in November, for it is no more likely that they can win in 1988 without keeping their substantial majority

of black voters than they can win without getting at least 40 percent to 45 percent of the white vote. What appears probable is that Jackson will be the wild-card if the Democratic party is brokered; he could make or break it for either of the leading candidates. Gore is also a wild card — but after skipping Iowa and New Hampshire — only the latest wild card in a hole; he depends on what's in the other players' hand. Simon is an outside straight — the long shot in the race whose fortunes depend, like Gore's, on the cards in the other players' hands; and Dukakis and Gephardt are trying to get a full house.

Super Tuesday may decide little, but it will dramatically influence how the game finally shapes up. Linda Williams is a consultant for the Joint Center for Political Studies in Washington.

Jesse Jackson's mainstream campaign is working. Although his total white support remains low, the early primaries and caucuses demonstrate that he is winning more of the white vote in 1988 than in 1984. In three states, Jackson beat three white male candidates — former Arizona Gov. Bruce Babbitt, former Colorado Sen. Gary Hart and Tennessee Sen. Albert Gore. That a black candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination could have such approval whites would have been unthinkable even four years ago.

Out of Super Tuesday's 20 primaries and caucuses, in the 14 scheduled in Southern and border states he should do even better. Recent surveys indicate that the lion's share of the black vote will go again to Jackson. In addition, if Southern white conservatives desert the Democratic party to vote in this year's competitive Republican primaries and caucuses (as the Atlanta Constitution poll shows), then blacks voters would be even more influential in Democratic results.

Finally, more important for Jackson's chances in the South than his expanded white support in Iowa, New Hampshire and Minnesota is the fact that all of the primaries and caucuses held to date have left no clear Democratic front-runner. This means that at least three white candidates (Gov. Michael S. Dukakis of Massachusetts, Rep. Richard A. Gephardt of Missouri and Sen. Jesse Jackson of Tennessee) will still be viable in the eyes of the electorate and may end up splitting the white vote. In such a scenario, Jackson could win the plurality of votes in most of the deep South states — maybe even a majority in Mississippi — and come second in several border states. Thus Super Tuesday raises the stakes for the potential impact of black voters in 1988 — in all likelihood to Jackson's benefit.

Nevertheless, the real contest is not over winning slim pluralities in a number of states, but over the results of the name of the game is winning delegates. And even with massive black support, the battle might not spell that well for Jackson.

The rules of delegate allocation are the key. In most states, delegates are allocated by congressional districts, not a candidate's statewide tally. Given the heavy concentration of blacks in some districts and their slim representation or virtual absence in others, Jackson could win a plurality of the popular vote and not end up with a majority of delegates in that state. That happened in 1984 in both Mississippi and Virginia.

As important as the black vote will be this Tuesday, it may do much more for building a burst of momentum for candidates — especially if it is Jackson — and bringing him a shower of media attention, then be decisive in the actual delegate count. The overall winning Democratic candidate on Super Tuesday, as elsewhere, is likely to be the one who demonstrates that he can consistently attract both black and white votes.

But if we are talking about actual nomination politics, the candidate to watch is probably not Jesse Jackson. The basic reason is that he won't get enough white support. Whites tend to say this is because Jackson is too radical and not experienced in holding public office. Blacks, most commonly,

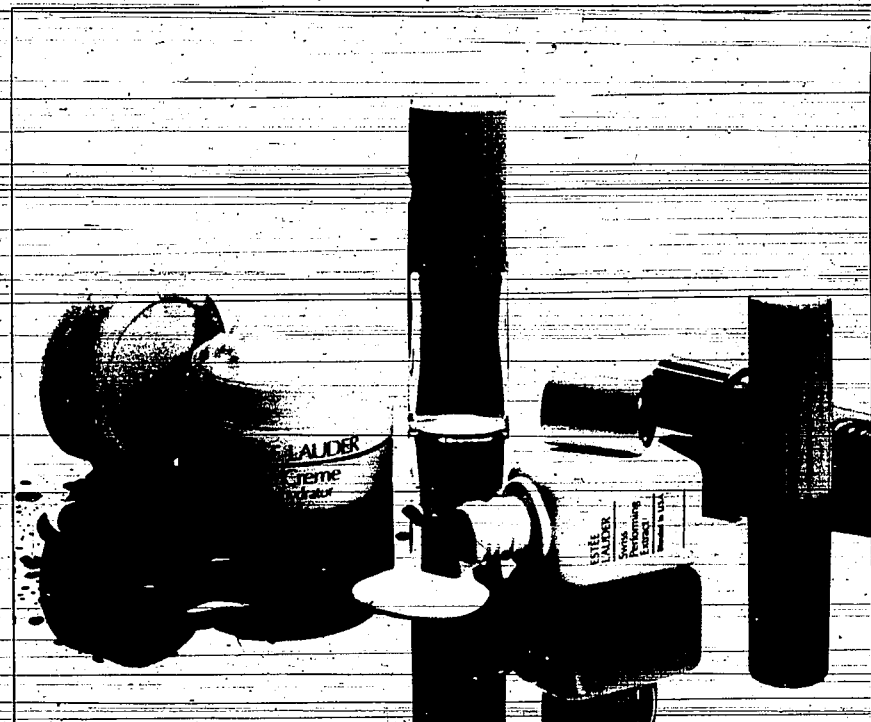
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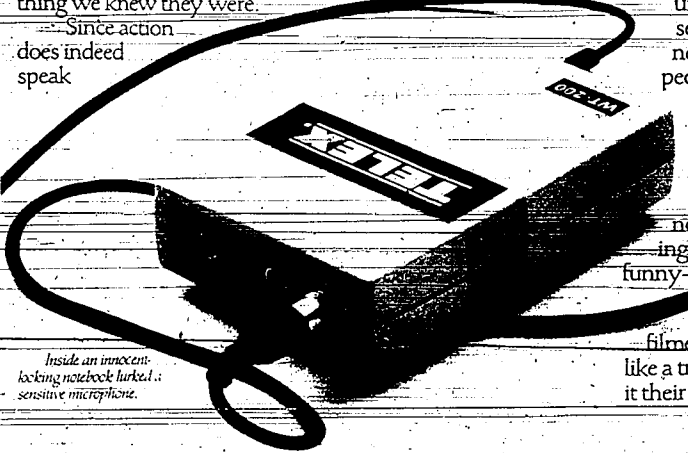
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Tibetans riot in Lhasa, attack police station

BEIJING (AP) — Tibetans seeking independence from China attacked a police station in Lhasa on Saturday, beating officers and destroyed their vehicles as a major Buddhist festival came to a close.

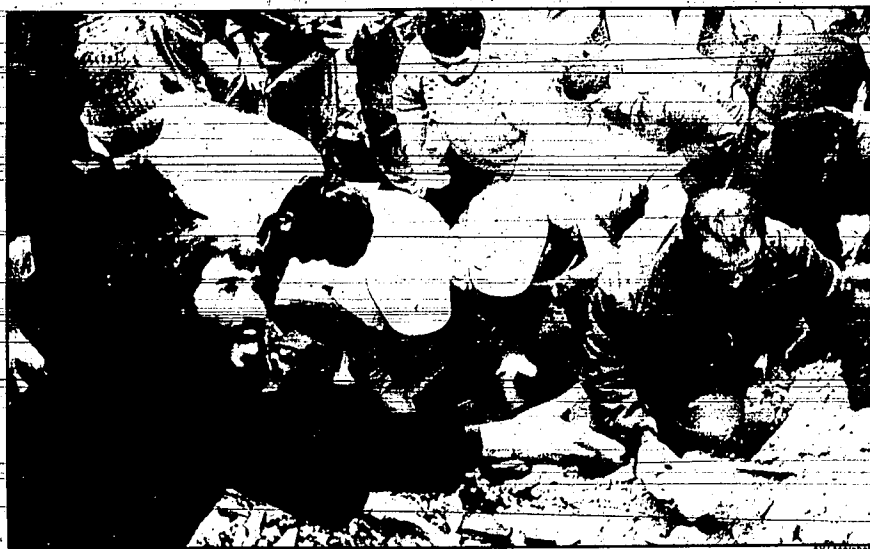
The official Xinhua News Agency made no mention of casualties or arrests in the first anti-Chinese violence reported in the Tibetan capital since October. At least 14 people were killed during those riots, which also included an attack on a police station. Xinhua said demonstrators shouting "reactionary slogans" Saturday also attacked an office of the Tibetan Buddhist Association, which is controlled by China and is considered by many Tibetans to oppose an independent Tibet.

The terse two-sentence Xinhua report did not say how many people were involved. "The situation was soon brought under control," it said without specifying what measures were taken. It said Lhasa was calm enough later Saturday to hold a scheduled horse race.

Efforts to contact Lhasa by telephone were unsuccessful. The Chinese long-distance operator said hotels in the Tibetan capital were not answering their telephones. The violence occurred as hundreds of Tibetan Buddhist monks and pilgrims in Lhasa concluded the annual Great Prayer Festival, one of the major events in the Tibetan religious calendar.

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Tehran rescue workers search through rubble in a residential neighborhood after an Iraqi missile attack Saturday.

Many die as Iran, Iraq swap missiles

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Iraq fired six missiles into Tehran on Saturday and its air force pounded other Iranian cities. Iran responded by firing missiles at Baghdad and Basra, Iraq's second largest city.

Iran said the rocket and bomb barrage killed 67 civilians and wounded more than 130 others. Iraq also reported many casualties but did not specify the exact number.

Iran said more than 30 missiles have hit civilian targets in Tehran since Monday, including three hospitals, a girls' school and several houses.

Both Iran and Iraq appealed to international bodies to help end the carnage. The United States, however, said it saw no change in Iran's policy on ending the war and saw no breakthrough in diplomatic efforts to end the conflict.

By Iranian count, Saturday's 29 fatalities and 60 wounded in Tehran raised the toll to at least 94 killed and more than 210 wounded in the six-day onslaught on the capital.

Iraq also said its air force bombed Iranian cities and towns. Iran's Islamic Republic News Agency

said 28 civilians were killed in those raids. It claimed three of the warplanes were shot down, but Iraq denied it.

The Iraqi News Agency said Iranian long-range artillery shelled the southern port city of Basra and other border towns. It said many civilians were killed.

Iran also said it fired four missiles at "military centers" in Baghdad on Saturday, making 17 since Monday. It also said it fired missiles at Basra.

The Iraqi agency said one missile crashed in a residential district of Baghdad and "many Iraqis, including women and children, were killed or wounded."

Throughout the onslaught, Iraq has reported many casualties but given no exact figures.

Since Monday, Iraq has reported firing 33 missiles into Tehran, a city of 6 million, and three into the holy city of Qom south of the Iranian capital.

Tehran radio said the latest Iraqi missiles crashed into residential sections of the Iranian

capital. Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati sent a telegram to the International Committee of the Red Cross in Geneva, calling on the humanitarian organization to help end the Iraqi missile attacks.

The Iranian agency quoted Velayati as requesting that the Red Cross send fact-finding teams to the bombed residential quarters in Tehran.

The United States said Friday night it finds no change in Iran's policy on ending the gulf war based on Tehran's latest letter to U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

After a study of a letter dated Feb. 28, a spokeswoman for the U.S. mission, Rose Susan Bernstein, said, "To the best of our knowledge, we notice no change in Iranian policy."

The comments (about the letter) on the evening news do not constitute an acceptance of Security Council Resolution 598 on a cease-fire in accordance with customary U.N. procedures, she said.

Rioting continues as 2 die

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli soldiers Saturday shot and killed two Arabs and wounded three others in rioting in the occupied West Bank. The army arrested 54 Palestinians in an operation to protect pro-Israeli collaborators.

The army said a soldier was injured in the West Bank clash. In the Gaza Strip, another Palestinian was wounded, eleven suffered beating or rubber bullet injuries and 18 were arrested, Arab and Israeli media reports said.

Saturday's most violent confrontation occurred in Dheiriyah, a West Bank village 28 miles southwest of Jerusalem.

Army officials said a patrol entered the village at about 10 a.m. to quell a violent protest and opened fire after a soldier was injured by the stone-throwing rioters.

"We received reports about two fatalities and, apparently, two wounded among the residents," one army official said. The casualties were "most likely" the result of the army shooting, he said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The Arab-run Palestine Press Service said Mahel Wreidat, 25, was shot in the chest and died at Jerusalem's Mukassad Hospital. It said another villager, 30-year-old Rasem Al Kadeirat, died at the Alia Hospital in Hebron after being shot in the back.

Police announce 31 arrests in roundup of rebel suspects

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Police raided a communist hideout two blocks from police headquarters Saturday and arrested 31 people suspected of plotting attacks in the capital.

The military also reported five New People's Army rebels and two government troops were killed Friday in a half-hour firefight in Negros Occidental province, 300 miles south of Manila.

In addition, four servicemen were missing Saturday after guerrillas stopped their air force truck Friday in northern Luzon island, burned the vehicle and kidnapped the soldiers.

Manila police superintendent Brig. Gen. Alfredo Lim told reporters Saturday's raid was staged after police received information that rebels had infiltrated Manila to support assassination attempts.

Last week, gunmen of the Alex Boncayao Brigade, the urban branch of the New People's Army, killed a policeman, a soldier and a woman leader of an anti-communist vigilante group in separate attacks in the capital.

"This is a continuing fight against insurgency," Lim said after presenting the 31 suspects. "We have documents to show that these people are rebels."

Lim said police recovered two fragmentation grenades, two .45-caliber pistols, a .38-caliber revolver, several

subversive documents, a sketch of the Manila police headquarters and pictures of police officers apparently marked for assassination.

It was the latest in a series of raids on suspected rebel hideouts which began last month, when the military announced the arrest of at least 22 top rebel officials.

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Administration to hold out for Silkworm promise from China

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Reagan administration will consider lifting a trade sanction against China if a high level envoy provides firm assurance this week that the Chinese will not send Silkworm missiles to Iran, a senior U.S. official said.

It will be a key issue when China's Foreign Minister Wu Xueqian meets President Reagan and Secretary of

State George P. Shultz on Monday and Tuesday, during the Chinese official's first visit to Washington in four years.

Last October, after Chinese-built Silkworm missiles fired by Iran hit two ships in the Persian Gulf, the United States announced a halt in a decade-old process of liberalizing the types of high technology American

companies could sell to China.

Shultz then, China has said it has halted its participation in sales of Silkworms to Iran and the U.S. official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said "our information is that they've been living up to that."

Still, before resuming liberalization of the high technology trade, "we want to be sure we're in synch with

the Chinese on what we're talking about," the official said. "We believe the Chinese position has been responsive to our concerns, but we want to be sure that this responsiveness will continue."

He did not rule out the possibility that a statement of U.S. satisfaction and a resumption of high technology reviews would be announced during

the visit, which includes talks with Reagan at the White House on Tuesday.

China has been identified in recent months as the largest supplier of arms to Iran, with sales of about \$1 billion in 1987 — not just in anti-ship missiles but in light weapons, ammunition and other equipment.

The U.S. official repeated the view of State Department experts that despite the sales, China will go along with a United Nations Security Council resolution to impose an arms embargo on Iran to bring about a cease-fire in the seven-year Iran-Iraq War.

The United States is currently seeking final Soviet approval of the resolution.

Bloodshed certain unless Noriega indictments lifted, envoy alleges

WASHINGTON (AP) — A top aide to Panama's ousted president says his homeland "could face widespread bloodshed unless U.S. indictments against military strongman Manuel Antonio Noriega are withdrawn, permitting him to go into exile."

John E. Sosa, the Washington ambassador of deposed President Eric Arturo Delvalle, said he has received hints from some Reagan administration officials that such a deal may be under consideration.

United States to withdraw the drug trafficking indictments against Noriega.

But, he said, "that has been balanced against the well-being of the Panamanian people, the trauma and the tragedy they are going through and the vital interests that the United States has in Panama."

Sosa acknowledged that his comments were made as a "trial balloon" aimed at influencing U.S. public opinion on the indictment issue.

The Reagan administration has continued to accredit Sosa as the official representative of the Panamanian government. It regards as unconstitutional Delvalle's ouster on Feb. 26 by Noriega's allies in the Panamanian National Assembly.

Sosa said that over the past decade, Panama has served as a safe haven for the Shah of Iran and for the kidnapers of the daughter of Salvadoran President Jose Napoleón Duarte, among others.

But the State Department denied that claim, saying, "There is no current discussion going on anywhere in the government" about withdrawing the indictments.

On Feb. 24, just before Delvalle's abortive attempt to fire Noriega, President Reagan had this exchange on the issue at his nationally broadcast news conference:

Noriega was indicted by two Florida grand juries in early February on charges he is a key figure in an international drug smuggling cartel.

"Panama has always been a country that is willing to go out and help settle (others') problems, no matter how sticky," he said.

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Q: Some officials in your administration have suggested that if Noriega would step down and go into exile, that you would stop the prosecution of him on drug charges. Would you consider that kind of deal?

A: No. This man has been indicted by a federal grand jury, and I'm not going to make any comment of that kind, nor have we made any advances or suggestions of that kind to the government of Panama.

In a weekend interview with The Associated Press, Sosa said vital American interests could be damaged if Panama's week-old political crisis is not resolved.

"We feel that we are on the border of a precipice in which bloodshed and rampant violations of rights could happen," he said.

Sosa said he recognized it would be "potentially embarrassing" for the

administration to withdraw the drug trafficking indictments against Noriega.

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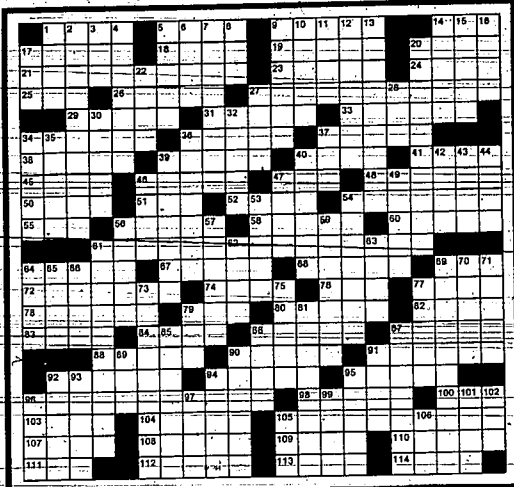
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Judge finds mom guilty of murder

DETROIT (AP) — A judge Friday convicted a woman of second-degree murder and child cruelty for putting her 3-year-old daughter in a washing machine.

Dorothy Humphrey, 26, testified that she put her child, Felicia, in a washing machine to discipline her and to cleanse her of urine and sexual molestation by the child's uncle. "I cleansed her like I cleansed clothes," she said.

Felicia died June 30, a day after being removed from the washer.

Humphrey testified that she became increasingly frustrated at being unable to prevent her daughter from wetting her pants and moved from beating the child with her hand to using a belt and eventually putting her in the washer.

"I just thought I was disciplining her after she wet her pants," Humphrey said. "I feel terrible and empty."

"I'm sorry I did that," Humphrey said. Assistant-Wayne County Prosecutor Nancy Diehl argued in the non-jury trial that Humphrey knew her actions would harm the child.

But defense attorney Robert Mitchell said Humphrey loved her daughter, and he argued: "No matter how despicable we may find her tactics in child nurturing... she never entertained a thought to kill or cause bodily harm."

Recorder's Court Judge Michael Sapala scheduled sentencing for March 17. Second-degree murder carries a term of up to life imprisonment.

In a separate trial, Humphrey's brother, Roger Adkins, was sentenced to seven to 15 years for raping the child in June.

4 students face board discipline

HANOVER, N.H. (AP) — Four staffers of a conservative student newspaper faced a Dartmouth College disciplinary board Saturday, charged with harassing a black professor in an incident that sparked charges of racism at the Ivy League school.

The students, part of the off-campus Dartmouth Review, faced possible expulsion for a confrontation last week with William Cole, a black music professor who sued the paper two years ago for libel, then dropped the case.

The disciplinary board was not expected to rule Saturday, though Review editor Chris Baldwin has said he expects to be expelled.

The students confronted Cole concerning an article published in the latest editions of the Review that was harshly critical of Cole's teaching abilities.

Baldwin on Saturday denied the article was motivated by racism. He said the writers "are trying to contribute to the intellectual vitality of the Dartmouth community. The function of the paper is to act as a check on power."

"It is entirely legitimate to question what the students are getting in return for their tuition," Baldwin told the Dartmouth student board during his opening statement.

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SAGINAW, Mich. (AP) — A 30-year-old man arrested five times in Michigan and Texas for crimes he didn't commit has settled a lawsuit against the city of Los Angeles for failing to remove his name from a crime computer.

Terry Dean Rogan sued the California city, its police department and two department detectives, saying his civil rights were violated when the department neglected to take his name off a nationwide crime computer.

The settlement, approved by the Los Angeles City Council on Friday, calls for Rogan to receive \$55,000.

Last July, a federal judge in Los Angeles ruled that Rogan was due damages from the city and the department.

Rogan was arrested numerous times for murder and robberies he did not commit. The man responsible for the crimes was tracked down in an Alabama jail. Bernard McKinnies was found to have assumed Rogan's identity after Rogan apparently discarded a copy of his birth certificate.

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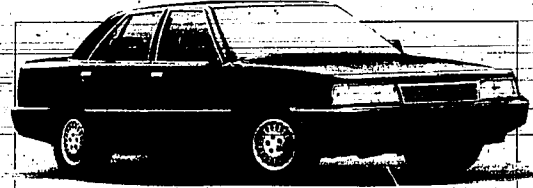
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Duke and Duchess of York, better known as Andy and Fergie, greet crowd at California university during a 10-day royal visit. Fergie look-alike fails to get attention.

Royal visit ends with polo in Southern California desert

INDIO, Calif. (AP) — The Duke and Duchess of York rounded-out their 10-day tour Saturday with some English-style fun in a distinctly California setting on the sun-baked desert.

Prince Andrew and Sarah had only two events on the day's calendar—presiding over the opening of an English boutique at a department store and throwing out the ball at a charity polo match at the Eldorado Polo Club.

Sarah's father, Maj. Ronald Ferguson, was on one of the teams.

Proceeds from the match 120 miles east of Los Angeles will benefit a project intended to rebuild Shakespeare's Globe Theatre on its original site on the banks of the Thames River.

The duke and duchess arrived in Los Angeles on Feb. 26 and were scheduled to return home Sunday.

The visit centered around their role as patrons of the UK-LA '88 art festi-

val, but also was intended to promote interest in British trade and investment in the Southern California business and financial communities.

The duke pointed out in a speech during a welcoming ceremony at Los Angeles City Hall that it was natural for California to do business with Pacific Basin nations, but asked that Great Britain not be overlooked.

He also noted that Britain shares many defense commitments with the United States around the world.

Those were the only serious points of the visit, which saw the royal couple rushing from place to place while cheering crowds gathered.

The duke and duchess were entertained by schoolchildren, strolled through Los Angeles-Chinatown, hosted business seminars aboard the royal yacht Britannia in Long Beach, and visited stores selling British merchandise.

Hollywood's British contingent also

Layoffs follow Swaggart admission

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Jimmy Swaggart's admission of sin and allegations of sexual misconduct have caused a sharp drop in donations, forcing his ministry to lay off 100 workers and halt construction work, a spokesman said.

Obviously these layoffs are due to what Swaggart called "a public relations firm works for Swaggart." "We're not looking for an alibi... (to) gild the lily."

Louisiana leaders of the Assemblies of God have confirmed seeing photographs of Swaggart, one of the nation's most popular television evangelists, with a known prostitute at a New Orleans-area motel.

A woman who claims to be that woman said he paid her to pose naked for him.

Well said Friday he was unsure how far donations had dropped since Swaggart's admission-to-followers Feb. 21. Telephone calls to the ministry were not returned.

Construction at the Jimmy Swaggart Ministries complex won't resume until followers resume contributions, Well said.

The most recent construction work was for a dormitory and offices at the Jimmy Swaggart Bible College. Now, the only work planned at the site is getting it in shape to shut down work.

"These steps are being taken as a prudent precaution to await an evaluation of public support for the activities of Jimmy Swaggart Ministries," he said.

Swaggart Ministries employees began getting pink slips Thursday. Seventy full-time employees and 30 contract or part-time employees were let go, he said. The ministry has about 3,000 employees.

The Jimmy Swaggart Ministries took in \$141.6 million in 1986—about \$600,000 a day—according to figures released by the ministry in July 1987.

More than 90 percent, \$128.5 mil-

lion of the 1986 revenues, came as contributions. The rest came from sales of Bibles, books, records and cassette tapes of sermons and songs by Swaggart, whose television program reaches 160 countries.

Meanwhile, psychologists analyzing Swaggart's fall from grace told the Los Angeles Times in an article published Saturday they believe his evangelizing was a therapeutic way to confront a battle with sinful tendencies.

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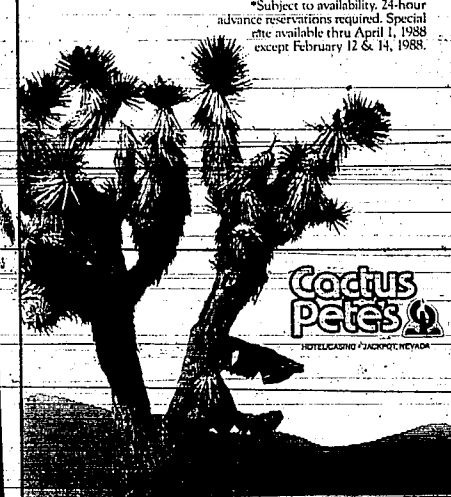
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Panel OKs tax override change

BOISE (AP) — Limited-tax overrides for cities and counties could be passed by a simple majority of voters, instead of two-thirds, under a bill approved by a House committee.

After a lively discussion, the Revenue and Taxation Committee voted 9 to 8 Friday to send the bill to the House floor with a do-pass recommendation.

Jim Weatherby, executive director of the Association of Idaho Cities, said the Legislature granted similar authority to school districts last year.

"Cities and counties don't have a meaningful safety valve for their local voters to address local funding problems," Weatherby said. "The current law says one-third of the voters in an election can veto what a majority of the voters want."

