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Nicaragua claims Honduran jets violated its border

The Associated Press

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras — President Jose Azcona Hoyos said Saturday he was reinforcing his troops along the border to oust Nicaraguan soldiers. Nicaragua reported later that Honduran warplanes had bombed Sandinista positions inside Nicaragua.

The Nicaraguan Defense Ministry issued a report in Managua saying the Honduran planes made the bombing attacks in the Bocay region, where Honduras said Sandinista troops

crossed into Honduran territory last week to attack U.S.-backed Nicaraguan rebels.

The Defense Ministry statement said the air raids were in the same area where Honduran jets dropped several bombs on Thursday.

There was no immediate comment on the Nicaraguan report by the Honduran government.

The Nicaraguan statement said two American-made F-5 jets staggered in the Bocay area about 65 miles northeast of Managua, dropping four

bombs against Sandinista army positions but causing no damages.

The ministry said that two F-5 warplanes flew over Sandinista positions Saturday morning in the frontier sectors of Mukuwas, San Andres de Bocay, Waniwas and Wayawas, producing no damage.

Both incursions were repelled by Sandinista anti-aircraft fire, the ministry said.

Azcona had announced he was sending more troops to the Bocay region and also said he wouldn't hesitate to seek more U.S. help.

He earlier had threatened Nicaragua with air raids, but said they would be restricted to Sandinista positions inside Honduras.

A few hours after Azcona made the

statements and before Nicaragua reported its territory was being bombed, the Honduran armed forces said the Nicaraguans were pulling back.

Col. Manuel Suarez Benavides, the armed forces spokesman, said in a telephone interview "their troops are withdrawing. About 600 Sandinista soldiers are still inside our country, and the rest have abandoned the area during the past 24 hours."

"This is a good sign on the part of the Managua regime, so that peace can prevail in Central America," he said. "We hope the Nicaraguan troops definitely leave our nation within the next 24 hours so that we can solve this serious problem of national security."

U.S. officials, who have sent 3,200 military personnel to Honduras in the past few days, said they expected approval this weekend for U.S. helicopters to airlift Honduran troops to non-combat areas near the fighting.

President Daniel Ortega of Nicaragua said he was appealing to the International Court of Justice for an injunction to prevent action that would heighten tension between the nations and he asked the United Nations to investigate the border dispute.

The United Nations agreed to send a team of observers to Nicaragua. The Soviet media accused the United States of trying to impose its will on Nicaragua and spoil Central American peace efforts by sending in

forces announced the Nicaraguans were withdrawing that the situation in the mountainous Bocay region deteriorated when Sandinista troops reentered Honduras after having retreated to the Nicaraguan side. He estimated the Nicaraguan strength in Honduras at about 2,000 by Saturday morning.

The president told The Associated Press he was reinforcing the 2,000 Honduran troops at the border with several more battalions.

A Honduran military intelligence officer said Honduran troops had the Sandinistas surrounded and were under orders to shoot or capture any Nicaraguan soldiers found on the wrong side of the border.

Reagan: Congress is to blame for crossing

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Reagan blamed Congress Saturday for the Nicaraguan border crossing into Honduras, and said rebels fighting Nicaragua's Marxist-led government must have assistance now.

In his weekly radio address, delivered from the Oval Office, Reagan made his first substantial statement on Central America since he ordered troops airlifted to Honduras on Wednesday.

He said congressional rejection last month of renewed aid for the Contra rebels in Nicaragua was "giving the communist dictators ... a chance to smash their opponents."

"Because of Congress' aid cutoff last month," the Sandinistas have mounted their major cross-border in-

ursion into Honduras," he said. "The freedom fighters are in desperate need of support," the president added. "If they are to remain a viable and effective force, they must have assistance now."

The president spoke as administration officials, on the condition they not be identified, were saying that Honduran president Jose Azcona had asked that U.S. helicopters be used to ferry Honduran troops to the fighting zone.

The officials said no decision had been reached, but one said the request was likely to be approved, perhaps this weekend.

One official, also speaking on condition he not be named, said the Nicaraguan forces were withdrawing from Honduras. According to administration officials,

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Noriega rejects calls for his exile

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Panamanian strongman Manuel Antonio Noriega indicated a willingness to step down as military commander but he rejected efforts by U.S. envoys to persuade him to go into exile as well, an administration official said Saturday.

"He wants to stay on. He wants to stay in Panama," the official said, commenting on the outcome of meetings Noriega had on Friday with two State Department officials who were dispatched to Panama.

Noriega, at his request, met with Deputy Assistant Secretary William Walker and the State Department's deputy legal adviser, Michael Kozak. The two were said to be planning a return to Washington this weekend.

The administration official, who asked not to be identified, said Noriega indicated a willingness to step down as commander of the Defense Forces but made it clear he wished to remain in his country.

Other U.S. officials had said earlier that Walker and Kozak were prepared to tell Noriega that the United States would not seek his extradition on federal drug-trafficking charges if he sought asylum in another country.

The administration was willing to make that concession because of concern over the high stakes that the United States has in that country and the desire to end the political and economic chaos there.

Noriega's press office said Saturday that he rejected the U.S. proposals for him to leave the country "as being unacceptable, illogical and anti-Panamanian."

The Defense Forces press statement gave no details of the American proposal, but said that while Noriega rejected it, he "totally reaffirmed his position of keeping the doors open to dialogue."

Spain has said it would admit Noriega, provided he asked for asylum and the United States did not seek his extradition.

Dukakis captures Kansas; Jackson holds Texas lead

By The Associated Press

Democratic presidential candidate Michael Dukakis captured the Kansas caucuses Saturday while Richard Gephardt won a major share of the national delegates in South Dakota as the state went the way of its earlier primary.

With 116 of the Kansas caucuses reporting their results to state party headquarters in Topeka, Dukakis had 278 delegates, Jesse Jackson 235, Sen. Albert Gore Jr., 125 and Gephardt 12. Another 100 local delegates had been elected in uncommitted states.

Democratic turnout was in Greeley and Wichita counties in far western Kansas, reducing the number of caucus sites from 117 to 115 and the number of local delegates selected

from 768 to 764.

"It's terrific," Dukakis said at the Jefferson-Jackson dinner in Detroit, where all the Democratic hopefuls except Jackson gathered Saturday night. "We've had a major victory in Kansas and feel good about it. Now we're on to Michigan and here we are."

Asked about the significance of the Kansas win, Dukakis said, "I think it's the first farm and agriculture state that I've won and won decisively. I think that's a very good sign for the future."

Rep. Gephardt of Missouri, speaking at the same Detroit dinner, said he wasn't really concerned about Kansas and that his campaign's focus has been on Michigan for the last couple of weeks.

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A company town divided



Nine families have threatened to sue Cactus Pete's, Jackpot's largest casino-hotel

Casino, Jackpot face split

Editor's Note: Revelations in December that Cactus Pete's security guards detained and photographed minors, allegedly without their parents' knowledge or consent, prompted an investigation by The Times-News. The following four articles are the result of a six-week investigation by reporters who went into the life and times of Jackpot. News

By KEN ARMSTRONG
Times-News writer

JACKPOT — Can a company town survive a split between company and town? Jackpot, population 600, and adjoining, is apparently willing to gamble its future on the answer. Yes. An outpost town overlooking Nevada's northeastern border, Jackpot is home to a lot of angry and bitter people these days.

Security — B1

Nine Jackpot families have threatened to sue Cactus Pete's, the town's largest casino-hotel operator, over the actions of its security officials in detaining juveniles. Parents were outraged following revelations in December that Cactus Pete's security personnel questioned and photographed children without their parents' knowledge, according to parents, that practice has been going on for four years.

But the state's deputies recently investigated charges that Cactus Pete's security guards billeted the town through intimidation and spring Cactus Pete's fired its top two security officials two weeks ago following an internal investigation.

In January, 120 people attended a bitter, 11-hour public hearing on the controversial caretaker of the town's golf course, Billy Downs.

Cactus Pete's wanted Downs fired as golf pro. The town wanted Cactus Pete's to mind its own business.

"They have come out of their build-

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Detention issue not over for parents

By KEN ARMSTRONG
Times-News writer

JACKPOT — One down, two to go. That seems to be the posture assumed by a clutch of nine Jackpot families threatening to sue Cactus Pete's over its actions in detaining juveniles. Those parents, represented by Elko attorney Gary McGraia, wrote in a letter mailed to Cactus Pete's in early February that they would take to the courts unless those demands were met.

One of those demands — the firing of the company's two top security officials, Smokey Tyndall, Vannattan and Alan Melroy — fell by

the wayside March 6 when Cactus Pete's terminated their employment.

Ken Edmunds, Cactus Pete's chief financial officer, said the company fired Vannattan and Melroy for "internal" reasons, unrelated to the parents' threatened lawsuit. The firings came two weeks after Cactus Pete's suspended Vannattan. Those parents, represented by Elko attorney Gary McGraia, wrote in a letter mailed to Cactus Pete's in early February that they would take to the courts unless those demands were met.

"We're going to stick by them," Sharon Feltman said.

Feltman, one of the parents embroiled in the dispute, added, "The biggest demand is met, so the other two are nothing to them — \$2,000 a month is nothing but a jackpot."

McGraia said the two parties are still joined in settlement negotiations, despite the passing of a Feb. 18 deadline imposed in the parents' letter. "As the matter stands, I think there are settlements between us," Tyndall said.

Cactus Pete's managers, however, said they are not presently negotiating with the parents. Edmunds said parents have not renewed contact.

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Suspect cylinders cause Pocatello plant evacuation

POCATELLO (AP) — Employees of the Gould Semiconductor plant and 98 residents of a nearby nursing home were evacuated Saturday after plant officials discovered cylinders of highly explosive gas were inside the plant.

Pocatello police Sgt. Steve Finley said that gas-filled cylinders carried the explosive equivalent of 60 pounds of TNT. If exploded, "it would level the building," he said.

Finley said police were told by company officials Saturday morning that a cylinder that caused an explosion in New Jersey was shipped from the Pocatello plant.

The explosion on Thursday killed three and injured six, and caused the evacuation of 2,000, who remained out of their homes Saturday. On Friday, the flaming cylinder was found amid the ruins of the plant.

He said police were told by company representatives that "the tank that exploded in New Jersey was here and was subsequently transferred to New Jersey."

Pocatello police Lt. Steve Stuart said he was told the cylinder had been shipped from Gould to New Jersey after it failed to react properly when being used in a manufacturing process at the Pocatello plant.

The danger of explosion in Pocatello Saturday centered around one cylinder that was hooked to machinery, said police Lt. Brad Hunt. He said the explosion in New Jersey occurred when the cylinder was detached. However, he said there was more than one cylinder in the plant, which manufactures computer chips and components.

Aerial pictures of the plant were being taken at midday and Gould officials were conferring by phone with experts from Chicago-based Liquid Carbonic Corp., manufacturer of the chemical compound. A hazardous materials expert, Larry

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Fluer, flew into Pocatello Saturday morning and fire and police officials were considering requesting help from more experts.

A cylinder exploded at the Gollub Analytical Services plant in Berkeley Heights, N.J., on Thursday, killing three people and seriously injuring a delivery man who had a leg amputated and suffered shrapnel wounds.

The explosion caused the evacuation of 2,000 people in the northern New Jersey city, including residents of a nearby nursing home.

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection spokesman Jim Staples said officials had not determined what kind of gas was in the cylinder that exploded Thursday or another that was burning Saturday.

He said the flaming cylinder could contain phosphine and hydrogen, which he described as a highly flammable mixture.

SIS supporters parade through Idaho Falls

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — Hundreds of supporters of the Special Isotope Separation project turned out in Idaho Falls Saturday to show their enthusiasm for the project by parading through the city.

Nearly 450 vehicles were in the parade, driven by representatives of businesses, unions, local elected officials, local chambers of commerce, and supportive citizens from throughout the region.

The vehicles were decorated with balloons and United States flags, and signs sporting the slogan, "Yes! Yes! SIS!" and "We support SIS in Idaho."

One vehicle displayed a sign which read "No, SIS." The vehicle proceeded through the entire parade route.

Idaho Falls Mayor Tom Campbell addressed the large group that came to the rally. Peace will be possible, he said, if the country keeps up a strong defense.

Mayors Dean Hill, Blackfoot, Dick Finlayson, Pocatello, Keith Scott, Ririe, Jay Radford, Leon, Gerald Mitchell, Ammon, and Eugene

Christensen, Shelley, were there to show their support, along with Bonneville County Commissioners Clyde Burtenshaw and Wylie Snarr.

Mayors Keith Park of Ririe and Karen Hansen of Iona didn't appear at the rally but were in the parade.

INEL-head Don Ote told the group that if Idaho gets the project, safety will be first. "I promise with everything I hold sacred that the SIS project will be as safe as possible," he said.

After the rally, Ote said he was pleased with the turnout and the support that was shown for the project.

"What impressed me was to see the broad base of support — the mayors, the commissioners, the chambers of commerce and the construction agencies," he said.

Ote said that their show of support will make a positive statement to the U.S. Department of Energy. He said that he plans on telling DOE Secretary Jay Harrison about Saturday's activities.

Nicaraguan leader appeals to World Court for protection

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — President Daniel Ortega, speaking Saturday before his government reported the Honduras air raids said he would ask the International Court of Justice for an injunction preventing military activities that could "raise tension" between Honduras and Nicaragua.

The move appeared designed to step up political pressure on the United States, which last week sent 3,200 American troops to neighboring Honduras as a warning to Nicaragua.

The tribunal at The Hague, Netherlands, also known as the World Court, has no power unless both sides of a dispute agree to its jurisdiction.

Ortega made his announcement in a talk-show appearance on government television during which he accused neighboring Honduras of being an accomplice in the criminal activities of Contra rebels against his regime.

While he did not name the United States in his announcement, Ortega appeared to be referring to the dispatch of American troops to Honduras.

Ortega asked the court to issue an injunction calling for unspecified "measures" of "protection" against any military activities "that could raise tension even more between Honduras and Nicaragua."

In Washington, Reagan administration officials said the dispatch of troops to Honduras was in response to an appeal for help by that country's president, Jose Azcona Hoyo.

Arizona claims Sandinista troops are still inside Honduran territory. But the Sandinistas say they are on

their own side of the border chasing U.S.-supported Contra rebels.

Ortega said his appeal was part of a lawsuit that Nicaragua filed several months ago with the World Court, demanding that it condemn Honduras for allowing rebels to use its territory to mount cross-border attacks.

Honduras and the Contras claim the rebel camps are on the Nicaragua side of the ill-defined, sparsely populated border. The Sandinistas contend the camps are inside Honduras.

Nicaragua's civil war has taken more than 40,000 lives since November 1981, when the Contras began fighting the Sandinista government.

The president said the Sandinistas had responded by hardening their negotiating posture, firing Cardinal Orlando y Bravo as mediator and sending "loads of thugs against peaceful opposition groups."

"And now, instead of negotiating for a cease-fire, they have launched a major military assault on the weak and elderly Contras — invading democratic Honduras in the process," he said.

"Now from the beginning, our Central American policy has been designed to prevent another Cuba and to let the people of Nicaragua win back their freedom and their independence from the Soviet Union on their own — to do this without having to commit American military personnel," Reagan told his radio audience.

"But now, because of Congress' aid cutoff last month, the Sandinistas have mounted their major cross-border incursion into Honduras," he said.

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tion estimates, 1,600 to 2,000 Sandinista soldiers had crossed the border.

"This official said the Contra rebels remained an effective fighting force, but faced serious short-term supply problems."

Reagan opened his radio speech with a reference to a jovial get-together on Thursday with congressional leaders, saying, "There was a nice celebration of St. Patrick's Day up on Capitol Hill this week; but believe me, that wasn't the only reason Congress knew I had my Irish up."

"Just as the heroic efforts of the democratic resistance have forced the communists to cut back on their aggression abroad and to make peace concessions, the Congress in a close vote decided to cut off aid to the freedom fighters," he said.

The president scoffed at the notion that the halt in aid amounted to "giving peace a chance," as some of its supporters argued.

"Instead," he said, "the aid cutoff is giving the communist-dictators a chance, a chance they long for. A chance to smash their opponents."

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"I'm concerned about doing well Michigan and I think we will," Gephardt said.

Michigan holds caucuses next Saturday to decide 138 delegates.

In Texas, Jackson held a slight lead over Dukakis with 1,499 of the 5,288 state delegates chosen in conventions and caucuses held around the state. Jackson had 676, Dukakis had 430, uncommitted 193, Gore 150, Gephardt 36 and Simon 14.

In the Super Tuesday primary in Texas, Dukakis captured 42 of the 119 delegates, Jackson won 42 and Gore gained 25.

Texas uses a peculiar, two-track system of picking delegates, with the results of the March 8 primary deciding the distribution of 119, and with

another 64, allocated statewide through a separate process of caucuses and conventions.

Dukakis leads the Democratic pack with 487.5 delegates, according to The Associated Press survey, and expected to gain a major share of the 39 delegates at stake in Kansas. A total of 2,082 delegates are needed to nominate.

Jackson closely trails Dukakis in the delegate race with 469.5 delegates while Gore is third with 357.8. Simon has 171.5 delegates and Gephardt is fourth with 154.

Gore, who was campaigning in Michigan, said the Kansas caucus "looks like ... a contest that's going to be divided up between the three front-runners. We expect to get our share of delegates in Kansas. I'm very

pleased with the results as they're coming in."

Illinois Sen. Paul Simon said before the start of the Jefferson-Jackson dinner that he expected the party to have to go through a bitter convention fight to select its nominee.

"I'm just saying that's a reality," Simon said. Even the current front runner, Dukakis, would have to win about 80 percent of the remaining delegates to wrap up the nomination on the first ballot, he said, adding, "That just isn't going to happen."

But Gore rejected that view, saying, "Some things that people think are inevitable turn out not to be. The race for the nomination is wide open. Anybody who thinks otherwise at this point is going to be surprised."

Parents

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was company officials since initially threatening to file a lawsuit.

The parents hired a lawyer following revelations in December that Cactus Pete's security personnel questioned and photographed children without their parents' knowledge. That practice has been going on for four years, parents said.

Former security guard Larry Gardner of Jerome alleged in a written statement that no parents "were ever notified that Cactus Pete's had detained their children" during his 3 1/2 years at the casino. Gardner also said none of the children was asked for his consent when photographed.

Gardner further alleged he could remember "a few occasions" when children "were physically forced into the security office."

Gardner's statement is but one piece of ammunition the parents have stockpiled for the threatened court battle. Bob Bloom, one of the parents, said they also have collected 11 statements from children who were detained by members of the casino's security force.

In their letter to Cactus Pete, parents quoted from a statement provided by former security guard Gary Seay, who alleged Vannatta and McInroy told him to "bang heads on walls" or "whatever it took" to keep "certain juveniles in line."

Bloom said in "one instance a kid was tucked under a guard's arm kicking and screaming and taken to the office."

Vannatta and McInroy denied ever forcibly detaining children. "It's never happened," McInroy said. "We don't forcibly move them."

Vannatta and McInroy said it is

company policy to release those individuals who resist their attempts at detention, then pursue the matter through the sheriff's office. But Vannatta said such recourse never became necessary with the children.

"We have never had a child say, 'I don't want to go,'" Vannatta said.

Edmunds said Cactus Pete's regularly experienced "problems with children on the grounds." The casino developed a policy about three years ago under which children improperly on the grounds "can be questioned and photographed."

Rob-Long, Cactus Pete's assistant general manager, said the casino's policy is to contact a child's parents when such action is taken. But McInroy formerly the security force's second-in-command after Vannatta, said sometimes it was difficult to go about the parents.

McInroy estimated security personnel were able to contact parents "about 50 percent of the time." Vannatta, at the same interview, added, "Or less."

Company managers said statements collected from children include references to parents having been contacted.

The parents, however, said they would place the percentage at zero. "Nobody that I know of has ever been notified," said Dwight Parish, one parent who had a child questioned and photographed. "I don't think anybody has."

Richard Carson, chairman of the town's advisory board, expressed incredulity at the company's claim that it tried to contact parents. "Three years and nobody gets notified? They must feel like we just rode in on a greyhound bus or something," he said. "This town is so small that they can't get hold of you."

An internal investigation launched by Cactus Pete's management immediately after the allegations surfaced in December revealed 32 pictures of children, with their name and address, and a description of the incident which caused the problem," Edmunds said.

But deputies question whether that search uncovered all the files accumulated by casino security. In a statement signed Jan. 27, former Cactus Pete's security guard Gary Seay wrote: "On or about Jan. 11 at 9:30 p.m. approximately, I walked into the security office unannounced and went into Smokey's office to see an article that had been written on them. I observed him opening a stack of files and destroying some and then securing others. When I went to look at them, he put his arm over them and changed the subject."

Today's weather A dandy day for spring's debut

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding:
Today sunny and warm. Highs 65 to 70. Wind light. Tonight partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 40s. Monday cool and breezy with a chance of showers and a slight chance of thunderstorms. Highs near 60.

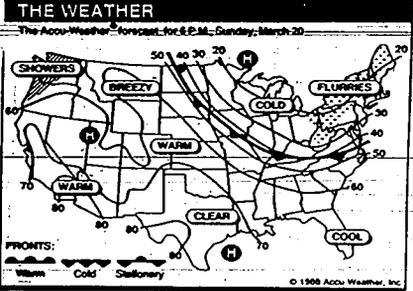
Camas Prairie and Wood River Valley:
Today sunny and warm. Highs 60 to 65. Tonight partly cloudy and cool. Lows 20 to 25. Monday cool and breezy with a chance of showers and a slight chance of thunderstorms. Highs 50 to 55.

Northern Utah and Nevada:
Utah — Fair tonight. Sunny but hazy today. Increasing clouds tomorrow with widely scattered showers or thunderstorms developing late in the day. Warmer. Lows tonight mid 30s to mid 40s. Highs today upper 50s and 60s. Highs Monday 60s to mid 70s.

Nevada — Mostly sunny and windy today. Variable high clouds tonight. Increasing clouds and gusty winds with some showers Saturday.

Overnight lows mid 20s to upper 30s. Highs today in the mid 60s to mid 70s and Monday in the 60s to low 70s.

Summary:
A warm ridge of high pressure will continue over Idaho through today. This will provide dry conditions and light easterly winds through Monday. A cold front from off the Pacific, however, is expected to push into



northern Idaho tonight and across the remainder of the state Monday bringing cooler temperatures and a chance of showers.

Sunny skies were the norm over the state Saturday with only thin high cloudiness reported. Much above normal temperatures were common statewide.

The warmest temperature in the state Friday was 76 degrees at Hagerman. The coldest was reported at 3 degrees.

The extended forecast for southern Idaho, Tuesday through Thursday, in the west a chance of mountain showers, otherwise dry through the period. Highs in the upper 70s to lower 20s. Lows upper 20s to lower 30s. East, mostly dry Tuesday. Chance of showers Wednesday increasing Thursday. Highs in the 40s. Lows 20s to lower 30s.

Elsewhere in the nation Friday, the highest temperature was 92 degrees at Santa Rosa Grove and Miramir, Calif. The lowest was 2 degrees below zero at Gunnison, Colo.

National

City	High	Low	Wind	Dir.	Clouds
Albuquerque	51	36	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Atlanta	51	36	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Boston	46	33	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Chicago	31	23	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Dallas	69	29	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Denver	51	36	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Des Moines	50	23	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Detroit	38	24	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Houston	65	22	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Indianapolis	44	28	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Kansas City	43	27	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Los Angeles	76	45	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Los Angeles	79	57	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Memphis	47	24	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Minneapolis	45	25	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Missouri	57	40	11	23	Partly Cloudy
New Orleans	45	25	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Oakland	54	30	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Oklahoma City	54	30	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Omaha	44	27	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Phoenix	64	54	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Pittsburgh	37	25	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Portland, Me.	47	27	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Portland Ore.	20	37	11	23	Partly Cloudy
St. Louis	47	27	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Salt Lake City	47	27	11	23	Partly Cloudy
San Francisco	47	27	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Seattle	47	27	11	23	Partly Cloudy
St. Petersburg	47	27	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Washington	47	27	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Winnipeg	28	20	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Yonkers	47	27	11	23	Partly Cloudy

Twin Falls

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Albany	41	26	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Blackfoot	41	26	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Boise	41	26	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Burley	41	26	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Camas Prairie	41	26	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Gooding	41	26	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Idaho Falls	41	26	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Jerome	41	26	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Leto	41	26	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Minidoka	41	26	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Shoshone	41	26	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Twin Falls	41	26	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Wendell	41	26	11	23	Partly Cloudy
Wood River Valley	41	26	11	23	Partly Cloudy

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ing and into our community, and have come after one of our town's jackpot residents...

What's behind all the bluster is a division over two areas of management in the running of Cactus Pete's, the company which effectively owns Jackpot...

On the one side are people loyal to former Cactus Pete owner Al Huber, whose style of management seemed to promote the town's development...

They're playing kamikaze up there, said Elko County Manager George Boucher. The direction of the town has got to turn around with their internal people...

Ernie Hall, chairman of the Elko County Commissioners, said, 'I've been here 37 years, and I've had a lot of good residents in Jackpot. But I've never seen anything like this. It's really torn the town apart.'

Cactus Pete's, up until the last couple of years, had always been very supportive of the town... So it was very surprising when all of this happened - Jackpot resident Troy Stone

But now, according to some residents, Neilsen wants to expand the casino's dominion to cover the town itself. In that pursuit, they say, Neilsen is destroying Jackpot - a town whose grit and string of accomplishments were once lauded by county officials...

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The charges and countercharges reveal Jackpot's darker side, a side few tourists and visitors see behind the bright lights and glitter.

Residents and ex-employees blame problems on the changes in Cactus Pete's management. But officials with Cactus Pete's, provider of roughly 700 jobs and owner of three-quarters of Jackpot's housing, tell a far different story...

'This town is rumor conscious,' said Art Ogle, the company's purchasing manager. 'If you don't hear one, you start one.'

Neilsen, who has been paralyzed and confined to a wheelchair since a bad car accident in November 1985, said his management philosophy differs considerably from that of former Cactus Pete's owners. Neilsen said he is attempting to develop an ideal operation - a business where professional management is stressed and customers' needs are un-failingly met...

'A general feeling of progress' The line of demarcation between good town, bad town falls in May of 1984, when Al Huber was removed as Cactus Pete's president and Neilsen assumed operating control. In the midst of the volatile 11-hour hearing over Billy Downs, Huber hearkened back to more tranquil and productive days. Huber said that from 1969 through 1984 - during the Neilsen era - the town developed an

adequate water and fire protection system, a sewer system, an 18-hole golf course. The school was expanded from kindergarten through high school, homes and apartments were built, and there was a general feeling of progress. We had a bank at one time and a doctor on a part-time basis. We were always alert to doing those things to improve.'

'Boucher, the county's manager since 1974, said, 'We used to hold Jackpot up as an example of how an unincorporated town could get together and form a united front to accomplish things.'

As a professional accountant, Huber had been affiliated with Cactus Pete's since 1966. He bought a third of the business in 1967, after which he shared ownership for many years with Ray Neilsen and George Detweiler, Sr. Those two men eventually died and left their shares to their sons.

Soon after, Huber was the odd man out in a high-stakes power struggle. He was removed as president in 1984 and then bought out in October of 1986. Neilsen is now controlling owner.

Other changes soon followed the shift in Cactus Pete's ownership. Within the last three years or so, the town's population has plunged from its zenith of 1,100 to approximately 800. Now some residents worry about the possibility of losing their high school, forcing them once again to bus students to Wells, 67 miles away. Those residents also talk

philosophy," he said. "In May of 1985, it got to the point where I couldn't tolerate it any longer and I resigned."

Philosophy is a word Cactus Pete's management also likes to use when describing changes in the town. "From a philosophical basis, and following good business practices, and no changes are made without what we feel are good business reasons to make those changes," Neilsen said.

Ken Edmunds, Cactus Pete's chief financial officer, makes the same contention, adding, "It's so unfair for people to try to read between the lines and say, 'Hey, I know what's going on.'

Referring to the bitterness in town generated by the firings, Edmunds said, "People thought they were going after individuals instead of trying to change a philosophy."

Edmunds cited a study released in December by D. Richey Management Corp., an independent study group, to illustrate the company's progress. The report said Cactus Pete's employees demonstrated high morale and seemed to be well-supervised, well-trained and friendly.

The study concluded that Cactus Pete's employees showed a "sincere concern for guest satisfaction," resulting in a "very positive guest impression."

Jack Sims, Cactus Pete's personnel manager since January 1987, described Neilsen as "a very bright individual" who "recognized that for the business needed to upgrade its standards."

In attempting to raise that grade, Sims said Cactus Pete's adopted a highly professional management-by-objective structure replete with documented projections and monthly progress reports.

'It was a wonderful organization when Al Huber was there... but when Craig Neilsen came in, well, it was time for a lot of us to go.' - Dale Fullenwider, ex-casino gift shop manager

'The last thing we're going to say is the transition is over,' Edmunds said. 'We want everyone to run like a top and for every guest who comes in here to be treated royally. In doing that, we're occasionally going to upset some people, but that's just a fact of life.'

Cactus Pete's managers concede there has been considerable turnover at the casino, but they quickly affix a number of qualifiers. "With casinos, there's no such thing as job security," said Art Ogle, who has worked 14 years in the gaming industry. "That's the nature of the beast."

Cactus-Pete's management also said its turnover compares favorably with other casinos in the area. The difference, according to Edmunds, is one of scale. "When you are a large company in a small town and you have a large turnover, it's perceptible," he said.

The list of Cactus Pete's employee benefits has lengthened considerably since Neilsen took over, managers said. The changes have apparently also improved Cactus Pete's lot. The company's management would not pro-

vide specific figures, but, according to Edmunds, Cactus Pete's is "very pleased" with its profit level. Neilsen has his defenders. Marlene Duncan, a former employee who sees Neilsen first and foremost as a businessman, and who "just as importantly - finds nothing wrong with that. Duncan, a food and beverage manager with Cactus Pete's in both 1983 and 1985, portrays Neilsen as a progressive perfectionist akin to New York developer Donald Trump.

I think he's trying to improve Cactus Pete's, Duncan said. "Some of his tactics may not be ethical in some people's eyes, but that's life."

"I always saw him - and I guess I'm the only person in the whole town who saw him this way - as a very

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kind individual," she added. "I don't think he was there to make waves, and I don't think he was a headhunter."

Before she ultimately left the company because of a serious work-related injury, Duncan had been hired and had worked during each of the Cactus Pete's eras - pre-Neilsen and post-Huber. Designating Huber's regime a "mom-and-pop operation," she said she much preferred working for Neilsen.

"I think Al Huber went overboard," she said. "Somebody I wouldn't be surprised to see a statue of Al Huber in a city park. But Craig's not interested in that. He wants dollars. He's not looking for, I guess, the respect. That's big business."

'We're kind of regressed' If Cactus Pete's is winning, then some townspeople say Jackpot is losing.

Huber contrasted the town's current state to its vigor in the days of old.

The general feeling of the community is that we are no longer making progress, he said. "Many of the apartments are empty, the school enrollment is not what the school system would like; only one home has been built - by a county deputy."

Casino employees no longer feel secure enough to risk their money to build a home. For the good of the town, changes in attitude must be made. This will only come if Cactus Pete's decides to work with and for the good of the community, not just for the good of Cactus Pete's.

Richard Carson, chairman of the town's advisory board, concurred. "We've kind of regressed," he said. "We haven't progressed."

Residents point to several factors in analyzing the town's languor, but one

Figures compiled by the company's security department show almost 34,000 people road round trip in 1987. Accounting for the fact the bus runs seven days a week, that total translates into roughly 93 employees a day who rode the bus.

"It's just killing our little town of Jackpot," said Jackpot resident Sharon Feltman. "They're spending all their money in Twin Falls."

There have been statements made that Cactus Pete's is the only casino in the state that buses money out of town," said Feltman's husband, Dale, a former Cactus Pete's employee fired in August.

To Neilsen, complaints concerning Cactus Pete's role in the community are neither new nor easily addressed. He described it as a no-win situation. "I think it's clearly related to the fact that we are the largest employer in Jackpot and we do have a major impact in the community," he said. "Consequently, we walk a tightrope."

Cactus Pete's is the only casino in the state that buses money out of town,' - Dale Feltman, a former employee

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response from townspeople has been underwhelming. Several contend that even if the efforts are generally sincere, those managers responsible for it will probably be fired within a year anyway. Around here, they joke about placing bets on when certain employees will get the Cactus Pete's ax.

But at least some residents are willing to give it a go.

"I do have to say this in Cactus Pete's defense," Carson said. "I think that at least in these last few weeks they have tried to establish a dialogue, to create better relations."

"I'm going to be skeptical, but I'm going to be cooperative."



CRAIG NEILSEN Cactus Pete's owner

director. "We're not trying to run the community. We're trying to break down the barriers and open the lines

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Micron merits credit in expansion issue

The decision by Micron Technology this past week to expand its Boise operation instead of placing its next 1,000 jobs in Portland or another site comes as a welcome relief for Idaho and its economy.

But while we praise the company for its commitment to Idaho, we are nonetheless concerned that the decision will be interpreted by some as a reason to pull back on a commitment to a quality, accountable education system.

Micron officials were none-too-subtle in their statements this winter that continued regionalism among Idaho's small and mediocre universities would compel it to look to another state for its expansion.

They also cited a too-heavy emphasis on athletics and non-academic programs, as well as relatively poor funding at the secondary school level.

The result was no dramatic change, but at least what looks like a further commitment by Boise State and the University of Idaho to bring some engineering programs to Boise. That was enough to satisfy Micron - for the moment.

Some may interpret Micron's loud complaints as economic blackmail, but we think the company should be commended for both deciding to stay in Idaho this time around, and for its candor.

Anyone who has visited universities as close by as Oregon, a worldliness which doesn't describe all of Idaho's education officials - knows that Idaho is simply being left behind compared to what is happening around the country in educational quality.

The reason isn't money; it's regionalism. We have too many schools and too many programs in the wrong places.

Why, for example, did it take Micron's bluster to get people off the dime on bringing engineering education from Moscow to Boise? The answer is turf protection.

None of this will change until we want it to. In the meantime, we can expect to see an increasing percent of our young people head for out-of-state schools for their higher educations. They are voting with their feet.

That's good news for the better universities in other states who have discovered how they can come into Idaho and easily skim off the cream of high school graduating classes, simply by offering students quality programs.

They know the students and their parents will pay for it.

Idahoans have a right to expect to be better than out-of-state schools' private fishing pond.

In its own way, Micron is trying to sound the alarm over this issue. We think it deserves a lot of credit for doing so.

Letters-welcome

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

We are immersed in the Don't Bother Me Years

WASHINGTON - Americans awoke Thursday morning to learn that in the middle of the night the president had dispatched 3,200 U.S. combat troops to Honduras, where our proxy warriors, the Contras, are fighting the Nicaraguan Sandinista forces.

The most significant reaction to that event was the virtual absence of public reaction. No outrage, no anger, no cries of alarm, no detectable cheers even.

Nothing.

Sure, there were murmurs of concern on Capitol Hill as another Contra policy debate began and scattered, predictable protests, but if any emotional chords were struck in the country, they were not evident. Thus, this episode provides another sign of the Reagan times: If something doesn't touch you personally, forget it. Out of sight, out of mind; and remember, Don't get involved.

These are not the Taliban Years. They are the Don't Bother Me Years. Americans have been anesthetized.

Corruption in Washington or Wall

Haynes Johnson

Street? So what? They all do it. Arms sales to Iran, profits to the Contras, Ollie North, John Panter & Co., disinformation campaigns, lies, deceit, massive destruction of official records, betrayal of trust? Who cares? Another presidential campaign? Forget it. They're all dirty. And what difference does it make who's in the White House anyway?

Nobody's got the answers, so don't expect anything great. Worry about yourself first.

I don't really accept this passive portrait of Americans today, but it contains enough truth to raise troubling questions. National opinion on major issues is sufficiently fragmented to raise questions about what the country collectively believes and what it is willing to do about several obvious problems: Central America, economic competitiveness, the deficit.

Even more vexing is to try to understand

why so many Americans remain aloof from public questions and why they refrain from public involvement.

Obviously, there are no simple answers, but fascinating new evidence exists about the attitudes of a large slice of the American electorate. The current issue of Rolling Stone magazine contains preliminary findings from a group portrait of the so-called "baby boomers" - Americans between 18 and 44 - the nation's largest bloc of voters.

As author William Greider writes of this critical group, "They are the first generation to experience life, from infancy to adulthood, in the glowing presence of television. At least potentially, they are the generation that will set the tone of the national experience for the next 20 years or so."

Greider's initial report, and others that will follow are based on a poll begun two years ago by Peter D. Hart Research Associates, one of the nation's best-known political polling firms. The object of the survey, commissioned by the magazine, was to provide the most extensive analysis to date of

these Americans and to make it available in a watershed presidential election year.

Greider points to one finding as perhaps the most revealing. When asked to pick the two people in public life they had admired most in the past 20 years, the baby boomers "did not choose a great president or a titan of business and finance or name a celebrity from the world of sports or entertainment. They turned instead to the past, when the idealism of many of them was a powerful force at work in American society."

They chose Martin Luther King Jr. and Robert F. Kennedy. Two dead heroes. There are no living ones.

Another finding is more striking and timely. This generation, according to the survey, is isolationist, a generation that has "retreated into itself." Specifically, it has "no desire for foreign adventures - and certainly not war."

As Greider puts it: "The gut question in anyone's world view is this: Under what circumstances would one be willing to serve in the armed forces and go to war?"

The answers are stunning: 40 percent of this generation, including 37 percent of the men, could not identify any circumstances under which they would go fight for the country.

Only 33 percent of the men would willingly fight alongside our allies to defend Western Europe. Only 19 percent of the men would be willing to serve in a war to keep a Third World nation from falling to the communists. Only 22 percent would enlist to defend our sources of oil in the Persian Gulf.

There's much to be disturbed about in this finding - and some reason for cheer. It strongly suggests that this group of Americans, stymied by Vietnam and taught by events to hold a more cynical view of public leaders, will not accept passively a Rambo action to support a failed policy in the jungles of Central America.

Haynes Johnson writes for The Washington Post.



Choice of running mates critical

As candidates for the Presidency fall away, attention begins shifting to prospective running mates.

The day before his Super Tuesday blowout, Vice President George Bush said that if his staffers were even thinking about it, he'd "kick 'em." It would be "presumptuous and arrogant," he said, to get into the "pure politics of dangling the vice presidency." Translation: don't waste the bait.

Yet a high level Bush staffer confided 10 days earlier, "Bush has given more thought to the vice presidential nomination than most people for obvious reasons." The Bush short-list includes California Gov. George Deukmejian, Colorado Sen. William L. Armstrong, Illinois Gov. James R. Thompson and former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander.

The morning after Super Tuesday, when Massachusetts Gov. Michael S. Dukakis was asked if the Rev. Jesse Jackson might be his running mate, he said he hadn't thought about it. Confirming this the next day, his spokesman claimed, "We're not calling anybody in, and we're not ruling anybody out."

If Dukakis really hasn't thought about it, they ought to - quickly. As Missouri Rep. Richard A. Gephardt's press secretary, Ali Webb, said the same day, "The vice presidential spot is absolutely critical for Democrats this year."

Considering the history of the office over the past 46 years, it is critical for all of us. The vice presidency has produced four of the past eight presidents, several unsuccessful nominees, and probably the 1988 GOP contender.

Patrick Thomas

This year, the choice is more significant for Republicans. Although the age issue has been driven underground by two successful Ronald Reagan campaigns, the fact remains that George Bush, at 64 next year, would be two years older than Dwight Eisenhower was at his first inauguration.

The ultimate Republican dream ticket would be Bush and Dole; George and Elizabeth, that is. With a single stroke, Bush could unify the party, solidify his Southern strength and attract women from the Democratic Party with a credible female running mate. Yet this is almost certainly too potent to be possible.

New York Rep. Jack Kemp, the GOP's emerging good guy, was miniaturized alongside Republican Senate Leader Bob Dole and the vice president. His single digit standings in race after race used him up this year, probably. No other GOP primary contender need apply.

On Bush's supposedly secret short list, Republican governors abound, partly because it's smart to flatter such people before their states' primaries, and partly because the GOP cannot afford to lose even one senator next year.

Deukmejian, who might have been needed in a close race against Dole, is known east of the Rockies only vaguely for having stood firm against raising state taxes. As a regional candidate, he is superfluous - if Ronald Reagan campaigns for the Republican ticket as vigorously

as expected.

Colorado's Armstrong, rated by the liberal Americans for Democratic Action at a pristine zero, was perhaps once a fallback choice if Pat Robertson had become a threat. The former television evangelist was, himself, unthinkable.

"Big Jim" Thompson, the four-term, racket-busting Midwesterner, endorsed Bush in the critical Illinois primary. That cracked the Dole candidacy. Selection of Thompson would entail a radical Bush shift to the center, the Illinois governor, endorsed by the Illinois AFL-CIO in 1986, is probably the last important, incumbent liberal Republican left alive. At the very least, he should expect to be named attorney general in a Bush Administration.

The Southern pragmatist, Alexander, built his two-term reputation on progressive policies in education and foreign trade. Choosing him would take Dukakis down a notch on the leadership issue. The Massachusetts governor, who likes to brag about his election as chairman of the National Governors' Conference, succeeded "The Tennessee in the job."

Bruce Babbitt, the former Arizona governor who dropped out of the presidential race last month, has come up with the Democratic scenario for the dream ticket. Dukakis, meeting with Jesse Jackson and Albert Gore Jr. in a presumably nonsmoking room, says, "What do you think?" Jackson replies, "Name Al Gore your running mate." And everybody lives happily ever after.

But pairing Dukakis and Gore for victory is

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Good bills: Stump-Early, Dowdy-Coats

WASHINGTON - A few years ago, during one of the many slow spells on Capitol Hill, it occurred to a daydreaming congressional staffer that bills would have a better chance of passing if their content fit with the name, or names, of the legislators initiating them.

Thus a few years ago, Reps. Mendel Rivers and Daniel Flood might have gotten together on the Rivers-Flood Bill to provide emergency disaster funds for towns along the Mississippi.

Now there is a new roster in Congress, and it seems fitting once again to suggest bills that are in a sense of appropriate authors in the current House and Senate:

The Gallo-Dowdy bill to establish truth in labeling on alcoholic beverages.

The Hyde-Swindall bill requiring full disclosure of all private economic activity by senators and congressmen.

The Walling-O'hey bill removing penalties for corporal punishment in schools.

The Pickle-Staggers bill to eliminate taxes on Scotch, bourbon, gin, vodka and tequila.

The Kildee-Dole bill quadrupling the current appropriation for Workforce programs.

The Flippo-Bonker bill to create a computerized Advisory Data Bank for screening presidential candidates.

The Stallings-Delay bill to legitimize open-ended filibusters in congressional debates.

Burling Lowery

The Penny-Nickles bill to impose a "sin" tax on children's bubble gum, crackerjacks and lollipops.

The Early-Prost bill to provide emergency funds to citrus growers whose crops have been damaged or destroyed by inclement weather.

The Daub-Clay bill establishing college scholarships for students demonstrating talent in ceramics.

The Ford-Bumpers bill to increase the federal tax on automakers whose cars have been declared unsafe by Ralph Nader and associates.

The Stump-Early bill to push back by one year the dates for the low caucus and the New Hampshire primary.

The Snow-Plake bill requiring schools to remain open during snowstorms until the accumulation exceeds 2 feet.

The Coyne-AuCoin Bill abolishing the penny as a medium of monetary exchange in the United States.

The Wiso-Solomon bill requiring qualification tests for federal judges.

The Skelton-Specter bill establishing Halloween as a national holiday.

The Rangel-Pickett bill on labor-management relations.

The Nunn-Lott bill establishing an all-purpose sliding scale as a federal standard.

The Levin-Baker bill granting rye equal status with maltzoo.

The Archer-Army bill creating elite low-intensity-warfare units.

The Early-Byrd bill establishing 7 a.m. as the federal starting time.

The Quayle-Fields, Fish-Brooks and Crane-Boggs bills protecting natural habitats.

The Wyden-Rhodes Bill to expand the interstate highway system.

The Yallic-Cooper bill establishing a national system of hiking trails.

The Clinger-Boxer bill limiting prizefight clinches to five seconds.

The Hofner-Valentine bill establishing Feb. 14 as a national day of love.

The Loken-Sharp bill providing a congressional day of snowmelt.

The Dowdy-Coats amendment prohibiting use of that allowance for congressional spouses.

The Hatcher-Natcher Bill to outlaw all newspaper columns which pair up the names of congressmen for light and frivolous reasons.

Burling Lowery is a Washington-based essayist and critic who is writing a book on prose styles in America.

Opinion

Letters/ Child abuse, wilderness bill, Soviet Union draw comment

Child abuse deserves harsher penalties

Once again, my feelings are stirred over the recent articles being published in The Times-News concerning child abuse legislation. The article proclaims there are laws being held up in the legislature that could stiffen the penalties and speed up the trials. The other article tells me that the new laws would only make things more confusing and would make plea-bargaining more difficult.

I agree with Governor Andrus that we need to close the legal loopholes that have permitted child abusers and molesters to avoid paying for their crimes against children.

I have spoken to many people in the Twin Falls area subject, and have never once found one that felt that the laws in the state of Idaho were efficient enough to dispense proper justice.

We have just passed through an era of time when it seemed the criminal had more rights than the victim. And yet, the punishment being meted out on the criminal were barbaric, more specific "cruel and unusual."

The real barbaric factor here is that we, as society, are letting the offender off, sometimes over and over again, and that the punishment here is too lenient or non-existent.

I would like to state my opinions in dealing with these matters: (1) I believe that when our justice department is dealing with child abusers and/or molesters, there should be no such thing as plea-bargaining. (2) Harsher punishment for harsher crimes and for crimes committed to victims under 12 years of age and/or if a knife or gun is used. (3) Easier trials without bail in more serious cases. (4) That the suspect's money or position does not and cannot enter into any case of child abuse or molestation. (5) If the child dies as a result of the abuse, so should the criminal.

As citizens, I believe we are being better informed and we are becoming more aware of the need to be heard on this subject. I also believe now is the time to encourage our legislators and law enforcement personnel to speak up and stand for the people.

If you agree with me, please write your congressmen and legislators. Or if you would like, feel free to clip and send this article to them with your endorsement.

DALLAS BUHLER
Twin Falls

America should fear the Soviet Union

America is in great danger, and there is a failure of those in leadership to alert us. We deserve to know the truth so we might respond accordingly. Ever since Franklin D. Roosevelt, and perhaps earlier, we have dealt with the most ruthless men on earth, as we pumper, coddle and succor the Communists. Many of our leaders

have either knowingly sold us out, or they are lacking the intelligence to know that they have done so.

We have made one treaty after another with these gangsters, kept our part, and disarmed. Many of the treaties have not been ratified but we still have disarmed to please the peace at any price flock. Russia has never violated the treaties and build the most colossal war machine the world has ever known. Walkers and other traitors have helped them with free technology. Our politicians have provided the money, food, and loyalty they needed.

For the past five years, Russia's capability is so great that they no longer fear America's or any other nation's ability to strike back, after a first strike. Today they have the capacity to withstand any weapon we have, including any nuclear missile, our arsenal. Their silos have been so strengthened that they will not be disabled by our missiles. They are capable of a second and third strike at us. Their efficiency is so improved that they now have our silos targeted and they will be able to penetrate our strike back capability.

Russian cities have the best civil defense programs, and security systems ever devised. Most of their population would survive a strike. They have built what is believed to be a SIS defense system, which from all understanding is workable. They have highly developed laser weapons. Furthermore they have never abandoned their quest for world domination. When they negotiate for peace, they laugh at the SIS defense system.

Russia has the capability of choosing any target, or targets in America or elsewhere in the world, and within 30 minutes nuclear missiles can be exploded which would annihilate the intended city, including Washington, D.C. They can fire very accurate long range missiles, which will hit any target in America, and we have no defense against them. One such missile exploded in the atmosphere of North America, would create such high electrical charges that our transmission lines would carry these voltages to our everyday equipment, and our military computers, burning them out. There would be no way to retaliate. Electronic cars would be unable to operate after the surge of power enveloped our nation. All of North America would be affected by one missile.

Then we have whimps who want us to finish disarming, to sign peace agreements with the thugs, and to stop any effort to defend ourselves by developing and implementing SIS. America has no military defense system or force for defending this country. The cry is peace at any price. Is peace more precious than freedom? If you doubt what I say, allow me to share documentation.

NOLAN VICTOR
Twin Falls

Niagara petitions due by March 28

Petitions for Niagara: Some of you people are sending back your petitions and they're

coming in great. Some of you have called about when they are due and if you can get additional names, fine.

If you need petition blanks, call me at 536-2219. They should be mailed to me by March 28, that gives us time for me to mail on to the Corps to reach them by April 4th, which is the end of the comment period, and is also the final date for the final comments.

I've asked you to send the Corps of Engineers just a one sentence comment such as it ruins the scenic view, it's in a park area, can't see the falls and it just plain ruins the looks of the area from the way it's been since the beginning of time. These should go to Corps of Engineers to Dean Hilliard, Chief of Engineers, Walla Walla, Wash. 99362. Write those comments.

BOB WIRKS
Wendell

State School should emulate Gallaudet

Speaking as a deaf individual that grew up in the State School in Gooding, I'd like to say that I'm really happy that Gallaudet University now has a deaf president. Congratulations.

That means deaf people are finally waking up. I'm glad to see it. We are finally fighting for our rights and winning.

In keeping with the success of Gallaudet University, I'd like to give a couple of opinions of my own about the State School in Gooding: The State School for the Deaf should have more deaf employees on their staff. When the job application asks for qualified ASL (American Sign Language) individuals, why is it the superintendent himself, does not speak the language? How can someone that has very little signing skills require his staff to know and use it? There are several members on the staff whose signing skills are less than skillful. How can that be when they are working with the deaf? Should this be able to continue without serious thought?

I think not!
KEITH DROWN
Twin Falls

Crime, divinity have little in common

To all you relatives who are too divine to commit any crime, your Jesus be with you.

ROY W. HAFNER
Twin Falls

Wilderness bill is highly unpopular

The Senate field hearings on the Idaho Forestry Management Act are both taxonomic and the results are in. Despite incredibly short notice, over 500 people managed to sign up, and testify at three different hearing locations. Less than five percent of all individuals and organizations that testified supported this bill for any reason. The vast majority of testimony consisted of individuals in the after-

noon. Seventy percent of those testifying strongly urged Senator McClure and Governor Andrus to eliminate all dangerous special management lands such as insect-larvaceous provisions which would undermine current laws such as the Wilderness Act and the National Forest Management Act. These same people strongly urged the authors to increase wilderness protection around the state. The message from these hearings was loud and clear.

The bill is now in Senator McClure's court. Congress now knows how unpopular this bill is in Idaho. If S.2055 is to have any chance of passing this year, Senator McClure and Governor Andrus must listen to the hearing record and show some flexibility. If this bill fails to pass Congress, it will not be because of the inflexibility that has dominated the process thus far.

Conservationists and sportsmen within Idaho hunt and fish for wilderness legislation. We are all willing to compromise. Please join us in our plea for flexibility.

TOM ROBINSON
The Wilderness Society Boise

SIS will be source of economic disruption

Over the past year there has been a great deal of discussion in Idaho over the Department of Energy's proposed Special Isotope Separations plant. Supporters of SIS argue that the plutonium plant will bring billions of dollars to the Idaho economy and that jobs and other benefits will be there for the taking.

It is true that the SIS project, if it goes ahead, would bring money and jobs to Idaho. As has been pointed out, most of those jobs would go to people moving in from outside of Idaho with a good deal of the construction money going to out-of-state contractors as well. It is also important to realize the unrealistic assumptions regarding plutonium production on which the SIS project and those jobs are

based. Plutonium production is going to end and soon, for the simple reason that the United States does not need to produce any more. As Energy Secretary Hergert recently commented before a U.S. House of Representatives appropriations subcommittee, the United States is "awash in plutonium," and we "have more than we need."

The logical conclusion of Energy Secretary Hergert's comments is that the SIS plant, Senator McClure's pet project, is a multi-billion dollar pork barrel. SIS proponents are wrapping themselves in the flag in the hopes of making a fast buck, and in the process are working to spend the United States into the ground.

If you are a SIS supporter, you should really take the time to ask yourself how the workers at Hanford's N-Reactor feel about DOE's pat assurances of the need for continued plutonium production and whether those people still trust the Department of Energy. The state of Idaho and her citizens are being set up for a fall by DOE and others with self-interests in continued plutonium production.

The real fruits of the SIS project for Idaho are an influx of out-of-state workers, higher taxes, crowded schools, environmental contamination and future economic disruptions.

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Continued from Page A4 likely to be as problematic as mating pandas at the National Zoo. Neither seems suited to the passive role, and Gore's savaging of Dukakis as "unelectable" would be a recurring theme in GOP attacks next fall.

Gore himself disclaims any interest in veephood - nor has he picked one.

The real wild card, of course, is Jackson, who has never ruled out the vice presidency. But all the stories about the new, conciliatory Jackson reflect a certain amount of wishful thinking and ignore what the candidate himself says: "The question of my brokering role is an insult to the integrity of this campaign."

Among the Democratic Hamlets, including New York Gov. Mario M. Cuomo and New Jersey Sen. Bill Bradley, Nunn could add the needed regional appeal to a Dukakis ticket. The owlish Georgian's low-key draw would be perfect counterpoint to the staccato Dukakis delivery, which has a sticky ring to it. Ditto cars. Choosing a running mate has been a quirky, personalized, often last-minute process in modern American politics. Veteran pollster Charlie Roll remembers that Dr. George Gallup believed that NO vice presidential nominee was likely to win more than three percentage points to a ticket, but that the potential for disaster was virtually limitless. Who can forget the choices of Sen. Thomas F. Eagleton and Rep. Geraldine Ferraro? Now, Roll warns, "nothing's changed."

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Court holds tobacco firms retroactively accountable

BOSTON (AP) — Tobacco companies can be held accountable for not having warned consumers about the hazards of smoking before a law was passed requiring warning labels on cigarette packages, a federal judge ruled.

U.S. District Judge Walter Jay Skinner dismissed claims by Jonathan Kotler that her husband died of lung cancer because three tobacco companies failed to warn about the hazards of cigarette smoking after the Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act went into effect on Jan. 1, 1966.

But Skinner ruled that she will be allowed to continue her case on the basis of inadequate warnings before the federal law was enacted.

"There is no language in the act that even hints at retroactive application of protection provided by the package warning, and it surely is not necessary to give the act retroactive application in order to give it full force of effect," Skinner wrote.

Skinner's opinion, issued last Wednesday, resulted from a hearing held in October 1987, two months after a similar case was dismissed by a

federal appeals court ruling that the warning labels on cigarette packages protect tobacco companies from liability suits.

American Tobacco Co. had argued that the Kotler suit, filed in March 1986 against it and two other tobacco companies, Philip Morris Inc. and Liggett Group Inc., should also be dismissed. But Skinner disagreed, saying the court did not distinguish in the previous case between smoking done before the warning labels were begun and smoking done after.

Judge dismisses manslaughter charges for willful AIDS infection

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — A judge has dismissed attempted manslaughter charges against a prostitute who continued soliciting sex after she contracted the AIDS virus; a case believed to be the first of its kind in the nation.

times on prostitution-related charges, tried to kill two men last summer by agreeing to have sex with them after she had been told she carried the deadly acquired immune deficiency syndrome virus. Neither man has tested positive for the virus.

Assistant State Attorney Rick Bo-

gle said the state will decide next week whether to appeal the ruling. Ms. Sherouse is scheduled for trial May 2 on six unrelated misdemeanor charges and a racketeering charge.

"She didn't care what happened," Bogie said. "She didn't care she could kill somebody."

Circuit Judge Michael Cynamick ruled Friday that prosecutors failed to prove that Elizabeth Kay Sherouse, 24, actually intended to kill any of her customers.

"Thank you, Jesus," Ms. Sherouse said after the judge's decision. Although the judge said she might have been negligent in continuing to solicit sex, he said there was no evidence indicating she had an intent to kill.

Prosecutors claimed that Ms. Sherouse, who has been convicted nine

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Protests mount over troop deployment

The Associated Press

Protesters scaled an Air Force Base fence in New Jersey and converged in Boston and other cities Saturday to oppose sending U.S. troops to Honduras, while a few smaller groups voiced support for the action.

About 5,000 people, some carrying signs with slogans such as "Reagan and North — Boy Scouts from Hell," rallied in Boston Commons at noon.

Western veterans, elderly couples and young families with children listened to speeches; while some protesters handed out copies of The Socialist Worker. Police reported no arrests.

Shortly after the rally began, about 10 members of the Young Americans

For Freedom appeared. Carrying signs in support of President Reagan, and Lt. Col. Oliver North, the group recited the pledge of allegiance and chanted "Ollie North, he's our hero! all you Commies are one big zero!"

"We wanted to show that people support Reagan," said Ken McCracken, 24, a Boston University student. "We believe the U.S. has the right to send troops to protect our interests."

One of those protesting on the other side was Robert Hickey, 34, a Vietnam veteran. "I'm here because I don't believe we should send our troops to Honduras," he said. "I think the Reagan people have a communist hysteria. Anytime they see people ris-

ing up for their rights — they use the excuse that they're communists."

In Wrightstown, N.J., four people were taken into custody at McGuire Air Force Base during a protest by about 100 demonstrators, base officials said.

About 25 demonstrators who sat down inside the base entrance were carried outside the gate by Air Force police and 35 officers dressed in riot gear. One man who broke away and entered the base was taken into custody. Two others who climbed over or crawled under a fence. The four were later released.

The Air Force "maintained standard security precautions to ensure the security of the base's perimeter

and there was no property damage," said Airman 1st Class Timothy Hoffman.

In Chicago, about 30 people carrying signs and flags walked about the downtown Daley Place to back U.S. policy in Central America.

"We believe the struggle against Russian dominance has to take place wherever Russia is grabbing territory," said Julian Witkowski, 66, a retired furniture finisher who said he represented a Polish-American group.

On Friday, the number of arrests among those protesting administration policy was far larger. More than 350 people were arrested in protests across the nation.

"Citizens' Train" tracks federal budget

SEATTLE (AP) — Well-wishers waved good-bye Saturday to about 76 people who boarded a "Citizens' Train" bound for Washington, where they intend to lobby for new national budget priorities.

They will ask lawmakers to spend less on weapons and more for improved housing, health care, education and care for the environment.

Several dozen people held a rally Friday, carrying signs with messages

such as: "Citizens' Budget — More for Children, Less for Weapons."

About 75 people from Washington, 175 more from Oregon, 20 from California and a few from other Western states planned to board trains this weekend and meet in Chicago on Monday. The travelers then will board a train later that day bound for Washington.

While on board, riders will attend workshops on lobbying strategies, the

federal budget process, education, health care and the Constitution. They'll be met by supporters at stops along the way.

They'll arrive Tuesday in Washington, where they plan to rally on the Capitol steps and be greeted by astronomer Carl Sagan. Then they'll scurry in different directions to try to meet with congressmen, interest groups, peace lobbies and coalition leaders.

Virginia Day, a peace activist and mother of five, is taking her two youngest children, aged 9 months and 5 years, on the train with her.

"I want to make sure they have a safe world," Day said. She plans to focus on the Act for Better Child Care, which would provide more day care services.

"Our government forgot that real security isn't based on military might," Day said.

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Toxic chemical fire threatens 1500

BERKELEY HEIGHTS, N.J. (AP) — Crews safely removed seven chemical-filled containers near a flaming and potentially explosive canister in the ruins of a burned chemical plant Saturday, clearing the way for nearly 1,500 evacuees to return home.

The burning, gas-filled container was found Friday in the Golob Analytical Services chemical plant, where an explosion and fire killed three men Thursday and severely injured a fourth. A canister that had been sent to the plant for analysis caused the explosion, and authorities say it may have been mislabeled or contaminated.

In Pocatello, Idaho, meanwhile, a semiconductor plant that may contain a similar canister was also evacuated

Saturday, as was a nearby nursing home.

New Jersey authorities, fearing that the burning container that was discovered Friday might ignite surrounding ones, called for a half-mile evacuation around the ruined plant Friday night.

Once the chemical containers near the one that was burning were removed, the cordon was reduced to one-quarter mile at 6 p.m. Saturday, allowing most of the 1,500 affected residents to return home, said Mayor Jeffrey Massarelli. The remaining canister continued to burn Saturday evening but appeared to pose no hazard, he said.

Neil Mulvey, coordinator for the state Department of Environmental Protection, said Thursday's explosion

had obliterated the lettering on at least one of the surrounding canisters, which hampered their removal.

Investigators said the plant burst into flames Thursday after a cylinder exploded outside the facility and became a projectile, shooting into the building.

DEP spokesman Jim Staples said the canister that exploded had a potent combination of 70 percent saline and 30 percent nitrous oxide. Minutes before it blew up, Golob officials had recalled Liquid Carbonic Industries Corp., a Chicago-based chemical distributor and supplier, to come and remove it.

After the explosion, Liquid Carbonic alerted the Gould Semiconductor Plant in Pocatello, Idaho, that similar canisters might be stored there.

Saudis claim missile obtained for defense

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Saudi Arabian government said Saturday the intermediate-range missile it had acquired from the Chinese would be used for defensive purposes to protect its territory and Islam's holiest shrines.

The Saudi information office, in a statement to the official Saudi Press Agency, quoted an unidentified official as saying that any nation has a legitimate right to defend itself by any means it deems necessary—but that Saudi Arabia would not arm the missiles with nuclear warheads.

The official said newspaper reports about the "nuclear capacity of these missiles does not lend itself to truth and is utterly negated by the kingdom, as the steadfast and well-known policy of the kingdom is based on the permanent efforts to make the Middle East region avoid the dangers of the nuclear arms race and to remain free from all its forms."

The State Department confirmed Friday that Saudi Arabia had acquired Chinese missiles with a range of 2,200 miles, capable of hitting all areas of the Middle East, including Israel.

The missiles were described as Chinese CSS-2 rockets, similar to those used in China's limited space program in the early 1970s and capable of being outfitted with nuclear warheads.

"It is not a new or strange tendency that Saudi Arabia seeks to secure its requirements of weapons for its armed forces from different sources, in accordance with its defense needs and in conformity with the prevalent circumstances in the region," the statement said.

"This principle is based on its defense policy aimed at bolstering its capabilities, for the sake of the legitimate defense of its Territory and Holy Shrines, particularly in view of the unstable situation and existing conflicts in the Middle East region," the statement said.

The official said Saudi Arabia is responsible for protecting the holy shrines of Mecca, the birthplace of Prophet Mohammed, and Medina, site of Mohammed's tomb, which are located in a western region known as Hijaz.

On the other hand, the official said the kingdom's defense policy "has

never demonstrated any aggressive tendency. The policy was, and still is, based on keenness to avail security and prevail peace throughout the region."

Therefore, the official said, any program "aimed at fostering its defense capabilities and protecting its legitimate interests is not a menace to peace. On the contrary, the more its defense capabilities are reinforced, the more it helps in propagating peace in the region."

"On the basis of this principle, Saudi Arabia acquired this Chinese-made medium-range surface-to-surface missile system," the official said.

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Boise comes up 85th for new businesses

BOISE (AP) — The March issue of Inc. magazine ranks Boise 85th among the nation's 156 fastest-growing U.S. cities in terms of "entrepreneurial quality."

This is down from 64th in last year's rankings. But Sara Baer-Sinnott, Inc. special projects editor, said conditions in Boise have not really declined. It's just that other cities

did even better at creating jobs, spawning new companies and helping fast-growing young businesses thrive during 1987.

"It's sort of a middle-of-the-road city in terms of entrepreneurial climate," she said.

According to the magazine, job growth in Boise was up 14.4 percent last year, the business birth rate was at 2.9 percent, and the percentage of fast-growing companies was 2.5 percent.

The median percentages for the three categories were 15 percent, 2.7 percent and 2.9 percent.

SLC protesters demand U.S. pull out of Honduras

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — More than 100 protesters gathered at the Wallace F. Bennett Federal Building Friday night carrying signs and banners calling for the United States to pull its troops out of Honduras.

Many of the protesters were members of the Utah Central America Solidarity Coalition and waved signs reading "Talks Not Troops," "The Contras Are Killers" and "Hands Off Nicaragua."

Coalition spokesman Michael Saperstein, a University of Utah graduate student who said he lived in Honduras between 1983 and 1985, said the protesters also want the U.S. government to respect the Central American Peace Accords and cease aiding the Contra rebels. Saperstein said American sup-

port to the Contras is in opposition to the agreements reached in August 1987 by Contra and Sandinista leaders. He said he expects peace could be worked out anytime between the two factions if the U.S. were to "leave things alone in Central America."

"I think the U.S. government is just afraid that the Sandinistas will make a go of it in Nicaragua and will be able to provide the people there with a stable government and a fairly decent life."

"If the Sandinistas succeed, it will show the world Central America doesn't need the U.S. or U.S. controls and can get along on its own. I don't think the U.S. government wants this to happen and is supporting the Contras so it doesn't happen," Saperstein said.

Speakers, including Salt Lake attorney Ross Anderson, told demonstrators and passers-by to write or call their government leaders and ask for an end to U.S. interference in Central America.

Earlier Friday, someone had used the 911 number to convey a bomb threat about the Federal Building, where protesters later gathered. Several officers were dispatched to the Crossroads shopping mall, where the call apparently had originated.

About the same time, a bomb threat letter was delivered to the FBI office in the Federal Building. FBI officials refused to release the contents of the letter, but one source said it stated a bomb would go off if they didn't get the troops out of Honduras.