Weatherby cited an override election in Pocatello in which 63 percent of voters cast ballots for additional taxes to finance city street improvements. But the measure failed, because a 66.7 percent majority is required.

Rep. Phil Childers, R-Boise, vice chairman of the committee, said he felt the two-thirds requirement served an important purpose. "This affects only the property tax, and yet people who do not own property can vote in the election," he said.

"So the two-thirds is in there to balance out the interest of the property taxpayer, in an election where people who may not even own property are allowed to vote."



delineate in advance how the funds would be spent. Neither provision was included.

Weatherby said cities and counties whose voters approved overrides would be required to budget the funds for the following year, with full notice and public hearings, before they could start collecting them.

The bill sets a time limit of two years on overrides, so the increased taxes approved by voters could be collected for a maximum of only two years.

Childers also said he thought the bill should require that any override election be held during a regular general or primary election, and that the city or county be required to strictly

Teachers consider offer

MOSCOW (AP) — Moscow School District trustees said they hope teachers will give serious consideration to the board's proposal for a three-year salary package.

The board's package calls for a 1.8 percent pay hike for all teachers next year, followed by raises of 2.8 percent and 4.6 percent over the next two years.

Under the proposal, entry-level teachers would be paid \$15,620 next year, a figure that would rise to \$16,690 by the 1990-1991 school year.

The package also would add two additional salary categories at the top of the district's pay scale for employees with 15 and 20 years of service respectively. The current scale includes pay increments from one to 12 years of service.

"I would hope the teachers would give this some serious consideration," Suzanne Scripter, board chairman, said Friday. "I do think the mood right now is good, and we've got two positive sessions to build on."

Teachers have tentatively set the third week in March for their reply to the proposal, Scripter said.

Carole Jones, who heads the teachers' negotiating team, could not be reached for comment Friday.

Board members and teachers have met twice so far this year Feb. 17 and last Wednesday.

Trustees are bargaining directly with the Moscow Education Association's negotiating team, unlike last fall when professional negotiators represented the board.

Noranda proposes gold mines

BOISE (AP) — Noranda Inc., a Toronto-based mining firm, is proposing three small open-pit gold mines on the southeast slope of the Black Pine Mountains in southeastern Idaho, adjacent to the 8,000-foot Black Pine Cone.

Noranda, which has not operated in Idaho previously, needs permission from the Sawtooth National Forest and Bureau of Land Management, the two landowners who control the property.

The mines may pose threats to mule deer and the ferruginous (rust-colored) hawk, said Jim Wickel, project manager for the Forest Service. They would be visible from Interstate 84 on the stretch south of Burley.

The Sawtooth P.M. will host a meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Burley Inn to discuss the project and obtain public comment. The agency is preparing an environmental assessment.

The mine would not endanger a fishery, Wickel said, because the streams by Black Pine Cone are intermittent and devoid of fish.

The project's effect on groundwater is being studied, he said.

Joe Scheuering, Noranda project manager in Reno, Nev., said the open-pit gold mines would employ about 100 people, most of whom would be recruited locally.

Post Falls man alleges privacy slip

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A Post Falls man has filed suit against the city of Post Falls and two of its former police officers, alleging they invaded his privacy by telling reporters about an investigation into his wife's death and that they suspected him of the slaying.

Irvin Wiemer, whose 23-year-old wife was found shot to death in the couple's Post Falls home in January 1980, is suing for an amount of money to be determined at a trial in 1st District Court.

Wiemer says in the complaint that former Post Falls Police Chief Bob Steele and assistant chief Randy Bohn told reporters six years after the shooting that they had "convincing evidence" that Wiemer had murdered his wife, Deborah Kay Wiemer.

The lawsuit contends Mrs. Wiemer's death was a suicide. A special investigation in March 1986 failed to determine whether her death was a suicide or homicide, but no charges were filed.

The probe was launched after questions about the death were raised by the Post Falls Police Department.

Wiemer refused to comment on the lawsuit and Bohn could not be reached for comment. Steele said Saturday that he had not seen the lawsuit and declined to comment.

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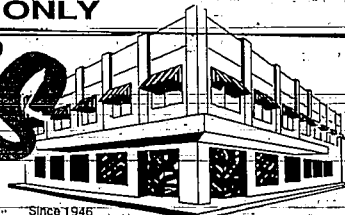


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For a survivor of Flight 1713, recovery requires patience



GERRIE MILLER Undergoing therapy

By PAT MARGANTONIO
Times-News writer

DENVER — The last thing Gerrie Miller remembered about Flight 1713 was buckling her seat belt and looking out at the wing. The next thing she remembered was waking up in a Denver hospital room from a month-long coma, surrounded by her brothers. The part in between is a blank, says Geraldine A. Miller of Twin Falls. She has no memory of the destruction of the Continental Airlines jet on Nov. 16 near Stapleton International Airport in Denver. The crash, in which the DC-9 flipped over soon after take off, claimed the lives of 27 people and injured 55 others, Miller among them. She survived a broken neck.

Now she looks at herself in the mirror at her apartment in Denver and sees a woman wearing a large brace covering most of her chest and wonders why. "I know something has happened," Miller told The Times-News in a telephone interview. "It's

even hard to talk about it. I can't remember any details of the airplane accident." But Miller says she is recovering from the physical and emotional trauma of the crash, thanks to friends, family and her belief in God. "It's a real challenge to my patience. And patience is your confidence in God," she says. Miller, the ex-wife of former Twin Falls City Councilman Jack Miller, had been booked onto Flight 1713 on her way home from Nogales, Ariz., where she was visiting friends. She had no premonitions about the tragedy awaiting her. But shortly before she boarded the doomed flight, she recalls, "I called my daughter Lori in Boise to tell her I was going to be late." She was weeks later, delirious by a serious neck injury and a coma. After her release from the hospital about a month ago, she moved into an apartment building near University Hospital, where she is an outpatient. She wears a large brace called a halo, which extends from her waist up to her

shoulders. "I've always wanted to be an angel; but I didn't think I wanted to go through this," she says. For Miller, a previously active and spunky woman who worked for a special advertising company and for community groups, the restrictions of the brace are difficult to accept. "I'm not in pain. But there's a lot of discomfort. It's very confining," she says. "I used to be very, very busy and it's very, very hard on me now to be busy now. It's hard to be active. It's kind of crippling, not being able to do as much. But I'm going to have to be more and more self-sufficient and determination is what's going to do it." She says she and her family haven't decided whether to file a lawsuit against the airline, which has already paid her medical, rehabilitation and living expenses. A full-time nurse attends her. The National Transportation Safety Board is scheduled to hold four days of hearings this

week in suburban Golden on the Nov. 16 crash of Continental Flight 1713. Investigators have called 29 witnesses, including some of the 54 survivors of the crash. But Miller is not among those who have been called on to testify. Right now she's concentrating on getting better. She attempts to get out of the apartment each day. "I went for a walk and to the grocery store. I have been to the Botanical Gardens and the Molise-Brown Museum, but just for a short time," she says. Because she didn't feel she had the stamina, she missed her son Jeff's wedding near San Francisco this weekend. Miller says she is angry about being disabled. "I wondered how I got into this position. But I have a lot to be thankful for because I have my two arms and two legs. There was another lady who lost two children in the airplane crash," she says. See MILLER on Page B2



A 'Mr. Rooter' truck was called in to help with the phosphoric acid spill cleanup Saturday because original pumps became clogged

Acid spill cleanup is underway

By MARK PRATTER
Times-News writer

KIMBERLY — Cleanup crews donning masks and wearing rubber boots started mopping up an estimated 4,000 gallons of phosphoric acid Saturday that oozed from a PureGro feed company storage tank. A half dozen workers attacked the 200-foot long by 50-foot wide phosphoric acid spill by first neutralizing it with lime. Eventually, they will load it in a truck for disposal in a local landfill. The cleanup, under the supervision of the state Division of Environmental Quality, was expected to take several days, said Mike McMaisters, DOE source control officer in Twin Falls. Jack White, PureGro safety coordinator from Washington state, is also involved in the cleanup. The spill site by a Union Pacific rail spur in downtown Kimberly was cordoned off with barricades. Some of the acid flowed into a city storm drain in front of the property. Weekend rains sent the acid from there into a Twin Falls Canal Co. canal to the north of the property. McMaisters said the acid in the canal was neutralized with soda ash. A spokesman for the canal company could not be reached for comment Saturday. The scene at the spill site on Saturday was one of con- See SPILL on Page B2

Idaho officials await O'Neill extradition

By KEN ARMSTRONG
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Federal and local officials in Idaho apparently have not yet questioned Darren Dee O'Neill, one of the FBI's 10 most-wanted men who has been in custody since October, about his suspected involvement in the June murder of a Twin Falls woman. O'Neill, whose identity was confirmed by the FBI Feb. 3, is in custody in Gretna, La. At this point we are waiting for O'Neill's extradition back to Washington to stand trial on murder charges, said T.G. Brock, an FBI agent in Boise. Officials from three Northwest states want to question O'Neill, a self-described mountain man who was the subject of an intense manhunt during the latter half of 1987. O'Neill was charged with first-degree murder in the death of a 21-year-old Iowa woman whose remains were found south of Greenwater, Wash., in May.

He is also wanted for questioning in connection with the murder of a second woman and the disappearance of a third. Officials in Idaho and La Grande, Ore., want to question O'Neill about the death of Lisa Elizabeth Szubert, a 23-year-old Twin Falls woman whose body was found June 13 just off Interstate 84 near La Grande. The FBI and police said she was apparently strangled somewhere in western Idaho or eastern Oregon after being picked up near Mountain Home, where her car broke down. Szubert had been living in Boise at the time of her death. But federal and local officials in Idaho, who offer somewhat contradictory accounts of who is taking the lead in the Szubert investigation, said they will not be heading south to question O'Neill. Those officials said they are instead waiting for O'Neill's extradition to Washington, the state which has first crack at O'Neill. See O'NEILL on Page B2

Seminar to examine problem of juveniles in jail

By PAT MARGANTONIO
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — As it is, only Russia and South Africa hold more juveniles in adult jails than the United States. But the statistics could change with a federal mandate to remove youths from adult jails by December 1988, say local youth experts. Juveniles in jails will be one of the topics of a free seminar Wednesday in Twin Falls. The event will start at 7 p.m. in Room 108 of the Aspen Building at the College of Southern Idaho.

The seminar is sponsored by the Region V Council for Children and Youth, which is an arm of the Idaho Commission on Children and Youth. "The main thrust (of the event) is to get kids out of jails," said Sam Giles, council chairman and Blaine County juvenile probation officer. Juveniles are still held in adult jails in Gooding, Minidoka and Cassia Counties, he said. Speakers include Kathryn Pressler, a commissioner's newly-charged jail-removal consultant. Hall will provide an overview of removal of juveniles from Idaho jails.

Annual juvenile justice statistics will be provided by Steve Woodworth, youth services coordinator with the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. Administrator John Devine will provide statistics from the Southern Idaho Youth Detention Facility, a private center near Jerome used by several Magic Valley counties. Max Morrow of Gooding will discuss her family's plans for a new youth rehabilitation facility at the site of the old tuberculosis hospital in Gooding. Alternatives to jailing of youths will

be discussed by Cassia County Juvenile Probation Officer Vickie Patterson and Pharis Stanger, social worker with the H&W department's family-based treatment unit. Nurse Practitioner Judy Bean and Barbara O'Rourke of the Jerome County School District will discuss issues related to removing youths from the jails, while Twin Falls County Prosecutor K. Ellen Baxter is scheduled to speak about security. Proposed youth rehabilitation legislation will be discussed by John Horgan, Jerome County prosecutor. See JUVENILE on Page B4

Program helps baby sitters provide nutrition

By PAT MARGANTONIO
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — At the home of some baby sitters, a balanced meal is a peanut-butter sandwich and a glass of milk. But the fare at the baby sitters can be upgraded through a USDA program that encourages nutritional meals and in the process helps the baby sitters turn a profit. "The Child Care Food Program provides the financial means to provide

better quality meals, nutritionally, says Luan York, a dietitian with the Idaho Education Department, which administers the federally-funded program. Kimberly day-care operator Chris Barrott adds, "It makes sure kids have really good meals. And it makes day-care money become profit." About 400 day-care providers in the state, including 17 in the Magic Valley, participate in the program. People who provide day care to 12 children or fewer in their own homes

are eligible for the program, which reimburses providers for the costs of meals served to the youngsters, York says. The children don't have to be low income and the day-care providers don't have to be non-profit, but they must obtain a day-care license. "The main purpose is twofold: to improve the nutritional quality of the meal so it will have a positive impact on the well-being and health of the child and to provide nutritional education opportunities to develop good eating habits," York says.

The nutrition education is not in the form of lessons about the four basic food groups, but in introducing children to new foods, York says. Operators are reimbursed once a month after filing out reports about the meals they have served. The menus are also reviewed before reimbursement is made. "They can be reimbursed for three meals, one of which is a snack," says Sharon Whittam, child-care food assistant with the Idaho Hunger Action. See DAY CARE on Page B5

Timing, national attention benefit Democratic caucuses

By BART JANSEN
Times-News writer

BOISE — Idaho's political voice is growing, as Democrats face the novel delight Tuesday of early caucuses coupled with a wide-open list of presidential candidates. "In the past our caucuses didn't amount to much," said Minidoka County Democratic Chairman Phil Bare, "but it looks like there might be a little dog fight this year." He said he's heard of at least two organizations, one for Massachusetts Gov. Mike Dukakis and the other for Missouri Rep. Dick Gephardt, scouring his area for support. Whether participants will be pledging support to a favorite candidate or remain uncommitted, the timing of Idaho's caucuses has drawn national media attention and the perception that individual votes still count. Both factors are spurring ex-

pectations that hundreds of Democrats will caucus in county meeting halls across Magic Valley. "All of the candidates seem to be staying in the race," said Jerome County Chairman Yves Kelly, noting the marked change from 1984 competition, when former Vice President Walter Mondale faced former Colorado Sen. Gary Hart, who is running again this year. With the large field of contenders, caucuses are expected to be exciting because candidates must earn support from at least 15 percent of the participants or they receive nothing at all. Simple arithmetic shows that with six candidates, if participants don't divide evenly among the choices, some candidates will be eliminated at particular sites. "I think it (caucus) gives the individual voter a more active role," said Blaine County Chairman Keith Roark. "They become involved in support for the candidate — they get to do some lobbying."

"There is an undercurrent — you can feel that people are getting ready for the caucuses," said Deb Gaither, co-chairman of Jesse Jackson's Idaho campaign. "It has picked curiosity for people to come and see how it works." Moving the caucuses up to March 8 this year, instead of April 23 helped. "We changed (the date) on the possibility that we would get some of the candidates here for a little excitement and that has happened," said state Democratic Chairman Mel Morgan. "The importance of this is in the timing of the selection process," said state Democratic Committeewoman Diane Peavey, who is a national delegate. "It certainly makes Idaho a player on a national scale." While Idaho still offers only 23 delegates, its importance is magnified by falling into the kaleidoscope of contests dubbed Super Tuesday. That's See CAUCUS on Page B2

Caucus locations

All area Democratic Delegate Selection Caucuses will be held Tuesday at 8:00 p.m.

Any person who is a Democrat and a qualified voter in his/her county may participate in the caucus. The meeting is open to the public.

Listing county, county chairperson and caucus locations:

- Camas: Gene Sullivan, Country Kitchen Restaurant, Fairfield.
- Blaine: Keith Roark, Hearthstone, Hailey.
- Cassia: Sally Beitia, Burley Inn, Burley.
- Gooding: Al Hagen, Court-house, Gooding.
- Jerome: Yves Kelly, Moose Hall, Jerome.
- Lincoln: Sheldon Jones, Manhattan Cafe, Waldone.
- Minidoka: Phil Bare, County Judicial Building, Rupert.
- Twin Falls: Ken Pederson, Judicial Building, Twin Falls.

For clarification or more information call Yves Kelly at 739-8462 or 739-6505.

O'Neill

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Regarding the time when officials in Idaho will question O'Neill, Fyresell said O'Neill is apparently not going to waive extradition "so it may be some time before he gets back to the Northwest."

Brook said, "Generally, extradition hearings are done pretty quickly. I've seldom heard of one going more than 60 to 90 days."

O'Neill, described as a transient-type individual who usually stays in one place from six weeks to six months and then moves on, was charged with first-degree murder in the death of Robin Smith, 21, of Des Moines, Iowa, Smith, who remains were found south of Greenwater, Wash., was last seen alive at O'Neill's duplex home after other guests left an all-night party there.

Police in Bellingham, Wash., want to question O'Neill about the disappearance of Wendy Aughe, 29, who was last seen with O'Neill as they left a bar April 26. She is presumed dead. O'Neill reportedly was using an alias, Mike Johnson, at the time.

Law enforcement officials describe O'Neill as a fan of western novels and say he often takes names from characters in the novels. In addition to the alias Mike James Johnson, O'Neill has adopted such names as Zebulun J. Macranranah and Larry Sackett.

Spill

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stant activity. Stacks of lime bags on pallets were scattered about the site. Workers were coated up to their knees in lime as they raked the soil with neutralizing substance.

Nearby, a backhoe moved the soil into piles for later collection and carrying to the landfill. Some of the puddle liquid was pumped into a tank. This will be backed to a local farmers land as fertilizer, McMasters said.

In order to remove some of the soil, workers will have to take out a couple of 33 to 39-foot long sections of railroad track, said McMasters. The track removal will not affect other UP customers in the area. The railroad said there are other means of reaching them besides the spur in downtown Kimberly.

The acid that can be pumped up

will be applied to a farmer's land, McMasters said. Phosphoric acid is used as both a fertilizer and as a feed supplement.

However, health officials said it is very caustic and can cause burns if someone comes into contact with it. The vapors cause respiratory problems if breathed in a confined area.

No one has been injured in the spill and state officials said there is no threat to city or private water wells from the acid.

Another task for the crews will be to remove topsoil and replace it with new soil, McMasters said. Anywhere from four inches to 18 inches of soil will have to be removed, depending on the degree of saturation, McMasters said.

The leak, believed to be caused by a valve problem, was first discovered by a PureGro driver at 10 a.m. Friday.

Miller

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That woman is Anne Nasrallah of Jacksonville, Fla. Nasrallah's 8-month-old and two-year-old sons died that day.

"We've become really close as far as inspiring each other," Miller says.

Miller says she is seeing a counselor to help her over the feelings of anger and insecurity.

"I am learning to deal with my feelings," she says.

For a woman who use to fly down to Jacksonville with friends, she hopes to get over the anxiety about flying home to Twin Falls when the time comes.

Caucus

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when 1,300 delegates, or a third of the total available, will be selected in 20 states.

"In years past, the May primary has come after the die has been cast," Roark said.

Noting that famed Iowa selected only 95 delegates, Ron Twilegar, who is co-chairman for Sen. Albert Gore's Idaho campaign, agrees that Idaho falls in line in the states, but in the timing.

"The impact of the state on the process has more to do with when the caucuses or primaries are than the number of delegates they select," Twilegar said. "That's why finally, after so many years of being ignored, Idaho is gaining attention on a national level."

NBC television network began calling county Democratic chairmen last November. Sen. Paul Simon, of Illinois, Gore and Dukakis have each visited Boise.

Dukakis made a pit stop at the Boise airport Saturday afternoon, saying, "The next three days are going to be very important in the selection of the Democratic nominee."

Idaho is bashful about describing Nobady's importance.

Twilegar said Idaho that Gore must win Wyoming, Idaho and Nevada to prove he's more than a regional southern candidate. Television advertising will air on Boise and Spokane stations between Saturday and Monday, he said.

"We're going to win the caucuses," said Twilegar.

Simon predicted Monday during his Boise visit there will be no clear nominee going into the national convention in Atlanta.

"Idaho is one of the states that is going to play a key role in Super Tuesday," Simon said. "It is also clear that there will not be a first-ballot winner in Atlanta."

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"It's a fear, but fear can be an enemy and I'm trying to overcome that," she says.

What has helped her along the past few months is her family and who have visited her or written or called, she says. A sister-in-law from Alliance, Neb., was staying with her this week.

"They have been encouraging and very supportive," Miller says. "I've had so much encouragement from school mates; many of which I hadn't heard from for 40 and 50 years. I truly have many friends I didn't realize I had. I just thank them for putting me in their prayers."

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An active promoter of Christian activities, Miller says she also receives her strength from God.

"I was made a promise that I would be healed, that he (Jesus) would heal and it worked. I believe," she says.

Miller's friends in Twin Falls describe her as a community-active person, a religious and strong person, a survivor.

"She wouldn't have been here now if she hadn't been," says Betty Zuck of the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce, where Miller worked for two years.

Allen—Hindemood—says—of her friend of 15 years, "She's more up than down, regardless of what's happening. She's a go-getter. We're anxious to have her home."

Miller hasn't been back to her home in Twin Falls since the accident and doesn't know when she will be able to return.

But things are looking up. The halo will be replaced March 16 by a smaller neck brace. Next week, she will complete her physical therapy. She had been going about three times a week.

"I went to a neurologist this week and he said my extensive wound is healing. I have a little numbness in my left leg and left arm, but that's improving through my therapy. I can walk. I'm going to hang in there and I'm going to be back in Twin Falls, Idaho."

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Obituaries

Winifred T. Marquess

BURLEY—Winifred Marie Turner Marquess, 86, of Boise, and formerly of Burley, died Thursday, March 3, 1988, in the Hillcrest Care Center in Boise.

—Born Oct. 21, 1899, in Red Wing, Minn., she moved with her family to Burley in 1910. She was in Burley where she graduated from high school in 1918. She also graduated from Alhambra State Normal College in 1923.

—Idaho. She taught in several Boise area schools, and married to Burley to teach in 1929. She married Roy S. Marquess March 29, 1921, in Burley. They formed in the Paul area until her husband's death in 1968, when she moved to Burley. For the past 1 1/2 years, she has lived in Boise.

—She was a member of the Burley First United Methodist Church for more than 60 years, and belonged to both the E. John chapter and Evening chapter of the Order of Eastern Star. She had been a member of the Emerson Grange, the Iris Better Homes, the Desert Art Guild, and many social clubs.

—Surviving are: three daughters, Jeanne Baker of Boise, Lucille Schoet of southern Pasadena and Mary F. West of Lake Tahoe; one sister, Hazel Hobson; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

—The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday in the First United Methodist Church in Burley, with the Rev. John West officiating. Order of Eastern Star rites will be under direction of the club chapter. Burial and interment will be in Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley.

—Friends may call at the Payne Funeral Chapel from 4 to 8 p.m. today, and at the church one hour prior to the service on Monday.

—The family suggests memorial contributions to the United Methodist Church building fund.

Irene Hedstrom

TWIN FALLS—Irene Morrison Hedstrom, 78, formerly of Twin Falls, died Sunday, March 6, 1988, at her home in Norwalk, Calif.

—Born June 5, 1911, in Loveland, Colo., she moved to Twin Falls in 1928 where she attended school and graduated from high school in 1931.

—She married Sam Hedstrom in 1933, and they owned and operated a grocery store on Blue Lake Boulevard in Twin Falls. She later moved to California

Born Nov. 20, 1915, in Carey, he was a rancher and farmer all his life in the Carey area.

Mr. Wilde was a member of the LDS Church in Carey.

Surviving are: five sisters, Emily Smith, Hazel Dixon and Nyla Weaver, all of Carey, Delia Wild of Ogden and Iva Vook of Twin Falls. He was preceded in death by her parents, James and Ila Wilde.

There will be on viewing, Wood River Chapel in charge of the arrangements.

Dorothy Hirschman

BELLEVOUE—Richard Dick Lee Beckman, 82, died Friday, March 4, 1988, in a Boise hospital.

The service arrangements will be announced by the Hirschman Funeral Home in Boise.

Dorothy Hirschman
JEROME—Dorothy Hirschman, 76, of Fallon, Nev., formerly of Jerome, died Saturday, March 5, 1988, in Reno, Nev., hospital.

The services are pending and will be announced by the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel of Jerome.

Anne E. Tolman
TWIN FALLS—Anne E. Tolman, 70, of Twin Falls, died Friday afternoon, March 4, 1988, in Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Born June 27, 1917, in Portland, she attended schools in 1921, where she attended Twin Falls. She married Earl Tolman, and they were later divorced. She worked for many years at Universal Frozen Foods, retiring several years ago.

Surviving are: two brothers, George and John Honstain, both of Twin Falls, and two sisters, Marie Fennell of Twin Falls and Pauline Cappa of Portland. She was preceded in death by three brothers.

The graveside service will be held at 3 p.m. Monday in Twin Falls Cemetery, with the Rev. Gil Myers of the First Baptist Church officiating.

Friends may call at the Reynolds Funeral Chapel from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Monday.

Leonard E. Wilde

CAREY—Leonard E. Wilde, 72, of Carey, a lifetime resident of Wood River Valley, died Saturday, March 5, 1988, in Wood River Convalescent Center after an illness of several months.

Service

The funeral for Kenneth "Buck" Granbury, 48, of Texas City, formerly of Burley, who died Wednesday, will be held at 2 p.m. Monday at the United Methodist Church in Rupert. Burial will be in the Paul City Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Hansen Mortuary in Rupert this afternoon and evening and at the church one hour prior to the time of the service on Monday.

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Magic Valley

Gooding County settles lawsuit out of court

By JANENE BUCKWAY
Times-News correspondent

GOODING—Gooding County has reached an out-of-court settlement in one lawsuit for which a fifth District judge originally awarded a default judgment, but now faces a default judgment in a second suit.

In both cases, companies owed money for services provided to Gooding County Memorial Hospital. The county failed to respond to suits filed in the 5th District Court.

In the out-of-court settlement in the first case, Gooding County has agreed to pay \$60,000 to Management Rehab Services, Inc., and physical therapist William R. Hull of Pocatello.

The original debt in the case was \$32,860.72, but the firm also asked for interest on the debt and \$30,000 plus interest for

incidental and consequential damages from the breach of contract due to credit, credit rating, emotional distress and ability to do business.

In a default judgment Dec. 29, District Judge Phillip Becker awarded the firm \$78,000, the full amount requested for costs rendered by Hull at GCMH and for incidental and punitive damages.

The default was awarded after the county failed to respond, on time, to the suit. But after the county appealed the decision, Becker agreed a month later to set the judgment aside, saying "the sins of elected officials should not be visited upon the taxpayers."

In his judgment, Becker ordered County Prosecutor Lynn Nelson to file a "verified answer" to the suit by Feb. 1 and to enter negotiations to determine the amount due to Hull by Feb. 8.

Court records show Nelson filed an answer

to the suit Jan. 29 in which the county agreed to pay Hull what is due him for services rendered under a contract with GCMH before the hospital was transferred to the control of the county. The county denied responsibility for any punitive damages, but agreed to pay whatever other relief the court deems proper.

Nelson told Becker at the January hearing the county would pay "reasonable attorney fees" for Hull because of the length of time involved in getting the matter settled.

In a response filed with the court Feb. 2, Hull's attorney Charles Johnson III, of Pocatello, outlined Hull's claims. The letter asked for \$32,860 plus interest from Dec. 1 for contract services, another \$17,000 for damages and attorney fees.

The response also accused the county of attempting to delay or avoid payment of the claim. Johnson cited breach of contract, negli-

gent infliction of emotional distress and "bad faith and intentional wrong doing" on the part of the county as causes for the punitive damage claim.

Before the out-of-court settlement was reached, Johnson also requested that Becker honor his offer to expedite a one-day jury trial by a non-Gooding County jury.

In the settlement, the county has agreed to pay \$35,000 immediately and then pay \$5,000 a month from April 1 through Aug. 1, when the balance of \$60,000 would be paid.

In the second default judgment, the county is being required to pay \$6,040 for debts also incurred by the Gooding County Memorial Hospital.

Paul B. Houston, a radiologist doing business as Sun Valley Radiology, was awarded the money for contract services at GCMH in a decision by District Judge Phillip Becker. The judgment was awarded after Gooding County

failed to respond to Houston's suit filed in early December.

The county has not filed an appeal in the Houston case as it did in the Hull case, but Houston has reopened the case by asking for a reconsideration of the court's refusal to award attorney fees.

Houston is asking for \$2,802 in legal fees and services, bringing the total claim to \$9,362 plus interest.

The county must file a written answer or motion on the request for legal fees this week or risk being in default again.

Although debts to Houston and Hull were incurred by the hospital, the Gooding County Board of Commissioners agreed last fall to assume approximately \$300,000 in hospital debts when the facility was transferred to a countywide taxing district.

Filer must reduce chlorine Wastewater now affects Cedar Draw

By DON PUDER
Times-News correspondent

FILER—The state Health and Welfare Department has notified the city of Filer that the discharge from its wastewater treatment plant into Cedar Draw Creek has a chlorine content that is above the maximum allowed.

Gary Burkett, of the department's Division of Environment, said that there have been complaints from water fish and game officials that the chlorine level in Cedar Draw is damaging to trout and other aquatic life forms. The extremely low water volume in the creek during the winter months does not adequately dilute the chlorine in the discharge water flowing into the creek, he said.

Burkett said that the chlorinator now used by Filer is a large unit that uses 18 pounds of chlorine per day when operating at maximum capacity, which contributes too much to the treatment plant runoff.

He recommended to the City Council at its meeting last week that the city purchase a smaller, supplemental unit that would use only 1 to 3 pounds of chlorine per day. The savings on chlorine would pay for the smaller unit within a year, and after that, the unit could save the city about \$1,000 per year, he said.

The larger chlorination unit could still be used during heavier water demand periods and at the city grows.

Mayor Bob Fort assured Burkett that the city would comply by acting on his recommendation as soon as possible.

In other business, the council and City Attorney Fred Decker discussed a proposed mutual fire disaster agreement, which is being researched by insurance companies that cover several Magic Valley cities. Under the agreement, two or more cities would agree to come to the other's aid during a fire that is beyond one's ability to control.

"However," Decker said, "what the insurance companies have not agreed upon yet is whose insurance covers whom? For instance, if the Filer Fire

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Times-News photo/ANDY ARENZ

Kimberly seniors hope to purchase and remodel their senior citizen center building with the help of a state grant

Over \$10,000 has been raised for center Kimberly seniors apply for grant

By LYNDIA VAN DEUSEN
Times-News correspondent

KIMBERLY—Once a month for the past year the Kimberly Senior Citizen Center took on a new look.

Inside the white stucco building, a restaurant-like atmosphere was created. Card tables with flowers replaced the long dining tables and reservations were required for dinner. The seniors loved it and we raised about \$250 each time that way," said Dorothy Porter, the site manager.

"We also sold papers and cans," said Porter. On Good Neighbor Day, the center sold fried chicken dinners. Pledges have poured in from clubs, seniors and local non-seniors.

Now seniors are waiting for their hard work to pay off.

The seniors have applied to the state for a \$55,000 block grant to purchase and remodel their building. Last year the center applied for a \$70,000 grant, but was turned down. "We didn't have matching funds last year, we only had \$1,800," Porter said. "Last year we were told we needed at least \$10,000," she said. Matching funds play an important part of the grant process.

Since they were denied the grant last year, the seniors have outdone themselves to raise money.

"This year we have \$10,000 in cash and \$640 in pledges," said Porter. The seniors and other citizens averaged donations of \$25 each. The city

of Kimberly put \$1,000 in the pot. The city of Hansen contributed \$600 and the Kimberly branch of Twin Falls Bank and Trust donated \$1,000.

Money also came from several clubs. The center's pinocchio club donated each Friday. A special fund was raised by friends of Elsie Henry. Henry, who died this year, was one of the center's oldest members. "She was there rain or shine," said Porter. Thirty-five persons contributed \$370 toward the fund as a memorial to Henry.

The seniors and the building owners, Pauline Mulder and Robert Pollard, of Pocatello, have agreed on a purchase price of \$30,000 plus closing costs. The building includes Jessie's Ceramics.

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Dispute involves airport board

The Times-News

HAILEY—The Hailey City Council has voted, on the advice of City Attorney Keith Roark, not to attend the Blaine County public hearing Wednesday on composition of the Friedman Memorial Airport Commission.

The hearing was called after Bellevue, Ketchum and Sun Valley objected to a plan developed by the county commissioners in closed session to restructure the board, giving the county and Hailey the only voting seats. Hailey has demanded that it hold half the voting seats on the board.

The airport is owned and operated by Hailey and the county, but currently the three other cities do not have voting seats on the board. Hailey has two voting seats and the county has the remaining two.

Composition of the board became an issue when Horizon Airlines installed a microwave landing system that has allowed more plane loads of tourists to land in the winter, but has raised safety and noise concerns because it requires a landing path directly over the city of Hailey.

The Hailey City Council agreed last week to send a letter to the county commissioners saying the council will not participate in the public hearing. Roark has said that Hailey does not care how the remaining seats on the board should be filled, as long as Hailey holds half the votes. He said last week that the council should consider Wednesday's meeting a session for the county to decide how the other half the seats should be allocated.

Ketchum Mayor Larry Young, who attended the Hailey council meeting, said "he wanted to know what Ketchum did wrong" to be eliminated from the commission.

"There has been no attempt to eliminate any part of the county," Hailey Councilman Joe Maccarillo responded. "We're not closing any gateway," said Councilwoman Dottie Moore. The city of Hailey would not be that stupid. After all, we like to eat too."

"This council has never suggested that Ketchum should not have a vote."

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Indian Cove Coffee Hour a victim of changing times

My mother-in-law has pulled the dowels on her quilting frames to store it and put her thin stainless-steel thimble in her sewing basket. This day she isn't really interested in talking to me about offering garden seeds. What she wants to talk about is something she's heard. Someone said, maybe it was Helen down the road or Lorna, that they wanted to have a Coffee Hour.

That was such good news to hear and conjured up so many nice memories for me. Year ago as a newly married and newly come to the farm young woman, I remember being introduced to my first Indian Cove Coffee Hour. A neighbor lady invited me. She told me all the women in Indian Cove who could get together each month at someone's home for Coffee Hour. "Oh," I thought that sounded nice.

"And what's the 'why do'?" I asked.

"They drink coffee," she told me. They quickly added, "Now, no, that's not quite right. Some of the ladies prefer tea and others would settle for orange juice."

As a serious-minded young woman dedicated to accomplishment, I was a little disappointed in her description of Coffee Hour. Though I was a newcomer, it didn't stop me from at least thinking about suggesting to the lady who would host our coffee hour that we have a "topic" to dis-

cus with perhaps a "presentation" of some kind. Something to help up the meeting.

The Indian Cove Coffee Hour, as I envisioned it, should be a consciousness-raising group or a literary association or a gardening club ("at the very least," I remember thinking). I was a very cheeky young woman, as I've said.

I went to my first coffee hour armed with all sorts of ideas, preconceived notions and suggestions for change. I remember the women came to the meeting in a staggered fashion. I thought our "discussion" was to begin, promptly at 10 a.m. I mentioned this to the neighbor lady sitting next to me, and she said one woman had to drive the truck for her husband while he fed the cows and Mrs. So-and-so had to irrigate before she could come and Mrs. So-and-so had bumper lambs to feed so she'd be late.

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Diana Hooley
Country neighbors

Wendell parents call meeting to discuss school administration

WENDELL—A public meeting to discuss school administration in Wendell will be held Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the American Legion Hall.

School trustees, school administrators and the public are all invited, say the parents who organized the meeting. It is not sponsored by the school district.

Darwin Trice, a parent of students in Wendell, says he has helped organize the meeting to give school patrons a chance to discuss and become informed on what she sees as new problems at the school.

"It's not just a few parents or a few troublemakers (calling the meeting). It's a lot of people," Trice says.

One area of concern is the renewal of contracts for Superintendent George Crawford and Elementary Principal Jerry Hope, she says.

The school board tabled talks on Crawford's contract at its last regularly scheduled meeting, but then agreed to extend it for a year after an executive session last week. The contract already has one year remaining on it, so the contract will make him superintendent for

the next two years.

The 3-2 vote to extend the contract was made in an open session as required by law. But school district officials admit that they advertised only a closed session, not the following session open to the public.

Hope had earlier announced his resignation, saying he lacked support from the board.

Trice says she hopes administrative concerns and other problems developing at the school will "come out" during the Monday meeting so the public can help decide what should be done.

Another parent, Darwin Yoder, says patrons of the district should know what is going on at the school.

"I'd say the best thing to do is to come to the meeting and find out, because there's several different factions going on," says Yoder.

Parent Terr Parr says there is much "hearsay" talk pal Jerry Hope, she says.

Parrr says, "People of Wendell need to make their feelings known, she says."

Chlorine

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Department goes to Kimberly to help extinguish a fire there, does Kimberly's insurance cover the fire, or does Filer's insurance cover them when they are in Filer?

"The insurance companies need to clarify the entire situation before a mutual agreement can be made," said Decker.

In other safety department reports, Police Chief Don Barkley said that the process of switching patrol car radios is now costing the city \$400 each time a switch is made. He recom-

mended that the city consider buying a type of radio that department personnel could switch by themselves thus avoiding the contracted cost of installation.

Fire Chief Bud Compher reported that two of the city firefighters have completed their fire training courses. Two other department members would be completing their quick response training within two to three weeks.

Compher and the council discussed the possibility of combining the Fire Department and the Filer Quick-Response Unit into a Filer Fire and

Quick Response Unit as has been done in some other cities, including Buhl. The department would then be under the control of the fire chief.

However, council members and the city attorney said they needed more information, including information from the insurance companies and probably the county, due to the wide geographic area often served by the Quick Response Unit.

In other items:
 • The library is looking for new furniture for its new building.
 • Councilman Ron Stokesberry said

that the streets are in relatively good shape and would not require as much work as in past post-winter periods.

File-Forreston Zoning and Planning Board chairman, reported that the rescheduled public hearing, concerning the proposed boat-building business, will be held March 17, 7 p.m. at the city office. Mayor Bob Fort also reported that he had appointed Ron Salazar to the Planning and Zoning Board.

The scheduled vote on de-annexation of property owned by Lyle Abel was postponed until the next monthly meeting due to lack of a quorum.

Juvenile

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 Fifth District Magistrate Judge John Vain will be the moderator.

The seminar is educational in nature and will hopefully start a dialogue between the local officials in our region to insure the federal mandate regarding juveniles in adult jails is met," Giles said.

Pre-adjudicated juveniles or those who haven't yet gone through the court process are the main targets of the reform movement, he said. Once juveniles have been found in violation of a law, state law allows for their de-

attention in facilities that must be out of the sight and sound of adult inmates.

Other solutions to falling include home detention, Giles said. "As with all reforms, there is an expense associated with the measures needed to accomplish the goal," he said.

The mandate to remove juveniles from adult jails is part of the Federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act. For more information about the event, call Giles at 788-4574.

Hooley

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Suddenly an older lady came up to me and grasped my hand and shook it hard, announcing her name and welcoming me to Indian Cove. Then she asked me abruptly if I was married. When I said "yes" she gave a low moan, as if she was in pain. Next she asked me if I had any children, to which I answered in the affirmative, and she groaned so loud and such agony I thought she would drop

to the floor, unconscious. When she'd left, my neighbor, who was watching with amusement, said Indian Cove was not without a little drama now and then. She said some of the older women had trouble forgetting how hard it was raising a family in Indian Cove 40 years ago when the blow sand beat against your windows so intensely you had to regularly sweep out the inside window ledges.

Next to her a woman about my age laughed and said, "Now, we've really got it easy. All I have to do is remember to start the generator once a day so I'll have enough electricity to keep up with the wash." This woman lived,

technically, outside of Indian Cove and away from Idaho Power's reach, but still I was impressed.

In fact as the visit progressed, I started appreciating more and more these tough ladies who came for tea and sweet rolls with calloused hands. They laughed and gabbled about their babies and grandbabies, happy for a change to sit down with their own sex and share, like concerns.

Coffee Hour has gone by the way-side these past years, not because it wasn't an enjoyable, worthwhile event, but because so many of the ladies started working off the farm or had other commitments. I guess you

could say the world speeded-up, finally reaching into Indian Cove and taking the ladies of the Coffee Hour with it.

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

Seniors

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ics. The remaining money would be used to remodel the kitchen and bring the building up to code.

Proposed changes include portable new work tables with storage, a 96-square-foot pantry, new counter space and sinks in the kitchen with a garbage disposal, and restaurant-type stove and dishwasher. The building will require new electrical wiring to meet the Idaho Code.

The Seabees has volunteered labor for the renovation. The center hopes to have enough money to lower the ceiling and insulate the cinder-block walls. The large front windows will have to be replaced as well. The new windows must be four feet from the ground for safety. The present window is only two feet from the ground.

"Our center is a community center," Porter said. People from Kimberly, Hansen and Murchugh all use the center, and it provides many services for seniors. Home meals are delivered in Kimberly and group meals are served Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Drop-in meals are served on Tuesday and Thursday. Modernization of the kitchen is expected to make meal service easier and more cost efficient.

The Kimberly Center is competing for funds with centers in several Idaho cities, including Twin Falls and Rupert. A total of \$300,000 is available statewide for block grants this year.

The seniors hope to know if they will be receiving money within the next month.

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ing position," said Roark, repeating that the city owns half the airport and that the airport is located within city limits.

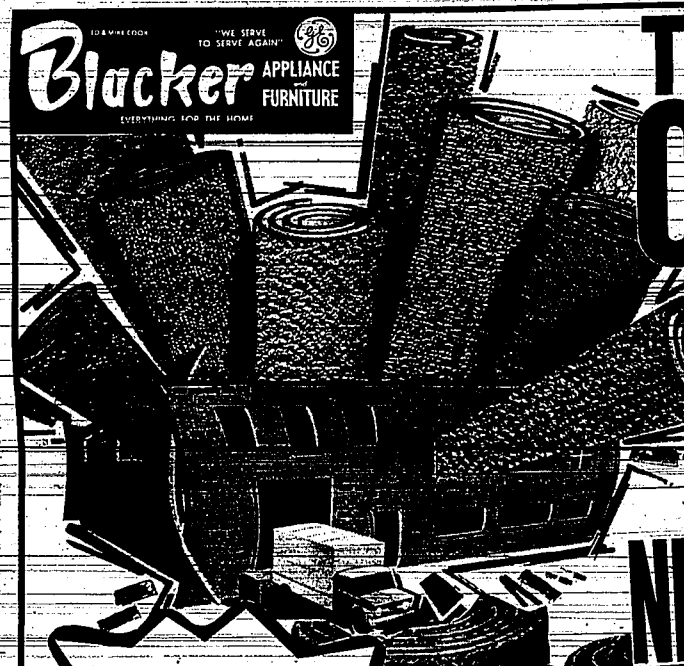
The Hailey council has also asked the county to send a response to the several suggestions Hailey has made on the airport commission composition.

"We are prepared, if we do not have a response, to take the legal action we have prepared for," said Roark. "I hope that won't be necessary."

According to county officials, the city has threatened a lawsuit if it does not receive half the voting seats on the commission.

Hailey Mayor Paschel Drake abstained from the discussion and vote concerning the airport commission at the Hailey meeting, and Macarillo presided. Drake is employed as the airport manager.

The county hearing on the airport commission will be held at 7 p.m. in the courthouse in Hailey.



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Day care

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Council, program sponsor for a region of the state covering part of the Magic Valley.

The rates of reimbursement are 64% cents per child for breakfast, \$1.20 per child for dinner or lunch and 68 cents per child for snacks. Operators must follow U.S. Department of Agriculture guidelines, Whittam says. For example, breakfast should consist of a bread item, milk and fruit or vegetable.

"It must always be fluid milk. They don't accept yogurt," she says.

The and pastries are also on the menu. Peanut butter sandwiches won't count as a protein item, but a slice of cheese will, York says.

The Idaho Hunger Action Council endorses them (the providers) to give the children a wide variety of foods so the children don't get peanut butter sandwiches every day," she says.

Meals for the children of the day-care provider won't be reimbursed unless the family meets low-income guidelines, Whittam says.

She doesn't know whether the mandatory day-care licensing law that went into effect March 1 will result in more people using the food program. Whittam says she may secure away some day-care providers from signing up in the paper work.

"There is quite a bit of paperwork involved," Whittam says. Operators must obtain enrollment affidavits from parents and keep track of what they have served each day.

Barrett says she doesn't find the paperwork an obstacle.

She has participated in the program for nine months. She cares for two children in her home, along with her three children.

She plans her menus out a week at a time, she says.

Baby sitters tend to spend too much of their money on food in a business in which "you don't make too much money," she says. "I see no drawbacks to the program. It's worth it. It helps the operator retain more income from baby-sitting."

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Confident Dukakis looks beyond Super Tuesday

BOISE (AP) — Massachusetts Gov. Michael S. Dukakis, his campaign confidants bulging and the polls placing him atop the Democratic pack, spent Saturday looking beyond Super Tuesday to the final election.

Only 16 percent of the 1,307 delegates to be decided on Super Tuesday

come from Washington state and Idaho. But Dukakis spent a precious full day campaigning there from Friday afternoon to Saturday.

"I'm bound and determined if I'm the nominee of the Democratic Party to come back out here and campaign," Dukakis said at a news conference in Boise, a stop added at the last minute

to a busy campaign schedule.

The Western visit, he said, "begins to build a foundation for the campaign after the nomination, if I'm successful."

President Reagan dominated the West in the last two presidential elections, and the GOP has been strong throughout the region for more than two decades.

With some polls and pundits predicting a mixed result on Super Tuesday, Dukakis appeared to be laying the groundwork for claiming victory,

even if he does not win the South. He said he wants "to be the campaign and the candidacy that does consistently well all across the country."

Unlike Tennessee Sen. Albert Gore, who has focused his campaign on the Southern states, Dukakis said, "we're not picking and choosing."

Strong campaign organization and poll results in Washington, Idaho, Florida, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Maryland and Texas have given Dukakis reason to believe he can achieve that goal.

Dukakis said he hopes to combine victories in Northern states with strong showings in Florida, Texas and North Carolina to come away from Tuesday's series of primaries and caucuses with the lead in delegates.

"If we can emerge from Super Tuesday with more delegates cumulatively than any other candidate, we're going to be on our way to the nomination, and on our way to the White House," Dukakis told about 250 cheering people at a hotel rally in Spokane, Wash., Saturday.



Dukakis speaks with former Governor Evans and current Governor Andrus in Boise on campaign swing through West

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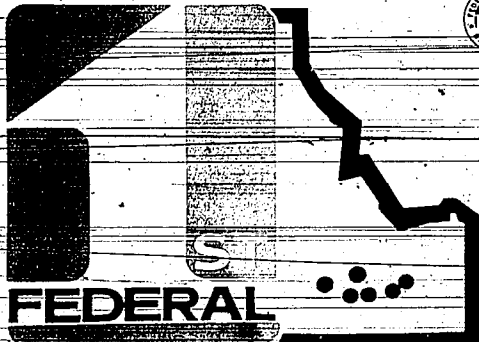
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Eagles win region again

By LARRY HOVEY
Times-News writer

ST. GEORGE, Utah — Something that has been missing for the past several weeks — the early second-half scoring blitz — was resurrected here Saturday night as the College of Southern Idaho's men's basketball team won its third straight Region 18 junior college basketball championship by defeating Salt Lake Community College, 90-72.

The Eagles, who blew a couple of double-digit leads in the first half, scored the first nine points in the second half for an 11-point lead and would have run away from the Bruins except for tourney MVP Mark Lenoir.

CSI pulled to a 13-point lead mid-

way through the half, but Lenoir went point-hunting and scored 12 straight for the Bruins. That cut the Eagles' lead to 67-62 with 8 minutes and 23 seconds remaining before CSI freshman Tank Collins racked up 8 of 18 second-half points to move it out to 77-66.

Salt Lake never got closer than 10 points thereafter.

The victory put CSI one step closer at a chance to defend its National Junior College Athletic Association

championship, but a major hurdle looms at 7:30 p.m. next Friday night when the Eagles visit the desert fair of Arizona Western in Yuma. That technically is considered the first round of the national tournament, but is usually called a bi-regional playoff

and only the winner advances to the juco nationals in Hutchinson, Kan., March 15.

Arizona Western, holding the homecourt advantage, defeated Mesa 75-64 in the Region 1 championship game Saturday.

Collins and fellow freshman Caio deSilveira were two of six players named to the all-tourney team. They were joined by Darrell White of Dixie, William Allen of Eastern Utah and George Hardin and Lenoir from Salt Lake Community.

CSI was the depending on Salt Lake running out of gas on its third consecutive night of action. SLCC Coach Dave Osborn surprised the local tournament Friday by allowing his players to either go swimming or play

tennis. That evidently didn't affect their play too much Friday as the Bruins' best homestanding Dixie 74-72 in the tournament semifinals. But in the season final for Saturday night's championship game, CSI seemed the fresher team.

The Eagles knew they had the first possession of the second half and, according to Coach Fred Trenkle, "the play we called worked out just like you draw it up."

That meant a slam dunk by Bryan Tucker.

Quickly Kenny Jarvis hit a fast-break cripple and a jumper and Dale Karst added a three-point goal to put the Eagles ahead 48-37. The lead crested at 58-43 when Collins capped

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CSI women claim third in Region 18 tourney

By TIM HINTZ
Special to The Times-News

COEUR D'ALENE — The College of Southern Idaho claimed the consolation prize in the Region 18 women's junior college basketball tournament here Saturday night.

The Golden Eagles defeated Salt Lake Community College, 80-59, in the third-place game at Christian Gymnasium on the campus of North Idaho College.

North Idaho College won the region title and a trip to the national tournament in Mississippi by defeating Utah Valley, 83-74, in the championship game.

The win was CSI's third against the Bruins in as many meetings this year. The victory allowed Southern Idaho to end its season with a record of 22-5. Salt Lake concluded its season with a record of 16-13.

"We did shoot the ball well," said CSI Coach Ben Stroud, whose team finished the game hitting 35-of-68 shots from the field. "We have a lot of good shooters. It's too bad we couldn't have shot the ball this well last night," the CSI coach said, referring to the Eagles' 85-64 loss to Utah Valley in the first round Friday.

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Lapwai rolls up another A-3 title

By RON GATES
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A fast start Saturday ahot Lapwai High School in to a big lead en route to an 86-79 triumph over Sugar-Salem which completed the Wildcats' defense of the Idaho Class A-3 boys' basketball championship they won at Moscow last year.

Boys State



Basketball Tournament

In earlier games top-ranked Fruitland bounced back to best Teton 84-76 for third place and the Malad Dragons scored with three seconds left to edge McCall-Donnelly 54-52 for the consolation crown.

The victory Saturday was the 50th straight for Lapwai and marked the school's third state A-3 title in five years.

Lapwai 86, Sugar-Salem 79. Paced by Jesse Leighton's 10 first-quarter points, the second-ranked Wildcats connected on nine of 12 attempts and moved out to a 26-10 lead against third-ranked Sugar-Salem.

"We got off to a great start," agreed Lapwai Coach Bruce Crossfield. "I don't know if we've played any better basketball all year. But give them (Sugar) a lot of credit. It would have been easy for them to fold. Instead they just kept fighting back."

The Diggers rebounded from five of 16 first period shooting and cut within nine on Jason Williams' howitzer with 2 minutes and 45 seconds showing on the clock before halftime.

Shane Murphy added a driving layup and Todd Pocock scored five quick points — the last three from three-point land — reducing the gap to four at 41-37.

A Wildcat run in which Leighton scored six and Lightfoot Ellwood four moved the Lapwai lead back to 15, but Sugar's Nathan Buttkofer converted a trio of Wildcat miscues into six points before picking up his fourth foul midway through the quarter.

Pocock was whistled for his fourth personal a minute later allowing the state champs to quickly move out by 18. First Buttkofer, who led the Diggers with 20 then Pocock, a 12-point scorer with a pair of three-point goals in the contest, fouled out and Sugar-Salem never got closer than the final tally.