Fish and Game may close Clearwater steelhead fishing

LEWISTON (AP) — Steelhead fishing on nearly all of the Clearwater River will close at midnight Thursday if the Idaho Department of Fish and Game has its way.

The department will ask the state Fish and Game Commission on Monday for an emergency fishing closure on the Clearwater because of a low steelhead run.

Bert Bowler, the department's regional fishery manager at Lewiston, said the department decided on that course Friday. The commission will meet during a telephone conference call on Monday.

The Clearwater run was discussed Thursday in a meeting at Ashhika that included U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, state and Nez Perce Indian Tribe biologists.

A paltry collection of steelhead at

Dworshak National Fish Hatchery was the immediate focus of the meeting, which is held each year to coordinate the hatchery's operations.

Through Tuesday, Dworshak had collected only 264 steelhead. Combined with steelhead collected at Kooskia National Fish Hatchery near Kooskia, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has collected less than 300 fish.

Dworshak needs about 2,500 fish for its egg requirements, Bowler said. The hatchery will produce about 2.9 million young fish for release this spring. That capacity makes Dworshak one of the world's largest steelhead hatcheries.

But Bowler said another factor led to the decision to recommend closing

the season. Biologists believe steelhead that arrive at the hatchery early each spawning season produce young generally programmed to return early.

If those early-arriving steelhead are caught, only late-arriving fish will survive to spawn. The steelhead run in the Clearwater will become later with each generation as a consequence.

If the fishing closure is ordered, it will affect the main Clearwater from Memorial Bridge upstream to the boundary near Clear Creek upstream from Kooskia. The South Fork of the Clearwater from its mouth at Kooskia upstream to the confluence of the Red and American rivers near Elk City will remain open.

Jury finds Rodgers is guilty

BOISE (AP) — Daniel Rodgers, accused of killing 21-year-old Preston Murr and chopping his body into 15 pieces, was found guilty of first-degree murder by a Boise jury that deliberated for more than six hours Friday night.

Fourth District Judge George Carey ordered a pre-sentence investigation for Rodgers, 37, who was returned to the Ada County Jail after the six-man, six-woman jury returned its verdict shortly before midnight.

"I am so happy with the verdict. I am delighted," said Mae-Murr, the victim's mother. "I'd like to thank everyone on the case."

The jury heard from more than 50 witnesses during two weeks of testimony. It could have found Rodgers innocent or guilty of first-degree murder or any of several lesser charges.

"A verdict like this is a tribute to the hard work those law enforcement people on the street put in to keep our community a safer place to live," Ada County Prosecutor Greg Bower said.

Defense attorneys Amil Myshin and John Adams declined to comment on the verdict, but said they would file an appeal.

Rodgers, who could be sentenced to death or life in prison, maintained his innocence throughout the trial, saying it was Daron Cox, 31, of Boise, who fired the shot that killed Murr last June 30.

Parts of Murr's body were found along the Snake River near Brownlee Reservoir. Cox also is charged with first-degree murder in the slaying, but will be tried separately beginning Monday.

Bower argued that Rodgers killed Murr because he believed Murr had taken drugs, guns, money and other items from him. But Adams told jurors there was no proof that Rodgers actually had pulled the trigger.

"What Dan Rodgers is guilty of is disposing of Pete Murr's body," he said. "He is not guilty of killing Pete Murr."

Rodgers testified Thursday that Cox killed Murr after the two got into a knife fight at Rodgers' Boise home.



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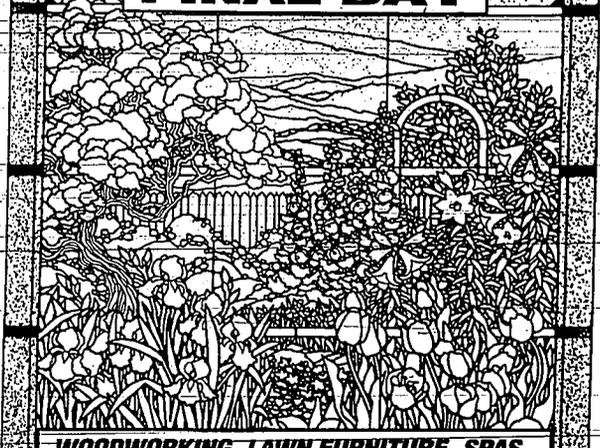
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Errant blood shipment poses no threat

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Red Cross acknowledged Saturday it erred in distributing 24 pints of blood that had failed AIDS procedures but said none of the blood was used and none carried the deadly virus.

The Food and Drug Administration said Friday that the questionable one-pint units were shipped last month to hospitals and laboratories by Red Cross centers in Washington and Nashville, Tenn., but were never used on any patients. The FDA did not identify the facilities that received the blood.

"While it should not have been shipped, it actually proved to be HIV (AIDS virus) free, and a number of units underwent processing that would inactivate the virus," said Gene Jeffers, American Red Cross spokesman.

He said there was "no known health hazard associated with the 24

units of blood. We were very fortunate and lucked out in that there was no human risk at all involved here."

Jeffers acknowledged, however, that five of the units tested positive for hepatitis B antigens and could have posed a health risk had they been used in transfusions. However, they were not used, he said.

Initial tests showed 10 of the questionable units contained HIV antibodies, which signaled an AIDS danger, but those units underwent a process that breaks down the blood into components for specific uses and eliminates the virus, Jeffers said.

The remaining nine units, he said, were from donors who were unacceptably because they previously tested "false positive" for AIDS, but all the actual units were tested as safe, he said.

Federal officials estimate that the chances of getting AIDS, or acquired

immune deficiency syndrome, from a transfusion are one in 40,000. The chief victims have been homosexual men or intravenous drug users. No one is known to have recovered from the disease that attacks the body's immune system, rendering it incapable of resisting other diseases and infections.

The Nashville Banner reported Saturday that two additional pints from disqualified donors were actually used in transfusions, but no patient was harmed. The newspaper gave no details of the transfusions but said follow-up tests of the blood donors showed they did not carry the AIDS virus.

Jeffers said he knew of no actual transfusion of blood that should have been rejected. The FDA report said none of the questionable blood was used on patients.

As a result of the errors, the FDA

said it has increased its periodic audits of the blood supply and instituted new training procedures for blood bank employees.

The mistake in Washington was discovered in a routine audit. The Tennessee errors came to light in an FDA investigation that followed a lawsuit against local blood bank officials by a woman who said she became infected with AIDS through a blood transfusion.

Two senior officials of the Washington regional office of the American Red Cross — John McGraw and Frederick Darr — have been suspended with pay for 30 days, pending an investigation of their actions, said Richard Schubert, president of the American Red Cross.

Schubert said no officials in the Nashville center had been disciplined, but that the investigation there was continuing.

Six of the questionable units of blood were from the Washington center and the other 18 were from Nashville, the FDA said.

Bureau rehearses 1990 census plans

WASHINGTON (AP) — America's next national head count isn't until 1990, but the Census Bureau's dress rehearsal already is under way.

The census tests are being conducted in St. Louis, and in east central Missouri and eastern Washington state.

Forms are being mailed to most residents of these areas, as was done in 1970 and 1980, although census takers will visit households in some sparsely settled areas. The effort is expected to continue into the summer.

The special counts are designed to be as much as possible like the effort planned for 1990, in order to get an understanding of what problems will develop before the work is begun nationwide, Census Director John S. Keane said.

Earlier tests were conducted in parts of New Jersey, Florida, Mississippi and California.

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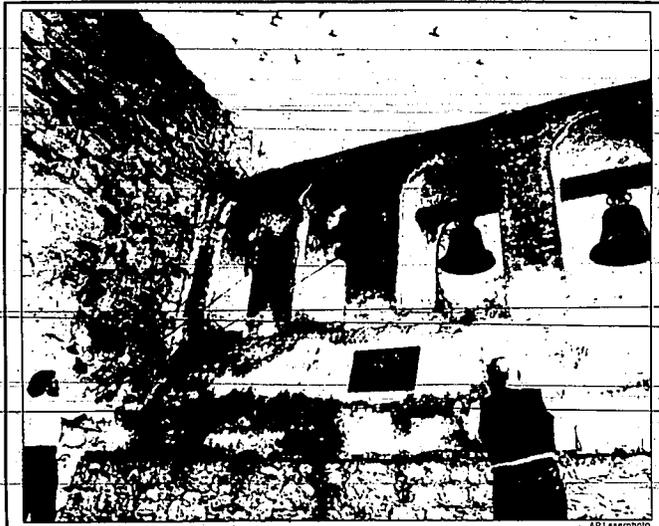
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93-year-old Paul Arbisio, right, officially rings home the Capistrano swallows

Swallows make deadline in view of 7,000 tourists

SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, Calif. (AP) — Swallows were outnumbered by tourists and there was no telling how many of the birds had just arrived, but bells pealed anyway Saturday to herald the tiny birds' return to Mission San Juan Capistrano.

An estimated 7,000 people flocked to the 212-year-old mission, some waiting out an early-morning chill, to witness the swallows' fabled St. Joseph's Day return from their winter home in Argentina.

"Although only a handful of the cliff swallows were seen by mid-morning, 92-year-old Paul Arbisio, who has announced the sighting of the swallows' return since 1916,

rang four old bells to welcome them back at 9:34 a.m.

He had been expected to ring the bells an hour earlier, but instead went to Mass. However, with the mission grounds packed, tradition apparently had to be fulfilled.

"I saw a couple of swallows" this morning, not too many, a few," he said. "I was in the other church and they wanted me to ring them so they brought me here."

The crowds and urban sprawl are responsible for the scarcity of swallows, what once numbered in the thousands, Arbisio suggested.

"The swallows used to come before when nobody was around. But now there are too many people and

too many buildings," he said.

Ampdor Perez, 66, of East Los Angeles, who said he and his wife have come every year since 1947, agreed there were more swallows than last year but nothing like the numbers he saw the first time.

"In 1947, first you would see six to eight and then you'd see a whole flock, hundreds of them," Perez said, adding that he nonetheless still enjoys the day's festivities, which include mariachi music and picnics.

"March 19 is a day people chose and I'm not sure the swallows are aware of it," said Gerald Collier, a San Diego State University ornithologist.

Derailment forces town evacuation

ANNANDALE, Minn. (AP) — Twenty railroad cars, including nine hauling chemicals, derailed Saturday, forcing authorities to evacuate all 1,700 residents from town, officials said.

The derailment also led to a fire that destroyed an empty building, said Deputy Sheriff Pat Miller. No injuries were reported, however.

Some of the cars struck power poles as they derailed, knocking out electricity to the town for two hours, said a spokesman for Northern States Power Co.

A partial evacuation began when officials learned that two of the tank cars carrying methanol, a type of alcohol, were leaking, Miller said.

The decision to evacuate the entire town was made after it was determined another tank car carrying sulfur dioxide was damaged, said City Council member Val Lawler. He said the car was not leaking, but the tank car's outer envelope was ruptured.

Miller said the other tank cars, carrying anhydrous ammonia, were not leaking.

Many residents began leaving the town immediately after the derailment, which occurred at 7:38 a.m., an official said. The State Patrol also began closing off several highways to the town, located about 40 miles northwest of Minneapolis.

Hazardous waste crews from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

were investigating, Miller said.

The cause of the derailment was not known, said John Bergene, a spokesman for the Minneapolis-based Soo Line railroad. The eastbound train consisted of 65 cars and the derailment occurred in the middle of the train, he said.

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Israelis tighten security, ban a PLO youth group

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli soldiers raided a hospital Saturday and detained foreign television crews, and the government banned a PLO youth group to keep a tight grip on unrest in the occupied territories, where Palestinian protests subsided.

Stone-throwing youths confronted Israeli troops in scattered clashes in the occupied territories, but no shootings were reported. Hospital officials in the Gaza Strip said nine Palestinians were admitted with beating injuries.

A statement Saturday by the Defense Ministry said authorities had outlawed Shabiba, the youth group of Yasser Arafat's Fatah wing of the

Palestine Liberation Organization with thousands of members throughout the territories.

"Given its continuous involvement in the disruption of Israel's law and order in the area, and since it is an inseparable part of the PLO, it was declared illegal... Members will be subject to arrest and trial," the statement said.

An army spokesman said troops moved into the Ramallah hospital in the early morning "to remove undesirable elements from the premises and return control of the hospital to the doctors and nurses."

The hospital, near the center of the West Bank city 10 miles north of Jerusalem, has become a gathering place for young Arab protesters. They have raised the outlawed Palestinian flag on its roof, hurled stones at soldiers, and taken refuge in the hospital's corridors.

The army spokesman said troops removed "those individuals who disturbed the functioning of the hospital" and retreated after several hours, maintaining a guard at the entrance.

However, the Arab-owned Palestine Press Service said soldiers burst into the hospital, checking identification papers and assaulting staff members. The agency said troops stationed at the entrance also prevented relatives from visiting patients.

Iraqis hit Iran oil terminal, fire tankers

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Waves of Iraqi fighter-bombers pounded Iran's biggest oil terminal Saturday, leaving at least two tankers ablaze in the northern Persian Gulf. Iran said it shot down three Iraqi warplanes.

Both sides fired missiles into each other's capitals and bombarded population centers with artillery for the seventh straight day, resulting in civilian casualties.

An Iraqi military spokesman, announcing that two long-range missiles were fired into Tehran, declared: "We will make the Iranians live in hell until they accept peace."

The attack on the Kharg Island oil terminal, through which 90 percent of Iran's oil exports flow, was the first in six weeks and came during one of the heaviest Iraqi air offensives against Iran in several months.

The official Iraqi News Agency, monitored in Nicosia, said Iraqi warplanes and helicopter gunships flew 270 combat missions Saturday, including attacks on Iranian cities.

Iraq also claimed that its forces killed or wounded 800 Iranians during an "abortive attack" by Iran in the central sector of the 730-mile front line on Friday. Iran clamped Saturday its troops killed or wounded 400 Iraqis in the sector but denied launching an offensive there.

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IRA kills 2 British soldiers during funeral procession

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — Two British soldiers were shot to death Saturday after mourners at an IRA funeral dragged them from a car, beat them with crowbars and hoisted them naked before cheering onlookers, witnesses and police said.

The Irish Republican Army claimed responsibility for the killings in a statement released to Belfast media. The British army said the plainclothes soldiers came upon the funeral by accident.

The soldiers, blood streaming from their heads, were pulled to the top of a 12-foot-high wall around a football field for the crowd to see, witnesses said.

They were then hauled behind a

building and shots were heard. A short while later their bullet-riddled bodies were found in a vacant lot on Penny Lane, off the Falls Road.

It was the second fatal attack in four days at a Belfast funeral. Three people were killed in a cemetery attack Wednesday.

The killings, which brought the Northern Ireland death toll to 22 so far this year, occurred as thousands of mourners followed the coffin of Kevin Brady, an IRA member and one of the victims of Wednesday's violence.

Witnesses said the car carrying the soldiers sped toward the Brady cortege as it wound its way through predominantly Roman Catholic West Belfast. The car swerved and began to

back up but was engulfed by angry mourners, some brandishing crowbars, who assumed the men were undercover agents.

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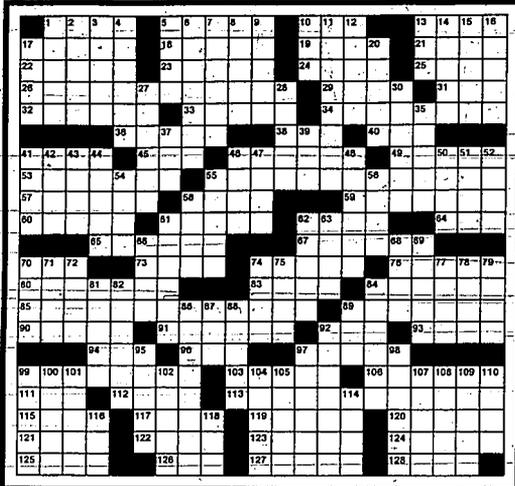
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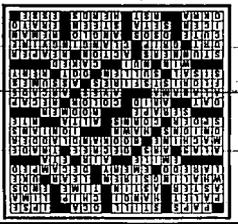
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Test-tube quints are home

ROYAL OAK, Mich. (AP) — Michele and Raymond L'Esperance may be in the market soon for a good babysitter, or two, or three or four.

All of the couple's five babies, the nation's first test-tube quintuplets, are home following the release of the last two infants from a suburban Detroit hospital.

The album is due out in late summer and will be followed by a national tour, Hartman said.

"We're older, more mature. Our whole outlook is totally different," Hartman said Friday. "We've seen just about everything we're going to see as far as the rock goes."

Hartman said he's not sure how a younger generation will take to the original Doobies.

Robert Joffrey takes time off due to illness

NEW YORK (AP) — Robert Joffrey, the 57-year-old co-founder and artistic director of the Joffrey Ballet, has suspended his day-to-day management of the dance troupe because of an illness, the dance company said.

The Joffrey said in a statement Friday the illness has been diagnosed as myositis, liver disease and asthma.

Richard England told The Washington Post that "Mr. Joffrey's illness has been ongoing intermittently over a period of close to a year."

Veronica and Alexandria L'Esperance, who were placed on ventilators after they were born Jan. 11, left the hospital Friday in a limousine with their parents.

The quintas, who were born 10 weeks prematurely by Caesarean section, are considered healthy, said hospital spokeswoman Valerie Mahaczak.

The Demographics on the last tour were the old folks who grew up with us... There were some kids.

"We're not the same place musically so we're not going to sound exactly like we did," Hartman added. "We'll hit MTV and the rest of it."

Raymond, Danielle and Erica left the hospital March 7, but the other two stayed behind until they were able to play on more weight.

"I'm awake a lot," said Michele, 34. "Actually it's really not, as bad as I thought, once you get into kind of a routine."

The Doobie Brothers, who aren't related, began playing bars in northern California in the early 1970s. By the time the band broke up in 1982, it had recorded 12 albums — which have sold more than 40 million records — won four Grammy Awards and featured 14 different members.

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More mature' Doobies plan new album, tour

DETROIT (AP) — An "older, more mature" Doobie Brothers will be cutting a new album soon, followed by a road tour featuring the rock 'n' roll band's original members.

The record deal with Capitol Records came after a successful 10-show reunion tour last summer.

The as-yet untitled album will feature all new material written and performed by the original band members — lead singers and guitarists Tommy Johnston and Patrick Simmons, drummers John Hartman and Michael Hossack, and bassist Tiran Porter. Also in the band is Bobby LaKind, who joined the first band in 1976.

Gorilla steps outdoors for 1st time

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — An ape billed as the world's largest lowland gorilla in captivity got its first look at the outside world since it was captured as an infant 20 years ago.

"He's never really had the wind in his face, the rain in his face, the sun on him in 20 years," said Pat Quinn, director of the Zoo.

Colossus, "estimated" to weigh at least 550 pounds, moved cautiously and clutched a security blanket in his powerful hands Friday as he ventured from his cage into an outdoor enclosure.

The 6-foot, 2-inch ape never strayed more than a few feet from the cage door for the first hour, but soon was roaming throughout the 6,000-square-foot pen.

The lumbering gorilla pounded his fist against the 1 1/2-inch-thick glass enclosing the observation area, causing

spectators to recoil. One woman was so stunned she dropped her camera.

Until he was moved here Sunday, Colossus had spent nearly all his life in a 240-square-foot indoor cage at Benson's Animal Park in Hudson, N.H. The Zoo bought him for \$37,800 at auction when Benson's closed last October, but he remained there until the new facilities could be built.

Colossus was brought Sunday to the Zoo but kept inside until Friday so he could become accustomed to his new suite of two adjoining cages before being reintroduced to the outdoors.

When the door to his cage was opened, Colossus clutched his blanket for security and peeked out several times before extending his right hand through the opening.

He did this several times, putting

one arm out and then both, before he finally climbed out. Then he withdrew several more times into the cage.

"Come on, son, come see me," Quinn shouted.

At one point, the ape bent over to smell the grass just outside his door before bounding back inside.

"He doesn't know what it is," Quinn said. "He's figuring out what this new texture is under his feet."

In New Hampshire, the gorilla never felt anything underfoot except concrete and steel, said Quinn.

The Zoo plans to breed Colossus. But first the giant ape will have to learn how to behave like a gorilla — he has not seen another member of his species since his capture, Quinn said.

Quinn said he wants to obtain another bachelor male or a non-productive female as a mentor for Colossus before selecting a mate.

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After 31 years, police claim surprising murder solution

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (AP) — Terry Donald Hudson was not different from a lot of the young men who cruised the streets and drive-in restaurants of North Chattanooga in 1957.

The 24-year-old liked souped-up cars and sometimes ran moonshine, but then bootlegging wasn't uncommon in southeast Tennessee.

And when Hudson was gunned down in his car on July 20, 1957, investigators thought he died as the result of a "corn liquor" feud.

At the same time Bobby Hoppe was 22, the best football player in town. The all-state halfback was preparing for his senior year at Auburn University and later he played briefly for the San Francisco 49ers.

So people were shocked when Hoppe, now athletic director at Chattanooga State Technical Community College, was charged this month with first-degree murder in the 30-year-old slaying.

Authorities say it was police Detective Richard Heck, who was just 5 at the time of the killing, who figured out what led to Hudson's death.

"Dick has a good case," said Maj. John Taylor, head of the homicide squad. "He's done an exceptional job on this."

Heck reopened the case 14 months ago after he and Detective Steve Angelo were appointed to a special squad to investigate unsolved murders.

At a meeting of Families and Friends of Murder Victims, a counseling group, Heck met Hudson's mother, Georgia.

"She realized we had other, more recent cases to work on," said Heck. "But she said there hadn't been a day in 30 years that she hadn't thought of her son's murder."

Heck refuses to discuss details, except to say that he has obtained new evidence. Much of his basic information was gleaned through newsclippings at the public library, followed by interviews with at least 45 people.

Hudson was not a stranger to police. On the previous Monday, he had been arrested for allegedly driving a "liquor car" that overturned during a chase and was charged with transporting untaxed liquor.

"He had some run-ins with them, but not too bad," Mrs. Hudson said in a recent interview. "He'd go racing a lot. He was good at it. Of course, I didn't approve. I was afraid he'd get hurt."

"Moonshine was really the 'big thing,'" said Taylor. "This is kind of the Bible Belt. We got churches on every corner, but people drink liquor, too."

"To some young men then ... this was an exciting life, driving a whiskey car. It was an adventure. Somebody who transported liquor and drove a hot car was kind of a hero to some people."

Hudson was about a block from his parents' house when someone pulled beside him and fired a .410-gauge shotgun through the passenger window of his car, hitting him in the head.

Investigators suspected a moonshiner connection.

But then they learned that Hudson had received a threatening call two weeks earlier warning him to stay away from a woman. They talked to Joan Hoppe-Voiles—a former girlfriend with whom he had recently broken up. Mrs. Voiles, a widow with a child, was Bobby Hoppe's older sister.

"It was a hot and cold relationship," said Taylor. "They had their squabbles but they ended up getting back together most of the time."

Mrs. Hudson agreed that her son's romance with Mrs. Voiles was stormy. "They said he beat her up, but I don't think so. She could beat him up," said Mrs. Hudson. "I don't know. She was bigger than he was ... He was just a little guy."

Heck acknowledged that both Mrs. Voiles and Hoppe refused to talk with him. Hoppe and three other witnesses invoked their Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination at a coroner's inquest after Hudson's death.

Mrs. Hudson said she felt authorities in 1957 "didn't seem to be interested" in pursuing the case. But Heck said, "The best I can tell, I don't think they had enough information at the time to make an arrest."

Hoppe has declined to talk to reporters on the advice of his attorney.



BOBBY HOPPE

Free on bail
Free on \$7,500 bond, he is scheduled to stand trial June 21, although his attorney, Leroy Phillips, has indicated he may challenge the case because of the long delay in bringing charges.

If Hoppe is convicted, he can only be sentenced to 20 years in life in prison, because the state's 1957 death penalty law was later declared unconstitutional.

Ms. magazine for sale again; Aussies tired of money drain

The Washington Post

Six months after its purchase by an Australian conglomerate, Ms. magazine is up for sale again.

Editor-in-chief Anne Summers and Publisher Sandra Yates, who are, respectively, the vice president and president of John Fairfax Ltd.'s American subsidiary, announced this past week that they are trying to put together a group of investors to buy the 16-year-old feminist magazine.

They will also try to purchase Fairfax's only other U.S. publication, the recently launched Sassy. Positioned to compete with Seventeen magazine for teen-aged readers, Sassy published its second issue this month.

"We have an executed option from them at an agreed price," Yates said Friday, "and we expect to be able to complete the purchase by April 30." She declined to discuss the price, but said she and Summers have engaged a consulting firm to help arrange financing.

According to Yates, Fairfax decided

to sell the magazines for internal reasons. "The situation is that Fairfax, because of its long-term debt, can no longer afford its investments in the magazines in this country," she said. The firm, Australia's second-largest publishing company, went private last December as the result of a succession struggle. Yates said the board of directors had promised that in the event of a sale, she would be given the first chance to buy the American magazines.

Washington correspondent was hired last month; and a number of expensive design revisions.

Fairfax's goal was to boost circulation from 480,000 to 650,000. Yates said she foresees growth at the same rate. "I would think that's absolutely critical," she said, "and that a new investor coming in would also want to see an improvement in that base. I think it's very important to demonstrate to the advertising community that those plans are being continued."

Fairfax purchased Ms. last September from the non-profit Ms. Foundation for a price rumored at \$10 million. The magazine had long been unprofitable, and its founders had searched for a buyer with deep pockets to reverse long-running declines in advertising and circulation.

The Fairfax team has supervised three issues so far. Among the changes have been the adoption of a larger, 9-by-11 format; more political coverage than was allowed under the former tax-exempt management. (a

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Idaho Smelter imperils aquifer

POST FALLS (AP) — A Philadelphia-based company plans to build an aluminum melting plant near Hauser Lake north of here, but district health officials say the operation could threaten the Spokane Rathdrum Aquifer.

International Metal Services Aluminum Co., known commonly as IMSALCO, wants to build a \$10 million plant that would supply molten aluminum to Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp. in Trentwood, Wash.

"Kaiser just completed negotiations to have IMSALCO build a plant that will melt aluminum beverage cans and white dross from Trentwood," said Boise attorney Conley Ward, representative of IMSALCO. The company has purchased the plant site, he said.

White dross is a manufacturing by-product produced at Kaiser's Trentwood rolling mill. It contains aluminum mixed with waste impurities.

But the remelting of white dross to get the aluminum creates a salt waste called black dross, and county health officials said the estimated 15,000 tons of waste a year could threaten the environment.

Panhandle Health District Environmental Specialist Ken Lustig said the waste could threaten the Spokane Rathdrum Aquifer and strain Kootenai County's landfill.

"It is my professional opinion that this type of waste is not compatible with this type of environment" in northern Idaho, Lustig said.

"If you bury 15,000 tons of this waste for 50 years, you're going to have one hell of a lot of salt. Saline solutions kill living things."

The problem, Lustig said, is keeping the black dross from mixing with water and leaching through the soil to reach groundwater.

Because salt does not decompose, the waste would have to be contained virtually forever, he said.

Ward agreed that waste disposal is the biggest hurdle facing IMSALCO's proposed plant here. "Where to put it (the black dross) is still unresolved," he said. "We've still got a long ways to go."

Concern over the waste shouldn't obscure the whole project, however, Ward said.

Bus petition gets support

BOISE (AP) — More than 500 people have signed petitions supporting fired Boise School Bus Co. drivers and asking that more be done to ensure the safety of the city's school bus fleet.

Organizers of a school bus safety rally scheduled Saturday on the steps of the Statehouse hoped to gather still more signatories.

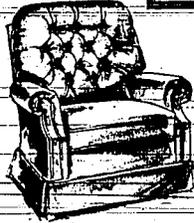
Copies of the petitions will be turned over on Monday to the Boise School Board company owners Terry Kirkman and Ada County Deputy Prosecutor Jay Rosenthal, organizers said.

"We want them to know there are people who support us and care about the safety of the kids," said Sandy Weisgerber, one of four drivers fired by the company in the past two weeks. All four had spoken out against company safety violations before losing their jobs.

Rosenthal is reviewing the results of a criminal investigation conducted by the Idaho State Police to determine whether charges should be filed against the bus company.

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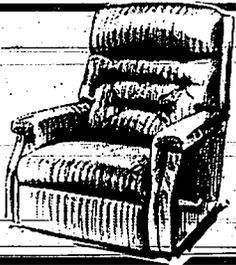
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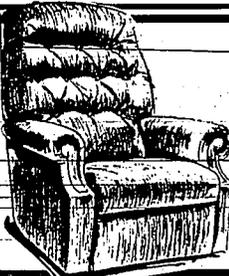


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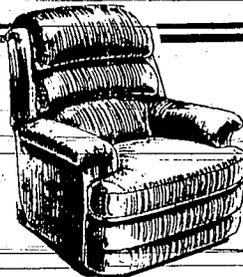


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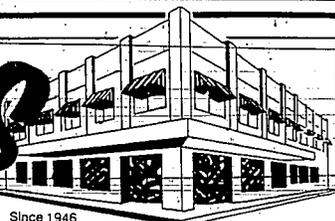


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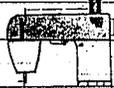


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'They just run rampant'

Cactus Pete's security force hit with allegations of misconduct

By KEN ARMSTRONG
 Times-News writer

JACKPOT Cactus Pete's security officials, targets of three separate investigations, spied upon, intimidated and harassed employees and townspeople, various sources say.

"They just run rampant over the town up there," said Rick Shields, a former guest services manager at Cactus Pete's.

Most of the allegations are directed at Francis "Smokey" Vannattan, former chief of security, and Alan McInroy, his chief deputy. Cactus Pete's on March 6 fired both men after having earlier placed them on 30-day paid leave in order to facilitate an internal investigation into their conduct, company official Ken Edmunds said.

Edmunds, Cactus Pete's chief financial officer, said the firings were unrelated to other investigations which have recently focused on the company's security force. "It's internal personnel," Edmunds said. "It's something we can't really discuss."

But others, including former guards, were not reluctant to discuss the actions of Cactus Pete's security officials. "I was told to bang heads on walls, push them, or whatever it took," said former Cactus Pete's security guard Gary Sears in a statement to sheriff's deputies. "Alan McInroy and Smokey (Vannattan) both told me to harass,

intimidate, rough up, physically abuse or whatever else it would take to keep certain minors in line."

The Elko County Sheriff's Office recently investigated general security practices in the Jackpot area, primarily concentrating on Cactus Pete's security personnel.

Deputy Dale Lotspeich said Sears' statement, dated Jan. 27, is one of at least seven that sheriff's investigators collected from four former security guards. Cactus Pete's, the largest casino-hotel operation in Jackpot, maintains a security force numbering 19 guards.

Lotspeich is one of four resident deputies with the Elko County Sheriff's Office working in Jackpot. Those deputies did much of the legwork on the Jackpot investigation, supervised by Detective Curtis Watson in Elko.

Elko County District Attorney Mark Torvinen informed the sheriff's office last week he will not file any charges based upon the investigation's findings.

Nine families in Jackpot also studied the conduct of Cactus Pete's security officials following revelations in December that security guards had questioned and photographed children without their parents' knowledge.

Craig Neilsen, owner of Cactus Pete's, said in an interview prior to the firings that the allegations of misconduct surrounding the company's security guards had not previously been brought to his attention. He said he had re-

ceived no documentation suggesting such misconduct and must assume those allegations are untrue.

Vannattan and McInroy said they also had not been previously apprised of the allegations and denied them.

Jackpot deputies said efforts to enforce the law in this town are often thwarted. Deputies cited examples where victims, employed by Cactus Pete's, would not cooperate with law enforcement officials for fear of being fired.

"It's very hard," said Jackpot resident Deputy Jim Black. "You try to do something and you're stonewalled from the very beginning." Black added that deputies often "have to back off because you know the position you're putting the victim in."

An incident report on Aug. 3, 1987, details one instance where an alleged victim feared his mother would be fired by Cactus Pete's if he filed a criminal complaint.

In that report, Deputy Bruce Brown wrote that John "Shorty" Pitman had informed him of an incident in which "Vannattan had grabbed him by the throat and was yelling at him." The report said the 17 or 18-year-old Pitman initially agreed to provide deputies with a "formal" statement, but he failed to show up at the arranged time.

Pitman later told deputies he could not file a complaint because his mother would lose her job at Cactus Pete's.

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'Very few of them are little church-going grandmothers. When you go to Las Vegas, do you go to get closer to the Lord? Hell no, you go to get closer to a broad.' 'Smokey' Vannattan, referring to the gaming industry's clientele

Former Cactus Pete's security officials Alan McInroy, left, and Francis 'Smokey' Vannattan stand outside the Jackpot, Nev. casino

Security chiefs fired

Vannattan, McInroy dispute claims of roughing up children

By KEN ARMSTRONG
 Times-News writer

JACKPOT — Scars and scrutiny. Francis "Smokey" Vannattan and Alan McInroy, two large and graying men, know them both well.