Leighton headed all scorers with 25 points on eight of 13 shooting from the field and six of six from the stripe. Ellwood had 22, Ralph Guillery 21 and Aaron Miles 14 for Lapwai. Jason Williams came off the bench to score 18 for the losers.

"These kids just love basketball," added Crossfield, who imparted one last bit of bad news for A-3 opponents. "Actually our JV's have a longer winning streak (than the varsity). They won their last 19 in 1986 and haven't been beaten since."

Fruitland 84, Teton 76 Junior center Victor Marturano put eight of his game-high 24 points on the scoreboard while his Fruitland

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Lapwai assistant coach Skip Williams is given "the coach's shower" after the Wildcats defeated Sugar-Salem for the state A-3 championship

James gang escapes with state A-4 trophy

By BRAD BRELAND
and COLIN MULDOON
Times-News writers

TWIN FALLS — The James gang came to town Saturday night.

And Jeff James and his Mackay teammates left town with the Idaho Class A-4 boys' high school basketball championship trophy after a 73-61 victory over the Kendrick Tigers in the state tournament final.

Boys State



Basketball Tournament

James bombed in five three-pointers, all in the first half, giving the 21-5 Miners the boost they needed to keep the pressure on Kendrick.

It was Mackay's second state A-4 ti-

No. 1 Shoshone beats No. 2 Mullan for consolation trophy in A-4

By COLIN MULDOON
Times-News writer

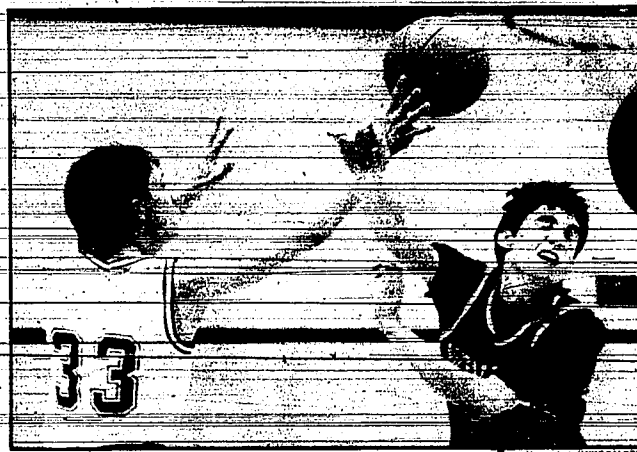
TWIN FALLS — It was a clash between No. 1 and No. 2, but the Idaho Class A-4 boys' basketball title was not at stake.

Shoshone, the state's top-ranked team at the regular season's end, tangled with second-ranked Mullan for consolation honors here Saturday morning at the College of Southern Idaho gymnasium.

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le since 1981 and gave the Miners a clean sweep of the state football and basketball championships in their division.

Earlier in the day, Melba defeated



Kendrick's Aaron Heinon fouls Mackay basketball player Shane Jarvis Saturday night

District-3 rival Wilder, 67-61, for the third-place trophy. Shoshone whipped Mullan 68-42 for the consolation honors.

Mackay 73, Kendrick 61

The 6-foot, 1-inch James scored 30 points, 20 in the first half in the victory.

"I felt good shooting. I felt they were there," said James, a senior.

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CSF's Stokes breaks leg

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho's rodeo team lost its top cowboy for the season in a Thursday night rodeo practice. Shawn Stokes of Ogden, Utah, who was leading the Rocky Mountain region in bareback riding, broke his leg in three places when he bucked off a practice horse while he had his hand hung up on the rigging. He is being treated at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

This is extremely disappointing because Shawn could have won the region easily and possible the national title — if not this year, probably next year," said CSI rodeo coach Shawn Davis. "We are just starting the spring season with our rodeo March 25-26 and, although we have a strong team, we don't have anyone who could come close to replacing him."

Shoot at gun club today

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Gun Club will hold a registered ATA trap shoot today.

The shoot will start at 9 a.m., with the club to open at 8 for practice. The first event will be 100 16-yard targets, while the second event will be 100 handicap targets. The third event will be 50 pairs of doubles.

There will be four classes — A, B, C and D — and they are open to all shooters.

Axers win MWAC indoor

POCATELLO (AP) — Northern Arizona University has outdistanced all its opponents to win the Mountain West Conference women's indoor track and field championships at Idaho State University's Holt Arena.

The Lumberjacks compiled 109 points Friday and Saturday. Boise State was a distant second with 72 points and Montana State finished third with 71.

Northern Arizona placed in eight of the nine events Saturday. Axer speedster Susan Phillips took first in the 55-meters and Nikki Toms won the 800-meters.

Montana sprinter Kris Schmitt was named the outstanding Mountain West track athlete. She won the 55-meter hurdles, the 200-meters and placed second in the 55-meters.

Sharing the field athlete award were Marci Payne and Amber Welty of Idaho State. Payne took both the long and triple jumps, while Welty, a junior from Twin Falls, was a winner in the high jump and placed sixth in the long jump.

NAU men take third straight

POCATELLO (AP) — Northern Arizona University earned 31 points more than its closest rival to win its third straight Big Sky Conference indoor track and field championship at Idaho State University.

The Lumberjacks chalked up 117 points Friday and Saturday, while second-place Boise State compiled 86. Weber State was third with 87 points.

Northern Arizona, under the direction of veteran track coach Ron Mann, has won every Big Sky indoor, outdoor or cross-country track crown since the spring of 1986.

Boise State shot putter Steve Muse was selected the Big Sky's "Outstanding Trackster" in a vote of the league coaches. Muse tossed the shot 61 feet, 1 1/2 inches to set a new league record and qualify for the NCAA indoor track and field championships in Oklahoma City.

B.C. Lions take Vankoughnett

HAMILTON, Ontario (AP) — Boise State University senior Dave Vankoughnett was selected Saturday by the British Columbia Lions in the second round of the Canadian Football League draft.

Vankoughnett, a 6-foot, 4-inch, 240-pound center from Kamloops, British Columbia, started during his senior season at BSU after transferring from Utah's Snow College a year before.

Vankoughnett was the 14th player chosen in the CFL draft.

FIS master's race at S.V.

SUN VALLEY — Olympic medalist Franz Gabl, women's speed skiing record-holder Christ-Herbert and a strong contingent of Japanese will compete in the ninth annual Federation International du Ski Master's Cup Series race here this week.

Nearly 200 racers from around the world are expected for the competition, which starts Monday on the Mid-Warm Springs and Lower Warm Springs runs on Bald Mountain.

The series includes 20 races held each season in Austria, West Germany, Switzerland, France, Italy, Spain and the United States. Each racer must compete in at least five events to be considered for season series awards. Race points are accumulated on the basis of World Cup point formulas.

Giant slalom competition will be held Tuesday and Wednesday at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., with the slalom to be run Thursday and Friday at the same time.

Mets get spring off to inauspicious start

By The Associated Press

The New York Mets got off to an inauspicious start at their new training complex in their first game at the new St. Lucie County Sports Complex in Fort St. Lucie, Fla., Saturday.

Not only did the Mets lose to the Los Angeles Dodgers 5-2 in 10 innings — but the Stadium rebelled against them in the eighth inning, when 37 outfield sprinklers suddenly erupted in unison, forcing the fielders to scatter for cover.



later drove in two more for a double. John Fischer scored on second baseman Brad Wellman's one-out throwing error in the 10th inning to give the Mets the victory.

The Royals led 4-1 before surrendering the game in the bottom of the eighth, with the tying run scoring on an error by Royals catcher Dan Bيلardo.

ished the rally with his two-out homer. The Athletics have given up 21 runs on 34 hits in losing their first two games.

Giants 5, Indians 2
Mike Aldrete had three hits and scored two runs as San Francisco evened its spring record at 1-1.

Aldrete led off the third inning with a single and later scored on Jeffrey Leonard's single to put the Giants ahead to stay. Jose Uribe and Aldrete singled home runs in the sixth for a 5-1 lead.

Baseball

The artificial shower was symbolic — elsewhere in Florida, the showers were real, causing six games to be postponed by rain — the Chicago White Sox vs. Boston; Philadelphia vs. Toronto; Detroit vs. Minnesota; Pittsburgh vs. Texas; and Japan's Chunichi Dragons vs. Atlanta's spilt squad and Cincinnati vs. St. Louis.

The Dodgers-Mets contest was one of only four that got played in Florida.

In the others, Houston beat Kansas City 5-4 in 10 innings; Montreal beat Atlanta 6-3 and Baltimore beat the New York Yankees 3-2.

In games played in Arizona, it was Seattle 7, Oakland 5; the Chicago Cubs 5, Milwaukee 4 in 11 innings; San Francisco 5, Cleveland 2 and California 7, San Diego 3.

Expos 6, Braves 3
Ron Shepherd's three-run homer off Jim Acker capped a five-run Montreal seventh inning to give the Expos the win. Gregg Colbrunn had an RBI double and Tom Foley added a run-scoring single in the big inning.

The Braves scored their three runs in the fifth off rookie left-hander Steve Shirley.

Orioles 3, Yankees 2
Carl Nichols' two-out homer in the seventh gave the Orioles the win. Trailing 2-1, Baltimore got one run when Joe Orsulak grounded into a double play before Nichols' shot, which hit the top of the left-field wall and bounded over. Cal Ripken also homered for the Orioles.

Mariners 7, Athletics 5
Alvin Davis hit a two-run home run to highlight a six-run Seattle second inning.

Seattle began the inning with five consecutive singles and Davis fin-

to erase a 3-1 deficit. Loser Ed Vasberg, who allowed eight of nine batters he faced in the inning to reach base.

Cubs 5, Brewers 4
Paul Nisco scored from third base on the second error of the 11th inning by second baseman Billy Bates, giving the Cubs their second victory in as many days.

Bates singled in two runs for the Brewers in the fifth inning.

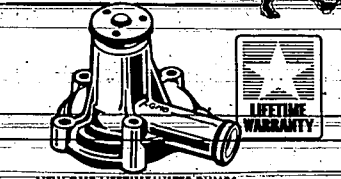
INJURIES
Boston right-hander Dennis "Olden" Boyd — a 16-game winner in 1986 who missed most of last season because of a shoulder injury, was hit on the inside of the right leg by a line drive while throwing batting practice. Boyd was taken to Winter Haven Hospital, where X-rays were negative. He is expected to miss a scheduled start against Kansas City Tuesday at Baseball City.

Terry Leach, scheduled to pitch for Los Angeles Saturday, was scratched because of a mild back spasm. He is scheduled to pitch Monday in a Mets-Dodgers game at Vero Beach, Fla.

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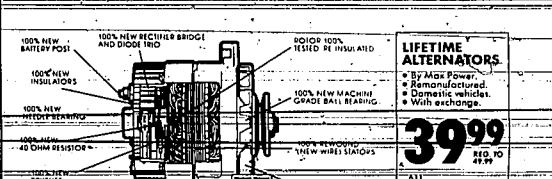
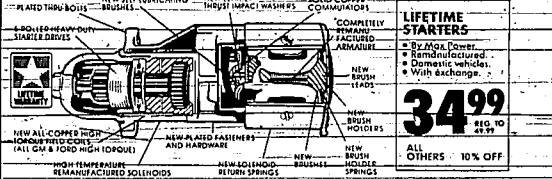
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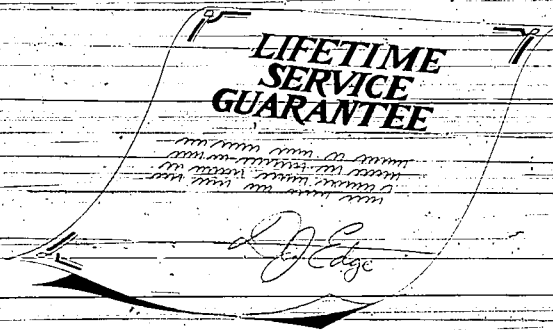
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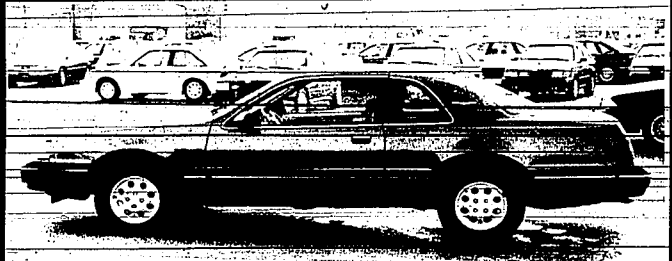
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Concert pianist promotes peace

Mark Ochu to play locally

By LORAYNE ORTON SMITH
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — For centuries music has been a means of stirring human emotions.

From mothers hulling their babies to sleep, to soldiers marching to battle with heavy martial tunes, to teenagers' frenzied response to hard rock, music can carry messages often more easily understood than words.

Mark Ochu, 36, a concert pianist from St. Cloud, Minn., uses his musical expertise to show how all peoples are from one human family. He has performed worldwide promoting peace by citing examples both from composers' lives and their techniques to illustrate the concepts of unity within diversity, racial equality and human rights.

Ochu, who has played throughout North America as well as Europe and India, says when he first started concertizing, he correlated his selections with music history and showed slides along with his piano playing.

Ochu is a graduate of St. Cloud State University where he earned a bachelor's degree in visual arts. He began studying piano at age 9 in 1961. Since 1974 he has maintained a private studio in St. Cloud where he gives piano instruction in addition to his concert tours.

As a member of the Baha'i faith — a sect founded in Iran and emphasizing the spiritual unity of mankind — Ochu was interested in how various world religions have influenced the development of Western music.

"Bach, for example," he says, "was a devout Christian churchman but scientific influences related to Islam went into how he composed."

In 1986, which was designated by the United Nations as a "Year of Peace," leaders of the Baha'i faith also issued a statement on peace.

"So I figured this was where I could make a contribution," the musician said during a photo interview earlier this week from St. Cloud.

He has given some 80 concerts a year since then to promote peace and social justice.

Instead of educating audiences about music history, Ochu, a Minnesota native of French-Catholic background, now uses his music to promote the universally accepted principles for the establishment of world peace.

"These include elimination of prejudice, equality of men and women and understanding of ethical principles held in common by all the world's religions," says Harry Massoth, Buhl, chairman of the Magic Valley Peace Committee, who is coordinating Ochu's Idaho tour.

After hearing Ochu perform in Salt Lake City last year, Massoth says he felt the concert would fit the governor's human rights agenda which grew out of the negative publicity the state has received in recent years concerning Aryan Nations activity.

Ochu says he uses a Beethoven's "Variations on a Theme in C Minor" to illustrate the idea that "we are all of one human family, with variations of the same genetic stock."

A Chopin etude, with contrasting use of black and white keys, also illustrates how harmony comes from peaceful interaction of differing people.

The musician tells how racial prejudice was overcome by composer George Gershwin, who was white and Jewish, but lived with black families in South Carolina the early part of this century, to study their music and to bring it into mainstream concert halls.

"Gershwin did this when racism was accepted in the United States and his exemplary life and his music have significantly contributed to eliminating such prejudice," Ochu says.

In addition to Gershwin tunes, Ochu's repertoire also will include selections by Scriabin, Shostakovich and Liszt.

He closes his program with Liszt's "Methisto Waltz" which deals with the Faust legend of the empty pursuit of pleasure.

"I tie this into the need for transformation of our own lives," the musician says, "because today's materialistic lifestyle leaves us empty."



CSI student senators Melanie Mecham, left, and Cindy Tingey wrap up in the Race Unity quilt, which will be on display.

Peace quilts will accompany tour

By LORAYNE ORTON SMITH
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Two peace quilts will accompany the "Keys to Peace and Harmony" concert tour of pianist Mark Ochu throughout Idaho this week.

Both the Community Peace quilt and the Race Unity quilt will be displayed during receptions following each of the three concerts being held in Magic Valley today through Tuesday.

Harry Massoth, Buhl, chairman of the Magic Valley Peace committee and state coordinator for the concert tour, says the Community Peace quilt was created by a group of Boise residents to honor Idaho citizens who labor for the poor, the environment and for social justice.

"The quilt seeks to inspire those viewing it to think globally and act locally," Massoth says. Its permanent home is on the wall of the Boise YWCA peace resource room.

The second quilt, called Race Unity, was designed and constructed by the Baha'is of Blackfoot and their friends. The five races of mankind are represented by different materials both in color and texture. These are woven together to create one unified body representing the emergence of the world community through the cooperative efforts of all.

And it is through the cooperative efforts of area churches and civic groups that Ochu's lecture-performance tour is possible.

In the Sun Valley area, the Catholic, Mormon and Jewish communities all have joined in supporting the Tuesday performance and the Sun Valley Co. has donated free use of the Lamelight Room.

"It's amazing," says Ann Christensen, Stanley, of the Beyond War group in Ketchum. Christensen, along with her husband Doug, handled arrangements for the Sun Valley concert.

"We didn't go into this expecting such ecumenical support. We were just looking for a place to hold the event," she says.

But the support, which cuts across the widely diversified religious groups, "just happened," she says.

She first approached St. Thomas Episcopal Church whose rector was supportive, but said his faculty was too small. He suggested Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church. The Catholic church was also in support of the concert, but the piano was not considered adequate.

Encouraged by growing support, she approached the Sun Valley rector. "We are really excited to get a place like that which won't cost a fortune," Christensen says.

Support from the Sun Valley LDS branch and the Wood River Jewish community followed, as well as St. Charles Borromeo Catholic church in Hatley.

Christensen says she thinks it interesting that three of the supporting churches — Episcopal, Catholic and Mormon — all are within a few blocks of each other on the Sun Valley Ketchum road.

Although two churches refused to participate, Christensen says she sees the widespread sponsorship as indicative of growing support for practical local efforts to work together.

The other sponsor of the Sun Valley concert is the Ketchum unit of Beyond War which Christensen organized a few years ago. It is an educational peace movement which started in 1982 in California, and is now active in 38 states and six foreign countries.

Massoth says proceeds from the local concerts will be donated to the College of Southern Idaho for the creation of a community peace garden. He adds that people in all the six towns where concerts are being held have responded well to the idea of proceeds from the concerts being used for peace gardens in their own communities.

"There's a feeling that it's time to do something positive and speak up for human rights," he says.

In Twin Falls, sponsoring organizations are not as diverse as in Ketchum, but the Rev. Greg Lindsay, of the host Methodist church, sees the lecture-performance as a "real positive ecumenical venture."

"Most churches have positive peace statements," he says, "and this is a groups, just happened," she says.

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Ochu's concert schedule

The Times News

Mark Ochu will bring his "Keys to Peace and Harmony" to Twin Falls today as part of a statewide tour. His lecture-concert is set for 8 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church.

Other area concerts are planned at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the Buhl Middle School and at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Lamelight room at the Sun Valley Inn. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$2 for students.

Tickets will be available at the door and receptions will follow each of the performances.

In addition to the three formal concerts, the pianist will bring his message of human unity through diversity to students in two area high schools. He will perform for "humanities" and "social studies" classes Monday at the Twin Falls High School and at a short assembly at Jerome High School Tuesday.

Ochu's Idaho tour, coordinated by the Magic Valley Peace Committee, Twin Falls, also includes concerts this week in Blackfoot and Pocatello and a Boise performance last Thursday.

Artist celebrates her 92nd birthday with an exhibit

By LORAYNE ORTON SMITH
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Elva Meyer celebrated her 92nd birthday Feb. 25 a little differently from most people that age — or any age, for that matter.

She had a showing of some 20 oil paintings she has created since moving to Twin Falls about a year ago. Her work, primarily landscapes with some flowers and animals, was displayed in her room at Woodstone Retirement Center and created considerable interest there.

Not all her birthday visitors were oldsters. Three third grade classes from Perrine Elementary School walked to the nearby retirement home to see the artwork and to wish the artist a happy birthday.

Each class went separately and the children presented Meyer with birthday cards they had made.

She, in turn, gave each one a cookie.

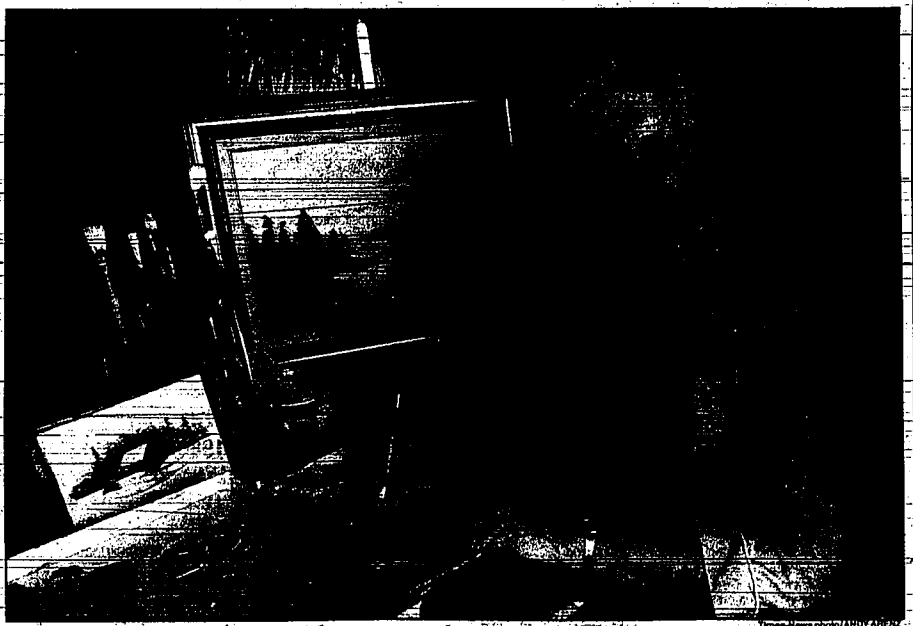
The former career woman, who didn't retire until she was 76, is not exactly a Grandma Moses. She painted some as a girl in high school in Oklahoma but did not pursue art at Park College, Parkville, Mo., where she graduated in 1918.

After teaching high school for a year in Temple, Okla., she married John Meyer, her college sweetheart. They had two daughters which kept her busy for some time.

She painted a little as her girls got older, despite a varied work career which included newspaper work and 26 years as county administrator for the Oklahoma Department of Welfare.

Since coming to Twin Falls last March to be near her daughter, Ruth Turner, she has been painting each week with Leona Hankins, a Twin Falls artist, who comes to Woodstone to join the elderly artist.

Although Meyer was born in 1896, several decades after the Oregon ARTIST on Page D3



With a rejuvenated interest in painting, Elva Meyer brushes out new works of scenes, flowers and animals weekly.

Buhl legislator is recipient of national public service award

John M. Barker, a lifetime Buhl resident and longtime Republican state legislator, was honored recently with the Jefferson Service Award.

The award, from the American Institute of Public Service in Washington, D.C., and sponsored by Nampa station KTVI Channel 6, was presented to Barker and four other Idahoans Feb. 28 in Boise by Gov. Cecil Andrus.

The national award, presented in each of the 50 states, is named after Thomas Jefferson and is for "outstanding public service for the benefit of local communities."

Barker was nominated for the award by friends and neighbors not only for his long-



Lorayne O. Smith
Spotlight

time service as a legislator and community leader, but for his volunteer work at Harrel's nursing home in Buhl. He has had breakfast with residents there or at nursing homes in Twin Falls every weekend for the past 25 years.

"More than any other person, he is know-

edgeable of, and fulfills the non-health needs of most of our area nursing home residents," the award application says.

Owner of the John M. Barker Realtors, the honoree was active for many years on the American Falls Reservoir Board and received the Water Guardian Organizational award earlier this year.

Steven High, former Twin Falls resident, has been named director of the Anderson Gallery at Virginia Commonwealth University. He is the son of Bob and Shirley High, Twin Falls.

A graduate of Twin Falls High School and

Antioch College, he has a master's degree from Williams College and has worked for museums in Williamstown and Cambridge, Mass., and San Francisco.

High, the author of several art exhibition catalogs, was director of the Baxter gallery and an art history instructor at the Portland School of Art, Portland, Maine, before accepting the appointment in Virginia.

Eric Bryan Kruger, 18, son of Larry and Linda Kruger, Twin Falls, received his Eagle scout award Dec. 20. An eighth grader at Robert Stuart Junior High School, he is a member

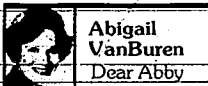
of Troop 74, sponsored by the Twin Falls LDS Sixth ward.

His Eagle project consisted of cutting and transplanting more than 100 willow trees for the Bureau of Land Management and installing a goose nest. He has served in several troop leadership positions and participated in football and track teams at school.

Danley Tuley is the newly elected president of the Curry Kids 4-H club. Other officers include Megan Traynor, vice president; Scott Janson, secretary; Monica Lancaster, treasurer; Jason Janson, historian, and

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Sexually precocious girl, age 10, is in need of counseling



Abigail VanBuren
Dear Abby

arrival at JFK, the family had me a fond farewell.

Some scary questions come to mind: Who would have believed my version of what happened? How many men are unjustly accused of child molestation? And what should I have done — if anything?

— HAUNTED
DEAR HAUNTED: Your first two questions are good ones, which I can-

not answer, but the last one is easy: You should have told one of the adult members of the family that the little girl had a problem and stated it without hesitation, because she needs counseling before she gets herself — and possibly some other man — in trouble.

If an adult becomes sexually involved with a child, regardless of who initiated it, the adult must assume full responsibility.

DEAR ABBY: Last Christmas I sent a Christmas card to Mrs. Margaret Gastineau, an elderly friend who had been living in a Montana nursing home for the last several years. Yesterday my card was returned to

me. Her name and address had been crossed out, and with a thick red felt-tipped pen, someone had printed in large block letters: "DECEASED — RETURN TO SENDER."

I was shocked at the extremely callous manner in which I had learned that my dear friend had died. If the staff was too busy to write a brief note, saying they regretted to inform me of the demise of my friend — and perhaps telling me the date she expired and a few relevant comments — they could have delegated this delicate task to a volunteer.

Learning that a cherished friend has died is always sad, but it becomes even more traumatic when handled as crudely as did the staff at the nursing home. One wonders if they ever

heard of the golden rule:

DEAR MR. LANG: You make an excellent point. Perhaps after this is printed, facilities such as the one above will find a more considerate method of returning mail of this kind. I hope so. Thanks for writing.

DEAR ABBY: I have a solution for "Angry and in Doubt," the lady who was given a piano years ago by an elderly woman who was moving into smaller quarters and had no room for it.

Now, 36 years later, her relatives

want the piano back — for "sentimental" reasons. She should let the relatives have it. She should also present them with a bill for storage. Let's say \$10 a month for 42 months, which is cheap for heated storage. Insist on cash. No checks.

If the family is really that sentimental about the piano, they will gladly pay \$3,000, and the present owner can go out and buy herself a new piano.

— WANDA FROM LEBANON, ORE.

DEAR WANDA: What a great idea. (Judge Wapner, move over.)

Somebody needs you

• Future Horizons, a daytime program for mentally handicapped persons, needs a dependable vacuum cleaner for a maintenance training program. If you can donate call 733-5334 for pick up or take it to the Center, 420 Main Ave. South.

• The Mountain View Care Center needs volunteers to help with crafts, visiting, entertainment or any special skills you have to offer. The hours are flexible and can be arranged to fit the volunteer's schedule. Call Penny Walker at 423-5591.

• The Foster Grandparent Program has immediate openings for two persons, 60-plus, low income and with a high school diploma. These persons will be trained to work with the new

Magic Valley Teen Parent Program. Stipend and travel expenses plus other benefits are available. Call Marcie or Shirley, 734-7683.

• The Child Development Center in Rupert needs a volunteer to work with their therapy teacher for 2 1/2 hours a day, Monday through Thursday. The work involves assisting the teacher with therapy for children with speech and physical handicaps. Some lifting is required. Call Sonna McKee at 436-5711 for information.

This public service column is designed to match needs in the community with volunteer help. If you need a volunteer, call Judy Halverson at the College of Southern Idaho, 734-7683; to have it appear in this column.

Valley happenings

Compassionate Friends meet

TWIN FALLS — Paul Reynolds will speak on "What You Can Expect from Your Funeral Director" when Compassionate Friends meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday at 998 Washington St. N. Any parent who has lost a child is welcome. For more information call Pam Bolton, 734-5216.

Softball group plans meet

JEROME — The Jerome Softball Association will hold their annual meeting on Monday at 7 p.m. at the Jerome High School cafeteria. All men and women who wish to play this summer or who would like to sponsor a team are invited to attend.

Pancake supper to be held

KIMBERLY — The annual pancake supper sponsored by the Kimberly Parent-Teacher-Student Organization is scheduled from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday in the Kimberly Elementary School lunchroom. Cost is \$2.50 per person or \$10 per family. An art show and silent auction will also be held.

Gardening class Tuesday

TWIN FALLS — Planning-and-seeing-for-a-garden will be discussed at the last of a series of free gardening classes at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Ernst Home Center by Ken Hipple, nursery manager. Selection of the best vegetable seeds and information on insecticide also will be given.

Reunion meeting planned

BUHL — All interested classmates of the 1938 Buhl High School class are invited to meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Home Plate, 114 Broadway Ave. S., Buhl. Plans will be made for the 50-year reunion. For more information call Matilda Machacek, 543-7037.

Extension clubs to meet

TWIN FALLS — Idaho Home Extension clubs will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at 634 Addison Ave. W. Barbara Morales, Jerome, will give the program on wardrobe planning. All newcomers to the community are invited. For more information call 733-6471.

Support group gathers

TWIN FALLS — A support group meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Twin Falls Church of the Nazarene, 401 Sixth Ave. N., for those touched by divorce or death. Refreshments and child care are provided.

Club plans performance

TWIN FALLS — Ruth Day will give a dramatic selection for Twentieth Century Club members Tuesday noon at the Turf Club. Music will be provided by members of the Dilettantes of Magic Valley. The district convention will be held April 13 at Canyon Springs Inn. Reservations may be made by calling Carmo Smith, 733-2782.

ACS plans fashion show

TWIN FALLS — The Veteran-Motor Car Club of Magic Valley will give a program for the Jerome County Historical Society at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Jerome County Senior Citizens Center. Bonnie Baird Jones, Russ and Opal Howell and Robert and Laura Brackett will give the history of the swap meet, show slides of old cars and club tours. Refreshments will be served and the public is invited.

Bean festival scheduled

RILER — A Filer Bean Festival is planned Friday at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds, featuring a chili with beans cook-off. Cooks should bring ingredients for chili and cooking equipment to the Tom Parks Pavilion. The cook-off runs from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Entry fee of \$5 should be sent to the Filer Chamber of Commerce, Box 676, Filer, Idaho 83328 prior to the event. For more information call 733-5116. The cook-off is sponsored by the Western Bean Dealer's Association, the Idaho Bean Commission and the Filer Chamber of Commerce.

Women plan prayer day

TWIN FALLS — St. Edwards' Council of Catholic Women will sponsor a Day of Prayer from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the parish hall for women of all ages. Theme will be "Living the Marian Way with the Rev. William Gould of St. Edwards and Sister Angela, Jerome, as speakers. Lunch will be included and those attending should call 733-7667 or 733-5634 by Wednesday. A free will offering will be taken to cover expenses.

Apollo astronaut will speak at Snake River Symposium

TWIN FALLS — Michael Collins, former Apollo astronaut and an authority on aviation and space issues will be the featured speaker at the April 5 Snake River Symposium at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center.

Maj. Gen. Collins was one of the third group of astronauts named by NASA in 1963. His first assignment was that of pilot of the three-day Gemini 10 mission where he completed two periods of extravehicular activity, becoming America's third "spacewalker."

His second space flight was as command module pilot of the historic Apollo 11 mission in July 1968. He remained in lunar orbit while Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin became the first men to set foot on the moon. Collins left the space program in 1970 to accept an appointment in Washington as assistant secretary of state for public affairs. In 1971 he was appointed director of the National Air and Space Museum. He became vice president of the LTV Aerospace and Defense Company in 1980 where he was responsible



MICHAEL COLLINS
Former astronaut
for governmental affairs for this \$1.5 billion corporation. He is the author of the book, "Carrying the Fire: An Astronaut's Journey," in which he describes his experiences in the space program. Collins' lecture on the future of space will include a complete slide and motion picture presentation of the space program spectacular footage of the moon and outer space. The program is free.

CSI plans ACT workshops

TWIN FALLS — Workshops are being offered for people who plan to attend college next fall and will be taking the ACT test in April or June.

The College of Southern Idaho Continuing Education Department has set two workshops to help students score higher on the ACT. The first will be held from 9 a.m. to noon March 12 and April 2, and the other from 9 a.m. to noon April 30 and May 21. Both will be in Rooms 140 and 143 of the CSI Aspen Building.

Fee for the workshop is \$15 plus \$8.95 for the workbook. Students can preregister by calling 733-9554, ext. 270.

Schools plan BBA degree

POCATELLO — School officials have devised a plan that will allow students to earn a Bachelor's of Business Administration (BBA) degree with two years at Ricks College at Rexburg or the College of Southern Idaho at Twin Falls followed by two years at Idaho State University in Pocatello.

The plan involves a smoother transfer of credits. Courses to be taken at ISU will vary according to the credits earned at Ricks or CSI and the major area of study, according to Dr. Michael Gallagher, ISU business college dean.

Major areas of study in business at ISU include accounting, computer information systems, finance, management and organization and marketing.

A total of 70 credit hours from Ricks College or CSI may be applied toward graduation at Idaho State University.

Time together is crucial for dual-career couples

By VINCENT BOZZI
The Los Angeles Times

With dual-income couples now outnumbering those with single incomes, questions arise about how career demands affect marriage. Does it mean less time together, and does that weaken the relationship?

To find out, University of Virginia sociologists Paul William Kingston and Steven Nock examined how 321 couples spend their time. Remarkably, although partners in dual-income couples each work about nine hours a day (including commuting time) and miss another hour and a half together because of different

work times, they spend only about half an hour less per day together than do single-income couples (3.8 versus 3.2 hours). The researchers see some threats to the institution of marriage if couples don't schedule leisure time together.

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Baby boomers demonstrate need for parent education

By DON OLDENBURG
The Washington Post

When Carol Ann Rudolph directed a day-care center at the National Institutes of Health in the mid-'70s, she recognized something: "Most of the parents of the children who were now to be parenting few of them knew what they were doing. They didn't even know the first question to ask when looking for child care," recalls Rudolph, a Bethesda, Md. resident who has known the frustrations and self-doubt of raising two children as a single working mother. "But none of us were born knowing how to be parents."

Ten years ago, with a few exceptions, parent education classes in the metropolitan area, quit the day-care center and began promoting classes or bringing up baby. Initially, there were few takers. Her breakthrough came when Giant Foods carried her class on choosing child care into its broom-bag seminar schedule of garden club lectures and tax advice. She has been talking with parents

about parenting ever since. "Some people have good nurturing abilities and that comes naturally," says Rudolph, who founded Child Care Management Resources to offer parenting seminars in the workplace. "But they don't really know what their children should be doing when they are 2 years old, 3 or 4. Parents today need to be taught those skills." As national statistics and informal surveys of strollers parked at play grounds confirm, there are more young children there anytime since the first baby boom. Some experts are calling it "the echo of the baby boom" in numbers alone, offspring of the original boomers have increased the population of infants to 5.6-year-olds since 1980 by more than 2 million.

And that has put a premium on research and information on how to raise Junior. It is particularly evident on bookstore shelves: Where Dr. Benjamin Spock once had the last word on matters of upbringing, his seminal book is now but one of dozens. With that escalation of expertise has come a proliferation of parenting classes, workshops and seminars — a phenomenon that sputtered in the '70s only to come of age a decade later. "The customers are out there," says Mel Silbermann, professor of psychology at the University of Pennsylvania. "University's Whom? Confident Parenting is scheduled to be released by Warner Books in March. "And they're older, more educated and more mature parents today. There is a growing desire among couples to come together in parenting classes." The early '80s, however, were a

down period for parenting education. The population of newborns wasn't yet increasing and times were tough economically. "You couldn't give away parent education at that point," says Silbermann, who credits the get-out-of-parenting that came in vogue with the Reagan era for helping couples to recognize their strength was in numbers. "Parents began to band together instead of being intimidated or desperate."

Linda Jessup has watched the phenomenon grow firsthand. An 11-year veteran of parent education, she is director of the Parent Encouragement Program (PEP), a Silver Spring, Md.-based program modeled on the family psychology of Alfred Adler. For the past five years, she has tracked the demographics of enrollment in PEP classes. "We attract a broad spectrum, from blue-collar parents to well-off mothers, with the bulk falling into the educated white parent category," reports Jessup.

"You hear a lot of talk about hurried kids? I see hurried parents," says Jessup, who reports the enrollment — which has jumped from 60 to 115 since the fall — consists of 40 percent men and a majority with children aged 2 to 5. "We're dealing with the hurried Parent Syndrome. There's a real concern for family life and connection. There is a missing in a feeling of control and competency among adults who in most every other aspect of their lives feel proficient. But as parents they feel inadequate." In more than 1,500 classes that Noel Merenstein has taught, he has seen the same needs expressed by

parents. "I was in a home in Westchester (N.Y.)," says the founder of Baby-Life, a New York-based group that now offers its emergency-response classes here. "These were very sophisticated people, yet they never blinked an eye for four years. We are without question dealing with a new generation of parents. They are not only care for and love their children, but they are also taking the responsibility to learn how to bring them up."

That today's new parents would return to the classroom to be learning parents is not surprising. They make up the most formally educated generation in history. "This generation of parents are people who are used to going to books and classes and professionals for recourse," says Deborah Benke, director of The Parent Connection, a Bethesda-based non-profit group that offers a wide range of workshops and activities for parents and children.

"You can read and read and read, but somehow that human factor is really important," says Benke, adding that the biggest problem for today's parents is simply knowing what is normal in their children. "If you can give them a perspective of what's normal behavior, that's really what it is all about." Child experts say that knowing what is normal is a problem due to social and cultural realities. There was a time when new parents picked up tips on baby care from nearby grandmothers and aunts. Today's extended family has to kibitz long distance. Meanwhile another training ground for par-

ents dried up. As the babies born per family dropped below 2.0 over the past 25 years, fewer of today's parents ever had a runny-nosed sibling to help mama raise the little ones. "The old ways that we got information and help about our children no longer exist," says Rudolph.

The cultural change of more women punching the clock has almost overnight made parenting concerns an issue of the workplace. "Anywhere between 60 to 85 percent of mothers with young children in this area work, so if you want to go where the parents are, you've got to go to the workplace," says Sandy Krumburg, a developmental psychologist who 18 months ago founded the Great Kids Program, sponsored by Children's Hospital National Medical Center.

Brad Sachs says the emergence of fathers in the '80s taking a hands-on role in parenting also has sent parents scurrying for help. "When men became involved with parenting in an intense way, it breaks some assumptions and mythology that parents of

this generation have carried with them," says Sachs, a clinical psychologist who last September founded The Father Center, in Columbia, Md. "So as fathers become more involved, couples are asking what other myths have been carrying around that aren't accurate anymore."

Some experts say there may be a trickle-down effect from parenting education that, in the long run, will benefit all children. "Part of our whole purpose is to strengthen families and change attitudes," says Joan Danzansky, executive director of Family Stress Services, a District-based referral and information group.

Danzansky believes that information on good parenting is a realistic offense against child abuse in the United States. "A lot of parents don't know any other way of changing their child's behavior without relying on corporal punishment," she says. "We try to make the point that there are alternatives. We're trying to get across that we can all improve our parenting skills."

Baby-Life classes are parents' combat training

The Washington Post

"Your baby is in trouble and there's no pulse. What do you do?"

It's the kind of question any parent would rather never consider. The thought of one's baby not breathing, choking or being unconscious is terrifying, yet on a recent evening, nine mothers and three fathers, a grandmother and two child-care givers met for four hours at a Washington, D.C. home to learn exactly how they might save their child in a life-threatening emergency.

Never, never turn your back on any baby near water," the stocky man barks at the group. From the first intense minute on, Noel Merenstein is no nonsense. He demands no distractions, no talking, no taking. His message rings of doctor's orders, or else some day you may be sorry. When he was an emergency medical technician in New York City before starting his Baby-Life classes, Merenstein saw too many of those tragedies. He doesn't spare his classes the details: "A mother in New York turned

away from her child in the bathtub just long enough to get a dry towel," he says. "In a second the child slipped under the water and stopped breathing. The mother didn't know what to do. The child died."

An East Side father tried to remove a rad of paint with his fingers from his infant son's mouth and instead shoved it down farther. He tried slapping the child on the back, which lodged it tighter. "The child died in his father's arms on the way to the hospital," says Merenstein, warning that wrong action can be as bad as inaction.

One of the mothers there, Kim Foley, decided to sponsor the class in her home after she saw a TV report about Baby-Life. "What if my child were to fall down the steps and was hurt? I wouldn't know what to do," says Foley, 33, explaining why she wanted to take the course and learn CPR, the Heimlich maneuver and other techniques for infants and kids.

In the past five years, almost 60,000 people have taken Baby-Life classes for the same reason, Merenstein calls Baby-Life "a kind of com-

bat training for parents. We make parents combat-ready," says the former Marine, who structures the course dynamics after military training. "If that style is high-pressure compared to other classes, so is its subject. This is bottom-line parenting. At issue is life and death."

That's the room grasp the rubber dolls they've been handed. Merenstein yells at them, "Your baby is in trouble. What do you do?" Some hesitate. All concentrate and react. They poke their dolls, call out "Baby! Baby!"

Merenstein shouts, "Is your baby breathing?" They lean close to the dolls as if to listen. Immediately, they begin to repeat the step-by-step procedure they've been practicing. "You think this is pressure?" Merenstein asks the group. "This is nothing compared to what you'll be feeling if, God forbid, something should happen to your baby."

In the final two hours, Merenstein covers choking and runs down a list of foods and objects proven dangerous to children. "Balloons are the No. 1 hazard — kids choke on them," he says.

"No hotdogs or grapes before the 2-year molar come in. No peanuts or popcorn until age 5... A finger full of peanut butter? Kids choke on it. Even the Heimlich won't get out peanut butter."

By the end of the evening, everyone looks drained. "These guys really make a problem about your child's safety," said Susan Carroll, 29, a mother of a 4-month-old, Susan Engles, 31 and a mother of two, had been skeptical about the Baby-Life fee — \$45 a person, including a refresher class. Afterward, she said it was unlike any CPR or parent-education class she'd ever taken. "The pressure was on but they took the time to make everyone do it," said Engles, anxious to get home and check on her children.

For Baby-Life scheduling and information: (202) 744-0806.

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Brian Tuley, sergeant-at-arms.

Twenty-three Magic Valley students at Idaho state University have received scholarship assistance from the Kasiska Family Foundation.

They include Jennifer Horst and Rene Peterson, both Buhl; Jana Ellen Hill, Mandy Zeschke and David Nordin, all Burley; Marcella Hill, Castleford; Vicki Hoopes and Catherine Wheeler, both Declo; Angela Hohmann, Gooding; Joy Plummer, Heyburn.

Also receiving scholarships were Christine Nutch, Michelle Dekker and Samantha Lopez, all Jerome; Kennard Medley, Kimberly, Lisa Bellem, Paul, Tracy Savage and Marjorie Zink, Rupert; Michelle Harris, Shoshone; Karen Puckett, Marce Bauermeister, Jeanne Brewer, Mark Eden and

Evelyn Mallica, all Twin Falls.

Dorothy Pfeiffer, a medical technologist at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, has received certification in Infection Control. She is the only medical technologist in Magic Valley to hold the certification which requires an advanced degree, two years of experience in infection control and passing an in-depth written exam.

She has been at the hospital for 20 years, serving as microbiology supervisor for 17 years before accepting the position of Infection Control Practitioner.

Marjorie H. Slotten, Twin Falls, received a master of education degree in adult education from Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, during December graduation ceremonies. Her research project paper,

"Mountain Plains Telecommunications: 1987 Survey of Colleges Serving Non-metropolitan Distance Learners," will be presented at the annual conference of the Mountain Plains Adult Education Association on April 25 in Jackson, Wyo.

Slotten has been Twin Falls coordinator for Idaho State University's Office of Continuing Education since 1980. Her bachelor's degree in secondary education is from ISU.

Gloria Clark, a nursing major, and Janet Olyph, an economics major, both of Twin Falls, are on the 1987 fall semester dean's list at Westminster College, Salt Lake City.

Andrea Poryth, Eden, a student in the College of Southern Idaho's medical office assistant program, has received a \$100 scholarship from the Eden Masonic Lodge for second semester expenses.

Rhensh Wright, a junior at Highland High School, has been selected to compete in the Olympia National Scholastic typing contest.

The Times-News welcomes items about area residents who receive honors or recognition. Send information to Times-News Spotlight Column, Box 20, Twin Falls, Idaho 83403, in care of Crayney O. Smith, lifestyle editor.

Quilts

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way to live out in a practical way that which we profess to believe.

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Artist

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gon trail and covered wagons had been replaced by the railroad, she and her parents traveled by this picturesque mode of transportation from Missouri to Oklahoma when she was 5 years old.

"We could have gone by railroad, but my folks thought it would be fun to go in a covered wagon," Meyer says. They stayed in what were called "wagon yards" — or camps at night. She was the only child in the family,

but they had two dogs on the trip. It took them about a month to reach Walters, Okla., where she grew up.

Her daughter says she thinks this adventure at such an early age was the impetus for her mother's continuing zeal for life.

After they were married, the Meyers went to New York City for their honeymoon, "which lasted eight months," she said with a laugh. Then the artist explained that her husband

took a job there with the YMCA while she "did the town."

"I had a little blue book with directions to locate places," she recalls, but she was ashamed to let anyone on the "it" (elevated train) see her refer to it, so she studied it before leaving home.

Her secrecy was needless, for she soon observed other passengers on the train openly referring to similar guidebooks.

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Weddings

Spencer-Weigt

TWIN FALLS — Kimberly Janet Spencer exchanged wedding vows with Dennis C. Weigt Dec. 31, 1987, at Our Savior Lutheran Church, Twin Falls.

The Rev. Fred Westerhold, pastor, officiated. Patty Hesa, Boise, was organist and John Jasser, Moscow, and Penny Bell, Boise, provided other music.

The bride is the daughter of Patrick and Janet Byrne, Seattle, and the late Gary Spencer. The bridegroom's parents are Harlan and Kasey Weigt, Twin Falls.

Kristen Petersen, Clarkston, Wash., attended her sister as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Pam White, Kirkland, Wash.; Kim Brown, Lewiston; Debbie Webb, Wendell, sister of the bridegroom; and Wendy Lehman, Moscow. Jennifer Petersen, Clarkston, niece of the bride, was flower girl and Marci Warren, Twin Falls, was ringbearer.

Steve Weigt, Alamogordo, N.M., brother of the bridegroom, was best man. David Spencer, Kent, Wash., brother of the bride; Rick Kirsch, Twin Falls; Bryan Stoneaker, Minden, Nev.; and Pat Wolf, Concord, Calif., ushered. Jeff Thurnau, Littleton, Colo., and Brian Gehler, Moscow, were candlelighters.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at Canyon Springs Inn.

The bride, a registered nurse, is a senior at Lewis-Clark State College. The bridegroom graduated in 1981 from Twin Falls High School and in 1986 from the University of Idaho where he is now a second-year law student.

The couple resides in Moscow.



Kim and Dennis Weigt

Men and women may share the office, but she does most of the housework

By ELEANOR GRANT
The Los Angeles Times

Although most men say that husbands should do more housework when their wives have jobs, in practice they just don't. Of course, many husbands have professional or managerial careers, with attendant after-hours involvement, while their wives work straightforward 9-to-5 jobs. But what of partners who both have high-powered careers? Surely, here, one would think, the husbands should shoulder their share of the household burden.

Think again. University of Florida sociologist Donna Hodgkins-Berardo and colleagues analyzed data on 1,565 mar-

ried couples in which either the husband only or both the husband and wife were employed full-time. Each spouse estimated the number of hours he or she spent doing housework.

Overall, wives spend considerably more time doing housework than do husbands — almost 30 hours per week or 79 percent of the time devoted to such chores. Husbands do about four to six hours of housework each week, or 14 percent share.

When both spouses are employed full-time, the wives do 68 percent of the housework — about 70 percent — than do full-time homemakers, who complete about 88 percent. There is no significant difference, however, in the amount of housework done by

women with high-powered careers and that done by their nonprofessionally employed counterparts; on average, each puts in three times as many hours around the house as do their husbands.

The fact that dual-career couples do not share the burden of housework more equitably than do other dual-income couples suggests that household chores continue to be considered "women's work."

Dual-career couples cannot be the vanguard of the future if they continue to jeopardize women's careers by diverting their time and energy to household labor, the researchers write in the Journal of Marriage and

the Family (Vol. 49, pp. 381-390). Noting that labor-saving options such as hiring help and forgoing parenthood are "unavailable" or "unacceptable" to many couples, they conclude that "the dual-career family will continue to be a viable lifestyle among only a minority of adults."

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Carpenter-Jensen

TWIN FALLS — Rosemary Carpenter and Don Jensen, both Twin Falls, were married Feb. 27, 1987, in the Kona Royal Chapel, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii.

The Rev. Leon Sterling officiated and a reception was held following the ceremony in the Luau gardens.

Lin Carpenter was matron of honor and John Jensen served as best man for his father. The bride was given in marriage by her four sons: Ralph, Flint, Richard and Gale Carpenter.

Other guests in addition to the bride's daughters-in-law, and the bridegroom's granddaughters, Sara, were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Koch of Maui, Hawaii and Twin Falls, and Mr. and Mrs. Ooch Dodds, Twin Falls. The newlyweds will reside in Twin Falls.

Jerome recreation unit plans classes

JEROME — Here is a list of classes that will begin soon through the Jerome Recreation District.

- A Stained Glass class will begin Wednesday; or when 10 participants have registered. The instructor is Patty Emerson, and students will learn basic stain glass technique. The fee is \$15 plus materials and tools.

- A Clogging Dance Class, for all first through seventh-grade boys and girls, will begin as soon as 10 students are registered.

For more information on any of these classes or to register, call the Jerome Recreation District at 324-3389.

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Shoshone literary magazine lauded

The Smiths

TWIN FALLS — Ralph and June Smith, Twin Falls, will be honored at an open house March 13 in observance of their golden wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 2 to 5 p.m. at St. Edward's Parish Hall, 152 Seventh Ave. E., Twin Falls.

Smith and June Friabee were married March 21, 1938, in Spencer, Iowa. They came to Idaho in 1941. He was head of Associated Dairy, formerly Young's Dairy, retiring in 1979.

The event is being given by their daughters, Sandra Haynes; Halley, nee Roberta Merrill, Paul, and a nee Margaret McCaughey, Jerome, and a spouse. The couple has four grandchildren.



June and Ralph Smith

TWIN FALLS — Vernon E. Smith, Twin Falls, received a 21-gallon blood donor pin at the Red-Cross blood drawing here this week.

This is the highest donation on record in Twin Falls, according to Irene Basom, acting director of the Sawtooth Red Cross chapter, and second in the state.

Other top donors receiving pins were Nadine Froylich, Hansen, 11 gallons; Sylvester Sennsen, nine gallons; and Susan Shoup, seven.

But despite these longtime donors, the 120-pint daily quota was set

reached either day. Basom said 119 units were donated Monday and 85 on Tuesday. There were eight first-time donors.

Others receiving donor pins were William Hobbs, Herman G. Tullos, Larry Blackwood and Lori Brown, three gallons; Richard West, Cynthia Warren, Christina Gray, Brad McElliot, Jack P. Hurd, Sandy Shewmaker, Glenn Elwell and Sandra Fernandez, two gallons.