"Anyone can find enough in our backgrounds to show we've been pretty free with our hands," said Vannattan, who weighs in at a robust 270 pounds. "That's how we got these marks on our face."

Vannattan, 60, and McInroy, 45, were fired from Cactus Pete's two weeks ago. Vannattan was chief of security, McInroy his chief assistant. The terminations followed a slew of investigations into their conduct — an internal investigation, a sheriff's investigation and a private investigation.

McInroy said the two men "were guilty by accusation. Even the night they terminated us, they said, 'People said.'"

Now for those things people said. In the wake of revelations that Cactus Pete's security personnel had questioned and photographed children without their parents' knowledge, the parents of nine families joined in December to demand that Vannattan and

McInroy be fired.

After talking to some of the children questioned and photographed, Bob Bloom, one of the parents, said the one thing in common was that they were all scared to death.

In a statement provided to sheriff's deputies, former Cactus Pete's security guard Gary Sears said he witnessed an incident in which McInroy allegedly threatened three juveniles by telling them "if they jumped him, he would take them out in the desert and kill them and bury them, and no one would ever be the wiser or ever find them."

Curtis Watson, a detective with the Elko County Sheriff's Office, said the sheriff's investigation included a probe into reports that the casino's security guards had roughed up certain individuals.

Some townspeople and law enforcement officials describe Vannattan and McInroy as quick-tempered. "They don't use the P.R. the company wants, especially with people that they're throwing out," said Len Otterstrom, a Cactus Pete's casino shift manager from December 1986

to January 1988.

In an interview after they were fired, the two men said they never roughed up anyone in Jackpot — adult or child — since beginning work at Cactus Pete's. They also said they never ordered their guards to do so.

The two men said they never were forced to take such action because their reputations took care of such problems beforehand. "We both had reputations as scrappers," McInroy said. "There's not a whole lot we're afraid of, and that kind of rubbed off on our guards."

That reputation was an effective deterrent to others wishing to start trouble in the casino, Vannattan and McInroy said. As such, McInroy referred to their role as "necessary evil" — a role effective in eradicating Cactus Pete's own reputation of yore as a place where fights could be found.

"The reputation of Cactus Pete's has improved," said McInroy, who was appointed the company's assistant chief of security in October 1985. "Hopefully, Smokey and I have had something to do with that. It's a nice place to

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Vannatt subsequently told a deputy he had pinned Sherry up against the wall for being a smart ass.

In another instance, Vannatt allegedly used a gun to make threatening overture toward Jane Smith, an employee in the observation department who gave film to Nielsen showing Vannatt and McInroy roughing up a Cactus Pete's cook.

Casinos regularly maintain closed-circuit television departments to monitor employees and customers.

what they want to do," Otterstrom added.

Black said security guards reported other drug transactions to Vannatt and McInroy, who in turn ripped those guards' notes out of their notebooks and hid them better kept their mouths shut or they would be fired.

When interviewed after they were fired, Vannatt and McInroy said security guards reported "major drug transactions," but smaller infractions such as smoking a marijuana cigarette.

'I was told to bang heads on walls, push them, or whatever it took,' to keep minors in line - former Cactus Pete's security guard Gary Sears

According to the police report, Vannatt called Smith into his office where he had him sit in front of his desk. Vannatt pulled a pistol out of his drawer and put it on the desk, pointing it at Smith. Vannatt told Smith "there is one in the chamber," and added, "This is God you are talking to, so tell me what's going on."

Smith confirmed the incident happened to sheriff's deputies, "but tried to play this down."

The report stated Smith originally agreed to sign a statement. He failed to do so, however, and instead resigned his position as a reserve deputy with the Elko County Sheriff's Office.

Jackpot residents - past and present - claim the casino's security guards also have made a practice of spying upon residents, usually Cactus Pete's own employees.

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Employees said management also threatened to fire employees if they reported drug transactions to sheriff's deputies.

Len Otterstrom, a Cactus Pete's casino shift manager from December 1986 to January 1988, said he was once reprimanded by Nielsen for not reporting a drug transaction to a witness in the Horseshoe Casino.

Otterstrom, an agent with the Nevada State Gaming Control Board prior to working for Cactus Pete's, said the incident occurred in January of 1987, and the participants in the transaction were subsequently arrested.

According to Otterstrom, Nielsen became upset and told him "minor cheating is not important." "The feeling was the guys were (gambling) and were putting their money on the table, and they should be allowed to do

rette in a bathroom would generally be overlooked. The two men said they had to take into account such considerations as customers' privacy rights whenever drugs or paraphernalia were found in a hotel room.

In addition, Vannatt and McInroy said it would hurt the casino's business if security guards were to assume an active law enforcement role.

Referring to the gaming industry's clientele, Vannatt said, "Very few of them are little church-going grandmothers. When you go to Las Vegas, do you go to get closer to the Lord? Hell no, you go to get closer to a bread."

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Former guest services manager Rick Shields, now head of the Stardust's maintenance department, said the same thing happened to him "at least several times."

"I put out the word that someone was going to get shot if they were caught in my backyard again," Shields said.

Mezzetta said the spying aimed at him occurred after he quit Cactus Pete's. He added, "They would come by my house and write down the license-plate numbers of all the cars to find out who was playing Pinochle at my house that night."

Residents said Nielsen was concerned about employees associating with former managers, including Mezzetta and Al Huber, a former Cactus Pete's owner.

Pete's security personnel. He said it was "an ongoing occurrence" during the summer of 1985 for security guards to record license-plate numbers of vehicles parked at particular residences, especially on nights designated for Pinochle.

Mezzetta said Vannatt told him that he had been ordered by Nielsen to keep tabs on the "Tahoe Mafia," a group which included Mezzetta, the "Tahoe Mafia" was a moniker assigned to several employees formerly employed in Lake Tahoe.

Mezzetta said that at his final interview before leaving Cactus Pete's, Nielsen told him he was disturbed that Mezzetta had become too close to Huber. He said he had reports, and I quote reports, that I had been seen having coffee with Mr. Huber, and he felt that was total disloyalty to him," Mezzetta said.

'We don't make the rules ... There's no such thing as Cactus Pete's as 'Smokey's Law,' I can tell you that.' - 'Smokey' Vannatt

According to Otterstrom, the casino's monitoring equipment was at times used for purposes not related to security. Otterstrom said he was sitting in the casino's entertainment bar area roughly three months ago when observation personnel "put a camera on my face, and they said I was talking about Smokey (Vannatt)."

Pepper Rayl, a former manager at Cactus Pete's Horseshoe Hotel, said such intrusions occasionally edged beyond observation. "I was pretty much

informed by the head of security who I should and should not be dating," she said.

Vannatt and McInroy denied the specific allegations concerning spying. But McInroy added, "Yes, we were inquisitive or whatever. We tried to keep up with what was going on to protect the interest of Cactus Pete's."

Both men also said their actions were dictated by superiors, primarily the company's general manager. "We don't make the rules," Vannatt said. "There's no such thing as Cactus Pete's as 'Smokey's Law,' I can tell you that."

According to Black, the sheriff's office received numerous complaints during the past three years concerning the alleged misconduct of Cactus

cerning their actions or the actions of their subordinates. "Nobody has talked to us," Vannatt said. "Nobody has come to see us."

Both men said the allegations might derive from confusion regarding the actions of the security force's outside patrol, whose members carry a log in which to take notes. The security force also patrols the private residences of Cactus Pete's managers, but only at those managers' request, they said.

But several individuals dispute the claims of Nielsen, Vannatt and McInroy that they were never informed of the alleged improprieties.

I went to Nielsen and to (former general manager) Joy Kinyon both, and I told them the next time I see one of their security cars in front of my house I'm going to have it impounded," Otterstrom said.

Mezzetta said he told Vannatt "numerous times" about his security guards' misconduct. "I basically told him I don't want anybody spying on me anymore."

Deputy Latspeich said Cactus Pete's security guards were warned on at least two occasions that they would be charged with criminal trespass if they continued to patrol certain properties not belonging to Cactus Pete's. Latspeich said he personally issued "one-of-those warnings" to Vannatt.

Vannatt was also admonished about responding to calls made to sheriff's dispatch-and-about-interfering-with-crime-scene-investigations, Latspeich said.

Otterstrom said the security force's alleged misconduct was a topic discussed at two meetings held in 1987 between Nielsen, Vannatt, Kinyon and himself. Otterstrom said that at the first meeting, held in January, Vannatt admitted to having once assigned a guard to drive up to Roger's across the Idaho border, to observe an employee's trailer-home-for-a full eight-hour shift.

"It's Smokey Vannatt and Craig allows him to get away with it," Otterstrom said.

Dad, 3 children die in Utah housefire

CENTREVILLE, Utah (AP) - A father and his three children were killed late Friday when a burning cigarette ignited a couch as the four were sleeping, authorities say.

South Davis Fire Chief Brent Argyle said the victims were dead when firefighters arrived at the house about 11:37 p.m.

The victims were identified as William Bradley Rawlins, 33; Bradley Deja-Rawlins, 8; Gami Jean Rawlins, 5; and Lacey Breann Rawlins, 3.

Argyle said a burning cigarette or ash from a cigarette dropped onto a family room couch where Rawlins apparently fell asleep while watching television.

An examination of the home indicated that Rawlins awoke and went into the kitchen to fill a bucket with water. It appeared he dropped the bucket and retreated up a stairway, where he was overcome by smoke, the fire chief said.

Firefighters were alerted to the fire by the mother, Pam Rawlins. Mrs. Rawlins was working at a nearby grocery store and became alarmed when no one answered her telephone call to the house.

Argyle said Mrs. Rawlins left her job and arrived home to find the rear of the house in flames. She entered the front door, removed the three children and then ran to neighbors to call the fire department.

The children were dead when paramedics and firefighters arrived three minutes later, Argyle said. He said the fire had consumed most of the oxygen in the house and the cause of death likely was smoke inhalation and suffocation.

"There's just no way life could have been sustained in that," Argyle said. "I'm sure the victims were dead while within the house."



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Obituaries

Mary Ellen Pincock

BURLEY - Mary Ellen Woolley Pincock, 56, of Burley, died Wednesday, March 16, 1988, at Casalia Memorial Hospital in Burley.

Born May 23, 1931, in Fairview, Okla., she married Jay Frank Pincock March 31, 1961, in Mountain Home. They were later divorced. She had lived in Mountain Home, Fairview, Okla., Idaho Falls and Burley. She attended school in Mountain Home and graduated from high school. She worked for the Idaho State Liquor Commission and as a bartender.

She is survived by: one son, who was a member of the Eagles Lodge.

Surviving are: five children, Terry Lee Huffer of San Juan Capistrano, Vicky Huffer Tracy of Arizona, Danny Steven Wilson of How, Tammy Len Pincock Cook of Salinas, Calif., and Esther Louise Wilson Garrett of Memphis, Tenn.; and seven grandchildren. Her mother died in 1980.

There will be no public viewing and no public funeral service. A memorial service will be held there this month in Mountain Home.

Arrangements are under direction of the Payne Mortuary in Burley.

M.O. Roske

TWIN FALLS - M.O. Roske, 61, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, March 19, 1988, in the University of Utah Medical Center.

The arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary of Twin Falls.

Albert Herbold

RUPERT - Albert "Bim" Herbold, 79, of Rupert, died Friday, March 18, 1988, in Minidoka Memorial Hospital. The service arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Martha May Wildman

TWIN FALLS - Martha May Wildman, 94, of Twin Falls, died Friday afternoon, March 18, 1988, in Twin

Falls Clinic and Hospital.

Born June 10, 1893, in Evanston, Wyo., she moved to Kemmerer, Wyo., in 1908 and to Boise in 1909, where she attended schools. She married Leslie Wildman in Boise in October of 1914. He died in 1965. She moved to Twin Falls in 1926 and had resided here since.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Twin Falls. She was a charter member of the Eastern Star in Meridian and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star Chapter #29 in Twin Falls.

Surviving are: one daughter, Mrs. Delia "Helen" Terrett, Twin Falls; two sons, Robert Wildman, Twin Falls and William Wildman, Boise; one sister, Ethel Pickrel; 11 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren and 15 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, one son, one daughter, one grandchild, one great-grandchild, five brothers and two sisters.

Services will be conducted Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in White Mortuary with the Rev. Tom Tucker and the Order of the Eastern Star #29 officiating. Burial will follow in Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call at White Mortuary Sunday and Monday from 3 to 8 p.m.

Constant Orel Thueson

TWIN FALLS - Constant Orel "C.O." Thueson, 89, of Twin Falls, died of natural causes early Friday morning at his home.

He was born June 1, 1898, in Monroe, Utah.

He married Laura L. Grover in the Salt Lake City Mormon Temple on April 8, 1920. His wife died Nov. 22, 1986.

He moved to Twin Falls from Carey in 1962.

He was a high priest in the 10th Ward Mormon Church. In the past, he served as Elders Quorum president, secretary of the YMMIA, high priest group president, and for years was a Sunday School teacher.

He is survived by: three sons, Orel Thueson of Placeville, Calif., Norvin Thueson of Oreville, Calif., Delbert Thueson of Kalamath Falls, Ore.; four

daughters, Celia Wilde of Pocatello, and Edith Darrington, Ellen Newman and Mary Chatterton, all of Twin Falls; two brothers, Jay B. Thueson of Salt Lake City and Dean Thueson of Palm Springs, Calif.; two sisters, Nola Broden of Palm Springs, and Helen Clark of Murray, Utah; 38 grandchildren and 95 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, one son and one daughter, three brothers, one sister, five grand children and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 11 a.m. at the 10th Ward LDS Chapel at Park Avenue with Bishop Alvin Allen presiding.

Friends may call at White Mortuary today and Sunday from 3-8 p.m. and at the church from 10 a.m. until time of the services.

Burial is at Sunset Memorial Park.

Kerma Critchfield

OAKLEY - Kerma Critchfield, 89, formerly of Oakley, died Friday at Rex Springs, Wyo.

The arrangements are pending and will be announced by McCulloch's Funeral Chapel in Burley.

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Mrs. Tad Haney of Twin Falls; Mrs. Rick Hance of Glenna Ferry; James Hondo of Burley; Daisy Gue of Eiler; Mrs. Terry Sanley of Hobart; Shannon Wortman of Boulder, Mont.; Mrs. Kingston West Jr. of Hainey; Mrs. Orville Wall of Jerome; and Mrs. Terry Sanford of Heyburn.

Released

Hazel Anderson-Matrin; Barkin; Mrs. Raymond Higgins and son and Godfrey; Arroyo, all of Twin Falls; Mrs. Avis Allen of Rupert; Kimberly; Nora Bahner of Eiler; Anne Brown of Filer; Quorum president and daughter of Rupert; Mrs. Fredrick Chappin and son, of Hagerman; Mrs. Robert Lewis and son and Michael Pierce, all of Jerome; Mrs. G. William Novinger and daughter of Gooding; Mrs. Ray Pond and son of Bush; and Mrs. Terry Sanford of Heyburn.

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Celeste Aguilar, Jayne Hondo, and Ginger Jolley and baby, all of Rupert.

Births

A baby to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Leon of Rupert.

Services

FAIRFIELD - The funeral for Edith M. Johnson, 85, of Caldwell, and formerly of Fairfield, who died Thursday, will be held at 10 a.m. in the Caldwell 2nd ward chapel. Arrangements are by Paybill Funeral Chapel. Friends may call at the chapel today from 1 to 6 p.m. and at the church auxiliary room on Monday one hour prior to the time of the service.

JEROME - The funeral for Hazel O. Ivie, 85, of Jerome, who died Thursday, will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at the Jerome 6th Ward LDS Chapel north of the high school, with Bishop Stanley Lott officiating. Burial will be in Jerome Cemetery. Friends may call at the Home-Robertson Funeral Chapel today from 5 to 8 p.m. and at the church one hour prior to the time of the service.

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Shoshone schools seek extra levy

By JANE BUCKWAY
Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE — A supplemental school levy will be decided by Shoshone voters April 12.

The School Board agreed last week to ask voters for a \$155,000 extra levy to be used for general expenses to operate the district's two schools. The amount is the same as has been approved by voters the past two years.

Under a new state law, school districts can ask patrons to approve supplemental levies for two years at a time, avoiding the need for annual levy elections and making the yearly budgeting process easier to manage. If approved, the \$155,000 amount will be collected annually for the next two school years.

Superintendent Wayne Waddoups says the proposed state appropriation for public schools would mean about \$20,000 more new money for Shoshone for the 1988-89 school year. However, he says increases in insurance and maintenance costs and contractual salary increments would not be fully covered by the new state funds.

Shoshone has been operating from a deficit position for the last few years and Waddoups reports that deficit has been reduced in the past two years. However, he says continued supplemental tax support is still necessary to operate the schools and keep "chipping away" at the deficit.

The proposed levy would cost taxpayers approximately \$32 per \$10,000 of taxable assessed property value, assuming the total district market value remains the same, says County Clerk Dana Sturgeon. However, because patrons have passed \$155,000 levies for several years, property taxes assessed for the school would remain the same if the levy is passed.

Polls will be open at Shoshone High School from noon to 8 p.m. on April 12. By state law effective July 1987, voters must be registered with the county clerk's office in order to cast ballots in any election, including school elections.

Because the registration requirement is new, people who voted on last year's levy will not necessarily be eligible to vote on this levy if they are not registered voters.

School district patrons may register until April 1 to be eligible for the April 12 election.

Immunization may require some bravery

Forgive me state of Idaho for I have sinned. I forgot, my son missed his 13-15 month DPT booster and I neglected to get him immunized until last month when he turned 4 years old. I'm not going to say my son had a cold that lasted three years preventing me from taking him to get this set of shots. I'm not going to say I've had amnesia and am lucky to know who I am, much less remember my son missed his booster. I am going to say there are a lot of people in Idaho like me who put off making our children go through unpleasant experiences, no matter how minor.

Diana Hooley
Country neighbors

There of course is a good argument to be made about the comparison between the unpleasant experience of whooping cough and the unpleasant experience of a seven-second shot. I really have no excuse. And my guilt has not lessened any with the recent announcement that Ada County currently is dealing with a whooping cough epidemic. Fog me. Whip me. It feels good.

I got a good kick when I finally did haul my strapping son to the local health clinic for his booster. It was me and my 42-pound baby in a room full of mommies and real babies. The receptionist was wonderful, which only made it hurt worse.

"Now, let's see Mrs. Hooley, we haven't seen you for quite a while. My, your little boy has grown, hasn't he? He's no longer a baby."

"Don't call me a baby!" My four-year-old was indignant and I was embarrassed. I quickly scanned the literature given me by the receptionist, gulping on the part about injecting live virus, and signed on the dotted line. We were then left to wait our turn in the lounge next to a cherubic 2-month-old little girl and her mother.

"How old's your little boy?"

I groaned inwardly. "He's four."

"Well he's a little man now isn't he?" said the mother. I meekly nodded my assent. My son was beaming and standing taller than ever because someone had noticed he

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Chilean girl needs to stay in Idaho for medical care

Family would like to get her private relief bill

By TERRY STUMPF
Times-News correspondent

MONTECA, Chile — A young girl who was born with a rare and serious birth defect, Daniela, needs to stay in Idaho for medical care. Her family would like to get her private relief bill.

But the visas of Daniela's mother, Monica, and her father, Wilhelm, are expiring. Daniela's mother, Monica, is a nurse and her father, Wilhelm, is a mechanical engineer. They have been in Idaho since 1974. Daniela was born in Chile in 1972. She became a patient of the University of Utah Hospital in Salt Lake City in 1974. She has had several operations for her bladder defect.

"Daniela's mother, Monica, said she would like to get her private relief bill. She has been in Idaho since 1974. Daniela was born in Chile in 1972. She became a patient of the University of Utah Hospital in Salt Lake City in 1974. She has had several operations for her bladder defect.

"Daniela was born in 1972 with a rare and serious birth defect. Her mother, Monica, is a nurse and her father, Wilhelm, is a mechanical engineer. They have been in Idaho since 1974. Daniela was born in Chile in 1972. She became a patient of the University of Utah Hospital in Salt Lake City in 1974. She has had several operations for her bladder defect.

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Tree issue unresolved in Kimberly

By LYNDA VAN DEUSEN
Times-News reporter

KIMBERLY — A proposal to line downtown Kimberly with trees remains in limbo. In a special session last week, the City Council heard from several city residents and business owners, but a decision was not reached. The meeting was recessed until Wednesday at 8 p.m.

City Hall was filled with people gathered to voice their opinions on the offer of Councilman Jack Wright, a nursery owner, to provide free trees for community improvement. The most vocal residents were those who opposed planting the trees.

Of primary concern to the business owners is the responsibility of leaf disposal and vandalism. Another concern is the width of the sidewalks. Kimberly has eight-foot-wide walks, considerably narrower than the 14-foot-wide walks of the downtown Twin Falls mall.

As each item was addressed by Wright, another hitch could be found by the residents. Clarence Robinson questioned the cost of planting and maintaining the trees. He was also concerned with "limiting passage along the sidewalk."

Wright explained that the trees would be planted the same distance from the curb as the telephone poles. The trees would be no more difficult to walk by than the telephone poles, he said.

Wright estimated it to cost \$1,200 to plant the trees. Businessman Ray Strolger, of Dadds-Strolger Insurance, offered to donate money. "I would like to see it spruced up and will contribute up to \$500 for extra costs," he told the council.

Wright canvassed businesses Tuesday afternoon and asked them to vote for or against the planting of trees. The support was greater than two to one in favor of the trees, he said.

In addition, the Bean House offered \$260 to help and the Kimberly branch of Twin Falls Bank and Trust also offered to donate funds.

The discussion digressed many times to other concerns. • See TREES on Page B4

Sanitation still occupies Buhl council

The Times-News

BUHL — The "sanitation saga" continued in Buhl last week, with Rudy and Carolyn Walker, owners of R & R Disposal, asking the Buhl City Council why it decided to purchase a new garbage truck with a dumpster attachment.

The purchase of the truck followed a decision by the council in February not to provide dumpster collection, but to let R & R provide the service for businesses that wanted it, as had been done in the past.

Walker indicated that he saw the purchase of the dumpster attachment as a sign that the city was contemplating offering dumpster service, thereby competing with R & R. "If you owned R & R Disposal and the city purchased a container (dumpster) attachment, what would you think?" Walker asked.

Councilwoman Marie Maier said later that the trucks had been bid when the city was considering providing dumpster service. The council found that if it bought a truck without a dumpster attachment now, but needed to provide the service in the future, the cost would be prohibitive, Maier said.

The city has no immediate plans to provide dumpster service and has assured R & R of that, she said. Since the time when providing dumpster service was proposed, the city has replaced its public works director and two new council members, including Maier, have been elected. She also pointed out that the city owns no dumpsters.

Who should provide dumpster garbage service has been an issue for six months now in Buhl. In September city officials proposed purchasing dumpster equipment, with an eye toward bringing in \$600-\$800 a month in city revenue.

State Rep. Celia Gould, R-Buhl, was among those who criticized the plan, saying she was concerned that small cities such as Buhl have many problems keeping small businesses. The city, in effect, by competing with the private sector, seems to be discouraging private enterprise, she said.

The proposal angered the Walkers, who started R & R Disposal in Buhl in June of 1981. They established routes through the west end of the county, and eventually con-

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Around the valley

Hagerman adopts RIF policy

HAGERMAN — Hagerman School Board trustees have adopted a reduction in force policy. The guidelines, they said, will be needed if the school district has to make reductions in certified staff. This year the district lost about 50 students in the elementary, junior high and high schools. Fall enrollment for the 1988-89 school year was 390 students.

The RIF policy is designed to ensure fair elimination of staff members, based on areas of certification, teaching experience in available positions, degree status, total years of teaching experience and number of years in the Hagerman District.

Also at the meeting last week, trustees updated the district's insurance policy and decided to increase the value of school property and contents by 4 percent.

The 1988-89 school calendar was adopted with no significant changes. First day of school next year will be Aug. 24 and the last day will be May 25.

Richfield post office planned

RICHFIELD — The U.S. Postal Service is advertising for bids to construct a new post office to be leased in Richfield, says Postmaster Rebecca Sage. A building with 849 square feet of interior space is planned for the northeast corner of Lemhi and Main streets.

The current building, with only 490 square feet of interior space, is too small, said postal spokesman Beverly Burge. It also has no off-street parking. The federal government has leased the building since 1963.

Although recent federal legislation has forced postponement of many new post offices across the country, the new laws will not affect construction of the Richfield post office.

"We are being required to make a financial contribution to help lessen the federal deficit," Sage said. "We think that is a good idea, although we were dismayed that we were also mandated exactly where the cuts would come from. One of the areas we have to drastically cut is capital expenses, which

includes money for buildings the postal service owns. Leased facilities are not affected by the cuts, so luckily Richfield will get its new building as planned."

Bellevue to elect city leaders

BELLEVUE — Bellevue residents will go to the polls April 4 to elect city leaders.

Mayor Mike Ivis is running for re-election, challenged by Wayne Douthit and Bob Thomas. Ivis in Bellevue, a chartered city, serve for one year.

On the ballot for three two-year alderman positions are seven city residents. Incumbents Ron Reese, Cliff Nixson and Glenn Stelma are running for additional terms. Also on the ballot will be Steve Abbey, Mary Boller, Dennis Wright and Gary Peak.

Voters must be registered to cast ballots. Anyone who voted in the last city election is automatically registered.

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Valley

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Kimberly, Eden add 911 line

KIMBERLY — Kimberly and Eden both have new systems for emergency calls. To eliminate the "middleman," a phone used to summon the Kimberly Fire Department will be phased out in two weeks. The 423-4611 number was used to summon fire help, said Rob Vawser of the department. But the 911 emergency number, instituted two weeks ago,

provides quicker response, he said. Under the old system, one of the volunteer firefighters would be contacted on the 423-4611 number. The volunteer would then call the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office to dispatch the remainder of the firefighters. But the 911 line rings directly into the sheriff's office, Vawser said.

Rupert loses SS service

RUPERT — Social Security representatives will no longer visit Rupert on a regularly scheduled basis.

The service has been cut because of nationwide budget and staffing cuts, said James Fritzel of the Social Security Administration in Twin Falls. Social Security representatives had been keeping office hours in Rupert the fourth Wednesday of each month. The last day will be March 23 from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

"Most Social Security business can be handled by telephone, and when necessary, appointments in Rupert will be scheduled," Fritzel said. Idaho residents can contact a Social Security representative by calling, toll free, 1-800-632-5121.

Hooley

Continued from Page B3 was a little man. "Have you told him about the s-h-o-l-l? she spelled. "I cleared my throat and said, "Not exactly, I guess I think part of the pain is the anticipation. "Oh." She looked at me, puzzled. By that time the waiting room was starting to clear out. Every once in a while I could hear a faint sob from some little darling under the needle. I looked at my son with pity, thinking he knows not what he's about. "When will it be my turn to get a

shot, Mommy?" I almost fell off my seat. Who told him? I was forced to admit once again, ah yes, I do have such an exceptionally sensitive child. Just then the nurse called our name and we both dutifully marched into The Room. "This is not going to hurt for very long," the nurse told him. "Mommy would you help hold his arm?" "Must I?" I thought, but kept silent and obeyed her directions. She told my son to look out the window at the cars passing by. We both looked out the window. I was just going to ask

her when she would start the shot when she announced she was finished. My son smiled. "That was quick," he said. He really liked the sticker badge the nurse gave him with the brave little cowboy, happily saying, "I've just been shot!" I wondered if they passed out mommy badges saying, "My child got shot and he survived!"

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

Trees

Continued from Page B3 Lloyd Shewmaker voiced concern for sidewalks on the east side of town where he lives. Safety should be the city's first concern, he said. He also doesn't want to see the cost of maintaining and replacing trees to be passed on to the taxpayers. Two residents challenged Jack Wright to make a park at the entrance of Kimberly. Several people felt that would be more attractive to all residents. The property, however, is private and not for sale, Wright said.

Jim Arcaro was one of the strongest supporters of the project. "This town stinks and has nothing," he said. He said he supports any work to upgrade the community. Wright sees the improvement of the town as a calling card to attract more business and tourists and promote general community pride. "Rural America is deteriorating," he said. He reminded the people of what Kimberly was like 25 years ago. There was a theater, bowling alley, ice cream store, teen center and motels. Now there are four vacant build-

ings on Main Street. "I believe it's a start," Wright said. "I want to donate trees to this city." Lou Forter called the condition of Kimberly a result of "changing times." He closed his business in Kimberly due to stiff competition with Twin Falls businesses, he said. "Nothing stays the same," said Gary Stone. "All you can do is control the change," he said. Stone suggested that cleaning up the city's canyon property and improving the appearance of the city will attract more tourism to an economy hard hit by agricultural problems. Stone said, "Make this town a unique personality that no other has." He suggested the possibility of an art community.

Buhl

Continued from Page B3 tracted with Castleford and Filer for dumpster service. In Buhl, the city provided regular pickup service, but Walker worked to establish contracted dumpster service with businesses and individuals, Rudy Walker said. "Although sanitation codes do not force food-handling businesses to use container service, the service was preferred because it eliminated some of the sanitation problems associated with garbage cans, such as flies breeding and dogs overturning them," Rudy Walker said. "What is really confusing is that in

meetings we've had with the council, they act as though they are the experts in containerized sanitation service and that we have no knowledge or expertise, and that just doesn't make sense," he said. He is also critical of city speculation that dumpster service would be a money-maker. "How they could do it profitably without raising the city charges all citizens, and raising it astronomically, is beyond me," said Walker. "Walker also said that the council has never really acknowledged the

unfairness of continuing to charge his Buhl customers for a city service which they no longer receive. Most of his customers want the city fee waived, but the council has not acted upon their request, he said. Mayor said that everyone in the city were to drop the fee for R & R customers, fees would have to be raised for other customers to meet expenses of garbage service, or the city would have to start a container collection service to collect the fees it would lose, she said. "The council is also concerned about waiving garbage fees for businesses

that use the R & R dumpster service, because the city has no formal agreement to contract out dumpster services. Now the city makes garbage service available to everyone and everyone must pay for it. If the city did contract with a private service for any portion of garbage collection, it would have to accept bids from all companies interested in applying and then would be required by law to award the contract to the firm offering the lowest bid even if it was not a local business, she said. The city has received inquiries from other companies interested in bidding on the dumpster service, she said. However, the city will look at garbage rates for all customers when the council begins work on the budget next year, she said. If the city cannot lower or do away with the minimum fees and continues to get complaints about the minimum fees, then "way-down-the-road" the city may need the dumpster capabilities on its new trucks, she said.

But the council's answers so far have not satisfied the Walkers. "I have asked the council repeatedly as to what their plans are, and if they in fact, are going to compete with me—have never been answered—completely or consistently. They indicate one thing to me and then do something opposite, and give no clear, sensible reason for doing so," said Rudy Walker. He added that the just-replaced city public works chief had indicated several months ago, that the garbage truck the city has been using, could be serviceable for another two to three years at least. "As far as what the City Council is thinking or doing, in view of their past and current performance, I don't know what to believe which certainly leads me unfortunately, to an attitude of distrust," he said. The council will take up the dumpster issue again on Monday at 7 p.m. in a special meeting called in response to the Walkers' complaints.

Chile

Continued from Page B3 dren in Salt Lake City. But surgery had to be delayed until Daniela could physically adapt to the new climate and altitude. Meanwhile, Wilhelm could not get a temporary visa to the U.S. because he did not own a home, and—in the eyes of North American immigration—would have nothing to return to in Chile. "They couldn't see the human part of this at all," says Monica. "It was so hard to wait for him to come here." Doran Butler sponsored Wilhelm to stay in Idaho and a tourist's visa was finally granted to him in the fall of 1984. Immigration visas, says Monica, take about two years "if they say yes." In December, 1984, Daniela had another marathon rebuilding operation. Her pelvis was repaired and a muscle from her thigh was used to secure the bladder and urethra. "That was the hardest one," says Monica. "She was hospitalized for over a month." For the next two years, Daniela suffered complications and had more operations. "1986 really was the worst year," Monica recalls. "She had one infection after another... We had to go to Salt Lake almost every two weeks." With only tourist status, Monica and Wilhelm were unable to work and

earn money. Every six months they had to apply for visa renewals, always feeling anxiety over possible denial. But steady help came from citizens and churches in Bliss and Hagerman. "We survived with the help of everybody," Monica says. "They were really wonderful." Last month, the Schlecters were granted work permits and, with their two children, they moved from Bliss to a rental house in Hagerman. Wilhelm went to work as a mechanic in Gooding, Monica says she misses her therapy work but would have to attend a college in this country to get a license to practice in Idaho. Daniela takes antibiotics and has to be catheterized twice daily, but is otherwise healthy. Until she is fully grown, she will need periodic reconstructive surgery. Meanwhile, her parents' visas will soon expire again and renewal is uncertain. In a desperate plea for permanent residency, the Schlecters asked Sen. McClure for help, and he agreed. "They asked me for millions of papers," Monica says, and the senator wrote a private relief bill. This special type of bill seeks redress for individuals who have problems or conflicts with the federal government that "cannot be resolved in any other way." "This office is very picky about pri-

vate relief bills," says Martha Solodky, an aide to McClure who is working on the bill. "We only consider such bills if there is no other recourse." The bill for the Schlecters has been referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee, which is now waiting for further reports and information on the case. "There's no future for us in Chile," Monica says, reminiscing about her home by the ocean, with flowers covering the hills around the lush, rain-soaked garden city of Vina del Mar in central Chile. "Sometimes I feel very homesick, she says, "But we have gone this far, so we don't want to go back. Maybe someday we'll be able to, but we want to make sure Daniela is completely fine." (States News Service contributed to this report.)

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Sun Valley

Dispute

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Vannattan, who was Cactus Pete's chief of security for five years, added, "I'll bet in three months it'll go back to where it was before. You can go into Cactus Pete's and you can get your ears pinned back if you want to."

The two individuals also said their actions were never taken independently. "Whatever we did, right or wrong, we did because we were di-

he wasn't provided with a reason for the action.

Vannattan managed the company's trucking business, a responsibility he said he was accused of abusing through a kickback scheme. But Vannattan said he held ownership in the trucking companies toward which he was directing business.

"I didn't need to take kickbacks," Vannattan said, adding, "This was pretty common practice."

tossed in his direction.

McInroy, an officer with the Kimberly Police Department from 1979 to 1983, played a prominent part in an investigation conducted by the Idaho Attorney General's Office in October 1985. The investigation addressed a cluster of alleged improprieties within the Kimberly Police Department.

The attorney general's report outlined at least three incidents of possible criminal misconduct on McInroy's part, but in each instance it said the statute-of-limitations-had-run-and prosecution, therefore, could not be recommended.

The alleged instances of misconduct included a conspiracy to commit insurance fraud and two violations of Idaho's theft statute.

with a gun on top of the Hess Building in Kimberly and that they had better call the Kimberly Police. Officers from three different police departments responded to the call "in very adverse weather and under very hazardous conditions."

The report proved to be unfounded. From listening to the caller's taped voice, four officers identified him as McInroy. An informant told police officers later that night that he had been with McInroy in a Kimberly bar ear-

lyer that evening and had watched McInroy make the call.

The informant wrote in a report filed with the sheriff's office that McInroy told him "he was going to stir up some excitement, cause a problem." McInroy then made the phone call, the informant said. McInroy declined to comment on the incident.

McInroy, who used to be a boxer in the Navy, was additionally convicted of malicious destruction to property on March 10, 1978. A count of disor-

derly conduct was dropped.

According to court records said McInroy, the charges stemmed from a bar fight that occurred in the Military Inn in Twin Falls on the night of Sept. 5, 1975. "We had a hell of a good fight," McInroy said. "The owner came across the bar with a club and I laid him out."

McInroy said he used to get in fights regularly in Twin Falls bars. "Yeah, I fought," he said. "I'm not ashamed of that. I like to fight."

"We both had reputations as scrappers ... There's not a whole lot we're afraid of, and that kind of rubbed off on our guards"

— Alan McInroy

After talking to some of the children questioned and photographed, Bob Bloom, one of the parents, said the 'one thing in common was that they were all scared to death.'

rected to," McInroy said. Those orders normally came from the general manager, Vannattan said.

Controversy — in several different forms — is something that seems to dog both these men. Investigations into their conduct dot their personal histories.

"I supposedly absconded from Simplot's with \$6.2 million dollars," said Vannattan, who worked 27 years at the J.R. Simplot Co. in Heyburn. "Do you think Simplot would let someone walk away with \$6.2 million dollars?"

Vannattan said the company put him on two weeks paid leave while officials checked into the allegations, after which time he was fired. He said

C.L. "Butch" Otter, the president of Simplot International who serves as Idaho's lieutenant governor in his spare time, said a preliminary investigation was made into allegations of kickbacks, but added that the amount at issue "wasn't even the sales tax" on \$6.2 million. Otter said Vannattan left the company as part of a mutual agreement during which "we decided to let the whole thing fall."

"Smoke is a great guy," Otter added. "He really is — I've always enjoyed Smoke. He's just hit a run of bad luck, I guess."

McInroy, who similarly worked in Idaho prior to heading to Cactus Pete's, has also seen a few allegations

Boosters want alcohol at UI sporting events

MOSCOW (AP) — The University of Idaho is out of touch with other colleges in the West because it prohibits alcohol sales at or near athletic events, says a member of the Vandal Boosters' national board of directors.

In May, Boise bank examiner Duane Rimmel will make a pitch to fellow Vandal Booster board members to ask UI President Richard Gibb to consider allowing beer and wine sales at the school-operated golf course in Moscow.

"As a board member, I'm definitely not promoting illegal consumption of alcohol, but there are certain times when it would be nice to have a mixed function with beer or wine at the golf course," Rimmel said Friday.

At the board's national meeting May 21 in Moscow, Rimmel will propose a resolution asking Gibb to consider allowing alcohol at the golf course.

But it's doubtful Gibb will change his opposition to alcohol possession or consumption at the golf course. He has stated he does not believe it would be in the best interest of the university, because of possible legal liability for incidents arising from intoxicated customers.

But Rimmel sees it as a hospitality issue, and notes that most other major universities in the West have alcohol available at athletic events without any serious consequences.

Officials report 5 AIDS cases

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The number of AIDS cases reported in Utah increased by 5 in February, bringing the total number of cases reported since 1983 to 113, state health officials said.

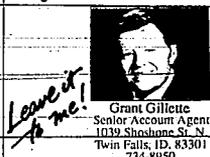
The report released Friday by the Utah Department of Health's Bureau of Epidemiology showed that the number of deaths due to AIDS rose by 1. Since 1983, 71 people with AIDS in Utah have died.

The report showed that of those cases, 75 were homosexual or bisexual men. Sixteen were intravenous drug users and seven were homosexual men who also used intravenous drugs. The breakdown of cases in those risk groups are close to the averages reported nationally.

There have been no known cases of heterosexual transmission of AIDS in Utah by non-drug users.

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Friday: Hot dog, relish, later tots, baked beans, pineapple and milk.

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Wednesday: French bread pizza, green salad and fruit.
Thursday: Chicken nuggets, French fries, mixed vegetables and soft pretzels.
Friday: Weiner wrap, nachos, carrot sticks, fruit and chocolate milk.

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Monday: Hot dog on bun, later tots, sliced peaches, cookie and milk.
Tuesday: Fish and chips, cheese and celery sticks, fresh fruit, butter bread and milk.
Wednesday: Crisp burrito, green beans and milk.
Thursday: Roast turkey, whipped potatoes, celery sticks, fruit cup, hot roll and milk.
Friday: Italian spaghetti, buttered peas, applesauce, French bread and milk.

BURLEY JUNIOR HIGH
Monday: Pig in a blanket, or pork chop on bun, later tots, peaches, milk, chocolate chip cookie, salad bar, chicken.
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Wednesday: Pizz or cheese square, buttered green beans, peas, milk, no-bake cookie, salad bar, burrito.

Thursday: Turkey and cheese or ham and cheese on a bun; French fries; fruit cup, chocolate milk, salad bar taco salad.
Friday: Hamburger or burrito or cheeseburger, later tots, cherry pie, milk, salad bar chicken fried steak.

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Tuesday: Breakfast: pancakes; lunch: beef-aroni, green salad, fruit, bread sticks, chocolate milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: cook's choice; lunch: turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered green beans, roll and butter, milk.
Thursday: Breakfast: cook's choice; lunch: soup and sandwich, curly fries, fruit and milk.
Friday: Breakfast: cereal; lunch: fish and fries, green salad, sweet roll and milk.

DIETRICH
Monday: Sloppy joe, sweet peas, buttered rice, fruit and milk.
Tuesday: Meatloaf, baked potatoes, corn, fruit and milk.
Wednesday: Grilled cheese, pickles, French fries, green salad, cherry short-cake and milk.
Thursday: Taco, refried beans, fruit and milk.
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GOODING
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Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, mixed vegetables, sesame seed roll, Hawaiian ambrosia and moo juice.
Thursday: Corn chips with nacho sauce and refritos; green salad; peas and milk.
Friday: Cheeseburger on a bun, later sticks, fresh fruit, strawberry shortcake and milk.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN
Monday: Country style steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetables, hot rolls, apple and milk.
Tuesday: Hawaiian chili with cheese, crackers, plums, carrot cake and milk.
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, later tots, celery and peanut butter, cherries, butter cake and milk.
Thursday: Fishburger, French fries, cheese stick, buttered peas, orange and milk.
Friday: Pepperoni pizza, green salad, applesauce, Easter cake and milk.

JEROME
Monday: Sweet and sour beef, fried rice, chow mein, mandarin jello salad, fortune cookie and milk.
Tuesday: Chicken fried steak; potatoes with cream gravy, buttered peas, whole wheat roll, apricot cobbler and milk.
Wednesday: Chili and crackers, carrot and celery sticks, kasha, fresh fruit and milk.
Thursday: Pig in a blanket, winter mix vegetables, string cheese, fruit salad, brownie and milk.
Friday: Crispie fish, macaroni and cheese, green beans, corn meal roll, cherry jello, fruit, raisin cookie and milk.

KIMBERLY
Monday: Russian hamburger, later legs, fruit jello and milk.
Tuesday: Chicken noodle soup, crackers, green salad, carrot sticks, peaches, milk and salad bar.

Wednesday: Taco, corn, lettuce and cheese, kasha and milk.
Thursday: Chicken patty sandwich on a bun, French fries, peas and carrots, pudding, milk and salad bar.
Friday: No school.

MINDOKA
Monday: Chicken burgers, buttered green peas, peaches and milk.
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Monday: Fish fillets, scalloped potatoes, whole kernel corn, creamed cookies, sliced peaches, bread, butter and milk.
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Thursday: Beef and cheese pizza, tossed salad; buttered green beans; oatmeal cookie and milk.
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Official urges panel to alter prayer tradition

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Salt Lake County Attorney's office has suggested the county commission alter its traditional opening by Christian prayers and instead by Christ the moment of silence, say an ecumenical prayer or the Pledge of Allegiance.
 The county attorney wrote a memo to the commission in response to a letter from the Utah Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union that urged the county to use non-denominational prayers rather than prayers using the name of Jesus Christ.
 Commissioner Dave Watson said Friday he will vote to continue the prayers, but he wants to see more variety.
 "The controversy that has come because of this is good," Watson said. "I do think our prayers have been dominated by a single Christian genre, so to speak. I can see how non-LDS people could feel alienated."
 All three commissioners are members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Commissioners regularly assign employees to give prayers at the start of meetings. With few exceptions, the prayers invoke the name of Jesus Christ.
 Salt Lake City leaders eliminated prayers from their meetings after receiving a similar letter from the ACLU.
 The memo will be considered at Monday's commission meeting, and commissioners also will discuss the matter at its informal public weekly staff meeting.
 The unsigned memo cited court cases saying prayers are fine at public meetings but questioned the use of employees.
 "Even though the invitation is voluntary, the appearance of coercion arising out of the employment relationship, coupled with the almost universal emphasis on Christian prayers, creates further complications," the memo said.
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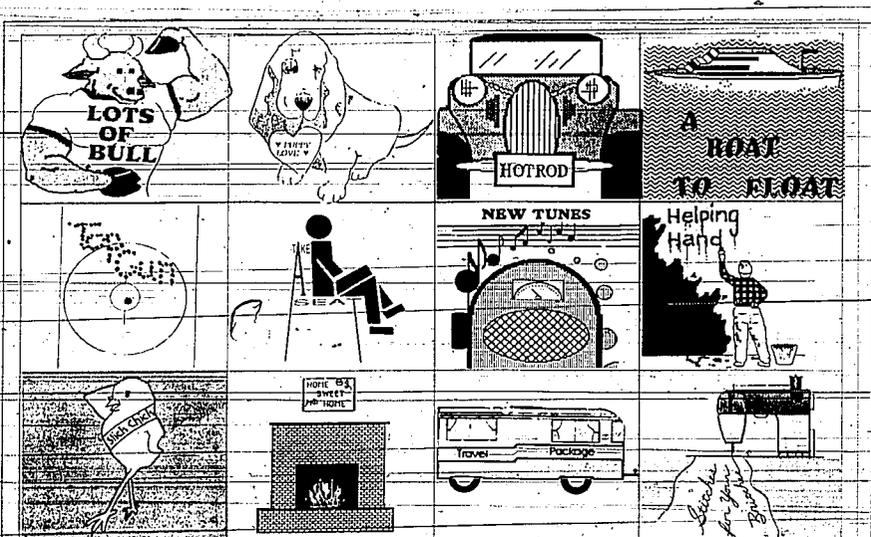
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Ellison & Co. dump Cougars, 97-76

By TOM SALADINO
The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Brigham Young Coach Ladell Andersen said he thought his Cougars were playing the

More NCAA — D4

1986 national champion Louisville team Saturday night.

Crunked Louisville played a near perfect game as Pervis Ellison — the hero of the 1986 final victory over Duke — scored 24 points to lead six Cardinals in double figures in a 97-76 rout of No. 19 BYU in the second round of the NCAA Southeast Region. Top-seeded and fourth-ranked



NCAA Tournament The Southeast

Oklahoma defeated Auburn 107-87 in the opening game and advances to the region finals next week in Birmingham where the Sooners will play Louisville.

"I can see why they were national champions two years ago," Andersen said. "They played like it tonight. They were taller. They jumped higher and they were quicker than we were."

"I've seen them in the past and it seemed like they played on a different

level tonight," BYU guard Brian Taylor said.

Ellison made 10 of 15 shots and led the Cardinals with eight rebounds as Louisville took 73 shots, hitting 37 while having only six turnovers.

"That's got to be a world-record for us," Louisville Coach Denny Crum said of the lack of turnovers. "That's about a third of what we usually have. We played a very good up tempo game, which is the way we play best," Crum said.

"Oklahoma also is at its best in an up tempo game, so it comes down to who does best," he said.

But, he said there is no pressure on his club entering the "Sweet 16" round next week.

"We're not ranked and not sup-

posed to win. They're (Oklahoma) No. 4," Crum said.

Ellison had 14 points in the first half as the Cardinals overcame a 12-2 deficit and used a 10-0 run to take a 51-42 lead at the half. BYU, 26-6, could get no closer than nine points in the second half, the last time at 65-56.

The Cardinals, 24-10, outscored the Cougars 20-6 over the next eight minutes and took an 85-62 lead with 6:06 left. Reserve center Felton Spencer led the way with eight points.

Spencer finished with 16 points, as did Kenny Payne, while Herbert Crook and LaBradford Smith each had 12 and Keith Williams 11 for the winners.

Crum used only seven players before clearing his bench in the final two

minutes. The other player who played substantially, Mike Abram, had six points.

BYU, which won the Western Athletic Conference regular-season title, was led by Michael Smith with 21 points. Jeff Chatman had 19 and Jim Uevich 13.

Louisville, the Metro Conference champions, took the lead for the first time at 23-21 when Payne hit a 3-point goal midway in the opening half. The Cardinals then had a 10-0 run in the final 2:34 of the half.

North Carolina set an NCAA Tournament record for most points in a game and ended the nation's longest winning streak of 25 Saturday with a 123-97 victory over Loyola, Calif.

Ranzino Smith scored a career-high

27 points as the No. 7 Tar Heels, 26-6, advanced to next Friday's West-Regional semifinals in Seattle against 10th-ranked Michigan.

North Carolina held 15th-ranked Loyola, the nation's highest-scoring team with a 110.7 average, under 100 points for the first time in six games, dealing Lions their first loss since game seven of this season. Loyola finished 28-4.

"We've had a pretty good run. Nothing is forever," Loyola Coach Paul Westhead said. "We ran our system, tried our best, but the shots didn't go that we frequently make."

The 123 points broke the tournament record of 121 set by Iowa in 1970 and matched by Nevada-Las Vegas in 1977.

Sports



Syracuse Coach Jim Boeheim yells instructions during the waning moments of his team's NCAA loss to Rhode Island

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Rhode Island puts squeeze on Big Orange

By GEORGE WILLIS
Newsday



NCAA Tournament The East

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — The University of Rhode Island, a team hungry for respect and recognition, earned a good dose of both Saturday afternoon in the second round of the East Regional at the Dean E. Smith Center.

Sparked by the play of reserve forward Kenny Green, the 11th-seeded Rams stunned the second-seeded Syracuse, 97-84, and laid early claim to the Cinderella tag for the 50th edition of the National Collegiate Athletic Association Tournament.

"To say I expected this would be ridiculous," said Rhode Island Coach Tom Penders. "They should give me one of those urine tests if I said something like that."

Rhode Island (28-6) had to wait until the final horn to celebrate one of its biggest wins ever. Syracuse had a chance to send the game into overtime, but Earl Duncan's three-point attempt from the top of the key hit both ends of the rim before popping out. "I was just praying that it wouldn't go in," said Rhode Island guard Carlton Owens.

With the upset, the Rams became the first Atlantic 10 team ever to reach the Round of 16. They will play second-seeded Duke, a 94-79 winner over SMU Saturday, in the semifinals of the East Regional Thursday at Meadowlands Arena in East Rutherford, N.J. Syracuse, which finished second to NCAA champion Indiana in last year's tournament, closes at 26-9.

For Rhode Island to have a chance to beat Syracuse, most observers figured the Rams would need stellar performances from Owens and guard Tom Garrick, and solid play from unheralded front line. Gary Kirk (24 points) and Owens (18) did their part, especially in the first half, when the Rams enjoyed a 15-point lead before settling for a 36-39 edge at the half. But it was Green, a 6-8 sophomore,

who played the key role down the stretch.

With 11:47 to go, a Derrick Coleman lay-in cut the Rhode Island lead to 72-71. And the Orangemen later would take their first and only lead of the game when a three-point play by Derek Brower put Syracuse ahead, 78-77.

But in the midst of the run, Green was holding his own against the Orangemen's rugged front line of Rony Seikaly (27 points), Coleman (16 points) and Brower, who replaced the foul-plagued Coleman. With 6:14 left, Rhode Island led, 84-81, and all three of the Syracuse big men had at least four fouls.

Green, who plays only about 25 minutes a game because of two bad knees, totaled 23 points (nine more than his average). He had 16 in the second half.

"At the beginning of the game, I felt their guards were going to get their points," Syracuse Coach Jim Boeheim said. "I was concerned about Green. I felt we had to do a good job on him inside, and we did not do that." Perhaps Green's biggest play of the game was the least noticed. With Rhode Island clinging to an 86-85 lead, Syracuse's Stephen Thompson (18 points) lofted a short jumper from the left side. A soaring Green tipped the ball just enough to knock it off target. The Rams proceeded to score seven unanswered points to regain control of the game.

"We made a decision midway through the second half to isolate Green," Penders said. "We felt maybe he could get some people in foul trouble. We've got great confidence in Kenny. If we can get it to him in the paint, he can usually get it down."

N. Carolina breaks two NCAA records in throttling Loyola

By JIM O'CONNELL
The Associated Press



NCAA Tournament The West

SALT LAKE CITY — When Loyola's fast break broke, it broke fast. Ranzino Smith scored a career-high 27 points as No. 7 North Carolina beat No. 16 Loyola, Calif., 123-97 Saturday in the second round of the NCAA basketball tournament, setting a record for points scored and ending the nation's longest winning streak at 25 games.

North Carolina broke another tournament record by making 49 of 62 shots, 79 percent, while forcing the Li-

ons into an abysmal 33-of-103 performance, 32 percent.

North Carolina, 26-6, and seeded second, advances to the West-Regional in Seattle next weekend when it will meet No. 10 and third-seeded Michigan, 26-7, which beat Florida 108-85 earlier Saturday.

Loyola, 28-4 and the nation's highest scoring team at 110.7 points per game, had not lost since the seventh-

game of the season when sophomore guard Bo Kimble returned to the lineup after missing the first six games recovering from a knee injury.

"We've had a pretty good year. Nothing is forever," Loyola Coach Paul Westhead said. "We ran our system, tried our best, but the shots didn't go that we frequently make."

The Tar Heels' shooting effort broke the mark of 78.6 set by Villanova when it beat Georgetown for the national championship in 1985.

The 123 points broke the tournament record of 121 set by Iowa in 1970 and matched by Nevada-Las Ve-

gas in 1977.

"We played the best defense we played all year," North Carolina Coach Dean Smith said. "We had a hand in their face most of the time, and we got back on defense. We said run if it's there, if not look for the backdoor cut."

North Carolina had broken the 100-point mark just once this season, while Loyola had bettered that mark 23 times, including the last five games. The Lions beat No. 13 Wyoming, 119-115 in the first round setting a tournament record for points by two teams.

Four other North Carolina players scored in double figures as Smith was joined by J.R. Reid and Jeff Lebo with 19, Kevin Madden with 16 and Steve Bucknall with 13.

Jeff Fryer led Loyola with 27 points, while Hank Gathers had 21, one more than Corey Gaines.

The Tar Heels took command early and beat the Lions an every phase of the game and used backdoor cuts to the basket for easy scores on four of their first eight field goals.

"We watched tape of Loyola and saw they played tough man defense, but they didn't look to help much,

Lebo said. "Coach said the backdoor would be open but we didn't know that well."

"The backdoor plays hurt us deeply," Westhead said. "North Carolina was excellent at stepping up and cutting back. Our denial defense hurt us. They had an excellent technique against our overplay."

North Carolina was expected to dominate inside with its size advantage, but the foulcourt pressure defense of Loyola didn't seem to affect the Tar Heels, who are not considered a good ballhandling team.

Tyson tunes up for Spinks — but why Tubbs?

By EARL GUSTKEY
Los Angeles Times

TOKYO — In a dark second-story boxing gym above a noisy downtown Tokyo street Saturday, a great Japanese champion from the past tried to account for Mike Tyson's enormous popularity in Japan.

Fighting Harada, as Masahiko Harada was known in the 1960s when he was both a flyweight and bantamweight world champion, talked ani-

matelically in a long conversation during which one word was repeated frequently.

"The word was 'spirit,'" Tyson's opponent in Japan has to do with his spirit," he said, through an interpreter. "Japanese sports fans are fascinated by the fact that while he is relatively short (5-foot-10) for a heavyweight, he fights with great energy, with great intensity and always defeats taller opponents, like I did."

Fighting Harada allowed himself a smile and a little giggle. And it was OK, because two decades ago, he was Japan's Iron Mike. Barely 5 feet tall, Harada, now 45, was an Asian sports superstar of the early and mid-1960s. With a non-stop, swarming, punching attack, he often wore down opponents with superior physical condition.

That scene is supposed to be played out again tonight in the first major sports event in Tokyo's new domed stadium, The Big Egg. If Fighting Harada is right, Tyson will hit 6-3

Tony Tubbs on the head a lot and then the spirits will make Tubbs fall down.

So far, the Mike Tyson World Tour 88 (it's London in September) has been a smash in Tokyo. He has been here five weeks, and except for a few well-publicized side-trips with his wife, actress Robin Givens, it's been either hard work in a downtown gym, roadwork, or watching movies in his hotel suite.

40-year-old George Foreman TKOs Qawi in seventh round

— LAS VEGAS: (AP) — Former heavyweight champion George Foreman scored his eighth straight comeback victory Saturday night, stopping a limby Dwight Muhammad Qawi in the seventh round of the scheduled 10-round fight.

Qawi had just taken a left-right to the head when he turned, waved Foreman off and quit to his corner.

Referee Carlos Padilla officially stopped the fight at 1:51 of the round.

The 40-year-old Foreman had trouble with Qawi early in the fight, but began finding his range in the sixth round when he staggered Qawi with a left uppercut, and then knocked him into the ropes seconds later with a right.

K-State dooms DePaul with 3-pointers

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) — Mitch Richmond, an all-America forward averaging 22.9 points a game, proved accuracy he can be an effective scorer.

The 6-foot-5 Kansas State senior pulled the DePaul defense's attention inside, while William Scott was sinking 7-of-8 3-point shots, giving the Wildcats a 66-58 victory in the second round of the NCAA Midwest regional.

College basketball

"My teammates did a good job of drawing the defense in and kicking it out to me on the wings," said Scott, a 6-2 senior who finished with a season-high 23 points, 21 on the 3-pointers. "After I hit a couple, my confidence really shot up."

Kansas State, 24-8, the Big Eight runner-up and the nation's 20th-ranked team, advanced to play third-ranked Purdue on Friday in the regional semifinals at Pontiac, Mich.

Purdue, which beat Memphis State 100-79 in a second-round game earlier Saturday, defeated Kansas State 101-72 in December.

DePaul, 22-8, shot poorly Saturday and made its quickest exit from the tournament in three years.

Scott found himself consistently open at the 3-point line as DePaul's defense collapsed around Richmond. "When they cheat on Mitch, we're very comfortable kicking it out, and Mitch does a good job finding people," Kansas State Coach Lon Kruger said.

The two teams combined for 18 3-point goals, 10 by Kansas State.

"Our game plan was to run, but we got lullied into a half-court game," said DePaul Coach Joey Meyer.

"They got the tempo going their way," he said.

Richmond scored 11 and Scott had nine in the first half, including a three-pointer with a minute to go that put the Wildcats ahead for good 30-28.

Kansas State led 30-29 at half time, and Scott buried two straight three-pointers to start the second half for a 36-29 lead.

Richmond then hit two critical baskets to keep the Wildcats ahead with less than six minutes to play. He made a 15-footer and a free throw for a three-point play that put them up 45-31 with 5:51 left, and he followed with a 17-foot jumper for a 57-35 lead after Rod Strickland's bank shot had pulled DePaul within two with 5:27 to go.

Strickland made one of two free throws with 1:37 left to get DePaul within three at 59-56, but Steve Henson made two free throws, Scott made two more and Richmond made three to seal it in the closing seconds.

Richmond finished with 19 points and Henson had 10.

DePaul, limited to its lowest point total of the season on 37 percent shooting from the field, got 19 points from Strickland. He was the only Blue Demon in double figures.

Michigan 108 Florida 85

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Glen Rice scored 39 points, one short of his career high, as No. 10 Michigan rolled over Florida 108-85 Saturday in the second round of the NCAA West Regional.

Loy Vaught added 20 points, and All-America guard Gary Grant scored 19 and had 11 assists for the Wolverines, who advanced past the second round for the first time in four consecutive tries.

Michigan, 26-7, plays the winner of Saturday's game between Loyola, Calif., and North Carolina in the semifinals of the West Regional next Friday in Seattle.

Duke 94 SMU 79

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — Kevin Strickland scored a career-high 31 points, and Robert Bricey had 17 as Duke raced away from Southern Methodist in the first half and took an 84-79 victory in the second round of the NCAA East Regional Saturday.

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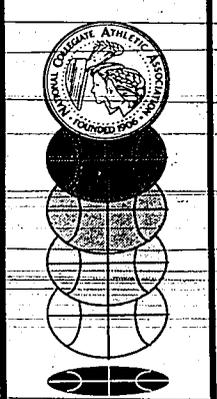
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The Wolverines took advantage of inside open shots and a strong inside game to blow open a big lead and cruise to the one-sided victory.

Michigan went on a 16-4 run midway through the first half to take a 38-19 advantage on Rice's 10-footer with 7:18 to play.

The Wolverines, runnerup in the Big Ten, stretched the lead to 54-30 before Florida scored the final five points of the half.

Michigan's biggest lead was 93-66 on Rice's 3-pointer with 7:31 to play. The Gators, who finished the season at 25-12, could get no closer than 18 in the second half.

The Wolverines hit 65 percent of their field goal attempts, including 16 of 24 by Rice, a 6-foot-9 junior who was the Big Ten scoring champion. Vaught, a 6-9 center, hit his first nine field goals before missing his last two.

Vernon Maxwell, the No. 2 all-time scorer in the Southeastern Conference who was playing his final game for Florida, scored 23. Dwayne Davis added 21 and Dwayne Schintzius 17 for the Gators.

Purdue 100 Memphis ST-73

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) — Todd Mitchell scored 14 second-half points, and No. 3 Purdue overcame uncharacteristically poor first-half shooting Saturday to beat Memphis State 100-73, putting the Boilermakers in the NCAA regional semifinals for the first time in Coach Gene Keady's eight years.

Memphis State, the Metro Conference tournament runner-up, closed its season 20-12.

The Boilermakers, bothered in the early going by Memphis State's man-to-man press, led only 38-33 at halftime after shooting 39 percent from the floor.

But senior guard Everett Stephens hit two straight baskets early in the second half to start an 11-0 Purdue run that put the Boilermakers ahead 49-35, and they let the Tigers no closer than eight the rest of the way. Purdue shot a remarkable 69 percent from the floor in the second half and 54 percent for the game, their season average.

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Oklahoma, 32-3, advanced to the regional semifinals in Birmingham, Ala., next Thursday night.

The Sooners, champions of the Big Eight Conference, never trailed after King ignited a 16-7 run by hitting a short jumper in the lane with 16:34 left in the first half.

Oklahoma built a 10-point lead midway through the half before Auburn pulled itself out of the hole to 32-30 on two Johnny Lynn free throws with 7:04 to play.

Oklahoma then got seven points from Mookie Blaylock and four from King in a 13-2 run on its way to a 51-37 halftime lead.

Auburn, 19-11, never got closer than the 10-point deficit that came when Jeff Moore converted a three-point play with 16:22 to play.

UNLV 54 SW Missouri 50

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Nevada-Las Vegas held Southwest Missouri State to only six field goals in the second half Friday night, but the 12th-ranked Runnin' Rebels still had to struggle before prevailing 54-50 in a first-round NCAA West Regional tournament game.

"We have struggled offensively, but we're playing real hard," UNLV Coach Jerry Tarkanian said. "I don't think we played well, but we played hard. We caught enough turnovers, but we couldn't score ourselves."

Jarvis Basnight scored 17 points and grabbed nine rebounds to lead the Rebels.

College of Southern Idaho graduate Keith Jackson, the starting point guard for SMSU, missed all seven field goals he attempted and ended the game with two points.

"We're like Jekyll and Hyde," Basnight said. "One day we're the Runnin' Rebels of Old. Another, we're somebody else."

Jarvis made the big plays down the stretch, Tarkanian said. "I am

happy to win any NCAA tournament game."

The Rebels had only nine field goals themselves in the second half, but it was enough to qualify them for a second-round game against 17th-ranked Iowa on Sunday.

The Hawkeyes advanced, with a 102-98 victory over Florida State earlier Friday night.

Gerald Paddio scored all 10 of his points in the second half, and it was his short jump shot with 2:20 remaining which gave the Rebels a 51-50 lead. It proved to be enough as Southwest Missouri State was held scoreless after Kelly Stuckey's two free throws with 2:49 to go put the Bears ahead 50-49.

Basnight made a layup with 1:47 to play to give UNLV a 53-50 lead, and he then forced two held balls to give the Rebels possession.

After UNLV ran the clock down, Paddio missed a 3-point shot with 36 seconds left, but the Rebels got the ball back on a turnover before Southwest Missouri State could get off a shot. A free throw by Clint Rossom with seven seconds left clinched the victory.

The teams combined for only 39 points in a stoppy second half dominated by the defenses. Both teams had six-minute scoring droughts.

"I would have thought if it (the score) had been in the 50s, we would have won," Southwest Missouri State Coach Charlie Spoonhour said. "I thought we played very well in the first half. In the second half, they showed us a little zone defense and we didn't make the right adjustments, and that cost us the basketball game."

After trailing 34-31 at halftime, the Rebels took their first lead of the game by scoring the first five points of the second half on a short jumper by Basnight and a 3-point shot by Paddio.

The points were the first of the game for Paddio, UNLV's leading scorer with a 19.5-point average. Paddio hit another 3-pointer with 16:30 left to break a 36-36 tie, and a basket by Basnight 50 seconds later gave the Rebels a 41-36 lead.

UNLV scored fourth in the West, then went 6-11 without scoring, but the Bears didn't do much better, getting only six points during that time to go ahead 42-41.

Paddio broke the UNLV drought by making a pair of free throws with 9:29 left.

Those foul shots by Paddio were the only points scored by either team in a span of six minutes. It remained 43-42 until Stuckey got a field goal on a goaltending call with 6:14 to play.

Stuckey led the Bears with 18 points and eight rebounds. Caleb Davis added 12 for Southwest Missouri State and Richard Robinson had 10 for UNLV.

Southwest Missouri State, champion of the Association of Mid-Central Universities and seeded 13th in the West, scored the game's first six points and led 10-2 after four minutes of play. Stuckey had six of his team's first 10 points.

The Bears extended their lead to 15-8 before the Rebels began to come back. UNLV earned its only tie of the half at 29-29 by scoring five straight points, the last on a free throw by Basnight with 2:12 left.

The Bears, who finished the season 22-7, then scored five of the last seven points of the half — all on free throws — to take their three-point halftime lead.

Southwest Missouri made 13 of 21 foul shots in the opening 20 minutes, while Las Vegas had only five free throws in eight attempts. The Rebels had 17 personal fouls in the first half to nine for the Bears.

Telephone messages to NFL Players Association officials at their Washington, D.C. headquarters were not returned immediately.