Receiving one-gallon pins were Denise J. Suh, Melva Heinrich, Jerrold Windaes, Brenda Hamilton and Carol Larson.

SHOSHONE — Shoshone High School's student literary magazine has been ranked among the best in the nation by the National Council of Teachers of English.

In a national listing of "ranked magazines" released recently, Shoshone was one of eight Idaho secondary schools to be recognized by the NCTE Program to Recognize Excellence in Student Literary Magazines.

Shoshone High School, with a student body of 110, was the only Idaho school below the A-1 classification to be so honored.

SHS has also been invited to contribute to the premiere edition of "The Student Writer" a new, nationally distributed student literary magazine.

The 1987 edition of Shoshone's literary magazine, "Trinitation Press," printed last May, was edited by George Shimer II and contained contributions from Callie Barney, Candace Cowley, Shimer and Andy Derbidge, among others.

Cover art and interior graphics were done by Richard Clifford, and Jean Harnay led the production team.

JaNene Buckway is faculty advisor. The Shoshone student magazine is written, edited, produced and printed entirely by the students, without the aid of computer graphics or professional typesetting and printing.

The 1988 magazine, being edited by Tracy Guenesch and Shelley Rowlan, will be distributed in mid-May.

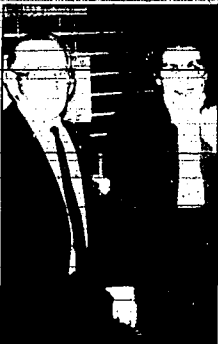
The Schifflers

WENDELL — Mr. and Mrs. Phares Schiffler, Wendell, will be honored at an open house March 13 for their 50th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 2 to 5 p.m. at the home of Bob and Kathy Schiffler, 400 South, 240 East of Jerome, four miles north from the Perrina bridge to the 400 road, then one and a half miles west.

Schiffler and Audrey Waddell were married March 16, 1938, at Filer. They lived in Filer and Twin Falls until 1943 when they moved to a farm near Jerome. In 1945 they moved to a place east of Wendell and in 1951 to the West Point area where they were engaged in dairy farming and still reside.

The event is being given by their two children, Helen Metcalf Wilbur, Wash., and Robert Schiffler, Jerome. The couple has five grandchildren.



Phares and Audrey Schiffler

Senior menus

Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center
616 Eastland Drive

Friday — Bandandies practice 10:15 a.m.; exercise 11 a.m., pinochle 1 p.m.

Monday — Pork chops with dressing.

Tuesday — Meatloaf.

Wednesday — Oven fried chicken. Birthday dinner.

Thursday — Salisbury steak.

Friday — Cook's choice.

Activities

Monday — Crafts and quilting 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; exercise 11 a.m.; pinochle 1 p.m.; tax assistance 1 to 4 p.m. by appointment; bingo 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday — Bingo 1 p.m.; blood pressure clinic 9 a.m. to noon; tax assistance 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. by appointment; board meeting 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday — Crafts and quilting 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; call grocery orders to Williams Foodtown; exercise 11 a.m.; birthday dinner at noon; pinochle 1 p.m.; Jackpot trip 4 p.m.

Thursday — Grocery delivery; tax assistance 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. by appointment; pinochle 1 p.m.

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Monday — Cheese platter, beef stroganoff and noodles, mixed vegetables, pineapple salad, bread, butter and stewed apples.

Wednesday — Baked ham, sweet potato casserole, corn, tossed salad, bread, butter and pudding.

Friday — Macaroni with beef and cheese, spinach, slaw, rolls, butter and applesauce.

Activities

Tuesday — Doctor bus 9 a.m.; ceramics 1 p.m.

Wednesday — Kimberly Cookie Cutters Band practice 3 p.m.

Thursday — Shopping bus to Twin Falls 9:30 a.m., crafts 1 p.m.

Friday — Pinochle 1 p.m.



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The Sanders

HANSEN — Tom and Clara Sanders, Hansen, will observe their golden wedding anniversary March 13 with an open house.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Kimberly Senior Citizens Center.

Sanders and Clara Wetghall were married Feb. 15, 1938, at the Twin Falls County Courthouse. They lived in Contact, Nev., working for the

Boies ranch until 1955 when they moved to Hansen. He then worked for Uhlig Feedlots until retiring in 1987. She worked at Idaho Frozen Foods from the time the plant opened in Kimberly until October 1982.

The couple has four children, Tom Sanders Jr., East Ely, Nev.; Harry Sanders, Margaret Carter and Ruth Folk, all Twin Falls; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Classes to start at Gooding

GOODING — Here is a list of classes that will begin soon through the College of Southern Idaho North Side Outreach Center and the Center for New Directions.

• Self-esteem classes for job seekers and career changers will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays at the Gooding City Hall. There is no fee for the 25-hour session; but it is available for CSI credit. For more information call the Center for New Directions at 736-3070 or 886-7570.

• Street-Spanish, a non-credit conversational Spanish class,

will begin March 14, from 7 to 9 p.m.

The class will continue on Mondays at the Gooding High School for six sessions. The instructor is Dave Hocklander. The fee is \$25. For more information or to register, call the College of Southern Idaho Northside Outreach Center at 536-2600.

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Engagements

Olson-Haxby

MURTAUGH — Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Olson, Murtaugh, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristen, to Michael Haxby, son of Jerry and Donna Haxby, Hezburn.

Olson works for John Hansck Financial Services, and Haxby is employed with Liberty Northwest Insurance, both in Boise.

The couple plans to marry May 28 at the First Christian Church in the Burley Inn. They will reside in Boise.



Michael Haxby and Kristen Olson

Slide show to kick off local activity for Idaho Centennial

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley residents will have an opportunity to view a multi-media slide show on the Idaho Centennial Celebration at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

The program is free and will be held in the Vera O'Leary Junior High School auditorium. It will be presented by Madeline Buchendorf, Idaho State Historical Society and Regional Coordinator for the Idaho Centennial Commission.

Idaho will celebrate 100 years of statehood on July 3, 1890. Dan Peters, chairman for the Twin Falls County Centennial Celebration Committee, said the committee wants to kick off local preparations for the celebration by inviting the public to the slide show about what the

state will be doing to celebrate the centennial.

"More importantly, we would like to hear from our local citizens about how they would like to celebrate the centennial here in the Magic Valley," he said.

Peters also said that members of the committee will be on hand at the meeting to discuss activities that are already being planned in connection with the centennial.

"Our job here in Twin Falls is to encourage our local communities to plan some grass roots commemorations of our state's 100th birthday," said Peters. "Our meeting on Thursday night will be an excellent opportunity for those that are interested to provide us with ideas and suggestions."

Stipend offered

TWIN FALLS — Applications for the Elizabeth Peavry scholarship will be accepted until April 1, says Beth Hedrick, scholarship chairman of the Twin Falls branch, American Association of University Women.

Women from Magic Valley who are preparing to enter their junior year at any accredited Idaho college or university working for a bachelor's degree may obtain applications for the stipend at the office of Graydon Stanley at the College of Southern Idaho.

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Gina Walters and Rodney Jerke

Walters-Jerke

JEROME — Mr. and Mrs. Riley Walters, Jerome, announce the engagement of their daughter, Gina Rae, to Rodney B. Jerke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Jerke Jr., Wendell.

Walters, a 1985 graduate of Jerome High School, graduated from the College of Southern Idaho in 1987. She is employed at The Bon in Twin Falls.

Jerke, who graduated from Wendell High School in 1985, attends CSI. He works at Magic Valley Electric Supply in Burley.

An April 23 wedding is planned.



Karen Butler and Harry Hurt

Butler-Hurt

BUHL — Dr. and Mrs. Cal Butler, Buhl, announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen, to Harry Hurt Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kwan, Yorba Linda, Calif.

Butler, a 1980 graduate of Buhl High School and a 1984 graduate of Stanford University, is a customer service representative for Dick Donnelly and Sons, New York City.

Hurt, who graduated in 1978 from Esperanza High School, Anaheim, Calif., and in 1983 from California Polytechnic Institute, is operations manager for Designer's Atelier in New York City.

A March 26 wedding is planned at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Ketchum.

CSI special lines serve deaf people

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho now has two teletypewriter (TTY) telephone lines to provide special services to the deaf community.

The phone number for Jim Palmer in student services is 734-9929 and the number for JoAnn Shoppell and Maddy Hartwell in the Interpreter Training Program is 734-9886.

This is a special device for deaf people to communicate and there is no voice capability on the lines. Part of the funding for this service came from CSI Foundation.



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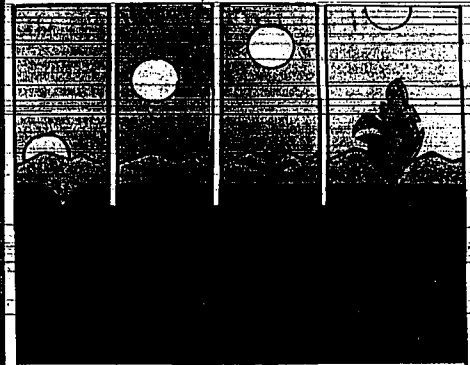
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Beet payoff remains tops

Consistent gains hold

By MARTA CLEVELAND
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Ah, the queen beet — big, beautiful and white.

While other crops are languishing in the cellar of prices, the mighty sugar beet is still bringing a harvest of profit.

"Sugar beets is the one crop that's paying its way," said Royal Blacker, a grower representative for the Jerome and Gooding Counties associations.

"We only wish other crops were doing as well."

The average grower in Amalgamated Sugar Company's Twin Falls district made \$37 a ton in 1986, said Leonard Kerbs, Twin Falls district agriculture manager for the company.

For some that brings as high as an 18 percent return on investment.

"The 1987 average will be similar and we hope the '88 will be too," he said.

The beet is the queen of the Magic Valley, and plenty of farmers would love to enter her court, but Amalgamated's roundtable of growers has limited seating.

"It doesn't appear we will be able to contract with any new growers because of the limited additional acres we have," Kerbs said.

Amalgamated has contracted just over 176,000 acres of beets this year, increasing its acreage just slightly from last year, Kerbs said.

That doesn't mean would-be beet growers aren't trying to get some of the action.

"There's been strong demand from farmers to get new contracts for several years," Blacker said. "We're all waiting for the neighbors to quit so we can increase our acreage."

Henry Sievers, president of the Twin Falls County Beet Growers Association, is constantly getting bombarded by farmers who want to become growers.

"Every time we go to town pretty

near," he said. "The acreage isn't up enough to bring in new growers, he said."

Those farmers that do have contracts with Amalgamated are pleased with them.

"The current contract that was negotiated last fall, will run for the duration of the current federal farm act."

"I think we have an good a contract as we've ever had," Sievers said.

"It pays incentives to the grower that brings in good quality. The growers that don't watch their fertilizer, and bring in poor quality won't get as much," he said.

The warm weather has got some knights of the beets considering the daring deed of planting early.

"We're starting to scratch around now and in a few days will be ready to plant, and then we won't know what to do with ourselves," Blacker said with a laugh. "We wish it would storm so we wouldn't have to decide."

If the weather stays good, some growers will gamble with an early start, Sievers agreed.

"There will be some that will plant sooner and take the gamble and some years it will pay off," he said. "But you can end up doing the work twice if you go in too early."

"We're a little more cautious," Sievers said of his own operation.

Kerbs said even the earliest growers don't go in until the last week in March.

"I don't think there has ever been beets planted before March 23," Kerbs said.

By April 14, about 40 percent are planting. Another 30 percent choose the third week in April to start. And the rest go after that, Kerbs said.

If the much talked of water shortage materializes, the queen beet won't be left to whither.

"You put the water on the crop that's making the profit and let the rest of the acres go," said Blacker.

All hail the beet and pray for rain.

Dry, warm weather has enabled farmers to get a jump on field work, like Russell Luper, corrugating barley field

Some shortages likely

Water concerns growing

By MARTA CLEVELAND
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Temperatures are up, precipitation is down.

The snowpack is low, runoff is poor and carryover water supplies are depleted.

The warmth has brought farmers into the fields early, but the water situation may force canal companies to either impose some rationing, or bring a ruminant that currently deliver.

"We're going to have to see what we have and everyone will get a percentage," said Ted Diehl, manager of Northside Canal Co. "You sure can't manufacture it if you don't have it."

On the other side of the Snake River, the Twin Falls Canal Co. manager, Jack Eakin, doesn't seem optimistic either, but he has his fingers crossed.

"We think it's going to be a rather poor year," Eakin said. "But I have to condition that. Last year started out like this, and then turned out fine."

Northside has a tentative plan for rationing that will be finalized by the end of the month when it gets the final water storage figures from the reservoirs.

The Twin Falls Canal board will meet Tuesday to decide how much water each shareholder will get.

The water shortage isn't being helped by the uncommon warm spell that has roared here for several weeks.

"The warm weather will deplete some of the moisture we have," said

Bob Vodraska, a crop specialist with County Extension.

He estimated that air and soil temperatures are three to four weeks ahead of normal.

"There's a lot of field work going on right now. Spring grains are going in pretty early," Vodraska said. "But we may have more winter coming."

Soil temperatures in the Kimberly area have been averaging in the mid 40s degrees range, warm enough to germinate wheat, said Bill Galkin with the National Weather Service there.

Normal air temperatures for this time are high 40s to mid 50s. Although temperatures above that are expected to continue throughout the state in March, frost is still a likely prospect. A 50 percent chance remains until May 12, Galkin said.

"A lot of grain farmers are out in the field already," he said. "But the soils that are workable now, like sandy soils, may not have enough water in them."

Precipitation through February this year was only .92 inches, about half of normal. Since the beginning of the water year, Oct. 1, only 3.24 inches had accumulated, which is 1.3 inches below normal, Galkin said.

The precipitation forecast for March is just below normal, which is 3/4 inch to an inch. The first three days of March gave the Magic Valley spotty rain from a trace up to .2 of an inch, Galkin said.

But Galkin doesn't believe in long-range forecasting.

"It's hard enough to forecast two days in advance let alone a whole season," he said.

For whatever it is worth, the long-range forecast for the Magic Valley is also bad news.

The 90-day forecast calls for below normal moisture and above average temperatures, said Tom Egger, the ag local point at the National Weather Service in Boise.

"I'm not supposed to say this, but I hope our forecasts are wrong," Egger said.

So do a lot of farmers. Northside Canal's tentative plan is to start the season by cutting back the normal water issue of 5/8 inch per acre by 20 percent.

"We're pretty well settled on that," Diehl said. "Storage could get a little better, but it likely won't get any worse."

Twin Falls Canal Co. has a tougher time deciding how much water to issue, Eakin said. Northside's water comes mostly from reservoir storage, so its members know pretty much at the beginning of the season what to expect for the duration.

"Twin Falls Canal's water right is predominantly natural flow out of the Snake River."

"We can't predict the natural flow so we can't plan ahead," Eakin said. It depends on the rains through the summer.

The company does have some storage rights in the Jackson Lake Reservoir.

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High spud output foreseen despite surplus

By MARTA CLEVELAND
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Idaho is expected to have potatoes coming out its eyes again this upcoming season.

Spud acreage is expected to match last year's level despite plummeting prices, huge national surpluses and pleas from grower organizations to stop already.

"We are encouraging all our growers to cut production at least 10 percent," said Bert Moulton, acting director of the Potato Growers of Idaho.

Every grower organization in the country is trying to get their members to do the same, he said.

Still he doesn't expect growers anywhere to heed the call.

Idaho potato growers put in 340,000 acres last year and were rewarded with the third largest crop on record — 997 million hundredweight.

But the ideal acreage for Idaho would be 312,000 to 315,000 acres producing 85 million hundredweight.

"That's a good marketable crop with good profit potential in it," said Moulton.

But current prices aren't big enough to carry much profit.

The five year average price for contract potatoes is \$3.86 per hundredweight, Moulton said. But most processors paid an average of \$4.05 to \$4.10 because of the quality was high.

"That price is still no more than break even for growers, Moulton said.

Contract negotiations for this season won't begin for another three or four weeks, said Mike Johnson, the Twin Falls plant manager for Universal Frozen Foods. By then the sales people will have demand estimates.

"Our assumption is always that it won't be less than the previous year, but that can be wrong," said Johnson. Universal's contracts last year were reduced from the prior year.

The open market price in December was around \$3 per hundredweight. In January, the average was down a nickel to \$2.90.

Area fresh packers currently are paying prices from \$1 up to \$2.75 per hundredweight.

Farmers who sell at that price are losing 75 cents to \$1 on every hundredweight, said Steve Mallett, sales manager at Arkoosh Produce in Gooding. He estimated it costs farmers an average of \$3 per hundred of out of pocket costs to grow spuds.

Bob Keegan, at Keegan's, Inc. in

Twin Falls, disagreed.

"There isn't a grower in this valley that is losing money growing potatoes," Keegan said. "I'm not saying they are making money, but they aren't losing any either."

The reason Magic Valley farmers are doing better is because of the tremendous yields they got out of the '87-'88 crop, Keegan said.

The average yield in the valley was 400 hundredweight per acre compared to the state average of 285 an acre, he said.

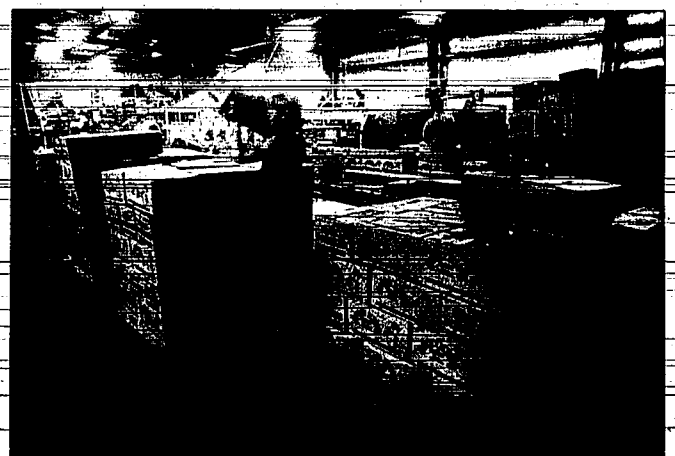
It is also well above the 351 hundredweight level the Magic Valley averaged in 1985.

"In Eastern Idaho, where most of the potatoes are grown, yields are quite a bit less," Keegan said. "They're in a different world up there."

Every year those potatoes get planted, and they can't be making any money.

As of February 1, the potato surplus in Idaho was at the same level as last year, even though production increased 9.4 million hundredweight over the same period. All the extra was successfully marketed, said Mel Anderson at the Idaho Potato Commission.

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Spuds are cleaned, sorted, boxed, stacked and shipped at Arkoosh Produce in Gooding

Farming

Protectionism stymies U.S. citrus exporters

Tariffs, quotas block access to burgeoning Asian market

By NAFTALI BEN DAVID, States News Service

WASHINGTON — Spike Connally earned a Silver Star and a Bronze Star fighting in the mountains of Korea in 1952 and 1953.

Thirty-five years later, the former Marine, a Vero Beach citrus exporter, is fighting another type of Korean war.

"The U.S. want over and defended Korea to keep it a sovereign country, and we can't even get our goods in there," Connally said recently.

"Those words express a frustration felt by many American citrus growers and shippers, who see the Asian market as a ripe, golden fruit held just out of reach by protectionist governments.

Forty years ago, Asia was not much of a market. Japan was devastated by the war, and the other nations were all dirt-poor," explained Ed Missian, a horticultural and tropical specialist at the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

But countries like South Korea, Japan and Taiwan have undergone dramatic industrialization in the past four decades, developing a middle class with plenty of money to buy American goods.

"We can't survive without those export markets," said Don Lins, executive vice president of marketing at Seald Sweet Inc. in Tampa. "We've got Europe taking about all it can. That's why we need Taiwan, South Korea, Hong Kong, Singapore."

These new customers seem to have a special taste for Florida oranges and grapefruits, which makes it all the more upsetting to American growers that many Asian nations have established tariffs and quotas to stop American fruit from crossing their shores.

Japan, for example, has a 25 percent grapefruit tariff and an annual orange quota of 125,000 tons. Some experts estimate that if the quotas would enable American citrus exports to triple their orange market in Japan.

In Taiwan, the government just began reducing its citrus tariff from 45 percent to 25 percent during the March-to-September season, and as a result U.S. citrus shipments to that

country jumped from 3,000 tons to 14,000 tons last year.

But now, the Taiwanese government is considering quotas to keep imports at the 3,000-ton level, counteracting the effect of the lower duty.

The Koreans, meanwhile, have imposed a 46 percent duty on grapefruits and lemons and have banned oranges entirely.

"There's a great deal of frustration," said Rep. Tom Lewis, R-North Palm Beach, whose district is rich in citrus. "We've made some inroads, but there doesn't seem to be much of a movement to accept Florida citrus. There doesn't seem to be fair play here."

As these markets continue to expand, Lewis said, it is crucial for U.S. exporters to get a foot in the Asian door ahead of other citrus-growing nations like Israel and Brazil.

"The United States may not compete well with Japanese video cassette recorders or automobiles," officials acknowledge, but this country can still dominate the world agriculture market. Citrus is matched only by beef and rice as a sore point in U.S.-Asian agricultural relations.

"Agriculture's definitely a strength. We have the resources, the skills. We believe we can compete without subsidies and trade barriers," Missian said. "In the other sectors, where it's obvious we're not competitive, the world economy is pretty much open."

Asian representatives respond that they need to protect their farmers, who are in trouble because of surpluses.

"We have an expected oversupply, partly because of import competition," said Burton Chiu, an economic staffer in Taiwan's Washington office. "That causes serious problems to our farmers."

Other Asian representatives argue that the United States is demanding too much too fast.

"I think your dissatisfaction with Korea is understandable," said Kim Jong-Yong, the Korean Embassy's agricultural attaché. "But in Korea, our situation has drastically changed recently, and we need some time to reorganize our economy."

The American agricultural commu-

nity does not buy these arguments, and some claim that America's trade representatives are not leaning hard enough on Asian governments.

"The best way to approach this is for our trade representatives to sit down and work more aggressively," Lewis said. "I'm not satisfied that our trade representatives are assertive or aggressive enough when necessary."

Gary Holmes, spokesman for U.S. Trade Representative Clayton Kopp, responded forcefully.

"God knows we've been very aggressive," he said. "I don't know where they get this vague feeling we're not doing enough. If they have a specific complaint, our doors are always open. Frankly, a lot of countries are complaining that we're being a bully."

The main forum for applying trade pressure is the current round of international trade talks, which began in September 1986. The discussion focus on updating the 1948 General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, the most important trade treaty.

"In past trade rounds, agriculture has gotten lost in the shuffle," Missian said. "We believe some of the biggest trade barriers are now in agriculture. It's one of our priorities." Last July, the U.S. representatives made what one official acknowledged was a "rather sweeping" proposal: the elimination of all agricultural trade barriers by each participating nation.

"This idea is still on the table. We're hoping for a substantial agreement on agriculture by the end of 1988," said Robert Riemenschneider, a trade expert with the U.S. Foreign Agricultural Service.

"Obviously there's resistance, and our trading partners have said we're trying to do too much too fast," he added. "But if the will is there, there's nothing to prevent a successful achievement of the goal. People realize the system needs to be reformed."

But many argue that talking is clearly not enough, and the only way Asian trading partners will get the message is if the United States retaliates by closing its markets to their products.

"Somewhere, somehow, someone's got to get tough with definite retaliation," maintained Richard Kinney, executive vice president of Florida Citrus Packers.

Growers and shippers acknowledge they are making limited headway in Asia. They say it is doubly upsetting to have a glimpse of success, and at the same time to be prevented from plunging forward.

For example, grapefruit sales to East Asia and the Pacific rose from about 142,000 tons in 1982 to 167,000 in 1986. Orange sales increased from 206,000 to 276,000 tons.

"Florida citrus is moving, but not like it should," Lewis said. "At least, two sizeable Asian markets, Hong Kong and Singapore, are wide open. And U.S. citrus shippers are looking forward to the day when Indonesia, Thailand, and the Philippines industrialize to the point where their people can afford citrus."

For now, most of the attention is focused on Japan, Taiwan and Korea, and on several events coming up in the next few months.

The agreement allowing 125,000 tons of oranges and 8,500 tons of orange juice to enter Japan annually will expire March 31, and American officials are pressuring Japan to open its gates completely at that point.

"We've told them there's nothing to talk about—the quotas are GATT illegal," said Ellen Terpra, an agricultural specialist in Yeutter's office, referring to a provision in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade that prohibits quotas except under special circumstances.

The Japanese respond that the United States is being unreasonable when it refuses to discuss the matter.

"We're offering to put it on the table," said a Japanese official who asked not to be identified. "The U.S. position is they can't accept any calculations on beef and citrus unless the Japanese government liberalizes completely. Prime Minister (Noboru) Takehita said clearly he'd like to open consultations as soon as possible. There has been no answer."

The official also disputed the argument that U.S. markets are open while Japan's are closed. He pointed out that the United States imposes restrictions on dairy and other products.

U.S. exporters are frightened by the specter of quotas being contemplated by the Taiwanese government after farmers in that country demonstrated

against imports at the parliament building.

"It's definitely our fastest-growing market," Missian said. "It's of great concern because we import so much from Taiwan. They tell us we should try to sell more there, but when we find something people like, apparently they don't want us."

Chiu, the Taiwanese official, said his country has not decided whether to impose the quotas. "We have a very serious domestic problem in this area, but we're very cautious because we do value our trade relationship with the United States," he said. "In the overall picture, Taiwan is still a very good trading partner," he continued. "We hope the problem is not exaggerated."

American officials have not decided how to handle tariffs and quotas established by the Koreans. "There's another fine bunch of guys," Lins said. "They only let things in when it's an emergency."

Korean officials came to Washington in January to meet with Yeutter. "They couldn't come up with a liberalization that met our needs, so we're looking from an inter-agency perspective at what to do," Terpra said.

Kim said Americans should try to understand the job Korea has received from its explosive industrialization.

"Many Americans blame Korea and say we're selfish because of our trade surplus," he said. "But the surplus has only been for two years. Until two years ago, we needed to educate our

people not to buy luxury goods because we needed foreign currency.