Marshall's move could also affect the ongoing legal battles between the NFL and the players union, which has filed a lawsuit in Minneapolis charging the compensation-first refusal system violates federal antitrust laws.

"It didn't happen last time. It's a one in a million chance that somebody is going to give up two draft choices and \$6 million for one guy. That doesn't happen too often," McMichael said.

At 25, Marshall is a four-year veteran. The size of the deal and the movement of a player of his age and proven skills will begin escalating as team owners turn to free agency to build their clubs.

"The deal has gotten a lot of attention, and not just in the papers," said John Jones, spokesman for the NFL Management Council. "But I honestly don't know if anyone has a sense whether this is the start of a larger movement or just an isolated case."

Obviously, he added, the Redskins viewed Marshall as a player at a position who would be worth acquiring ... even if it created a stir."

TEWFA meets tonight

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Women's Bowling Association will hold its annual spring meeting tonight at the Bowldrome.

The trophies for the city tournament will be given out and election of officers will be held.

The session is scheduled for 7 p.m. in the Bowldrome's meeting room.

Trekkers hike today

TWIN FALLS — The Trail and Trekkers of Sports Country will have a surprise hike to begin the hiking season today.

Those wishing to do so may gather for breakfast at 9 a.m. at JB's on Blue Lakes Ave. N. or simply meet with the group at the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce parking lot at 10 a.m.

U.S. almost wins race

ARE, Sweden (AP) — Alberto Tomba of Italy edged Felix McGrath of Norwich, Vt., by 22-hundredths of a second in a World Cup slalom race Saturday and took a 19-point lead in the overall standings.

It was the fifth slalom triumph of the year for the Italian and eighth World Cup victory of the Alpine ski season.

CSI rodeo starts Friday

TWIN FALLS — The 12th Annual College of Southern Idaho Intercollegiate Rodeo will be held next Friday and Saturday in the Expo Center.

Performances are scheduled for 8 p.m. Friday and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday.

The rodeo team will kick off the spring rodeo season for CSI. The Eagles rodeo team won all three fall rodeos.

Tickets, priced at \$5 for adults and \$2 for children, are available from rodeo club members and at Vickers and Petersen's western stores in Twin Falls and at Ross Western Wear in Jerome.

Babe Ruth signups set

TWIN FALLS — Registration for the 1988 Magic Valley Babe Ruth League will be held Thursday night at Stuart and O'Leary junior high schools.

Boys who will be aged 13 by Aug. 1 and not older than 16 by that date are eligible.

A parent must sign a release and furnish a copy of the boy's birth certificate. Registration fee is \$25, including insurance.

The signups will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Further information can be obtained by phoning 734-4860 or 734-2786.

Burley girls dominate all-SCIC, Cross State

BURLEY — Burley junior guard Jennifer Beck has been chosen the South-Central Idaho Conference girls' player of the year, while Burley girls' basketball coach Gordon Kerbs has been named Cross State Conference coach of the year.

The SCIC and Cross State coaches made their selections for all-conference teams last Wednesday.

Joining Beck, a 5-foot, 5-inch guard, on the all-SCIC unit were teammates Donna Allen, a 5-8 senior guard; Cindy Williams, a 5-9 senior center; and Jill Cornwall, a 5-5 senior guard.

Buhl's Jami Korte, a 5-6 sophomore guard, and Shannon Cato, a 5-10 junior forward, were also selected, along with teammate Regina Wray, a 5-11 junior-center. Jerome's Liz Gilbert, a 5-8 freshman forward, was chosen along with Wood River's Kory Chappin, a 5-10 junior center.

CSI drops 2 games Saturday in Cotton Classic tournament

PRESCOTT, Ariz. — The College of Southern Idaho's baseball team had its eight-game winning streak ended here Saturday, dropping games to Pima Community College and to the Arizona State University junior varsity on the final day of the Cotton Classic tournament.

The Eagles fell to Pima 10-1 and to ASU's 4-3 to drop their record to 12-5.

CSI beat Trinidad State College of Colorado 10-3 Friday and then defeated Central Arizona, 4-3.

Pima erupted for nine runs on eight hits in the top of the eighth to break up a 1-1 tie, hammering out 15 hits in the game. The Eagles were held to four hits, scoring their only run in the third inning when Todd Webb singled home Billy Satterfield, who had walked and advanced on a wild pitch.

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Bears' Marshall becomes first big-time NFL free agent to switch teams

CHICAGO (AP) — Linebacker Wilber Marshall became the first major NFL player to change teams as a free agent Friday when the Chicago Bears let him go to the Redskins by refusing to match Washington's five-year \$11-million offer.

"It was a tough decision," Bears President Michael McCaskey said. "However, we looked carefully at our options and are unified in our position."

As compensation for losing the Pro Bowl caliber player, the Bears will receive two No. 1 draft picks from Washington, one this year and one in 1989.

The only other NFL free-agent transfer took place 11 years ago when Norm Thompson, a cornerback, went from St. Louis to Baltimore. The inability of players to move to other teams after playing out their options is a major argument cited by the NFL

Pro football

highest-paid defensive player in pro football history.

"Building a successful team is similar to putting a puzzle together," said Bears coach Mike Ditka. "Now, we've got a missing piece, but a lot of talent to fill that void."

"It's a challenge," he added. "We've got to put the deal behind us and continue to be one of the best teams in football."

Marshall said he wasn't bitter toward the Bears.

"I'd have liked to stay in Chicago," he said. "I hope (the Bears) can be successful, but with what's been going on I don't know."

Bears defensive tackle Steve McMichael said he was "happy for Wilber and sorry for us. He's a great linebacker."

players' union in its anti-trust suit against the league.

Marshall last Friday signed an offer sheet from the Redskins for a guaranteed \$6 million over five years, in addition to a \$500,000 signing bonus and no-trade clause for the first year. He will earn a base salary of \$900,000 in 1988 that will increase by \$100,000 until 1992.

The Bears had a week in which to match the offer or lose Marshall.

"Wilber is a fine football player and we wish him the best," McCaskey said.

"Wilber is a great addition to the Redskins," said Washington General Manager Bobby Beathard. "It's not often a player of his caliber is available."

The deal also made Marshall the

free agent market in the NFL.

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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND SCHEDULE FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Department of Energy (DOE) announces the availability of a final EIS for the proposed site of a new isotope separation project...

Public comments are invited and three (3) public hearings will be held with respect to the DEIS. Written comments on the DEIS should be addressed to the Department of Energy...

The following is a descriptive summary of the substance of the proposed action. The DEIS is being prepared by DOE in accordance with Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969...

Public Hearings will be held at the following locations: 1. Public Hearing at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory (INEL) near Idaho Falls, Idaho...

Copies of the DEIS and referenced documents will also be available for public review in the following locations: Freedom of Information Reading Room...

Telephone No. (202)586-6020. Written Comments. Evidentiary notices are invited to provide comments on the DEIS to Dr. Clay Nichols at the address given previously...

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07-Jobs of Interest. HEAVEN SENT NANNIES. Help-homes with children. Multi-level organization that has technology in its DNA to handle. For more information contact 423-5474.

07-Jobs of Interest. RETARDATION PROFESSIONAL. Immediate opening for an individual with at least one year of experience working with physically handicapped children who have a professional license in one of the following areas: Psychology, Social work, PT, OT, special education, speech therapy, occupational therapy, nursing (master level), therapeutic recreation specialist, etc.

Selected offers-Real estate

007-030

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Rax Restaurant is now recruiting experienced management candidates for advancement for management for career individuals. Must be able to relocate in Idaho. If you are a highly motivated career oriented individual with a desire to join a growing food service organization, send your resume to: District Manager, Rax of Idaho, Yellowstone Hwy., Chubbuck, Idaho 83402.

RNL is seeking for very busy doctor's office approximately 30 hrs per week. Flexible, office experience helpful, relocation required; please send brief resume to Box H-97, C/O Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83403.

RNS Break away. Come take a look at what rural nursing has to offer.

Comfortable surroundings for creative individuals. Flex scheduling, excellent pay and benefits. Contact in confidence. Susan Fletcher, RN, Summit Mountain Hospital, American Falls, ID 278-2327.

Seamstress, Island Park, 1 seasonal cook, 2 waitresses, 3 cashiers & 1 dishwasher. Excellent compensation. Send resume to: Blake & Sons, 314 W. Main, P.O. Box 292, Smoker-Smokers, Call 292-5989.

SEAFARER - FULL TIME POSITION.

Minimum requirements: 2 yrs experience. Knowledge of English desired. General speed 50+ knots typical skills. Salary \$375-\$1,012/1 month. 24 hrs/7 days application and information, contact: Karen Volozquez, Room 204 Development Association, P.O. Box 1824, 1300 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho 83403. Position open until filled. EEO.

Security drivers

will have outstanding sales openings in the Magic Valley - College graduate, 49 yrs old, excellent experience hospital. National average income \$45,899.

STUDENTS NEEDED

for research in the field of Catholic Elementary teachers for possible openings in grades through 5. If interested contact George Shannon at 734-3372. Room 204 Development Association, P.O. Box 1824, Twin Falls, ID 83403.

TELEMARKETING SALES

The Times-News is seeking a full-time telemarketing salesperson for this individual would be responsible for generating revenue by selling advertising space on our accounts, as well as soliciting and developing new business by phone. Duties include scheduling and processing newspaper advertising as well as soliciting for and selling special projects and advertising campaigns. Demonstrated sales ability is required, as well as excellent written and verbal communication skills. Must type a minimum of 50 wpm.

WANTED

Experienced telephone salesperson - excellent pay for salesperson. Full-time position. Box X-95, C/O Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83403.

009-Employ. Agencies

COMMISSION PER YEAR National Wholesale Jewelry retailer. No direct sales. Wholesale only. 175-782-1831.

010-Professional Services

BOOKKEEPING SERVICE. Pick-up & delivery available. Debbie Johnson, 734-3372.

014-Day Care Services

ABC Christian Day Care Preschool, ages 2 1/2-4, 2 1/2 hrs. 3 days a week. State licensed. 734-3372.

WANTED - Quality Assistant Manager

American Cheese Plant, located in Southern Idaho. Need a S. Doger. Science oriented field; 2-3 years lab experience. Send resume to: Don Jensen, P.O. Box 155, Smithfield, Utah 84335.

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Wanted: retired couple to manage single man to cook & do repairs on ranch for retirement. No smoking or drinking. No drinking or smoking. Nevada a must. On ranch in area of a highly motivated career oriented individual with a desire to join a growing food service organization, send your resume to: District Manager, Rax of Idaho, Yellowstone Hwy., Chubbuck, Idaho 83402.

015-Babysitters

Babysitter wanted. Wendell area, part time, non-smoker 10 to 15. Call 536-6110.

025-Investment

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025-Instruction

Start now on a new career: 1. Active level agent 2. Heavy equipment operator. 3. Professional truck drivers training school.

025-Business Opps.

A chance to earn a very nice return on an investment of \$7500 - renting motor homes. This is the best time of the year to get started. Let us show you why we need your money now!

025-Real estate

Real estate 4300-4400. Call 734-3372.

025-Sales People

AUTOMOBILE SALE. Willis Motor Co is now hiring and training qualified people for sales. Salary \$375-\$1,012/1 month. 24 hrs/7 days application and information, contact: Karen Volozquez, Room 204 Development Association, P.O. Box 1824, 1300 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho 83403. Position open until filled. EEO.

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DUPLEXES & RENTALS - APARTMENT building close to downtown. 1 1/2 bath, garage, air and washer/dryer. No pets. \$75.00.

025-Five Separate 2-Bedroom Units

FIVE SEPARATE 2-BEDROOM units with appliances, carpet, gas heat, in good location with extra room for expansion. \$90,000.

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025-Mechanic work-my home.

Mechanic work-my home. Reasonable. Home, rep. etc. Sell 3 pickup trucks. 734-3372.

025-Sewing for men, women & kids.

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Real estate-Merchandise

030-067

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UNIQUELY IDAHO

Located in Twin Falls, most prestigious area, dream kitchen, 2 master bedrooms, backup heating system, dbl garage w/panor. view, solar heater, thermal windows, privacy fenced, this HOME IS BUILT FOR EXCELLENCE. \$89,000.

YOU OWE IT TO YOURSELF

Find out what this neat 4-bdrm, 2 bath home has to offer. Privacy fenced, dbl garage w/panor. view, \$50,000.

ESLINGER REALTY

RALPH ESLINGER
734-9880 or 733-9576

WARM AND COZY

ates in front of the fireplace is just one of the enjoyments this home has to offer. Lot bedrooms, beautiful home atmosphere with earth tones throughout. Large backyard with above ground pool will give you hours of enjoyment and privacy. Drive by 511 East Ave. West than call Jane George for a view in person. This one you shouldn't miss seeing. 102-88

GEM STATE REALTY

734-0400
OR TOLL FREE
1-800-345-4865 ext E115

030—Homes For Sale

SUPER SUPER BUY

on this custom built 2 story cedar home near O'Leary Junior-High. 3 bedrooms, large unfinished basement. Cathedral ceiling in living room with beautiful view of fireplace. Large patio off family room, RV pad. Automatic sprinkler system. Owner has reduced price \$10,000 for quick sale. Now only \$59,900. Drive by 2029 Elizabeth Blvd. and then call Dorothy to see. 36-88

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Price reduced, 3100 sq. ft. 3 bdrm, 2 bath, partially finished basement, oak garage, shaghe sking. Call 733-5212.

REDUCED! 4 bdrms, 3 baths, family room, built-in breakfast room, carpeted, central air conditioning, large patio off family room, RV pad. Automatic sprinkler system. Owner has reduced price \$10,000 for quick sale. Now only \$59,900. Drive by 2029 Elizabeth Blvd. and then call Dorothy to see. 36-88

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1.83 acres, 3 or 4 bedrooms, 2 bath, basement, bath, & outbuildings. 736-4287

Attractive 3 bedroom home on 2 acres. Fireplace, 2 wood stoves, barn, and well. Call 423-4401.

034—Jerome Homes

All electric 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath, fireplace, dishwasher, central air conditioning, water softener, daylight basement with 1 finished bedroom and 4 bath. Washer and dryer hook-ups, detached garage/shed, 2 car garage. \$54,900. Call 426-1056 message.

031—Out of Town

Approx 3000 sq ft home on large lot, West Santa Rosa, Call area, 3 bdrm, living room, dining room, kitchen, laundry, 1 1/2 bath down, possible 3 bdrm up, \$67,500. Owner will help finance. Call 208-543-5692.

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Exceptional 3 bdrm 2 1/2 bath finished berm, garage, fenced yard, RV parking, all excel. Excellent location in Inver, \$92,500. Call 733-6030

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036—Acreage & Lots

Mobile home lots. Adult & family subdivisions. City F.T., utilities, term. FHA and VA approved. 734-8943.

039—Business Property

Shop and 4 bedroom home on 1.3 acres of land. Main building, 2nd floor, 2nd floor. Realtor owned. Call Ron, STRICKLAND 424-4231, ext 352-4248.

040—Cemetery Lots

Two choice companion cemetery lots, Valley View Cemetery, Sun Memorial Park, \$300 each. Shown by appointment. Write Bob C, 700 Times News, P.O. Box 548, T.F., Id. 83303.

043—Vacation Property

Partner wanted for membership in Salmon River Resort Club. Luxury in Idaho's primitive area. Sleazebag door, all electric, hot water, hot water, riding, floating. 734-4124.

044—Condominiums For Sale

ROCK GARDEN CONDO For info on condos. Call Bob Reilly, 733-0404.

045—Mobile Homes

A nice 3 bdrm, 14 x 70' all elec. appl. incl. in movable \$9800. Call 734-8055

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1982 Liberty Poodles, 14 x 70 with 21' expanding, 3 bdrm, mobile home. Call to be moved, \$11,500. Call 443-8922.

051—Unim. Homes

3 bdrm, no appis, fenced yard, garage, \$285,000. Call 734-9880. 202nd Ave. N. 733-0739

052—Furn. Apt. & Dup.

A clean 1 bdrm with washer/dryer, full kitchen, \$425. \$155 + \$75 dep. 734-8263.

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12 x 60, 2 bdrm, 1 bath, heat, \$85 + deposit. Skyline Park 733-4607.

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1 1/2 insulated building, railroad siding, concrete floor, office rooms, 3 phase power. Office space—800 sq. ft. \$75,000—ask about the terms!

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3 bedroom, 2 bath rambler, large country kitchen/family room, small front porch, fireplace with insert, lots of storage—including large storage area, automatic sprinkler, heat pump, separate 10% FHA loan, no waiting! \$69,900. Stove 734-1238.

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119-BROADWAY NORTH
BUHL, IDAHO 83316
208/543-8806

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HUD is once again offering reduced down payments just like we did this past summer. Contact your local Real Estate Broker for details.

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3/30/88	849 East 16th Ave., Jerome, Id.	\$25,250	3/1	1008			
3/30/88	849 3rd Ave. W., Twin Falls, Id.	\$15,500	2/1	762			
3/30/88	379 Adams, Twin Falls, Id.	\$16,500	2/1	480	bsmt		
3/30/88	325 Quincy, Twin Falls, Id.	\$15,950	2/1	700			

GROUP II - AS IS INSURABLE

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avoiding any doubtful decision. If you feel your action is clear-cut anyway, go ahead and act. If the opponents lodge a protest, an appeal committee can make a final decision.

ANSWER: Absolutely, yes. One might shade a non-vulnerable three-spade overcall to avoid the risk of being shut out. But the penalties are too great to take the same risks overcall. The vulnerable overcall should promise solid values.

Dear Mr. Wolff: I open one no trump, partner uses Stayman via two clubs, and I show my hearts. If he now bids three clubs, is this a force or is it a club suit?

ANSWER: It depends upon your system agreements. In the old days, this sequence showed a club suit. Today there are many modifications to the original Stayman convention, and each partnership must decide.

Dear Mr. Wolff: If the opponents play a no-trump part-score and I hold all four aces, do I get credit for 150 honors?

Dear Mr. Wolff: Partner deals and opens five hearts. What is the meaning of this strange bid?

ANSWER: Yes. Honors are scored by any player who holds them. It doesn't matter which side plays the hand or whether the contract fails or succeeds.

Dear Mr. Wolff: In a competitive auction, my partner's spouse while before passing the last bid. When the bid is passed, my partner has no obligation to refrain from acting because of partner's spouse?

ANSWER: This is an old-fashioned treatment that remains popular today (for those who can remember). The unusual bid promises a solid hand with a long trump suit and asks partner to raise one level with either the ace or the king of trumps. With both top honors, partner should raise to the grand slam.

ANSWER: Partner's spouse should be considered illegal communication. You have an obligation to resist being influenced by his action.

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Helping teen mothers get ahead

By LORAYNE ORTON SMITH
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Teen-age mothers whose economic and personal future are at high risk, are getting a helping hand through the Magic Valley Teen Parent Program.

Eighteen girls ranging in age from 14 to 20, and from a dozen valley towns, currently attend the alternative high school which began in January in Annex A at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

A third of the students are married, some are on welfare and nearly all of them, even those with husbands, are at poverty level, say their instructors.

The federally-funded program, in which several agencies cooperate, is for pregnant girls who do not want to stay in their own high school and mothers who have quit school and cannot afford to resume their education because of the cost of child care.

This is the high risk population whose lack of education, job skills and low self-esteem, combine to feed the generational welfare cycle, says Karen Fraley, director of curriculum for the Jerome School district, who organized the program.

"We don't encourage any pregnant girl to quit high school if they are comfortable there, and have available child care," she says.

While the goal of earning a high school diploma is the same, the teen school in the old nurses' home is quite different from a traditional high school.

The newly painted rooms on the second floor of the 1919 county-owned building resemble an office suite more than an educational facility. The 11 children stay in the nursery while girls study around a long table in a separate room.

There are no extracurricular activities or frills. Sessions run from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The teens bring their toddlers and take turns working in the nursery, learning fundamentals of child care and development from Lynda O'Neil, a former day care center operator and school aide in Jerome. They also earn home economics credits while they learn.

The free child care is what makes it possible for the young mothers to attend, says Kip Cummings, former teacher of English and home economics in Idaho and California, who serves as an instructor.

"It's really a rewarding experience teaching these girls," she says, because they are obviously motivated or they wouldn't make the effort to attend. Attendance varies constantly as students face the vicissitudes of sick children and other home responsibilities.

Some already have dropped out, but four new students started this past week, Cummings says. Students are from Twin Falls, Jerome, Kimberly, Hansen, Buhl, Filer, Shoshone, Wendell, Gooding and Dietrich.

The program is loosely structured. Only child care and health are taught in a group setting. Otherwise girls work on an individualized basis at their own speed, which really is harder, Fraley says, than in a regular class where one gains from lectures, films and student exchange.

The girls earn one high school credit for seven completed academic units. Cummings keeps in touch with counselors in the teen's original high school and when they have earned the necessary credits, they can graduate there if they wish, Fraley says.

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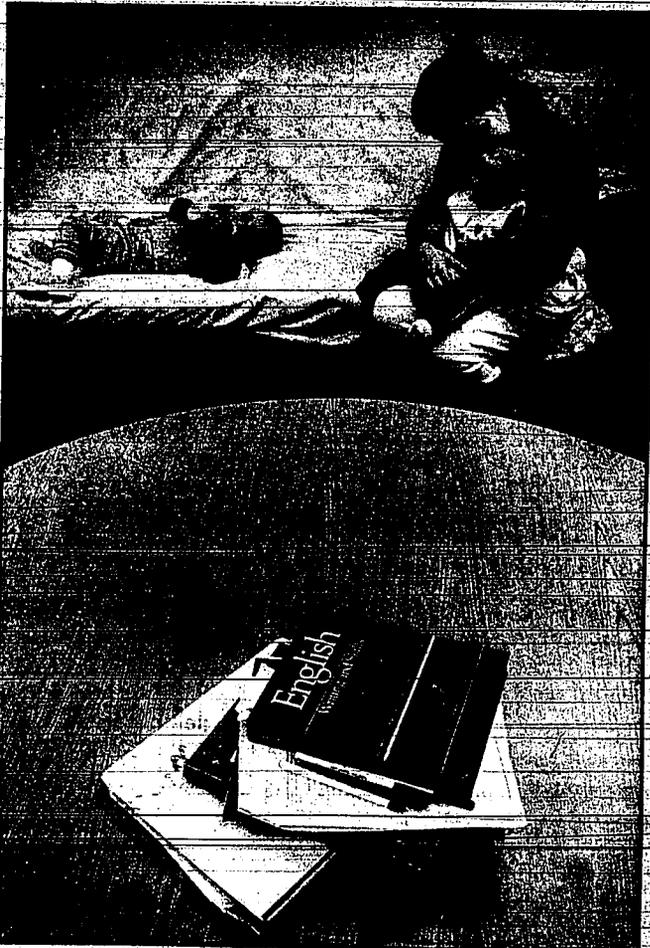


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Auxiliary members contribute \$24,342

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Auxiliary members have contributed 18,468 hours of service to the hospital the past year, and \$24,342 in donations to the hospital foundation.

Lucille Baughman, president, says the money was used not only for improvements in the hospital, but for community projects, such as the fitness trail at the College of Southern Idaho, spearheaded by the Twin Falls Rotary Club.

Dorothy Miller, director of volunteer services at the hospital, said \$10,000 of the amount given to the foundation will be used for nursing scholarships at CSI.

In addition to the donation to the Rotary Club for the fitness trail, the funds will be used to purchase infant



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seals for the hospital obstetrics department, patient prenatal educational materials, a recliner for patients in the operating room and a portable monitor in the natal intensive care unit.

The CSI Forensics squad earned nine trophies recently at the regional Phi Rho Pi Speech tournament held at Utah Valley College, Orem, Utah.

Gary Winterholler, Salt Lake City, won the gold trophy in dramatic interpretation and prose interpretation. Silver trophies went to Derriek Hanson, Twin Falls; and Winterholler in duct acting. Winterholler also took a silver trophy in the speech to entertain category.

Bronze trophies were earned by Heather Marley, Twin Falls, in communication analysis; Donna McLain, Glenns Ferry, in informative, and Hansen in drama interpretation.

The CSI Readers Theatre also won a Bronze award.

Because of its large win record and quality work this year the squad, coached by Dr. Ryan Fanner, is preparing to attend the national tournament in April in Minneapolis, Minn.

Karla Hanzel, Declo High School student, is the state winner of the Idaho American Legion Oratorical contest. She will represent the Gem state at the regional contest, scheduled for April 11 in Billings, Mont., where she will compete against winners from Alaska, Oregon, Montana and Washington for the opportunity to go to the sectional event two days later in Auburn, Wash.

The national oratorical contest will be held in Denton, Texas April 15. The Idaho winner received a gold medal and \$200 from the Idaho Department of the American Legion.

Sheila M. Scheel, Twin Falls, has received a \$5,700 scholarship to Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa, for the 1988 fall semester. The stipend covers one-half tuition and a \$1,500 academic scholarship, renewable if she maintains a high academic record.

A senior at Twin Falls High School, she was a semifinalist in the Almani scholarship competition. She plans to study in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Cole Cushman, Gooding High School sophomore, was regional winner of the Optimist Club's international essay contest held in Portland. His topic was "Freedom — Our Most Precious Heritage." He won an

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Sandi McKeel (top picture) takes time away from the books to cuddle her seven-month-old son Matthew in the program's nursery. Students at the Magic Valley Teen Parent school study around a table.

The goal is clear: Job preparation

By LORAYNE ORTON SMITH
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — At 20, Denise Avery-Kimberly, is the oldest student in the Magic Valley Teen Parent program.

Now married and the mother of an 18-month-old child, she wants to become a travel agent. So she's returned to complete her high school education and plans to go to the College of Southern Idaho.

Since quitting school as a sophomore, she's held a wide variety of jobs — as a waitress, motel maid and babysitter — she knows she doesn't want to continue in any of this kind of work. Her advice to teen-agers — "stay in school, even if they become parents."

Sandi McKeel, 19, Twin Falls, has just started at the alternative high school for teen-age mothers. She also dropped out of school as a sophomore and now has two children, 3 years old and 7 months.

She says she wouldn't have been able to return to her studies without the child care provided at the school. Her goal is to get a "good paying job."

Several students are continuing their schooling while awaiting arrival of their babies.

Nike Roberts, 16, Jerome, is six months pregnant. She says her husband, Jeff, 20, is thrilled about the expected arrival. He is a jockey and races horses.

They were married Dec. 28 and it's soon become a two-generation family affair when the following month his dad and her mother were married.

Roberts finished the last semester at Jerome High School where she transferred from Buhl. Classmates were supportive, she said. In fact, she continued playing basketball until the last two games.

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Talent, strategy translate to beautiful tunes for Buhl band

By LORAYNE ORTON SMITH
Times-News writer

BUHL — When Wayne Skeem became band director at Buhl High School three years ago, he asked his youthful musicians to "catch the dream" of making beautiful and thrilling music, taking pride in their efforts and earning respect from the community and their peers.

But the director, who began his own dance band about 50 years ago, when he was a Castleford High School sophomore, offered more than fine

sounding words. He had a definite plan to reach his goal — by using small ensembles to bring community attention to his students' talent, promote confidence and, most important, make music enjoyable and rewarding.

It was not just a theoretical idea. His ensemble program had worked successfully in Elko, Nev., where his small groups and marching band won wide recognition during the nearly 20 years he taught music in that state.

"I threw out a challenge and they grabbed it," Skeem says of his Buhl

students. On Saturday, the success of Skeem's philosophy will be acknowledged by his peers statewide.

The 38-piece Buhl Band and its Tuxedo Ensembles have been invited to give a lecture-performance on "A Successful Approach to Ensemble Teaching" at the Idaho Music Educators Association conference in Moscow.

Students throughout the state audition for the opportunity to attend the clinics held as part of the conference. Four of his students made the all-

state band — Carl Kohntopp and Brian Murphy, trumpets; Jado Millington, bass; and Jason Rose, trombone. But Buhl's "Band of Indians" is the only high school band invited, Skeem says.

At the all-state presentation ensemble members stand and play right in their band seating positions, as they do in their own concerts. Skeem will intersperse the numbers with comments on his approach.

Like most successful teachers, Skeem is quick to give his students credit for this statewide recognition.

but admits his long background with, and love of, music may have helped.

During the early-1940's, Skeem and his "Melody Skeemers" — advertised in a now faded poster as "Idaho's youngest dance band" — played throughout the area including the old Y-Dell in Durley, the Radio Rodeo in Twin Falls and other long since forgotten dance halls in the Magic Valley.

Skeem continued his dance band for a few years after World War II and graduation from the former Southern Idaho College of Education at Albion,

and while he held his first teaching job at Wendell.

Skeem's early experience playing for dance bands gave him confidence, he says, "because I knew I could produce music and kids have to feel that confidence in a director." To be successful with a band, he adds, "you have to make it play."

His experience also gave him some definite ideas about programming concerts and the kind of music he selects.

"Too many groups play music just

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Band

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to impress other musicians," he says. "And much of what little music is available for ensembles, he thinks, probably was composed by graduate students trying to get their doctor's degree who don't know anything about the piano."

One of his hardest jobs is to find suitable ensemble music which includes keyboard instrumentation. He believes in quality music, but insists it should be enjoyable, too, with recognizable melody.

Skeem says he never selects a long piece for public concerts and uses only excerpts from numbers prepared for festival competition.

"You have to start where people are," the musician says, "even with the kids."

The ensemble program makes demands on students. Each group practices one morning a week before school begins. Skeem began with a trumpet quartet which prepared "Trumpet Filigree" by Harold Walters. He describes it as a "dandy program number" and "of course it has a piano part."

Skeem stresses the importance of having piano accompaniment, both to provide pitch for beginners and to enhance the sound of the better players in the ensembles. And he is enthusiastic about the "joy of harmonic sounds" now available on electric piano. Using the school's most advanced piano students, he says, "provides a fantastic opportunity to bring seldom

heard instruments, such as harp, chord and celesta, to create richer sounds."

Another of Skeem's keys to success is to take his young musicians out into the community and beyond. As soon as the trumpet quartet was ready, they began playing for local service clubs, whose members appreciated their ability.

The resulting positive publicity further encourages the young musicians and serves as an incentive to beginners, he has found.

Last year the trumpet, saxophone quintet and mixed brass players performed at the state capital rotunda and the trumpet quartet was invited to perform for the Music Educator's banquet in Boise. There have been several other guest performances before state-wide groups for the Buhl band, which only a few years ago "was on the ropes," Skeem says.

The Buhl Tuxedo ensembles include both brass and woodwind groups, a Dixieland group and of course, a jazz band, which has played for several community dances.

The director uses a variety of music, but "it should be musical," he says. "This includes rock rhythm" but he draws the line at hard rock, terming it "holler music."

"It yells at me and I don't like to be yelled at," Skeem says, adding he urges students to be discerning. Apparently students don't mind — they are too busy with the challenges their director gives them.



WAYNE SKEEM
Band director, Buhl High

Currently they are working on "Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral," from Wagner's famous opera "Lohengrin" which Skeem describes as a "grand piece of music."

With his skillful use of synthesizers and other marvels of digital electronics, plus enthusiastic promotion of his small ensembles, the Buhl director definitely "is making his band play."

'Light

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expense-paid trip to Philadelphia in June where the national winner will be selected from regional winners.

Instrumentalists who have been chosen to represent Twin Falls High School at the All-State Music Clinic March 24-26 at University of Idaho, Moscow, are announced by Ted Hadley, band director.

Band students are Mike Conover and Fred Folk, both tuba; Marcelter Veen, trumpet; Renee Barkman, clarinet; Marcus Day, alto sax; Michelle Miles and Ted Tuma, both bassoon; Litch Moffitt, percussion; Jennifer McDowell, horn, and Jon Lenker, bass clarinet. Orchestra students include Chas Culp, percussion, and Nicole Golay, oboe.

Chuck Brockway and Peter Ruprecht, seniors at Twin Falls High School, recently participated in a weekend laser physics workshop at Lawrence University, Appleton, Wis. They were two of only 40 students throughout the country selected for the seminar.

During the sessions they observed the basic properties of laser light and measured velocity of light using a fast-pulsed laser. Participants also worked with dye lasers, laser spectroscopy and holography.

Magic Valley engineering students at the University of Idaho, Moscow, who have passed the exam to gain engineer-in-training status include David G. Plummer, civil engineer and son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Plummer, Filer; Paul E. Richards, mechanical engineer and son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Richards, Hailey; Larry S. Ghan, mechanical engineer and son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ghan, Hansen, and William Hagler, chemical engineer, and Mark W. Ireton, electrical engineer and son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ireton, Jerome.

Larry Hurt, son of Virgil and Arleen Hurt, Twin Falls, was on the academic honors list for the fall semester at University of Wisconsin, Green Bay.

Seven Magic Valley students are on the dean's list in Idaho State University's College of Health-Related Professions. They include Samantha D. Lopez, Jerome, health care administration; Julie Jensen, Richfield, and Catherine A. Wheeler, Declo, both nursing; Mark Reas, Burley, radio-

graphic science; Marie Gabriela Wendell; Marcella L. Heil, Castelford, and Karla K. Lucas, Buhl, speech pathology and audiology, and Debra K. Cooper, Twin Falls, education of hearing impaired.

Ann McClure, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Richard McClure, Jerome, is on the dean's list at Wheaton College, Norton, Mass., for the fall semester.

Amy Winder, Filer, was named to the dean's list at Tufts University, Medford, Mass.

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School

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But many of the young parents or mothers-to-be have few ties to their old school. They are more concerned about getting training so they can get jobs paying more than minimum wage.

Cummings says while a few husbands have steady income, most of the young couples face the same bleak economic future as the single mothers attending the school. Many lack parenting and money management skills and have poor self-images when they come to the program, the instructor says.

The third goal of the program, in addition to providing a high school diploma and child care and parenting skills, is to teach marketable skills.

This component includes training in computers, typing and retailing in cooperation with the College of Southern Idaho. Students get both high school and college credit for these courses.

Diane Whitman of Twin Falls Job Service gives aptitude tests, helps the students with career awareness and job interview skills.

Funds from vocational education grants provide instructors and instructional material, Fralay says, but does not cover cost of furnishings or equipment.

"We've had incredible community support," Fralay says. Twin Falls County leases the building at reasonable cost, local businesses donated carpeting and furniture and Twin Falls and Jerome school district maintenance personnel prepared the facility for use.

The maintenance and housekeeping staff of Magic Valley Regional

Medical Center also are very helpful, O'Neil says.

But despite all this appreciated help, more baby furniture, such as cribs and rider toys, would be welcomed. They particularly need a baby scale, O'Neil says, and even boxes of Kleenex, as funds do not cover supplies.

She also just learned the facility is plumbed for washer and dryer and it would be much appreciated if anyone could donate these appliances.

Leaders feel they are just touching the tip of the iceberg of area teenage mothers. National statistics indicate 80 percent of this population stays on welfare.

"We thought when we opened if we got 12 girls we'd be lucky," Fralay says, "but within two weeks we had 15." The first students came as result of public service announcements in the media and from contacts with counselors in area high schools.

Now word of mouth is drawing teens whose lives have been disrupted by early pregnancies to grasp the opportunity to better their future and, most important, to learn how to raise healthier children.

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She is one of the few students who has her own living quarters. Most live with parents.

In contrast Leanne Chapman, 17, left Twin Falls High School where she was a junior because she felt lack of acceptance. Now five months pregnant, she hopes to train for a secretarial career and will take the computer course which begins Monday at CSI. She wants to continue her education at CSI after earning her high school diploma.

Chapman knows firsthand how difficult it is to proceed without that diploma. Her husband, Fred, was turned down by the military because he, too, is a high school dropout.

"It's real important to finish high school," she says.

Jody Egbert, Twin Falls, 17, mother of a 6-week-old boy, says she's here to continue her education.

She went to Booth Memorial hospital in Boise to have her baby and was able to continue classes there. Her work experience has been at a fast food eatery, but now the young mother has set her sights on college. She plans to go to CSI after graduating from high school.

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The Van Zantes

EDEN — Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Van Zante, Eden, will be honored on their 40th wedding anniversary with an open house March 26.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 2 to 5 p.m. at Sunny View Courts recreation hall, Addison Avenue East and Sycamore Street, Twin Falls.

Van Zante and Merle Jean Humphreys were married March 28, 1948, in Twin Falls and have farmed in the Twin Falls and Jerome areas the past 40 years.

The event is being given by their four children, Charles Van Zante, Jerome, Lola Fritpatrick and Brenda Jean Egan, both Hazelton, and David Van Zante, Jerome, and spouses. The couple has 11 grandchildren.



Merle and Roy Van Zante

The Krahn

GOODING — Bill and Minnie Krahn, Gooding, will be honored at an open house March 26 in observance of their 40th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 4 to 8 p.m. at the War Memorial Hall, Third and Idaho Street, Gooding.

Krahn and Minnie Simis were married March 27, 1948, in Gooding and have lived here all their married life. He works for Gooding Seed.

The event is being given by their children, Carol Boyer, Frank Krahn, and Sandra Larson, all Boise, and Kenny Krahn, Ontario, Ore., and spouses. The couple has nine grandchildren.



Minnie and Bill Krahn

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• Future Horizons, a daytime program for mentally handicapped persons, needs a dependable vacuum cleaner for a maintenance training program. If you can donate call 733-5224 for pickup or take it to the center, 420 Main Ave. South.

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• The Foster Grandparent Program has immediate openings for several people, 60-plus and low income, who would like to work with young people. Stipend, travel expenses plus other benefits are available. Positions are

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• Community Action in Twin Falls

DEAR ABBY: Six years ago, as a 48-year-old widow, I adopted a divorced relative's 3- and 4-year-old daughters.

We live on a farm, near a village where there is a buggy factory and a blacksmith; the movie house shows films from the '30s through the '50s, the restaurants serve home cooking, and everything closes at 5 p.m. We attend a 100-year-old church.

The girls are sweet and innocent. They are not allowed to watch TV and they watch only VCR films that I approve of. They read my old books and listen to my records from the '60s and before. I teach them morals, manners, ethics, history, nature, and to love everybody.

The school board wants me to bus them with the other non-Amish kids to school in another town. They've never seen a school, and I don't want them learning about computers, women's lib, sex, and the downgrading of everything that once was important in our country; nor do I want them associating with the minorities or illegitimates the public schools admit these days.

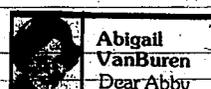
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Abigail VanBuren
Dear Abby

to love everybody, yet you do not want them associating with "minorities and illegitimates" — as though they were not a part of the "everybody" you are teaching your daughters to love.

Your overprotectiveness will prevent the girls from living in the real world and coping with life's problems.

Please abandon the idea of trying to raise the girls in a time warp. If you succeed, they will be defenseless against the challenges of life in the 20th century.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are proud parents of a beautiful baby boy. We adopted him; but the minute I held him in my arms, he became "ours" — and the term "adopted" vanished from my vocabulary.

How I wish that were the case with my mother-in-law. Every time she shows him off — even to complete strangers — she mentions that he is "adopted." This is unnecessary and it cuts my heart like a knife.

Abby, please help me find a way to tell her to stop. I can't take much more.

— A TRUE MOM IN TEXAS

DEAR MOM: Take your mother-in-law aside at the first opportunity and say, "Mother (or whatever you call her), please forget that our baby was an adopted child."

He is ours now. When you mention that he is adopted, it cuts my heart like a knife. I know if you realize how much it hurts me, you wouldn't do it, so I am asking you to please never mention it again.

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Wednesday — Crafts and quilting 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; call grocery orders to Williams Foodtown, exercise 11 a.m.; pinocle 1 p.m.

Thursday — Grocery delivery; tax assistance 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. by appointment; pinocle 1 p.m.

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Activities

Tuesday — Doctor bus 9:30 a.m., board meeting 1:30 p.m.
Wednesday — Exercises 10 a.m.
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Conflict, careers, handwriting analysis classes set to start

TWIN FALLS — Here is a list of classes that will begin soon at the College of Southern Idaho, through CSI, the Center for New Directions and CSI Continuing Education Department.

• **Graphoanalysis** (handwriting analysis) starts Wednesday, meeting from 7 to 9 p.m. in Shields 105. The fee is \$25 for eight sessions.

• **Fly Tying 2**, a continuation of the beginning class, will begin Wednesday, meeting from 7 to 10 p.m. in Shields Building Room 215. Warren Scholtz will be the instructor. The fee is \$25.

For more information on the above

classes call 734-0269 or register in the Taylor Building Records Office.

• **"Beyond the Horizon: Exploring Non-Traditional Careers,"** a four-day workshop, will begin Monday in Room 113 of the Desert Building. There is no charge. For more information call the Center for New Directions at 736-0070, or visit the office at 1060 Washington St. N., Twin Falls.

• **Word Perfect Level 1 Word Processing** begins Friday, meeting from 7 to 10 p.m. Fridays through April 29 in Aspen 144. Ingrid Slope will be the instructor. The fee is \$87 for this one-credit class.

• **"The Fashion Business,"** a class which teaches the facets of the fast-paced, ever-changing business, begins Wednesday and continues meeting from 7 to 10 p.m. Wednesdays in Room 121 of the Canyon Building. The fee is \$30. Students should pre-register in the Taylor Administration Building Records Office.

• **"Managing Your Inventory for Greater Profits"** begins Thursday, meeting from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursdays in Room 205 of the Canyon Building.

Jim Willis will be the instructor. The fee is \$25. Students should pre-register in the Taylor Administration Building Records Office.

• **Introduction to Computers**, a beginning IBM software application class, will begin Saturday, meeting from 9 a.m. to noon Saturdays through April 23 in Room 145 of the Aspen Building. Jim Vining will be the instructor. The fee is \$47.50. For more information call 733-9554, ext. 268, or register in the Taylor Building.

• **Jim Vining** will teach two Word Perfect Level 1 Word Processing classes. The first begins March 30 through May 4 in Aspen 145, meeting from 7 to 10 p.m. The second begins March 31 through May 5, meeting from 6:30

to 9:30 p.m. The fee is \$87 for these one-credit classes. For more information on the Word Perfect classes call 733-9554, ext. 266, or register in the Taylor Building.

• **"Careers for You,"** will be the topic of the Living Single lecture from 7 to 9 p.m. March 28 in Room 105 of Twin Falls.

the Shields Building. Karyl Myers, CSI Career Planning and Placement Center, will offer information on new trends in the world of work, where jobs are and how to find them. For more information call the Center for New Directions at 736-0070 or visit the office at 1060 Washington St. N., Twin Falls.

Valley happenings

Divorce support group meets

TWIN FALLS — A support group meets at 7 p.m. each 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 to hear about jamboree

TWIN FALLS — Dr. David McClusky will speak on his trip to the International Scout Jamboree in Australia for the Twin Falls Scoutist Club at 7 p.m. Tuesday at George K's Youth citizenship awards will be presented.

Veterinarian to discuss teeth

TWIN FALLS — Dr. Jean Hawkins, Boise, president-elect of the American Veterinary Dental Society and editor of the Journal of Veterinary Dentistry, will be guest speaker for the Snake River Canyon Kennel Club at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Room 109 of the College of Southern Idaho Shields Building. She will discuss treatment and prevention of tooth problems in dogs.

School needs enrollment count

GOODING — Parents who will have kindergarten students this fall are asked to call the Gibbons Elementary School, 934-4941, between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday to give their child's name. An accurate count is needed on enrollment this fall.

Fraud, forgery seminar set

TWIN FALLS — The International Credit Association of Magic Valley will hold a Seminar on "Credit Fraud and Forgery" from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Thursday. Cost is \$20. Reservations should be called to Mary Lou Webb, 733-4171, by Monday at 5 p.m.

Mothers of twins to gather

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Mothers of Twins meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the home of Ginger Luker, one mile north of the Curry store. For more information call Luker at 733-4427 or Lynn Popplewell, 733-5258.

Church slates chowder lunch

GOODING — A clam chowder luncheon will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday by Episcopal Church Women of Gooding at the parish hall, Seventh and Idaho streets. Cost is \$4 per person.

Nurse association to meet

TWIN FALLS — District 4 of the Idaho Nurses Association, meets at 7 p.m. Thursday in the nursing department at CSI's Canyon building. A film, "Everybody Rides the Carousel" will be shown. All registered nurses and students are invited.

Sachs to visit area

TWIN FALLS — Marilyn Sachs, author of many popular children's books, will be in the Twin Falls area Wednesday and Thursday to visit schools and attend an autograph party at a local bookstore.

Sachs will be at Central Elementary School in Jerome at 1 p.m. Wednesday and at Judi's Bookstore from 4 to 6 p.m. Wednesday to autograph her books, which include the "Amy and Laura" series, about two sisters growing up, and "Veronica Ganz" and "Peter and Veronica" and several others.

On Thursday she will visit the Kimberly Elementary school at 9 a.m. The author, a native New Yorker now residing in San Francisco, is a gifted

storyteller and enjoys visiting schools and speaking to children, says Judi Baxter, bookstore owner.

When the author graduated from Hunter College in 1949, she knew she wanted to be a writer, but it took some years before she realized what she wanted to write. She worked as a children's librarian for 10 years, then decided she would write realistic books for children, using her own childhood as source material.

It took her nearly 10 years to find a publisher for her first book, "Amy Moves In," because, at that time, she says "nobody died in children's books, nobody was poor or sick, and parents were always wise and never divorced. But by the 1960s realism in children's books became acceptable."

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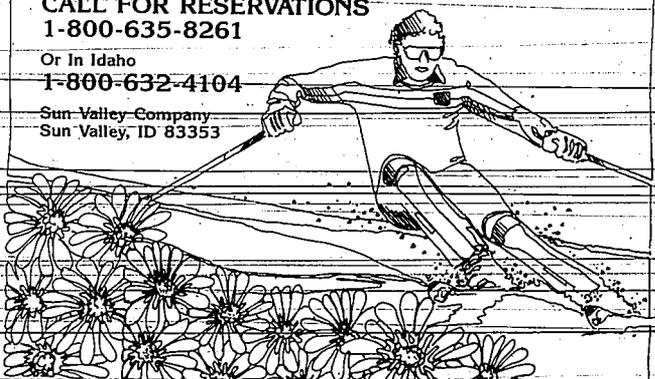
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Recent good reports brighten outlook for U.S. economy

By The Associated Press

The U.S. economy produced a string of good reports last week — imports were down, housing construction was up sharply, factories were working at near-capacity levels.

The generally upbeat news brightened the outlook of some economists for a year without recession.

This week, attention will focus on the final report of the U.S. gross national product for the fourth quarter of 1987, an indication of how well the economy rebounded from the October stock-market crash.

Here, at a glance, are last week's developments:

TRADE FIGURES

The Commerce Department reported only a slight widening of the U.S. merchandise trade deficit in January, to \$12.44 billion, an increase of 1.9 percent.

Exports fell as expected by 10 percent, but economists said a 6 percent dip in imports indicated the trade balance slowly is improving.

January's deficit was up from \$12.20 billion in December, but down from a level of \$13.21 billion in November and \$17.63 billion in October.

STOCK MARKET

The better-than-expected January trade figures helped drive the Dow Jones average up to a close of 2,087.37 on Friday, a gain of 52.39 points for the week. It was the stock market's highest level since October's crash.

HOUSING STARTS

The Commerce Department said housing construction climbed 8.9 percent in February. The increase followed declines of 1.9 percent in January and 15.8 percent in December and was the largest monthly gain since a

12.7 percent rise in December 1986.

The strong report eased worries, since housing is often the first industry to weaken at the onset of a recession.

FACTORY USE

The Federal Reserve reported the nation's factories, mines and utilities operated at 82.4 percent of capacity in February, sustaining that rate for the third consecutive month.

The report-supported economists' contentions that the industrial sector remained strong despite fears the economy could weaken from cutbacks in production as businesses tried to work off a supply of unsold goods built up in late 1987.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

The Federal Reserve said industrial production edged up 0.2 percent in February despite output reductions at

auto factories and coal mines.

The advance, the fifth consecutive monthly gain, followed a 0.8 percent increase in January and left American industry operating at a rate 5.8 percent above a year ago. Economists said the gain further dampened concerns about a severe slowdown.

AUTO SALES

Major automakers said sales of do-

mestic cars and light trucks rose 6.3 percent in the first 10 days of March compared with a year earlier, led by surging sales of Ford and Chrysler vehicles. Industry leader General Motors reported weaker results.

BUSINESS INVENTORIES

The Commerce Department reported a 0.4 percent rise in January

business inventories, less than half the December increase, reflecting a rebound in car sales that reduced backlogs of unsold vehicles.

1987 TRADE DEFICIT

The Commerce Department said the deficit in the broadest measure of foreign trade surged to a record, \$160.7 billion in 1987, a reflection of America's deepening debt to the rest of the world.

Argentina gets financial help from international source

WASHINGTON (AP) — The International Monetary Fund on Friday announced a \$317 million loan to Argentina that will help it pay back a \$500 million loan from the United States and keep up with interest payments on its \$50 billion foreign debt.

The fund said the loan was granted because heavy rains, floods and lower market prices cut into Argentina's earnings from the export of grain and oilseeds.

The U.S. loan of \$500 million, granted earlier this year, was intended to bridge over the period until the fund made its decision.

An international monetary source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the fund also approved release of \$225 million next week, part of a loan that depends on President Raul Alfonsin's government meeting its promises to the fund on new policies. The government has pledged to keep down its budget deficit and take other economy measures.

Argentina already owes the fund more than \$3.5 billion.

The decisions by its Board of Executive Directors, which represents the 151 member governments, are expected to trigger release of loans to Argentina promised by banks. The banks agreed to do their lending in

tandem with the fund, disbursing their loans as the IMF gave its seal of approval to Argentina's efforts.

The loans may provide only a temporary respite, since they need to pay interest is a continuing drain on Argentina's dwindling reserves. Some Argentine political leaders have been pressing Alfonsin to suspend interest payments, as Brazil did last year. Brazil has resumed payments, but ar-

rangements have not been completed on the money owed from 1987.

Argentina's troubles are compounded by inflation which reached 175 percent last year, more than twice the 1986 rate. Economy Minister Juan V. Sourrouille has predicted that this year's rate will be more than 100 percent, and some forecasts have put it as high as 20 percent for March alone.

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Group sets race issue for AT&T

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — A white supremacist group has forced AT&T into asking shareholders to vote on ending the telephone company's minority hiring program on the grounds that blacks are intellectually inferior.

The racist National Alliance offered the resolution on the ballot for AT&T's annual shareholders' meeting in Denver, and the Securities Exchange Commission ruled that it must appear, with minor changes in wording, despite the company's objections to the Charleston-Daily-Mail-report.

AT&T's management has recommended that shareholders vote against the proposal.

Telephone calls to AT&T's New York headquarters Saturday were not answered.

The National Alliance is a Washington, D.C.-based organization that promotes the study of Adolf Hitler's writings.

Its leader, William Pierce, also heads the white supremacist Cosmotheist Church, headquartered in Pocahontas County, W.Va. He is the author of "The Turner Diaries," a fictional account of an all-out race war ending in the domination of a worldwide Hitler-inspired regime.

The National Alliance bought 100 shares of AT&T in 1986, and Pierce told the Daily Mail that the group's members have been working on the AT&T campaign for a year and a half.

In a statement sent to shareholders, the National Alliance claimed that "only 1.1 percent" of blacks possess an IQ of 114 or above — a "desirable" figure for most AT&T employees.

The resolution says minority hiring has had "negative effects" on morale among white AT&T employees who could "feel discouraged and ignored when they notice that the company is actively seeking to advance non-whites."

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Troops to Honduras overshadow anti-Sandinista gripes

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — The ruckus over American troops being sent into neighboring Honduras has bolstered the Sandinista government at home and abroad, just when it was facing strong internal opposition.

Sandinista Defense Committees, the party's neighborhood watchdogs, have organized meetings and marches against the presence of the 3,200 U.S. soldiers in Honduras, sent in response to a reported incursion into Honduran territory by Sandinista troops pursuing Contra rebels.

Before the Reagan administration announced the deployment of the troops, the Sandinistas were undergoing their worst economic, social and

political crisis since coming to power in a 1979 revolutionary war.

Complaints that had been whetted for years turned into open confrontations with the government.

Economic measures announced Feb. 14, which included price increases, sparked demonstrations. Workers staged violent strikes to demand higher salaries. Family members openly protested against the military draft.

Such displays were illegal under a state of emergency enacted in March 1982. The government revoked the law in January as part of Nicaragua's compliance with a Central American peace plan calling for democracy in

the region.

But with the announcement that American troops were going to Honduras, the opposition's gripes were overshadowed by warnings of a possible invasion.

"We are calling on the Nicaraguan public to be alert, to be in combat readiness, ready to repel, resist, defeat whatever aggression from the United States," President Daniel Ortega told the nation.

On Wednesday, the government ordered all radio stations to hook into a government-controlled national network, which has been broadcasting "alerts" to the public to prepare for direct military invasion.

"We are ready to repel and annihilate any attempt by the American infantry. A free fatherland or death," network announcers declared "all of last week."

The Nicaraguan government has denied its army crossed into Honduras, claiming instead that it began an offensive on March 8 to rout the Contras from bases along the rugged, jungle border area.

Ortega claimed the Reagan administration alleged the Nicaraguan incursion to obtain congressional approval for more Contra aid. Congress twice rejected renewed Contra assistance earlier this year.

Two years ago this month — a week

after the Congress voted down a \$100 million aid package for the rebels — the Reagan administration said Sandinista troops had entered Honduras. U.S. pilots ferried Honduran soldiers to the border. Congress approved the aid package three months later, on June 25, 1986.

Congress once again began discussing renewed Contra aid on Friday.

Protests of the U.S. deployment erupted in the United States.

On Saturday, a U.N. spokesman said a team of U.N. observers would visit Nicaragua to investigate the Honduran-Nicaraguan border situation, in Nicaragua's request.

Honduran war planes buzzed and then dropped bombs Thursday along the banks of the Coco River that forms the border, and the Sandinista government blamed the United States for the attack, filing diplomatic notes of protest to Washington.

Salvadorans will vote under a guerrilla gun

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP) — Surrounded by soldiers, harassed by a guerrilla ban on road travel and wary of violence, Salvadorans vote Sunday for a new national legislature and municipal officers nationwide.

For the fifth time since a 1979 coup by reform-minded officers, citizens of this Massachusetts-sized nation are casting their ballots in an open election. El Salvador has a population of about 5 million.

As before, they are doing it under less than ideal circumstances.

At stake are all 60 seats in the National Assembly, the unicameral legislature. Voters are also electing mayors and municipal councils in all the 282 cities and towns nationwide.

The guerrillas, waging an 8-year-old war against the U.S.-backed government, reject the elections as "a farce." They contend that, during wartime, "popular will" cannot be expressed at the polls.

The rebels have been urging people to boycott the voting and declared a ban on all road transportation in an effort to disrupt the elections.

The armed forces said 95 percent of the country's 56,000 troops have been deployed to deliver ballots and ballot boxes and to provide security at the

184 polling places set up throughout the country.

The Defense Ministry said it could guarantee secure voting conditions in 244 of the 282 municipalities. Voters in the other 38 provincial communities, located in areas under the virtual control of the guerrillas, are being allowed to cast ballots in the nearest town they can.

But few are likely to do so because of the transportation ban.

Polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 5 p.m., and about 1.6 million people have registered to vote. Early returns are not expected to be announced before midnight.

More than 100 observers from 45 countries and several international organizations are on hand, including a 9-person delegation from the United States, headed by Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., and Representative John Murtha, D-Penn., to watch that the balloting and counting stays clean.

The guerrillas have burned about 10 vehicles since they declared their ban on travel at dawn Friday. Most of the sabotage was in the eastern province of Usulután, but at least three taxis were reported burned in San Salvador.

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Noriega fires military leaders in power move

PANAMA CITY, Panama (AP) — Strongman Manuel Antonio Noriega fired more military leaders on Saturday in an apparent bid to consolidate power after he reportedly rejected Washington's terms for his resignation.

In Washington, a Reagan administration official said Noriega indicated a willingness to step down as Panama's military commander but was unwilling to go into exile, as the United States demanded.

Opposition leaders called for a general strike Monday to protest a nationwide state of emergency that restricted civil liberties.

Diplomatic and other sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Noriega appeared to be reinforcing his military power base after rejecting an offer from a U.S. State Department envoy who met with him Friday in Panama.

William Walker, a deputy assistant

secretary of state, reportedly was empowered to offer Noriega freedom from extradition on drug trafficking charges if he accepted asylum in a third country, probably Spain or France.

The Reagan official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the United States was insisting that the general actually leave the country for fear he would continue exercising influence even after leaving his official post.

A source close to the military said 15 colonels and majors have been forcibly retired or moved out of key positions since the head of the National Police tried to remove Noriega in an unsuccessful coup on Wednesday.

Noriega's high command has acknowledged only five retirements and one major demotion, the transfer on Saturday of Col. Lorenzo Purcell from chief of the air force to an unspecified headquarters desk job.

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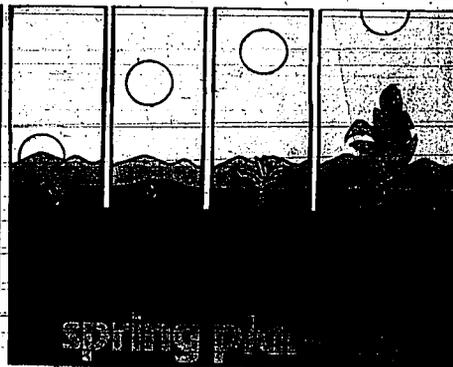
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Hay surplus hurts prices

By MARTA CLEVELAND
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Dealers in the hay business have learned to judge the market and production levels by the ringing of the telephone.

"If the phone is ringing—and it's farmers, you know there's a surplus. If it's buyers on the other end, you know there's a shortage," said Don Ost, of Ost Hay Co. in Hazelton.

ers stay with alfalfa hay even with low prices and high stocks because there isn't anything to grow that's doing any better, Ost said.

Some farmers need to grow it as part of their rotation, said Bob Vodraska, a crops specialist at the Twin Falls County Extension office. It's a good cleanup crop that uses up residual chemicals left in the soil by the previous crop.

On the demand side, no one looks for much improvement over last year. Beef numbers are down, and dairies haven't gotten back to pre-buyout levels, Rimbey said. Feeders are coming up slightly, but not much.

"There just aren't as many cows," Ost said.

Cows eat 35 pounds of hay a day. With 7,000 fewer cows in the Magic Valley now than last year, that's 122 tons less hay being consumed a day, and almost 45,000 tons less hay a year, he said.

The mild winter and spring haven't helped reduce supplies since cattle need less feed when it's warm.

Higher stocks have already depressed the price. Outside-stored hay prices currently are running \$35 to \$45 to \$60 in a sluggish market, said O'Hara, who is president of the National Hay Association.

Farmers could improve their income if they paid more attention to quality.

"I don't feel the emphasis is being put on quality in the valley," Vodraska said. "There's a good strong market for premium hay."

He expects the market to stay between \$40 and \$50 this summer.

Neil Rimbey, a range economist at the University of Idaho Extension Service in Caldwell, predicted prices will be static or even drop 10 percent.

Feeder quality hay will go down 5 percent to 10 percent, he said.

"I've got a market in Japan where I can sell hay for \$15 more a ton than here," Ost said. "It's frustrating for me because I can't find any more hay of good enough quality to sell in Japan."

The much expected drought could change the picture somewhat, however.

"Hay being the weak sister crop, it would be the last to get water if there was a shortage, but the bulk of the districts that produce it won't be affected — those pulling their water out of the Snake River," Ost said.

Top dollar hay has to be barn-stored. It has to be the leafier varieties and it must be high protein.

Why area farmers aren't more interested in producing quality is "the \$64,000 question," Vodraska said.

Rimbey saw a different angle. "If the drought forces farmers off the ranges, then the hay supply would go down in the fall, and prices up. From a grower's standpoint that would be good. For a rancher, he might want to buy his hay now."

As with so many other crops, farm-

"Because you have to spend money to make money," he said. "Because hay is a secondary crop for most farmers and they don't want to make the investment."

"If I was producing hay myself, I'd see HAY on Page E2"

Whether the Britons are eating the beans on toast or prepared otherwise, Ken High likes the fact some are from Idaho.

Brits enjoy breakfast beans

Bean board promotes growth

By MARTA CLEVELAND
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Fish and chips are old hat. Scores are passed.

The new taste sensation in the United Kingdom is beans. Beans-for-breakfast — in tomato sauce over toast.

And my, it is delicious, said Ken High, the manager of Kelley Bean Co. in Filer, who eats them for his breakfast, too.

The current overproduction will work itself out eventually, High believes; but not in the next couple years.

"The guys who raise pintos and pinks are the ones who have really suffered," said Bob Vodraska, crop specialist with Twin Falls County Cooperative Extension.

dredweight bags of small white beans, 233,000 bags of small reds, 454,000 bags of Great Northern, 507,000 bags of pinks and 1.25 million bags of pinto.

Total production of beans last year was about 100,000 bags more than in 1986, High said.

He also likes the fact that some of those beans come from Idaho.

Part of the plan for re-associating the bean industry in the United States is to get the Britons to crave the musical fruit for every meal.

"We're banking on new demand for beans," High said. "But our salvation in the bean industry has to be in domestic consumption. We have to eat the beans ourselves."

"Small reds have held pretty well," said Vodraska. "They're at break even or maybe even making a little money."

Small red bean prices are better than those of other beans now in part because the stocks are down. Real acreage on reds will be up this year nationwide because a drought hit Central America where large quantities are grown and consumed.

"The pintos have always been number one," West said. "And it still will be in spite of the low price."

Pintos have the highest yield, and Idaho growers know how to grow them, so they do, West said.

The newly formed American Dry Bean Board is taking an aggressive, unified marketing direction that is finally sinking some real — meaning big — money into promotion and nutrition education. Few people, for example, are aware that eating beans can cut cholesterol levels. The bean board is preparing a promotional video explaining it.

"I see no reason why we can't double consumption in the United States within a year or two," High said.

However, High tells his customers, "if they're not red growers now they shouldn't become one."

"This is not the time to be chasing markets," he said, "because you are usually a year behind. The market generally has changed by the time harvest comes."

Some of the big dealers are contracting pintos at \$15 hundredweight, West said. That is \$1 above the current market price.

Companies that supply to canners or Mexican restaurants, for example, need to be consistent and steady and adequate supply, West said.

Marketing is not the panacea of the bean, but it helps. The emerging star quality of lentils in recent years offers hope. Lentils are grown mostly in northern Idaho on dry land.

Small reds top the price list now at \$18 a hundredweight. Great Northerns are going at \$16 hundred. Pintos and pinks are at \$14, and small whites are at \$13.

An increasing threat is the subsidized bean production boom in Canada, said West.

"The Canadians have been doubling their production for several years, High said. First it was only navy beans, but this year they plan to go into others including Great Northerns.

But in Idaho, Harold West thinks the acreage will be about the same or only slightly less than last year.

"Idaho has always been fairly consistent," said West, a consultant for the Idaho Bean Commission. The state consistently raises around 150,000 acres.

Production is expected to drop nationally by 5 percent or 10 percent, "which I don't feel is enough," High said.

Their production swell will affect prices downward worldwide. The Canadian industry is costing Canadian citizens \$1 a head, High said, and they eventually will put a stop to it. But in the short run, it is a significant problem.

Jim McLaughlin, director of the Twin Falls County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

"You know what you're going to get," said Bob Vodraska, crop specialist at the Twin Falls County Extension office. "You know before you start if you'll make any money."

All the contracting by the major breweries and brokers is done for the

Coors Breweries is paying a contract base price for malting barley of \$6.35 per hundredweight. In addition, Coors pays incentives for plump kernels, low protein, and low moisture, said Waag.

The company has contracted 40,000 acres in Idaho for 1988. About 15,000 of those are in the Magic Valley, he said.

slightly less this year to use up our surplus," Waag said.

Anheuser Busch Brewing Co. was not as open with specifics, but the message was about the same.

"We're using the same group of growers for the same quantity under basically the same contract terms."

There is some risk in growing malting barley, however, said McLaughlin. If the contractor rejects a load because of high moisture or poor quality, it can only be sold as feed barley then at a lower price. And because the yields

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The Associated Press

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By WARD SINCLAIR
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The Agriculture Department, long under fire from environmentalists as a promoter of high-cost, chemical-intensive farming, now is being charged by the fertilizer industry with "insulting" farmers by suggesting that they change their ways.

The unusual protest by the Fertilizer Institute, one of the nation's most powerful agribusiness lobbies, was spurred by a USDA announcement last month of a \$4 million study of lower-cost, lower-chemical farming methods that would protect public health and the environment.

Orville G. Bentley, assistant secretary for science and education, said ways would be sought to replace synthetic chemical pesticides and fertilizers with "more harmless and sustainable methods" in an effort to reduce water pollution and human health hazards linked to "excessive use" of these substances.

Bentley said that low-input farming systems are "an idea whose time has come."

But institute President Gary D. Myers charged that Bentley's announcement was based on "no facts" and indicated that the USDA "has lost touch with the American farmer." He called the study an unprecedented move by USDA to advocate

one farming system at the expense of another.

Bentley has not responded to the allegations, although he ordered aides to arrange a meeting at which Myers could air his grievances. Myers boycotted the meeting, scheduled last Monday, on the ground that no USDA policymakers were to have been present.

"I raised basic policy questions, and no one at that meeting was in a policy position," Myers said. "My letter was sent on Feb. 16, and Orville Bentley still has not contacted me."

The study, initially opposed by the Reagan administration, was ordered by Congress in 1985 in response to growing demands from farmers and the public for techniques that would require fewer toxic chemicals and synthetic fertilizers. Both have been identified as major sources of groundwater pollution.