"Now things are different, so we have to re-educate our people, and our people are surprised. Our people are a little amazed and don't know what to do."

The Korean diplomat said things will improve. "We need a little time. Then we're sure we'll open our markets, we see the benefits of free trade. But your government is intolerant of our schedule."

Lins suggested that the problem could get worse, because Florida citrus growers have planted large crops in anticipation of expanding foreign markets.

Lewis was more optimistic. "We're better off today than we were last year," he said. "We've finally opened lines of communication with Japan and other countries. It seems we're going to see a stronger line from us and more acceptance from them than we have in the past."

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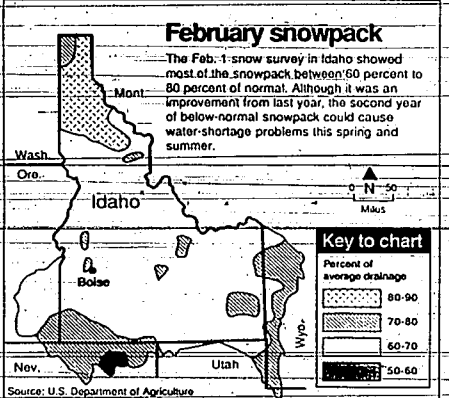
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Simple process aids in wheat marketing

BOISE (AP) — A simple process of checking the protein level of soft white wheat has enabled Idaho wheat growers to better market their product in some foreign countries.

The Idaho Wheat Commission, in conjunction with the Oregon and Washington wheat commissions, has asked county elevators to be used to determine average protein content of white wheat they receive.

Some countries, such as Korea, want soft white wheat with a specific protein content and are willing to go to other markets if U.S. producers can't label their product, according to the Idaho Wheat Commission.

Korean millers had complained for years that U.S. soft

wheat generally had protein levels too high for their growing snack market items. Because of the higher protein levels, Korea looked to Australian soft or white wheat instead of that grown in the Pacific Northwest.

But since Pacific Northwest producers have checked their protein content, Korea has purchased four small cargoes of white wheat with a maximum protein level of 9.5 percent.

The first cargo brought only 2.7 cents per bushel. But the latest shipment of 73,500 bushels carried a premium price of 11 cents per bushel.

The Idaho Wheat Commission said Sri Lanka has a minimum protein level of 9.5 percent for which it will pay 31 and the Maldives, 11 percent.

Drought

Continued from Page E1. The dam there is being repaired so the storage level is about one-tenth of normal, he said.

The company's contract with its shareholders mentions the 6/8 inch per acre figure as well, but Eakin said they have always been able to give 3/4 inch. Probably not this year though.

Most of the storage basins are only at 60 percent to 65 percent of normal fill, said Jerry Beard, of the Idaho Soil Conservation Service Snow Survey.

"We're late enough in the season now that the possibility of getting much snowpack is gone," he said.

Carryover storage is down, too, because it was used up last year. The Salmon Falls Reservoir, which serves the Salmon Truck irrigation system, is currently hanging in the balance between the anticipated demand and the minimal supply. After March though, it may fall to the inadequate supply side, Beard said.

Oakley Reservoir, which serves farmers in the Burley area, is going to be real tight, he said. The next forecast will probably show it dropping from the adequate level to the shortage stage, too.

"I have a hard time saying drought, although I am becoming convinced that that may be what we have," he said.

The governor has put together a ground water supply committee to study the shortage, Beard said. They will be meeting this week to receive the latest data.

The major concern for a shortage is in the southern and southwestern parts of the state.

Eastern Idaho isn't in trouble yet, Beard said. The reservoirs down to American Falls should all fill and have an adequate supply. Downstream, the Magic Valley could see shortages insufficient to meet demand.

"Some farmers may cut back on acreage," he said.

Last year there was also low snowpack and inadequate rain, but there had been adequate carryover storage of water from the previous year to prevent a shortage. This year there isn't even much carryover.

"We'll be more dependent on those spring and summer rains. If we continue dry through the spring we'll definitely be seeing some shortages," he said.

Spuds

Continued from Page E1. Idaho farmers had lost a good deal of the national market share two years ago after a hard frost slashed yields, Anderson said.

"This year we recaptured a larger part of that market share," he said. "That shows our advertising and promotional programs have been instrumental in moving that surplus."

Much of the gain has come from the expanding fresh pack volume.

"Idaho set fresh shipping records last year," Anderson said. Last year 22.8 million hundred-weight were fresh packed.

"We're handling 2.7 million hundred of last year's rate," he said. Anderson predicted the fresh pack volume would rise still further this year to 24 million plus.

"Our problem here in Idaho isn't Idaho," said Mallett. Idaho has sold its surpluses. But the huge glut in other states is keeping the price down everywhere.

"The acreage has got to come down." Wheat prices are going up which could be good for potatoes if it means farmers will shift some acres into wheat, he said.

Potato growers agree the acreage has to drop, but most feel the cuts will have to come from somebody else.

"We're not going to reduce our acres," said Mike Wolverton, a potato grower near Murtaugh. "Our problem is we're in a crop rotation and we have to maintain the mix."

And while the price of potatoes isn't spectacular, other crop prices are even worse.

"That doesn't leave us many options," Wolverton said.

"Other farmers can't cut acreage because their bankers won't give them a loan if they don't have a potato contract. The money isn't great, but they know how much it will be and so they can plan better, Moulton said.

"Potatoes are the only thing they can roll the dice on and maybe come up lucky seven or 11 the first time," Mallett said. Potatoes are one of the few crops that can experience big price jumps because shortages are always possible.

"You hope some other area has a frost or a blight, and that you can pick up the slack," Mallett said. "One man's misery is always another man's fortune."

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Portneuf River: 30 year study costs exceed clean-up tab

By **STUART ENGLETT**
The Associated Press

POCATELLO — No one is certain how much money has been spent studying the problems of the Portneuf River — but it's a lot.

Anyone who has studied the silt-laden stream would agree that more has been spent monitoring, analyzing and verifying the river's problems than has been used to clean it up the past three decades.

Since 1955, at least two dozen documents have been published on the 95-mile watercourse, which meanders from the Fort Hall Indian Reservation to American Falls Reservoir.

Some evaluate erosion problems on the river's upper and lower sections. Others concentrate on water quality, and one even reveals scientific data on the microscopic fauna found in the drainage.

One of the earliest written reports on the river was published in 1955 by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for flood control improvements between Inkom and Pocatello.

But like most government studies, this one does not list a cost, making it

almost impossible to determine exactly how much has been spent probing the river problems.

A study completed by the Southeast Idaho Council of Governments (SICOG) in 1978, however, does include a price tag.

The Environmental Protection Agency granted SICOG \$425,000 to assess water quality in Caribou and Bannock counties. That extensive study was to determine water pollution sources, primarily on the Portneuf.

While other studies of the river were significantly less expensive, combined officials believe they total in the millions of dollars.

A study completed by the Portneuf Soil and Water Conservation District in November cost \$12,000, according to Dave Curtis, district conservationist.

The study is being used to apply for a \$396,000 state grant to reduce agricultural pollution on the lower Portneuf. Given the stiff competition for a limited amount of funding, there is no guarantee the district will receive the grant, no matter what the study concludes.

This has prompted some to say the studying should stop.

"I don't like studies and I believe there has been a god's plenty done on the Portneuf River," said Gordon Hopson, source control field officer for the State Division of Environmental Quality.

Hopson said it has been known for 20 years that the leading cause of river pollution is cropland erosion and there is no need to spend more money affirming that.

He estimated it will cost \$17 million and take several decades to correct the river's sedimentation problem. To date, \$2.6 million has been earmarked to implement Best Management Practices (BMPs) on farms along the river.

While some suggest the studies are a waste of time, officials say they are simply part of the bureaucratic process to obtain funding.

"You can't just go to the federal government and ask for a million dollars and expect to get it," said Tony May, water specialist with the Idaho Soil and Conservation Commission.

"If you want to have a chance at the money, you've got to prove to them

that you've got a problem. Studies are the mechanism you use to do that," he added.

That is why the Portneuf River Task Force, consisting of 16 private users and government officials, this month announced plans to apply for funds from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to conduct a river basin study.

Cost hasn't been determined yet. The study would update and combine previous studies and allow local soil conservation agencies to apply for funds to correct problems, according to Paul DeArman, SCS conservationist.

"We can study the river forever, but unless someone has a funding source and some method for tackling the problem, nothing can get done," he said.

DeArman added that while past studies have defined and addressed specific issues — such as agricultural pollution, fishery degradation and hydropower potential — none have provided a comprehensive plan for cleaning up the river.

Sue Ball, environmentalist for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, said one of

the chief goals of the river basin study will be to determine the extent and location of channel erosion.

She said despite numerous documents on the Portneuf, little information has been gathered on its eroding streambanks. They have been identified as the river's second major source of pollution.

Moreover, one of the studies that does address channel erosion — the

1978 SICOG study — is not a highly regarded document.

Curtis says he has "no confidence" in the study because it is "apparently based on estimates rather than sound scientific evidence."

He said he has no idea how the authors of the study determined that 8 percent of the sediment in the stream is from channel erosion, because it includes no data to back it up.

Streamside areas hardest hit

BLM lands damaged by poor grazing

By **DAVID GOELLER**
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Poor livestock grazing practices have damaged tens of thousands of miles of vital streamside areas on Bureau of Land Management property across the West, a General Accounting Office official said Tuesday.

The negative picture of riparian areas on BLM land was given to the House Interior national parks and public lands subcommittee by James Duffus, associate director of the resources, community and economic development division of GAO, a congressional agency.

Duffus said that although the damage can be reversed, BLM lacks the skilled staff to do the job and perhaps the will to overcome opposition from ranchers using BLM land under the taxpayer-subsidized grazing fee program.

He said streamside areas are im-

portant in the arid West because they help raise water tables, collect sediment, increase the availability of forage, dissipate the energy of flood waters and serve as fish and wildlife habitats.

"It has taken decades of abuse to produce the level of riparian area degradation that currently exists," Duffus said. "Most riparian areas managed by BLM are in degraded condition largely as a result of poorly managed livestock grazing."

He said that while BLM does not know the extent of the damage, "the partial information that is available shows that there are tens of thousands of miles of riparian areas in the West, with only a small portion of them in good condition."

Duffus said two BLM assessments found that 80 percent of the 12,000 miles of streamside areas in Idaho need better management and that 90 percent of 3,000 miles in Colorado were rated in poor or fair condition.

Not only has BLM reduced its ranks of wildlife and fisheries biologists since 1981, "many BLM field staff," he interviewed, do not believe BLM management is serious about achieving broader progress," Duffus said.

"These staff widely believe that if their proposed actions for restoring riparian areas are opposed by the permitted ranchers, their managers will not support them" in reducing cattle access to streambeds, he said.

"Many BLM staff... recounted specific instances where their riparian management efforts were specifically undercut by BLM headquarters or local management direction after permitted ranches raised objections," Duffus said.

"Even badly damaged riparian areas can be restored," he testified. "Until these staffing and institutional barriers are overcome, the pace of riparian area improvements is likely to be slow."

Subcommittee Chairman Bruce Vento, D-Minn., distributed copies of a 1986 BLM headquarters memo telling field personnel that streamside area management "requires the full support and cooperation of the permittee or lessee."

Locusts imperil North Africa

ROME (AP) — Northern Africa and the Sahel region are facing the threat of an invasion by desert locusts that could cause widespread destruction of crops and pastures, a U.N. group reported.

About 2.5 million acres have been infested in northern Mauritania, said the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization, which issued an appeal to international donors for two spraying aircraft and 89,000 gallons of pesticide.

"Successful control of infestations in northern Mauritania would greatly reduce the risks of substantial invasion of Morocco and Algeria to the north and of the Sahel zone to the south," the FAO said in its appeal.

Major control efforts have been under way in Morocco and several other countries in the past several months, the FAO said.

Small infestations have also been

detected in Sudan, near the Red Sea coast, but these are under control, it added.

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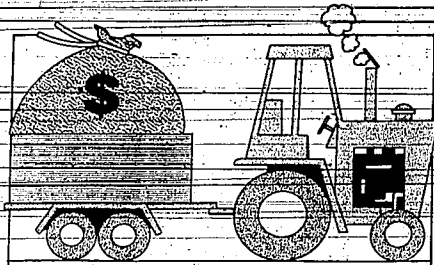
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24.8%	8.8%
23.9%	5.9%
\$15,000-\$24,999	\$60,000+
22.4%	3.6%
20.9%	8.5%
\$25,000-\$34,999	
18.7%	17.0%

*This bracket includes a wider range of income than others listed.
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New rules to help farmers pay FmHA

By DON KENDALL
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — New rules are being prepared to help farmers pay off loans owed to the Farmers Home Administration.

Among them are provisions that allow the agency to write off some of the debt so that families can stay on the land, officials said.

Joe O'Neill, an FmHA spokesman, said the new rules probably will be ready by June. In many cases, overburdened borrowers could have much of their debt written off, trimmed back to reflect their assets in hopes of keeping them in business.

However, O'Neill said he had no estimate of how much debt the FmHA might write off under the new rules.

"There's just no way of knowing," he said. "It'll be each individual case all the way through."

At the end of the 1987 fiscal year on Sept. 30, O'Neill said, 261,281 FmHA borrowers owed the agency about \$96 billion. Of that, 127,671 were delinquent, owing \$6.6 billion, including principal and interest.

The new rules are a result of a bill passed by Congress in December calling on the FmHA, an Agriculture Department agency that serves as a "lender of last resort" for the nation's farmers, to go easier on borrowers who are behind in their payments.

The new law requires the agency to do whatever possible to restructure loans in order to keep FmHA borrowers in business.

"Our attitude is going to be different," O'Neill said.

ent," FmHA Administrator Vance L. Clark told The New York Times. "We want to make the new act work, and we're going to have a lot of room to maneuver to restructure these loans."

Lynn Hayes, an attorney with the Farmers Legal Action Group in St. Paul, Minn., said "I'm thrilled they are apparently taking this legislation seriously and are trying to make it work."

His group has been active for years in challenging FmHA policies aimed at tougher enforcement of agency selection policies, including a 1983 law that led to a suspension of foreclosure actions until regulations were redesigned to let borrowers know their alternatives.

Congress, partly at the prodding of the activist organizations, agreed that FmHA should slow down and overhaul its policies.

As a last resort, the new rules would let FmHA write off debts in excess of a borrower's assets, O'Neill said. For example, if a farmer's assets were \$150,000 and debts totaled \$60,000, the write-off could be as much as \$850,000 if the FmHA determined the farmer could handle the remainder by staying in business.

"It makes sense, then, to keep that person in business and write off the difference between what they owe and their assets — if the government stands a chance of retrieving more by keeping that farmer going," O'Neill said. "We're trying to carry out the intent of Congress in the Agricultural Credit Act of 1987 as closely as we can."

Utah sheep increase 5%, cattle down

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The number of Utah cattle dropped 1 percent in 1987 while the size of sheep flocks increased 5 percent, says the Utah Agricultural Statistics Office.

Cattle on Utah farms as of Jan. 1, 1988, totaled 760,000 head, the lowest level since 1968. The 1987 inventory was down 20 percent from 1986's record level of 950,000 head, state statistician Delroy Gneiting said.

Statistics show there were 73,000 milk cows in Utah at the end of last year, down 2,000 head; 318,000 beef cows, down 2,000 head; 61,000 beef heifer replacements, up 13 percent; 36,000 milk heifer replacements, down 1,000 head; 39,000 steers over 500 pounds, no change from last year; 350,000 calf births in 1987, up 3 percent, and 133,000 calves on hand as of Jan. 1, down 8 percent.

Beef and dairy products are Utah's largest livestock industries. In 1986, cash receipts from beef cattle totaled \$178 million.

Idaho moves into spud seed market

By REBECCA THOMPSON
The Associated Press

IDAHO FALLS — The potato. It's that brown-skinned tuber sitting on the edge of your dinner plate alongside the steak and broccoli.

Chances are the sack you picked up at the grocery store carried the "grown in Idaho" label. Idaho produces 43 percent of the nation's fresh market potatoes. During the 1986 growing season, you know.

The state has a reputation for growing potatoes that are unmatched for their baking and processing qualities. But while Idaho boasts its status as the top potato producing state, both in excellence and in number, some would argue that the Idaho potato wasn't always an Idaho potato.

Wait a minute, you say? That sack of potatoes carries the Idaho name. That can of Pringle's potato chips says its contents are made from Idaho spuds.

The truth is, until recently, much of the original seed stock for Idaho's potato production came from Montana and Canada. Yes, those farmers up in the Big Sky Country and north of the border grow the early seed generations that eventually make it to the Idaho fields for commercial production.

But technology, efficiency and competition are changing all that. Rest assured that while in the past, Idaho potatoes were bred in Idaho soil, more and more, you'll find them born as well as bred in the Gem State.

The process is a bit complicated for the novice. Over the last six years, the University of Idaho and a handful of private companies have been honing a method of producing disease-free seed tubers, incorporating tissue culture techniques.

They start with selected tubers that are first tested for the presence of viral and bacterial diseases. If no disease is found, buds from the tubers are removed and placed into a growth-enhancing medium in test tubes. The resulting plantlets are then surgically sectioned and multiplied manyfold in a succession of tissue-culture steps.

Within 6 months, technicians working in a sterile, isolated environment can produce 10,000 plants from a single test tube plantlet.

Oregon growers look to Chinese workers

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Oregon strawberry growers and other farmers are considering a proposal to import seasonal harvest workers from China.

Cheon Fung, project director of the Chinagri Manpower Center of New York City, said he talked to farmers in Oregon and Washington state this week but he declined to name them.

Fung and the company's president, Kik-Soo, met in December with Bill Braly, the former employment services supervisor in the Oregon Employment Division, and Ray Malensky, co-owner of Oregon Berry Packing Co. and president of Oregon Harvesting Inc.

Malensky said he was "very impressed" that Soo and Fung claimed they had 5 million people in a labor pool who could handle a variety of jobs from truckers to harvesters. There would be one Chinese supervisor for every 20 workers.

Sus Brewer, an Employment Division representative for Washington County, said the proposal was as "feasible as using Mexican workers."

Ms. Brewer said the Chinese government would fly the workers to San Francisco where the growers would have to pick them up. The transportation costs would be no more than picking up Mexicans at the U.S. border.

However, Jianxin Shi of the Chi-

go test tube plantlet. The process is monitored by the Idaho Crop Improvement Association Inc., whose laboratory tests at critical stages confirm that the plant material remains free of seedborne diseases.

The plantlets started at UI are delivered in plastic culture dishes to the university's three greenhouses in Tetonia.

We want greenhouse potatoes grown in Idaho under Idaho certification.

— Allan French

Those plantlets produce mini tubers, which are harvested and planted in the field as first field generation, or Nuclear. The second field generation is called Elite 1, the third, Elite 2, and so on to the fifth generation, which is called Foundation — the most common seed planted in Idaho for commercial use.

Traditionally, Idaho seed growers purchased Elite 2 seed from Montana to produce the later generation Elite 3 and Foundation, said Colleen Thompson, assistant manager with Idaho Crop Improvement. But last year, the Gem State put emphasis on producing more of its own early seed stocks.

Jim Whitmore, superintendent at the UI Experiment Station in Tetonia, said seed multiplies 10-fold, so that 60 sacks of Elite 1 produces a minimum of 500 sacks of Elite 2. At that rate, it won't be long until Idaho's providing seed from start to finish for all 337,000 acres in commercial production, he said.

Because of the proliferation of early generation seed, growers will be more likely to plant the earlier generation seed for commercial potatoes, resulting in better yields and higher quality, Whitmore said. Montana currently doesn't ship any seed earlier than Elite 2 out of the state, so Idaho is ready and willing to fill that void, he said.

"We'll ship Elite 1 or nuclear, whatever the customer demands," he said. "If you can't supply his demand, he's going to go elsewhere."

We have to be flexible and grow the quality at the generation level he wants."

In Montana, the seed growing industry doesn't feel threatened by Idaho's move into the market. Roy Bjornson, administrator of the Montana Department of Agriculture's Plant Industry Division, said the intensity of the competition will depend on where growers are shipping to.

"I'm sure there will be some impact on Montana, but I'm not in a position to say how much," Bjornson said. "It will be different for the growers located in the Manhattan-Bozeman area to ship to Idaho versus the growers living on the west side."

John Schutzer Sr., a seed grower with Schutzer's Seed Farms in Manhattan, Mont., said Washington and Oregon are the state's main seed customers. But to maintain their share of the Idaho market, Montana seed growers will have to rely on their reputations for producing top-quality, disease-free seed, he said.

"Most Montana seed has a very good name and performs very well," he said. "So these growers that use that seed for certification also have customers that like that type of seed. That won't change overnight."

Idaho industry officials agree that no matter how much of its own seed stocks the Gem State can produce, some growers will remain loyal to their Montana suppliers.

"We might have enough Elite 2 in Idaho to take care of the acreage, but you're always going to see seed come from Montana," said Whitmore. "If you've dealt with one man up there for 30 years and you're satisfied, it's tough to change."

But the Idaho name is an attractive marketing tool. To say that Idaho potatoes were not only raised in Idaho

"You're always going to see seed come from Montana."
— Jim Whitmore

but originated there, is a selling point that is unmatched.

Allan French, a seed field representative for J.R. Simplot Co., also works as a consultant for Tissue Grower Corp., which is based in Davis, Calif. and produces mini tubers from tissue cultures. The company owns three greenhouses in Chester which cost \$3,000 to heat in the winter, said French. But the Idaho name is worth it.

"That's the reason why we want to be in Idaho," he said. "We want greenhouse potatoes produced in Idaho under Idaho certification."

Tissue Grower produces its plantlets in a California laboratory and ships them to the Chester greenhouses, where the nuclear seed is raised.

But is an Idaho potato genuine when the plantlets don't originate in Idaho?

Richard Clarke, area manager of the Idaho Crop Improvement Association answers with an emphatic "yes."

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USDA suffers 5% budget cutback; farm programs hard hit

By DON KENDALL
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As federal budget proposals go, the Agriculture Department comes off reasonably well in President Reagan's recommendations to Congress.

Total spending for the 1989 fiscal year would be cut only 5 percent to around \$43.3 billion. And virtually all of the sensitive crop programs, with the exception of sugar, would suffer reductions that already have been approved by Congress.

Sugar is a different thing entirely. The administration is dead set against the current program, claiming the supports are too high and the quotas on imports of foreign sugar too restrictive.

There are other smackerels in the

Reagan budget, to be sure. The White House still wants the Rural Electrification Administration to turn most of its business over to private lenders, and the Farmers Home Administration would see its housing program dismantled.

Still, compared with some other years when Reagan has urged cutting school lunch subsidies to rich kids and charging user fees for meat and poultry inspection, the 1989 edition may be pretty tame.

But when it comes to the old Agricultural Conservation Program, or ACP, some things don't seem to change at all. Once again Reagan has plotted the end of one of the true survivalists of federal farm programs.

The ACP was started in 1936 to help farmers pay the cost of carrying out approved conservation prac-

tices on their land. Through Republican and Democratic administrations alike, White House budget proposals for many years have recommended cutting or ending the program, which has been running at around \$200 million a year.

Each time, however, Congress has insisted that ACP be kept, and funded at approximately the same level.

A year ago, in his budget for 1988, Reagan asked Congress to rescind most of the ACP money and also to hold bank funds for a number of other conservation programs, none so big as ACP but still notable as having their own constituencies.

The programs are operated by two USDA agencies: the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, and the Soil Conservation Service.

As in the past, Congress didn't go along with last year's budget proposal, so Reagan is trying again. But you have to look at more than the bottom line in the USDA's budget book.

Soil and water conservation programs are grouped together into a single category. For 1989, according to the Reagan proposal, the programs would be operated at a level of about \$2.76 billion, an increase from an estimated 1988 program level of \$2.74 billion.

The slight increase, however, reflects the impact of the giant Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), which was included in the 1985 farm law as a plan to take up to 45 million acres of marginal, highly erodible cropland from production for periods of 10 years.

About 23 million acres have been

signed up, and department officials are confident that further signups will produce the objective.

In return for contracting to take land out of crops, farmers get USDA assistance for half of the costs of converting the acreage to grass and trees.

Thereafter, they get annual rental payments averaging around \$50 per acre a year.

According to department budget analysts, the CRP operated at about \$677 million in 1987, will grow to

more than \$1.86 billion this year and to \$2.16 billion in 1989. Some have argued that the growth of CRP, which requires farmers to treat land and water in a kindly way, has made some of the old-line programs such as ACP obsolete.

Budget analysts point out, however, that serious moves were afoot to kill ACP long before Congress passed the 1985 farm law authorizing long-term conservation contracts.

Subsidies remain at high level

Farmers bounce back; gain to continue

By WARD SINCLAIR
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — It is a far cry from just a few years ago, when newspaper headlines told of the wrenching downturn in America's farm economy, and nightly television flashed the tearful stories of family after family dispossessed by foreclosure.

By almost every economic indicator, agriculture has bounced back and even though at least 10 percent of the country's farmers are in deep trouble, most analysts see continuing modest improvement in the farm sector in 1988.

And on the consumer front, Agriculture Department economists project that retail food prices will rise from 2 percent to 4 percent, reflecting the 3 percent average over the past five years. Poultry and pork prices are expected to decline slightly because of high production, while beef prices are likely to remain steady.

The predictions of more improvement in the farm sector come on a backdrop of gains in just about every area in 1987. U.S. farmers closed the year with record net cash income of \$57 billion and with increases in the volume and value of their exports.

Farm operating costs and debt were down, the stocks of surpluses in most major commodities dwindled, land prices stabilized and even increased in a few areas. Congress paved the way for federal rescue of the Farm-Credit-System, the major farm lender, offering a line of credit that could stretch to \$4 billion.