The fertilizer industry would be among the first to feel the impact of significant changes. Its annual sales have fallen steadily from a high of \$10 billion to \$7 billion last year as farmers reduced plantings and cut back on fertilizer use because of economic and environmental concerns.

As envisioned in 1981 by Sen. Patrick J. Leahy, D-Vt., and former representative James Weaver, D-Ore., the research would have compared organic, non-chemical farming techniques with conventional prac-

tices that often require heavy doses of dangerous pesticides, herbicides and nitrate-laced fertilizers.

As the administration continued to resist, Congress altered the earlier proposal and broadened it in the 1985 farm bill to include research into more economical practices that might help reduce financial pressures on farmers and still increase environmental protections. Start-up money was included in the omnibus spending bill adopted last December.

Paul F. O'Connell, a Cooperative State Research Service official in charge of designing the low-input program, said the first funding will go to state universities in Vermont, Nebraska, Georgia and California, which will oversee development of research projects in their respective regions.

"They will be the bankers, if you will, but decisions on projects will be made jointly by committees that include USDA agencies, farmers and private organizations involved in low-input agriculture study," O'Connell said. "The emphasis will be on providing useful information to farmers."

O'Connell said the Fertilizer Institute protest brought messages of support for USDA "from all over Capitol Hill." Among them was a strong letter from Rep. George E. Brown Jr., D-Calif., who told Secretary Richard E. Lyng that the House Agriculture Committee fully backed him on the study.

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Potato stocks drop below last year's level

BOISE (AP) — Processing of Idaho's huge 1987 potato crop continues to run ahead of last year's levels, finally bringing the level of Idaho potato stocks below a year ago, the Agriculture Department reports.

With potato prices still depressed by 1987's third largest harvest on record, the demand for the crop offered a bright spot to growers.

As of March 1, processors had used over 2.9 billion pounds of the nearly 9.8-billion pound crop, up nearly 600 million pounds from the same time a year ago.

That brought potatoes stocks held by growers, dealers and processors to 4.9 billion pounds, 100 million pounds below the level on March 1, 1987.

It was the first time in four months that Idaho potato stocks have been below year-earlier levels, running as much as 200 million pounds above last year's stocks earlier this winter.

For dairy farmers, however, production continued running well ahead of 1987 output, contributing to building pressure for further action by the government to keep surpluses low.

Idaho dairymen produced 181 mil-

lion pounds of milk in February, up 10 percent from February 1987 and four points higher than the increase in milk production for the month nationwide.

Average production per cow was up 9 percent from a year ago 1,130 pounds while the size of the Idaho dairy herd rose 1 percent to 160,000 head over the same period.

Two straight bumper crops and a relatively stable sugar market have prompted Amalgamated Sugar Co. in Nampa to put a hold on any new grower contracts.

With the crop now being planted, Amalgamated spokesmen Leo Blucker said the company's acreage allotment of 32,800 acres will go back to last year's growers.

"It will be very rare that a new grower would be able to get in," Blucker said.

Prospective growers are being put on a waiting list, and Blucker said it might be two to three years before they are called.

"It seems like beets are one of the few crops farmers are making money on," he said.

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One school — led by George F. Warren of Cornell University, who thought the farm problem was general, resulting from the collapse of money and credit — Warren thought the remedy lay in revised monetary policy, Paarlberg agreed.

The other school, led by John D. Black of Harvard University, held that agriculture itself was to blame because of surplus production. The remedy consisted of reducing supplies so that prices would improve.

As it happened, the New Deal farm program was built upon the latter philosophy and was a "major change in the farm policy agenda," Paarlberg said. For 70 years prior to the onset of New Deal of Franklin D. Roosevelt's administration in 1933, there had been a "historic agenda based on increased production, individual farmer decision and competitive markets," he said.

Paarlberg said the key words for the new farm policy were relief, recovery and reform.

"I recall well the revival of hope on the farm front that accompanied passage of New Deal farm programs," he wrote. "Farmers were given a role in working out their own chosen solutions to their problems. They were put on committees by the thousands. They elected officers, attended meetings and spoke their minds."

Paarlberg added: "Government checks began to flow. The hemorrhage of farm foreclosures began to abate. On every hand was evidence that the government cared for the Great Depression dragged on, but the mood changed for the better on American farms."

But recovery was only partial seven years after passage of the initial New

Deal programs: Complete agricultural recovery from the depression of the 1930s "must be credited more to the stimulus of World War II than to management of supply and price," he said.

Important traits of the New Deal programs persisted beyond their usefulness, Paarlberg said.

"Reform was, for the greater part, aborted," he said. "The agricultural elite, generally the large landowners, managed to retain most of the program benefits themselves rather than share them with tenants or employees."

The modern Farmers Home Administration, for example, is a descendant of the Resettlement Administration and the Farm Security Administration, agencies created to bring relief to impoverished farmers.

"The New Deal farm programs," intended to lift average farm income, actually widened the income gap between the top and bottom economic groups," he said. "Relief was achieved, recovery occurred for other reasons, and reform miscarried."

In their modern form, government farm programs cannot be called New Deal programs because "they have been adopted by most of the Republican farm politicians," Paarlberg said.

"As an observer, I can no longer find credible differences in the Congress between the farm policies of the two major parties," he said.

Yet, when programs persist so long, they can be virtually impossible to root them out or even change them substantially.

"If the programs are to be cut back and reformed, the effort will have to be applied from outside the farm sector," Paarlberg said. "The farm lobby will never discipline itself."

Barley

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on malt barley are so much lower, the farmer is worse off than if he had grown feed barley in the first place.

For the remaining few agents, though, the second-best option to pick up may be participation in a federal government program.

The government sets a target price for barley, and every farmer under the program is guaranteed that price.

Currently and consistently the target price for barley is far above the market price. In the Magic Valley, the current market price is somewhere around \$2.15 a bushel.

"For some people, the price doesn't meet the cost of production. Others are doing quite well at it," said Vodraska.

The 1988 target price for barley is \$2.51 a bushel.

"That's why they get into the barley program — to make up the difference in the price," McLaughlin said.

Because of the drought, the speculation is that many barley growers may participate in the new 0-92 Option program that pay farmers to set aside base acres of commodities where there is a surplus.

There are 142 farms in Twin Falls County alone that have signed up in one version or another, McLaughlin said.

They have until April 15 to decide whether to stay in the 0-92 Option program. Because of the cost and the amount of water available, barley growers in areas like the Salmon Tract, Magic Reservoir, Big Wood River, and Roseworth may give particular consideration to it, Vodraska said.

Heavy participation could have a significant impact on the barley surplus.

"We have a large surplus right now," Vodraska said. "But, it could disappear overnight."

"We import a lot of corn and barley from the Midwest," Vodraska said. "It seems like a waste when we have so much here."

Idaho grows high, good quality barley, he said. But barley growers need to advertise the fact.

The soon-to-be Idaho Barley Commission will be doing that, he said.

A lull in barley exports has also hurt the market, said Tim McGreevy, executive director of the Idaho Grain Producers Association. The U.S. Department of Agriculture has halted export enhancement money for barley exports to Saudi Arabia.

The Export Enhancement Program is designed to put American commodities on a competitive level with the subsidized production of other nations, in this case, European ones.

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Spud price slide seems over as figures continue to rise

BOISE (AP) — The market for Idaho potato growers has finally started rebounding after a half-year slide that took prices below \$3 a hundredweight for the first time since March 1986, the Agriculture Department reports.

Preliminary market figures for mid-February showed potato prices picking up another nickel to rise to \$3.15 a hundred pounds. It was the second straight month back over the \$3-level for the state's largest cash crop since it fell to \$2.95 in December.

That could have been the bottom of the slide that began last summer when prices started falling from \$4.60 in May as prospects for a huge harvest began materializing.

The price deterioration underscored the impact of the nearly 10 billion pound 1987 harvest, the third largest on record, and the recovery matched reports earlier this week that stocks from last year's harvest had finally fallen below year-earlier levels as processing continued running ahead of a year ago.

The market news last month was also good for livestock with prices up in all categories from January. Wheat stood at \$2.66 a bushel, down eight cents from the month before but still above year-ago prices.

But beans continued sliding, hitting their lowest level in nearly five

years. Barley was back below \$2 a bushel, losing nearly a quarter over the month to fall to \$1.94, and alfalfa hay slipped back below the \$50-a-ton mark.

Ranchers saw the average price for calves around the state rise above \$90 a hundredweight for the first time in the 1980s. The calf market picked up \$1.60 a hundred pounds to hit \$90.20. The last time it was in that range was October 1979 when the price stood at \$90.50.

Steers and heifers rose another \$2.40 a hundred pounds to hit \$68.70, the highest price in nearly a year as the average for all beef cattle jumped nearly \$3 to exceed \$65 a hundred pounds.

Lamb prices also jumped back over the \$80 level with a \$5 gain to \$82.30 a hundredweight, only the second time over lambs have brought that kind of price. The last time was spring of 1987.

But the reduction in the state's cattle herd, which has been pushing the market upward, has significantly cut demand for feed. Hay prices slipped another dollar last month to \$49, over \$20 below the national average.

Dried beans, which have been losing ground for the past year, fell another dime last month to \$12.80 a hundredweight, the lowest price since March 1983 and \$2 below the market of just a year ago.

Rush promotes ag careers

REXBURG (AP) — Idaho's head of agriculture is urging college students not to give up on agriculture as a career, and predicts better times ahead.

"If you're in a lot of trouble don't just give up — thrash around. We in agriculture have to do that sometimes," Richard "Dick" Rush, director of the Idaho Department of Agriculture, told farmers, students and faculty at the Ricks College major forum this week.

Rush predicted that the "bright spot" of agriculture for anyone pursu-

ing a career in the field is going to be in foreign trade. Students who speak one or more foreign languages will be the ones highest in demand, he said.

One way for Americans who want to get ahead in the international market is through American agriculture related products, Rush said. "These products are snapped up in international markets," he shows by foreign farmers, Rush said. Idaho companies could get a leg up by sending their products to these shores, he said.

Some high yield wheat to be ready

ABERDEEN (AP) — Limited quantities of a new irrigated hard red spring wheat will be available from certified seed growers this season, according to the University of Idaho.

Dr. Donald Sunderman of the University of Idaho and the USDA Agricultural Research Service has developed the wheat with the copper content.

Sunderman said copper wheat has been the highest yielding hard red spring wheat evaluated over seven years at irrigated sites in Aberdeen and Twin Falls.

It outyielded two other commonly grown hard spring red wheats by about 5 bushels and had better dough-mixing characteristics, Sunderman said.

Copper wheat also provides good resistance to stripe rust and moderate resistance to leaf rust, powdery mildew, black chaff and kernel black point.

Sunderman said copper wheat's protein content can be up to 1 percent lower than other hard red wheats. But with proper fertilization, he said protein content of at least 14 percent can be achieved.

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Spring to work

A farmworker begins fertilizing first thing Monday morning to take advantage of unusually warm, early spring weather near Helena, Montana

'Critter Sitters' offers farm help on a temporary basis

MEDFORD, Ore. (AP) — Babysitters who find children a challenge haven't seen anything compared to "barnsitters" Pat Beck and Mary Raby, whose charges include horses, cows, pigs and other livestock.

"I'll take just about anything on," says Ms. Raby, who in May started "Barn Sitters" out of Ashland.

"I do horses, cows, goats, pigs, egg collecting, milking and mucking — whatever it takes," adds Ms. Beck, a rural Medford farmer who began "Critter Sitters" this month.

"Like kids, you just have to deal with the animals on an individual basis," Ms. Beck says, describing barnsitting. "But you don't have to deal with whining or complaining — and no diapers."

The idea for Ms. Raby's business originated last summer when her vacation was dampened by lack of someone to look after her seven horses and pony among other animals.

"I wanted to go away and I didn't have anyone to take care of them, though," she says. And, like her 40-plus customers so far, Ms. Raby didn't feel comfortable leaving hundreds and often thousands of dollars' worth of animals alone with the neighbor kid, she says.

Beck got the idea for her business the same way this year when she hired five people to look after her family's farm and dairy goats.

"It took all five of them to milk one goat. It was hysterical," she says. "I made me think why not give someone the opportunity to have a professional do this."

Both women believe there are more than enough barns to sit in southern Oregon, and although things are quiet now they expect their businesses to grow and prosper.

"It definitely is a business that is needed around here," says Ms. Raby. "I'm sure there's more than enough room for others to get into it."

Ron Mobley, a livestock agent and director of the Jackson County Extension Service, agrees there's a growing need for barnsitters.

"In this day and age, it really is necessary," Mobley says. "It used to be in the farming community that everybody up and down the road, their whole life was farming. And if someone left, a neighbor would just pick it up for them."

"Nowadays, in a small farming community like this, there's less people that can come in and take care of a farm."

"You can't always ask a neighbor to do that," agrees Ms. Beck.

Barnsitting probably will be a slow-developing business, Mobley says, but should thrive once word of

good service spreads.

"People have to have a lot of confidence in someone to up and leave their animals with them," Mobley says.

Says Ms. Raby: "I get people who call while they're away wanting to know how the animals are."

The fee for barnsitting depends on the location, number and type of animals and number of days and visits per day required. At \$6 or \$7 an hour, Ms. Raby guesses the average one-week sitting job would cost about \$30.

Ms. Beck goes on a base fee of \$25 per day, adding charges for milking, cleaning stalls and other extra jobs.

"I'm not out to make big money," Ms. Raby says. "I just want to get by and pay the bills."

Ms. Beck, however, says she is hopeful the business will pay well someday.

Everybody who is somebody has one

Range Rovers assault U.S. once again

By PAUL DEAN
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — When their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York visited Los Angeles last week or so ago, they made several appearances in which their elegant backdrop was a rack of Range Rovers built for moor and motorway.

Andrew and Fergie will be polite, patriotic, but not that impressed with the cars. Because mother, Queen Elizabeth, has owned a Range Rover for years. So has brother Charles. And father Philip.

These days, in fact, almost everybody who is somebody just about anywhere rides this British-built estate and station carriage. Pope John Paul, James Paul McCartney, The Duke of Westminster, who owns most of Mayfair and the Sultan Qabus bin Said, who owns all of Oman.

And in Southern California — after less than a year of sales — the Range Rover has become the hottest four-wheel drive vehicle since World War II when Willys Jeep crushed its first vertebra.

Playboy and USA Today have noted its status and Esquire is looking into it. The Washingtonian magazine has reported the Range Rover worthy of all its legends. This month, M magazine called it the up-to-date car in Los Angeles for "people trying to maintain a sense of power on the road combined with the feeling that they can escape to the country any minute."

Jack Nicholson has bought a Range Rover for roving Aspen's snowy ranges. Michael J. Fox drives to Hollywood openings in his. Timothy Hutton and wife, Debra Winger, and the new baby go to the store in theirs. So do Doc Severinsen, Tom Cruise, Jimmy Bu

fet and Jermaine Jackson. Martin Sheen has one on order.

Last month, Malcolm Smith of Riverside, Calif., drove his Range Rover 8,000 miles in 11 days — and placed fourth in the Paris-Dakar rally.

Last year, 2,586 Range Rovers were sold in the United States, more than 18 percent purchased by Californians.

"Southern California has a lot of people who have traveled to Europe and who have seen how the vehicle fits that society," explained Bill Baker, spokesman for the Lanham (Maryland) and Solihull (England) offices of Range Rover. "In Paris, after three Range Rovers were among the top five finishers of the Paris-Dakar, it is the only car to own in England, where it is the only vehicle in the world to have earned four Royal warrants (chosen to supply the Royal Family) it is the car for checking your stock, attending the shoot, touring your estate."

Who buys a Range Rover? "Our typical customer has a \$200,000-average household income," Baker said. "He or she is 43-5 years old, owns two homes, two cars and is a professional with an advanced degree... or an entrepreneur."

Why? "All sport-utility and off-road vehicles are stylish now — at the tip of that segment is the Range Rover in terms of price, prestige and performance."

Price: \$36,450 with its two factory options (sunroof and leather upholstery) and rising as the dollar dives. Prestige: In addition to the international celebrities above, the Duke of Roxburgh owns a Range Rover and Floors Castle where "Greystoke: The Legend of Tarzan" was filmed and where Andrew proposed to Fergie. Performance: Quick and firm enough (at least in Europe

where engines aren't strangled by anti-pollution plumbing) to be owned by former Formula One driving champion Jackie Stewart and rallied by French Formula One driver Patrick Tambay.

But the Range Rover's ultimate charm, its Southern-California owners claim, is its punch and elegance. In first gear, goes the consensus of automotive reviews, it is a tank that will ford canyons in full flood and then climb a sleeping elephant. In (automatic) fourth gear, it is a toucan that will tool along at 100-mph — It has room for half a dozen occupants sitting on Connolly-leather upholstery. While listening to Vivaldi on the tape deck.

"They're beautifully ugly," says Richard Dashutt of Malibu, a co-producer, with guitarist Lindsey Buckingham, for Fleetwood Mac. "Yet ultimately functional which is the ultimate design and ultimately timeless. Like the Zippo lighter."

Continued Dashutt: "Working with an English group (Fleetwood Mac), I'd heard for years about Range Rover. So I looked into it." That look ended his ownership of a Toyota Four-Runner and memories of his Porsche and

a Ferrari. "I must say that they (Range Rover) are very slow, and passing a truck is a little iffy. But they're also wonderfully built with lots of character and take all thoroughbred care, you need to stay on top of the mechanics."

Dashutt's vehicle has had electrical problems. Other owners have reported snapped fan belts, hiccups in the fuel injection and a rash of nickel-and-dime... er, shilling-and-sixpence problems. Range Rover of North America Inc. acknowledges these gremlins (Said spokesman Baker: "Would that I can tell you that the car is 100 percent perfect... it's not, although we consider performance perfectly adequate") but emphasizes its nationwide service program of instant responses and immediate fixes.

Sired by the 1948 Land Rover designed for farm and battlefields, the second generation, softer-riding Range Rover was introduced in Europe in 1970.

Since then, 160,000 Range Rovers have been produced. But it remains essentially unchanged as a slab-sided, 3.5-liter, 150-horsepower, aluminum-bodied, ladder-chassis mountain goat that has been around since Harold Wilson was prime minister.

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Business

Trade winds



GREG NEWBERRY
Implements network system



DOUG CAYA
Joins sales team



IRENE BRADSHAW
Offers decorating views

The Jerome County Chamber of Commerce elected new officers and a new board. They are as follows: Norma Fieus is president, Steve Maxwell is president elect, and Bob Richards is vice president.

The new board members are Bonny Ross, Carmen Prunty, Jim Evans, Sharon Neuberger, Lesley Martin, Pete Schmidt, Larry Goolsby, and Bob Richards.

Doc Aardema, his son Don Aardema, and grandsons Don, Ron and Mike, received the Dairyman's Quality Milk Producer award for 1987 from the Dairyman's Creamery Association. The Aardema 1st Dairy of Jerome received the highest award

given by DCA for producing quality milk.

Elmo Stocking of Paul was named as his first term on the Dairyman's Creamery Association board of directors from the 6th district.

Bob Skredorstu was recently promoted to assistant safety director at the Twin Falls office of the Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. He was formerly a counselor there.

Greg Newberry recently accepted the position of systems analyst with Blake Micro Systems. Newberry has six years experience in microcom-

puter technology and factory training on IBM and AT&T microcomputers. He will share responsibility with the sales team and will implement a new networking sales department.

Doug Caya also recently joined the Blake staff as a sales representative. He will also administer all databases.

Irene Bradshaw of Window Fashions Design Center in Twin Falls was recently one of four people from around the country interviewed in the January issue of "Window Fashions," an industry trade magazine. The magazine asked Bradshaw, and other decorators how they help customers who don't know what they want when decorating.

JB's Restaurants leave Big Boy; the changeover will take 6 months

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — JB's Restaurants Inc. says it will withdraw from the Big Boy franchise system and operate its 110 restaurants in 10 Western states independently.

JB's Chairman Clark Jones said the decision came after careful evaluation of the company's relationship with Big Boy franchisor, Blinn Brothers Restaurants Inc.

"During our 27 years in business,

we have internally developed the systems and organization necessary to operate as an independent regional restaurant chain," he said. "We believe that we can best maximize our shareholders' interests by eliminating the territorial restrictions and franchise fees required under our current franchise agreement."

The Salt Lake City based JB's operates restaurants in Utah, Idaho, Mon-

tana, Washington, Wyoming, Oregon, Arizona, New Mexico, South Dakota and Hawaii.

Jones said the company does not expect to have significant costs in connection with the withdrawal.

"Under the agreement, we have an option to withdraw from the system without cost, and we had already planned to repaint all of our buildings and change all of our signs in connection with the re-imaging of our concept," Jones said.

"However, we will take a one-time non-cash charge during the third quarter of approximately \$1.5 million for the write-off of related intangible territorial franchise rights," he added.

Jones said elimination of franchise fees will allow the company to recover the write-off over a two-year period.

Under the terms of its agreement, JB's has six months to change its signs and eliminate the references to Big Boy from its menus.

Clark said most of the changes will occur during the second half of the six-month period because the company has the option to re-enter the system before June 15, 1988.

On the move

Medi-Claim files claims

BURLEY — Betty and Stan Rasmussen have recently started a new electronic submission service called Medi-Claim Services in Burley. The company files medical insurance claims electronically for hospitals and physicians.

Electronic filing offers several advantages. Speed is one — electronic filing is much faster than paper claims. The turnaround time on repayment with an electronic claim is 14 days, compared with the current six to 12 weeks for a paper one, Betty Rasmussen said.

The practice is so common in some states like California that some insurance companies won't accept paper claims anymore, she said.

Diversity is another advantage — Medi-Claim is the only company in the state so far that has a computer link with insurance companies other than Medicare and Blue Cross. Medi-Claim is linked to those and over 100 other insurance companies, according to Rasmussen.

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Confusing car warranty trips up unwary

Q. I bought a new car with a 12 month/12,000 mile warranty that had been used as a demo by the dealer for 6 months. About 8 months after purchasing the car, I began to have problems with it. I took the car to the dealership to have it fixed under warranty and was informed that the car was out of warranty due to the fact that the warranty went into effect at the time the car was delivered to the dealership. It has always been my understanding that the warranty began when the consumer took possession of the car. Can you of-

ice tell me when a warranty actually begins?

A. According to the information supplied to the Better Business Bureau, the warranty on a car does begin when the consumer takes possession unless the car has been used as a demo model. If a car is used as a demo, the warranty begins on the day that the car is made a demo.

Q. Is there any time limit on when a lawsuit can be filed?

A. Yes. Lawsuits under the Idaho Consumer Protection Act must be brought within two years after the unfair business practice occurred.

Q. I often see advertisements that say "rebuild" or "reconditioned" and would like to know what the difference is. Can your office help me?

A. The term "rebuild" should be used only to describe products that have been completely disassembled, reconstructed, repaired, and refin-

SCORE consultant comes to Twin

TWIN FALLS — A representative from the Small Business Administration's Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) will be in Twin Falls Thursday, March 24 to provide free business counseling to potential and existing small business owners. Information on the SBA lending program will also be furnished.

The representative will be available for appointments at the Region IV Development Corporation office, 1800 Kimberly Road.

Appointment should be made in advance by calling Region IV at 734-6586.

and New Zealand will be held April 4 at the Canyon Springs Inn in Twin Falls.

Representatives of the two countries will discuss ways Magic Valley businesspeople can develop trade and tourism liaisons.

The event is sponsored by the College of Southern Idaho and Lewis & Clark State College.

A no host reception will run from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., with dinner following. The program will run from 8 to 10 p.m. The dinner cost is \$10. For reservations call 733-9554 ext. 266.

at the University Park Hotel in Salt Lake City.

It will be conducted by local representatives of Fidelity Investments and Coopers and Lybrand. It will concentrate on tax exempt IRAs; bonds, annuities, and life insurance.

The seminar is free and open to the public. For a reservation call 1-800-544-6767.

Regional ag conference updates biotechnology

RENO, Nev. — The Western Regional Agricultural Biotechnology Conference will be held March 29-30 at the John Ascuaga's Nugget Hotel in Reno, Nev.

The conference, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, state Agricultural Experiment Stations and Cooperative Extension Services, and land grant universities, will present the latest developments in agricultural biotechnology.

The magazine asked Bradshaw, and other decorators how they help customers who don't know what they want when decorating.

Free SLC class offers tax-saving strategies

SALT LAKE CITY — A seminar called "Tax-Saving Strategies for 1988" will be held at 7 p.m. March 23

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Australia, New Zealand send trade conferees

TWIN FALLS — An International Exchange Conference on Australia

Panel wants New Zealand lamb ideas

WASHINGTON — The opportunity to submit written comments regarding proposed new procedures governing the importation of livestock into the United States ends April 1.

The importation of 10,000 live lambs from New Zealand has been postponed until the new regulations are adopted. The lambs are currently quarantined in Portland, Ore.

The new regulations update existing rules, some up to 50 years old. The regulations call for additional quarantine facilities, disease testing, and adequate federal inspection personnel.

A public hearing on the regulations was held March 15 in Portland.

All written comments must be submitted with an original and two copies to Steven B. Farman, Assistant Director, Regulatory Coordination, APHIS, USDA, Room 728 Federal Building, 6505 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, MD 20782. State that comments refer to Docket Number 88-009.

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Feds award grant

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Micron reports revenues, earnings set record

BOISE (AP) - Micron Technology Inc. (the Boise-based semiconductor manufacturer, has announced record revenue and net income for the quarter that ended March 3.

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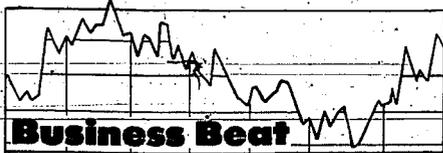
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Business Beat

Lender opens subsidiary

SPOKANE (AP) — A Spokane-based lending institution is forming a new subsidiary that officials say will increase out-of-state lending. Sterling Savings Association has formed Action Mortgage Co., headed by the former executive vice president of Moore Financial Services in Boise, said Sterling Chairman Harold Gilkey. Action will employ 20 people at offices in Spokane, Bellevue, Wash., and Lake Oswego, Ore., Gilkey said. Thomas Sackmann, the subsidiary's new president, said he plans to increase Action FHA and VA lending. Plans call for opening three more branches by June 1989, Gilkey said. Sterling, state chartered in 1983, has 15 branches in Washington and assets of \$300 million.

Lumber orders look strong

PORTLAND (AP) — Lumber orders were up but shipments and production fell in 12 Western states for the week ended March 12. Orders climbed 18 million board feet to 444 million feet while production decreased 5 million feet to 413 million board feet, according to the Western Wood Products Association. Shipments declined 10 million board feet to 386 million feet. Figures for the same week one year ago show production at 465 million board feet, orders at 468 million feet and shipments at 457 million feet.

Notable SLC building sells

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Boston Building, built in 1912 by mining magnate Samuel Newhouse, has been sold for more than \$3 million to Harold Hill and J. Michael Martin of Salt Lake City. The two, principals in Hill-Martin, a building leasing management and marketing company, said they paid \$3,005,000 to Boston Building Associates' trustee for the structure. Hill emphasized the purchase was made by himself and Martin as individuals. The Boston Building and its sister building, the Newhouse, are distinguished by their rounded corners forming a gateway to an open pedestrian way at Main Street and Exchange Place. Martin said he and Hill considered the Boston a good long-term investment. It is about 60 percent leased, principally to attorneys and accountants, he said. The two also are owners of the 108,000-square-foot Judge Building, also in downtown Salt Lake City, which they bought three years ago. The Judge Building, since rehabilitated, is now 90 percent leased out, he said.

Weiser loses Mini-World

WEISER (AP) — Mini-World Inc. will not be opening up shop in Provo this summer. John Roberts, owner of the Utah manufacturer of children's clothing, will not pursue a 300-employee plant envisioned for Weiser. Instead, Roberts plans to keep plant expansion close to his hometown of Provo. "He got a better deal much closer to home," Washington County Commissioner Leo Peterson said. The shift in plans leaves Weiser without an infusion of new industry. A \$500,000 state community development block grant proposal for Weiser has been canceled.

Coleman closes down site

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — The Coleman Co. is closing its Greenville, Tenn., life jacket manufacturing plant in July, the company announced. A company spokesman said the 92-employee facility began operation there in 1983. Two similar plants, located in Cedar City, Utah, and Lake City, S.C., will remain in operation, the spokesman said.

Transector announces loss

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Transector Systems Inc. posted a net loss of \$328,000, or 8 cents a share, for the 10-month period that ended Dec. 31. Transector, which manufactures power disturbance protection equipment, had net sales of \$7 million during that period. The company reported for 10 months because it just changed from a fiscal year that ends in February to one that ends in December. In the fiscal year that ended Feb. 28, 1987, the company had a net loss of \$392,000, or 8 cents a share, on sales of \$8.7 million. However, the company said it expects to make a profit during the first quarter of 1988.

Quaker may divest fast food

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Quaker State Corp. is trying to sell its 100 Arctic Circle restaurants in nine Western states, a company spokesman says. "I will confirm talks are going on ... But I'm just not going to get into it any further," said Benton H. Faulkner. "It (Arctic Circle) just didn't fit our mainstream, marketing automotive oil and other automotive after-market products and services." Faulkner said Quaker is planning to keep the Minit-Lube chain, which was originally affiliated with Arctic Circle Inc. Most of the Minit-Lube centers are in the western United States. Gary Roberts, an Arctic Circle official at the company's Salt Lake City headquarters, said negotiations began the first part of December. He said Arctic Circle Restaurants are in Utah, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, Wyoming, Montana and Nebraska.

Sports stores plan merger

DENVER (AP) — The parent company of Gart Bros. Sporting Goods Co. has announced it has purchased Dave Cook Sporting Goods Co., effectively merging the two companies that together have 48 stores in Colorado, Utah and Wyoming. The merger was approved by the Federal Trade Commission in Washington, D.C., earlier this month, but faces a close review by the Colorado attorney general's office, which is checking into possible anti-competitive effects, officials said. Industry sources estimated the purchase price by Gart's parent, Thrifty Corp. of Los Angeles, at about \$20 million, and said the name of the company will be Gart Bros. Sporting Goods Co. The merged company should ring up annual sales of at least \$65 million, making it No. 7 among the nation's top sporting goods retailers, industry figures show.

Mountain Bell goes digital

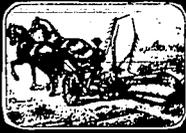
POCATELLO (AP) — Mountain Bell plans to put new digital telecommunications services into operation here March 26, linking some exchanges to what company officials say is the most exotic and futuristic range of communications services available in the world. Mountain Bell will convert the Pocatello North telephone central office switching facilities to digital operation. The same day, the Bingham County cities of Blackfoot, Riverside, Shelley and Pirth will be digitally operated. "It is the latest state-of-the-art transmission," Gene Hill, Idaho chief executive officer of Mountain Bell said. The conversion was delayed two weeks due to late-arriving software.

AID to close Post Falls assembly plant early

POST FALLS (AP) — Advanced Input Devices Chairman Stephen Meyer has confirmed that the company has closed its Post Falls plant. When AID announced the opening of the new keyboard assembly plant last October, the company never intended it to be a permanent facility, Meyer said in this past week. "We had a major order from a customer and we needed extra space, so we arranged for some short-term space," he said. To house the plant, AID leased 12,000 square feet of space in the Sunrise Business Park in Post Falls. The term of the lease was less than one year, Meyer said.

Because AID's customer had "bigger expectations" than what actually panned out, AID was forced to close the plant sooner than planned. Although AID's lease has not expired yet, it has "pretty well shuttered" the plant, Meyer said. Last week AID notified the Idaho Department of Employment to expect 20 to 30 layoffs from the plant, which has since closed. AID had 36 employees working at the Post Falls plant before it closed, said Tom Lien, chief financial officer for Zero Defects and manager of the Sunrise Business Park.

Zero Defects, a Boise-based electronics company, owns the business park and the building that housed AID. AID also is in the process of laying off workers at its Priest River plant. During the past month the company has notified the Sandpoint office of the Idaho Department of Employment to expect a total of about 180 layoffs from the plant. Widely fluctuating employment levels are a normal part of business for electronics companies like AID, Meyer said. The company's "baseline" employment level is 300 to 500 employees.



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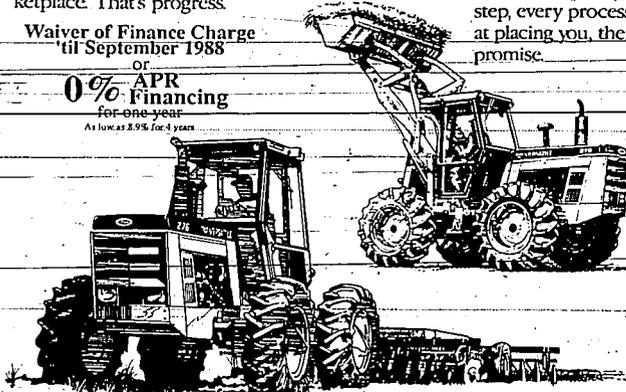
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