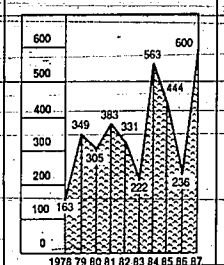
The picture clearly is brighter, but it is not as though U.S. agriculture has returned to full health or that it is again competitive in the foreign markets so vital to its survival.

As Agriculture Secretary Richard E. Lyng noted in a year-end review, there is a catch: In unprecedented ways, the federal government is underwriting the farm turnaround with billions of dollars in subsidies to income, exports, production and lending.

Almond crop largest in history

In 1987, the almond crop was the largest in history, with the fall harvest yielding 600 million-shelled pounds. This was more than double the 1986 crop of 236 million pounds.

U.S. ALMOND PRODUCTION
In millions of shelled pounds:



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change to policies forged in 1985 by the administration and Congress. They agreed to push down prices to make U.S. farmers more competitive in the export field, while buffering them from the shocks by maintaining high levels of income supports.

This was an abrupt reversal from the 1981 farm bill when Congress decided to keep price supports and income subsidies high, overriding administration objections. Other global economic factors came into play, but most experts agree that the high U.S. prices stimulated production abroad, knocked American farmers out of markets and created a historically high mountain of surpluses.

Another key facet of the 1985 change involved subsidization of exports, with the government targeting traditional U.S. markets lost to competitors through unfair trading practices or crop subsidies. Through most of calendar 1987, the Export Enhancement Program, the most aggressive new tool given Lyng, sent \$3.2 billion worth of farm goods into those markets with subsidies of \$1.5 billion.

Export volume increased 20 percent in fiscal 1987 — the first increase in the decade — with a total value of \$27.9 billion, a gain of \$1.6 billion over the previous year. The principal grains were in cotton, livestock and fruits and vegetables. In that group, only cotton production is federally subsidized.

Precise reasons for the upturn were more elusive. Subsidies played a role, but bad weather plagued some growing regions around the world and the declining value of the dollar made it more attractive to buy American farm products.

"I'm not sure anyone can quantify the dollar factor," Lyng said, "because people make purchase commitments well in advance and there are even longer lags in terms of demonstrating increased competitiveness due to the dollar."

The subsidy programs and severe

Lyng and others credit much of the they are large." Lyng said. From the high of \$26 billion in fiscal 1986, federal expenditures are expected to be in the range of \$19 billion to \$21 billion this year. "Still high, still important and still necessary under what we are trying to accomplish, but still a continuing problem," he said.

Consider the contrast of a decade ago, when an export boom and land-inflation gave farmers and experts a sense of no tomorrow. Government farm program costs averaged \$3 billion per year in the 1970s. In the 1976-1979 boom period, only 4 cents of every cash income dollar came from Uncle Sam.

cuts in the amount of cropland U.S. farmers are permitted to keep in production have helped clear out much of the American surpluses that have contributed to depressed world prices for farm goods. Of the major U.S. commodities, only corn remains in heavy excess.

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Government direct payments — subsidies — accounted for 21 cents of every dollar of farm income before interest in 1987. Lyng's figures indicate lower federal costs this year, but they still will represent about a fifth of farm income.

"No matter how you refer to them,

Wheat aphid return looms

POCATELLO (AP) — The pesky Russian wheat aphid has survived the winter and may be back stronger than ever in southeastern Idaho this spring, a University of Idaho entomologist says.

"The Russian wheat aphid is definitely winter-hardy, and is alive and well beneath the winter snow," Rich Johnston said.

Idaho's grain crop could be seriously threatened if the pest is not re-estrained, Johnston warned growers at the recent Extension Cereal School in Pocatello to be on the lookout for aphids this spring, saying the key to control is early detection.

Russian wheat aphids feed on wheat, barley, triticals and other grains and grasses.

Susan Halbert, a University of Idaho aphid specialist, said the Russian wheat aphid is fairly easy to identify even though it does somewhat resemble other aphids.

Ms. Halbert said they secrete a toxin that causes white and purple streaks on leaves. Heavily infested plants are flattened and severely stunted, and heads may become twisted and distorted.

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Business Beat

Bean festival features cookoff

FILER — A Bean Festival will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 12 at the Tom Parks Pavilion on the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds in Filer.

The event is open to the public, and will include a chili cookoff open to the public, and a bean cookoff just for bean dealers.

Cash prizes will be awarded for the best chili, and door prizes will be given hourly.

There will be live entertainment. There will also be programs on crop insurance, and the benefits of eating beans for preventing high cholesterol.

A chili lunch will served to everyone.

The event is sponsored by the Western Bean Dealers Association, the Idaho Bean Commission, and the Filer Chamber of Commerce.

For more information, or to enter the contest, call Ken High, Kelly Bean in Filer at 926-5116.

Circle K to purchase stores

NEW YORK (AP) — Circle K Corp.'s agreement to buy 473 7-Eleven stores from Southland Corp. reflects the continuing strength of the convenience store industry.

Southland decided to sell the 473 stores in 10 states to its chief competitor not because it's getting out of the business, but because it needs to raise more than \$147 million to help finance the founding Thompson family's \$4.9 billion leveraged buyout of the company in December.

Southland plans to keep selling stores until it has between 7000 and 7300 by the end of 1989, said spokeswoman Marcetta McNatt. The company will have 7,542 stores after the Circle K transaction, down from the 8,296 it held before beginning its divestiture plan.

Despite the sales, Southland will remain the largest convenience store operator in the country and the world.

We have such a solid name now that we do not feel that name recognition is a problem," Ms. McNatt said. "We are firmly planted in the minds of Americans as the convenience store people."

Southland's plans fit right in with Circle K's desire to expand. The Phoenix-based convenience store operator has been growing by leaps and bounds in recent years and the latest acquisition will give it just over 4,000 outlets in 25 states.

The 7-Eleven stores will be converted to the Circle K name, she said.

The \$147 million purchase price for the 473 7-Eleven stores includes real estate and other assets, and Circle K will pay an additional amount for store inventories, Southland President Jere W. Thompson said.

Included in the sale are all of Southland's convenience stores in Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana and South Carolina, Ms. McNatt said.

The proposed transaction, subject to a definitive agreement and government approval, also includes 63 stores in North Carolina; three in Yuma, Ariz.; 18 in Nashville, Tenn.; 67 stores in small Texas markets; and 23 stores in the Florida Panhandle.

Southland already has sold 270 7-Eleven stores to National Convenience Stores, the third-largest convenience store operator with about 1,170 outlets.

Southland also has announced definitive agreements for the divestiture of its Chief Auto Parts, Dairies, Group, Tidal Systems and Moving/Video/Cassette retail operations.

Southland also has announced the divestiture of its Rody-Loe, Snack Foods and Chemical-Food Labs divisions.

U.S., Soviets plan grain discussions

WASHINGTON (AP) — Negotiations aimed at reaching a new long-term grain agreement between the United States and the Soviet Union are scheduled to start next week in Vienna, the Reagan administration announced Thursday.

"We look forward to our discussions with the Soviets on a new U.S.-Soviet long-term grain agreement," said a joint statement from Agriculture Secretary Richard E. Lyng and U.S. Trade Representative Clayton K. Yeutter.

Such an agreement would represent the third such arrangement between the two nations since 1975. The second was signed in 1983.

"We expect the Vienna meeting to be the first step in the negotiating process," the statement said. It said the earlier accord "has been important in stabilizing grain trade between our two countries and we are optimistic we will be able to achieve another mutually beneficial agreement."

Gould relocates

POCATELLO, Idaho (AP) — Gould Inc. has announced that it will move its semiconductor division headquarters from Santa Clara, Calif., to Pocatello within 90 days, increasing employment at its Idaho plant by as many as 40 workers.

Research and development, packaging, engineering and administrative support functions will have been moved to eastern Idaho over the past two years.

which expires Sept. 30, the Soviets agreed to purchase 9 million metric tons of U.S. wheat and corn products annually for five years. Four million tons must be wheat and 4 million tons must be corn.

The Soviets may satisfy their commitment to purchase an additional 1 million tons by buying wheat, corn, soybeans or soybean meal, or any combination of those commodities, with every ton of soybeans or soybean meal counting as two tons of grain.

The announcement follows a sale by private exporters of 600,000 metric tons of subsidized U.S. wheat to the Soviet Union announced earlier this week. At recent prices it would have a value of \$60 million.

The sale was subsidized under the Export Enhancement Program, in which private exporters receive surplus government commodities in exchange for shipping American grain overseas.

More than 6.8 million tons of subsidized wheat has been sold to the Soviet Union under the program for October in the year that began last Oct. 1.

It represents a turnaround from 1986, when the Soviets fell 3.8 million tons short of the minimum under the five-year agreement.

The United States then made offers to the Soviets under the Export Enhancement Program and they resumed buying in May 1987.

Trade winds



MIKE ROBERTSON
Superior performance noted

K & T Steel Corp. of Twin Falls has been recognized for their 1987 safety record. A "Loss Control Achievement Award" was presented to the company by SAFECO Insurance Co. of Seattle.

The award honors K & T employees for achieving a loss record 50 percent below the national average for steel fabricators. The company also cut its own loss record by 80 percent, and did it at a time when it was expanding the plant and adding new operations. SAFECO gave out only four such awards in Idaho in 1987.

Accepting the award were Don Sparks, Brad Asher, Neal Wirsching, and Bill Koch.

David R. Mead, a bank officer at



LAURA GINES
Named Kimberly officer

Idaho First in Twin Falls, has been re-elected chairman of the Board of Health and Welfare.

Carol Claiborn has recently been promoted to assistant auditor by the board of directors of Twin Falls Bank & Trust. She will assist in conducting periodic examinations of operations, loans, data processing, and trust services to help insure government compliance.

Claiborn, a resident of Kimberly, began with the bank 10 years ago as a bookkeeper. She has also served as head teller, operations assistant and operations officer. She attended Utah State University, and has taken courses with the American Institute of Banking. She is involved in many



CAROL CLAIBORN
Become assistant auditor

civil and professional organizations.

The bank also announced the transfer of operations officer, Laura Gines from their Buhl office to the Kimberly office. There she will oversee all operational services and personnel. Gines has been with the bank since 1978.

Mike Robertson, of Idaho Financial Consultants, has been named a 1987 silver medalist by Integrated Resources Equity Corp., placing him in the top 6 percent of more than 4,000 registered representatives nationwide. The award is for outstanding sales performance.

Sixteen employees of McDonald Insurance have completed a 12-week



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Rising diamond prices will make bargains hard to find

Locating a diamond in the rough is an expression that means you have discovered a real find.

The announced 10-percent overall price increase in rough diamonds this past fall means you will have to hunt long and hard to find bargains this year.

Expect to pay close to 10 percent more on diamond jewelry this year. And for top grade diamonds, prices will surge by 20 to 30 percent.

"If you want to spend \$5,000 on a one-carat diamond, you will have to pay \$5,500," says Sylvia Porter, chairman of the American Diamond Industry Association, "but you'll be getting a little less." Less refers to the basic determinants of a diamond's value.

The next time you're impressed by the "rock" on the finger of a recent bride, realize that the price of a diamond is determined not so much by carat weight, but by the gem's cut, color and clarity. A smaller, higher quality stone will be worth much more than a larger, badly cut or yellowed diamond. Consider:

• **Color.** This refers to the hue or tint of the stone. While there are rare diamonds that are very valuable because they have an unusual color, absence of color is what makes most diamonds valuable.

• **Clarity.** Any flaws such as marks, bubbles, clouds or scratches on the surface of the diamond will have some impact on its value and beauty. The impact depends on the size of the imperfection.

• **Cut.** The biggest diamond will have less value if it's cut incorrectly. If the stone is cut at the wrong angle, light will not be reflected properly and the diamond will not sparkle as brilliantly.

Along with carat weight, these are



Sylvia Porter

the "4 Cs" of diamond valuation. Knowing the 4 Cs is the very first step you must take before you make what may be your once-in-a-lifetime diamond purchase.

Prospective buyers planning to purchase a diamond ring, bracelet, chain or earrings should also consider the American Gem Society's (AGS) "Ten Commandments for Buying Fine Jewelry," suggests H. Marvin Beasley, vice-president of jewelry merchandising for Best Products Co., the nation's fourth largest jewelry retailer, headquartered in Richmond, Va.

1) Deal with a trained gemologist. Make sure your jeweler is properly certified and has geological training. The AGS awards certain certifications to qualified members who study required courses, pass extensive annual exams and adhere to strict ethical standards.

2) Purchase the best quality you can afford. A smaller stone of higher quality will appreciate more in value over time than a larger stone of lesser quality.

3) Comparison shop, but don't use price as your sole criterion. A diamond ring selling for \$500 may look identical to one that costs \$1,000, but the difference is quality. Consult with the jeweler about the quality and cut of gemstones and the workmanship of the pieces.

4) Make sure the precious metals used are exactly that. Only real gold is expressed in karats. Pure gold is 24-karat. Gold also comes in 18-karat

and 14-karat. Beware of processes such as electroplating that give the illusion of karat jewelry. Your jeweler can prove the karatage and value of the metal.

5) Be wary of large discounts. If a sale seems too good to be true, it probably is. Ask the jeweler when the piece went on sale and how long the sale will last. An ongoing and indefinite sale period may indicate it's not a real sale.

6) Be cautious when buying through the mail or by phone. The photograph may bear little resemblance to the actual piece. The important elements in fine jewelry that determine value cannot be seen in a photo: quality of workmanship, durability, and quality of stones and metals.

7) Check the store's return, repair and service policies before buying. A reputable jeweler should have policies covering all of these.

8) Buy jewelry for pleasure, not primarily for investment. Although fine jewelry will appreciate in value over time, don't make this the prime reason for your purchase.

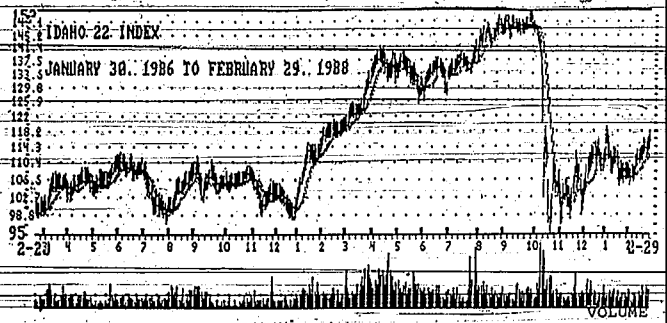
9) Insurance is a must. To fully enjoy fine jewelry, you should wear it, and proper insurance will ensure peace of mind. A qualified appraiser should evaluate the piece to determine the necessary level of coverage.

10) Do your research before buying so you can ask the right questions and buy the best piece of jewelry for your money.

Just how high average diamond prices will soar is a function of the simple realities of supply and demand. As Jaffe says, "The really big determinant is consumer demand, with the bottom line being will consumers pay the price?"

Idaho 22 Index

Prices as of Feb. 29, 1988



FIRM	PRICE	CHANGE	FIRM	PRICE	CHANGE
ALBERTSON'S	27 5/8	+ 3/4	IDAHO POWER	26 7/8	+ 5/8
BOISE CASCADE	47 3/8	+ 6 7/8	LOUISIANA PACIFIC	29 1/4	+ 1 1/4
CLAYTON SILVER MINES	1 3/8	N/C	MICRON TECHNOLOGY	19 1/8	+ 5 5/8
COEUR D'ALENE MINES	16 1/8	+ 1/2	MOORE FINANCIAL GROUP	25 1/2	+ 1/2
EG&G CORP.	38 3/4	+ 4 1/8	MORRISON-KNUDSEN	35 7/8	+ 3 1/4
FIRST INTERSTATE	45 3/4	+ 3 3/8	POTLATCH CORP.	31 1/8	+ 4 1/2
FIRST SECURITY	24	+ 1	ROYAL-APEX-SILVER	2 7/8	- 1/4
GEOCONE RESOURCES LTD.	1 5/8	- 1/16	SUNSHINE MINING	3 3/4	N/C
HECLA MINING	13 1/2	+ 1-3/8	TRANSECTOR	3 1/4	- 1/16
HEINZ H.J.	42 7/8	+ 3-1/8	TRUS JOIST	19 1/2	+ 1
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The Idaho Investment scene:

The Idaho 22 Index rebounded sharply in February after a disappointing decline in January.

The index jumped some 9.21 percent in February from 106.16 on Feb. 3 to 116.94 on Feb. 29. This performance compares quite favorably with the national market as the Dow Jones Industrial Average showed a 7.64 percent gain from 1924.6 to 2071.6 in February.

Micron Technology continued to dazzle investors with another spectacular increase of 41.87 percent for the month of February alone. Since October, Micron's shares have regained 247.73 percent! The company re-

ported record sales and earnings gains for the second consecutive quarter.

Idaho's wood products companies also had a good month in February. Boise Cascade gained \$6.76 to \$48.96, Potlatch gained \$4.16 to \$31.16, and Louisiana Pacific jumped \$1.16 to \$29.16. These companies have benefited from the depressed U.S. dollar, cut cutting, and increased demand for their products and services.

Idaho's mining stocks continued to be relatively flat in February as precious metals prices continued to decline significantly.

The Idaho 22 Index is an unweighted average of stock prices of 22 companies which have substantial business interests in Idaho. SOURCE: D.B. Fitzpatrick & Co., Boise Times-News graphic

Hard match, but Middleton gets a financial institution

MIDDLETON, Idaho (AP) — It was a perfect match.

The town badly needed a financial institution; the credit union badly needed to shore up its eroding membership.

The result: IDADIV Railway Federal Credit Union has its first branch office, and Middleton has a place to bank.

"It's an opportunity we couldn't pass up," said Shirley Williams, manager of the Nampa-based credit union. "The community is really supportive," said Anne Franks, IDADIV's operations officer in Middleton. "They really want it to work."

"It's extremely important to have not just any financial institution, but one who could serve a community like Middleton," said Jim Mitchell, president of the Middleton Business Association, the group that brought IDADIV to Middleton.

Already the credit union was making a favorable impact on the town, he said. Shopping traffic is up and business has been inquired about leaving town, Mitchell said.

Despite its success, it was not an easy match to make.

In June 1986, the Canyon County community of 1,900 already was hurting, along with the state's farm economy, when its only bank announced it would close its doors in two weeks.

After nine years without profit, Farmers and Merchants State Bank decided enough was enough. "In some of those years, we had hellacious losses," bank director H. Dean Summers

said at the time.

"It was a real surprise for us," Mitchell said.

When the shock wore off, the Middleton Business Association contacted every major bank in Idaho. All were polite, but said the same thing: Middleton credit did not support a bank.

Step two was to look at starting a new credit union. "We found it would be really difficult," Mitchell said.

Then Dan Abbott, a director for IDADIV, approached Mitchell. The credit union had been thinking about expanding, and Middleton was a logical choice.

IDADIV was founded 40 years ago to serve Union Pacific Railroad employees, but as the presence of the railroad declined the membership of the non-profit credit union dropped to about 3,000.

To combat the losses, the credit union sought and received permission from the National Credit Union Administration to expand its membership from railroad employees to other business groups.

The board of directors decided a branch office would help broaden that base.

That was a year ago. In that time the MBA negotiated a low rent in the Village Center Shopping Center, agreed to pay it for two years and promised deposits of \$1.5 million. In less than three weeks IDADIV has 125 new members and its \$16.5 million in assets is increasing.

"They worked very hard to get us there," Williams said. "There were a

lot of negotiations."

IDADIV cannot do everything, Williams admits. While it does have share drafts (checking) and several types of savings accounts and its service loan limit is \$30,000, which eliminates most agricultural and commercial loans.

An automatic teller machine is under discussion, Williams said.

But Mitchell said there are many more pluses than minuses.

No longer do business owners and elderly residents have to drive to Nampa, Caldwell or Meridian, a trip that can take an hour.

Simplot forced to convert old boxcars into cool carriers

BOISE (AP) — The J.R. Simplot Co. is now in the business of converting old boxcars into shiny carbon dioxide-

cooled cars sporting the company logo. The company has bought a building in Caldwell's industrial park, where 30 employees are retrofitting old cars with cooling equipment and insulating panels, spokesman Fred Zerza said.

Zerza said Simplot has had difficulty obtaining refrigerated cars because railroad companies are building fewer every year.

"That has led us to the construction of our own fleet," Zerza said.

Since September, Simplot has put 24 of the refurbished boxcars into ser-

vice to haul frozen potatoes, fruits and vegetables throughout the country from Simplot processing plants.

Depending on demand, the company may build as many as 200 cars over the next three years.

Zerza said the cooling system uses no moving parts. Once the cars are loaded, liquefied carbon dioxide stored under pressure at 70 degrees below zero is pumped into the cars through a hose.

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Elko to get chemical plant by 1989

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Mining Services International, a Utah-based manufacturer of bulk explosives, will construct a sodium cyanide plant in Elko County, Nev., a company official announced Thursday.

The plant will have an annual capacity of 25 million pounds of sodium cyanide, a chemical used to extract gold from gold-bearing ores.

The new facility will provide the only manufacturing source of the chemical in the Western United States. The compound currently is ex-

ported from the eastern U.S. or

other shipped from the eastern U.S. or imported.

If negotiations for financing are successful, construction of the Nevada plant will begin this spring and should be ready to begin operations by June 1989, MSI President Dr. Lex Udy said.

Nevada Chemicals Inc., a subsidiary of MSI, will be responsible for the manufacture and sales of the product.

The facility will cost about \$11 million and, at full production, annual sales will be about \$16 million, Udy said.

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Senate committee approves bill to broaden bank powers

By DAVE SKIDMORE
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Legislation approved by the Senate Tuesday grants broader securities powers and in other provisions offers a mixed bag for users of financial services.

The bill, passed on an 18-2 vote late Wednesday night, substantially repeals the 1933 Glass-Steagall Act, which separated banking from the securities business in the aftermath of the 1929 financial crash.

If eventually signed into law, it would grant banks immediate power to underwrite mortgage-backed securities, commercial paper and municipal revenue bonds. Banks would be able to deal in mutual funds and corporate bonds six months after enactment.

In a concession to the securities industry, the bill withholds power from banks to underwrite corporate stock — viewed by senators as the riskiest securities area — unless Congress authorizes that in a separate vote by April 1991.

Sen. William Proxmire, D-Wis., chairman of the committee and the bill's sponsor, said competition from banks likely will result in lower underwriting fees paid by businesses



SEN. CHRISTOPHER DODD
Hailed by consumer groups



SEN. WILLIAM PROXMIRE
Expects lower fees

and state and local governments. Mutual fund fees could edge down for individual investors and more competition in the underwriting of securities backed by home mortgages could save home buyers as much as \$1,000 on a \$100,000 mortgage, Proxmire said.

Consumer groups also hailed a section of the bill sponsored by Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., that provides new safeguards on home equity loans.

But they said limits on bank involvement in insurance, also sponsored by Dodd, could reduce competition in that field.

Michelle Meier, an attorney for

Consumer's Union, said Thursday she was disappointed in the insurance limits. She and five other consumer activists had argued in a letter to committee members that allowing banks into insurance "could reduce the cost of insurance and force the insurance industry to become more efficient."

Dodd acknowledged Thursday that his interest in limiting bank involvement in insurance stems from the concentration of insurance companies in Connecticut.

"This is like hogs in Iowa. To me it's important," Dodd told reporters. But he added that there are sound arguments for being cautious about letting banks take on the risk of insurance underwriting.

And, he said, "There's plenty of competition. I defy you to go out to any hamlet or borough in America and not find insurance agents competing against each other."

The home equity loan provision of the bill requires lenders to disclose the interest rate on loans in a clear and uniform manner as well as closing costs and repayment terms. It also would prohibit lenders from unilaterally changing the terms of a home equity line of credit after the contract is signed.

Meier and Leslie Gainer of U.S. PIRG, a group associated with consumer activist Ralph Nader, said in a statement that the Senate version is an improvement over a similar home equity bill in the House.

Another section would make it easier for consumers to shop for a place

to put their money by requiring banks and mutual funds to advertise in a uniform manner the interest rate paid on deposits and money market accounts.

Proxmire, Dodd and others predicted that the lopsided committee vote would ease passage of the legislation through the Senate. But similar bills in the House face more uncertain prospects.

Sunshine reports 3rd straight loss

BOISE (AP) — Sunshine Mining Co. has reported its third straight year of multimillion-dollar losses in 1987, and does not expect a profit this year.

Sunshine lost \$51.8 million last year, a substantial improvement over the \$103.2 million loss in 1986, the worst year in its history, Chief Accounting Officer William Davis said.

Revenues were \$145.8 million during the year, up 12 percent from \$129.9 in 1986.

"We made a lot of progress in probably what most would consider an adverse environment for oil and gas and precious metals," Davis said.

Sunshine attributed the improvement to a cost-reduction program, lower interest expenses due to reduced debts and higher silver and oil prices.

Offsetting the gains was a weak natural gas market, where spot prices fell off the market for half last year.

Sunshine said the 1987 loss reflected a one-time charge of \$9.2 million from the early retirement of \$60 million of convertible notes in November.

Dallas-based Sunshine is a major oil and gas producer and owns a Kellogg silver mine, considered one of the largest in the country.

Davis said the company is not predicting it will earn money in 1988. Sunshine assumes silver prices will not rise above \$6.50 an ounce and hydrocarbon prices will remain weak, he said.

Silver fell to around \$5 an ounce in 1986, prompting Sunshine and other companies to suspend mining. The Sunshine Mine was restarted in November.

Robert Peterson, vice president of mining at the company's Precious Metals Group headquarters in Boise, said the gradual startup of the Kellogg mine is on schedule. The mine

employs about 220 people.

Peterson said the company expects to return to full production by June, and the mine may produce as much as 5 million ounces of silver in the following year. Employment could reach 450 at full production.

He repeated previous reports that Sunshine is optimistic a labor contract can be reached with the United Steelworkers of America. Union miners have agreed to work without a contract and are negotiating a new agreement.

Sunshine proposes linking wages to silver production and prices. Workers would keep their jobs if production or prices fell. The union objects to the idea.

Prices jumped to nearly \$12 an ounce early last year, but then retreated. The silver price was \$6.25 on Tuesday.

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