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Twin Falls studies public safety 'refinements'

By KIRK MITCHELL
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Four years after combining police and firefighting duties in one department, city officials are contemplating changes to a system one councilman says exposes both police and firefighters to needless danger.

"There have been enough minor problems that could have been major if circumstances were changed a little bit," Councilman Jim Vickers said Wednesday.

City Manager Tom Courtney said firefight-

ers will have only backup roles in police work, and vice versa.

"We are minimizing the use of firemen responding to police calls and policemen responding to fires," Courtney said.

Four years ago the fire and police departments were merged into one public safety department under Director Tim Qualls, formerly police chief. As part of the arrangement, police and firefighters were cross-trained and required to serve in both fields. Vickers said more bad than good has come out of the union.

Currently, if an armed firefighter inexperi-

enced in police work responds to a family brawl, he might reach for his gun sooner than he should, Vickers said.

Vickers said having a policeman respond first to a fire is equally dangerous.

"He could go in and cause more problems than he solves," Vickers said.

City administrators and council members will discuss the issue Monday, he said.

Mayor Doug Vollmer said the changes will be made by Courtney, who sought advice and backing from the council. Courtney said he does not expect major changes.

"We are looking at some refinements of the

program," Courtney said.

Vickers said he thinks more sweeping changes should occur, including dissolving the public safety department into separate fire and police departments.

For the time being, he said he will settle for changes that would solve some potentially bad situations.

Firefighting and police work are two distinct professions, he said. Having police and firefighters do work outside their areas of expertise undercuts efficiency, he said.

In northern Idaho, people arrested by part-time policemen sued the towns that hired the

officers and won, he said.

"We have to change, we don't have any choice," Vickers said.

Vickers' interest in changing the department is part of a long-standing dissatisfaction with the consolidation. A former Twin Falls fire battalion chief, Vickers said he has repeatedly asked other council members to consider returning firefighting and police to separate departments.

Nationwide, only about 2 percent of cities have combined police and fire departments, and most of them are much smaller or larger

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Trial time for Tower latest bid

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole, struggling to stave off certain rejection of John Tower's nomination as defense secretary, proposed Wednesday night an extraordinary six-month trial confirmation period so senators could judge whether Tower lived up to his no-drinking pledge.

Senate Democratic Leader George Mitchell expressed "immediate serious concerns" over the proposal, but promised to consider it overnight.

Dole made his dramatic bid to salvage the nomination at the end of the fifth day of a draining Senate debate, and after conceding it would "take a miracle to win confirmation."

Under Dole's proposal, Tower would be confirmed, but would submit a letter of resignation to President Bush dated Oct. 1, 1989. If Tower's performance were satisfactory, there "probably" would be no need to reconfirm him, Dole said. Otherwise, "he probably wouldn't be the nominee."

Dole said he offered his proposal after discussing it with Tower. It came as the Senate neared a climax in its bitter struggle over the nomination.

Lloyd Bentsen of Texas became the third Democrat to endorse Tower's confirmation, but his speech was bracketed by declarations of opposition from Claiborne Pell of Rhode Island, Bennett Johnston of Louisiana, Joseph Lieberman of Connecticut and Charles Robb of Virginia. Democrats who had been lobbied hard by the Bush administration as potential pro-Tower votes.

An Associated Press survey found 51 Democrats and Republican Sen. Larry Pressler of South Dakota either solidly opposed or leaning against confirmation with 41 Republicans and three Democrats either supporting or leaning in favor of the nomination.



His eye is on the swan

Fourth grader Myles Miller keeps a careful eye on a paper swan project, an introduction to Japanese art of origami, at Kimberly Elementary School's world festival. Students were given insights into foreign countries during Wednesday program. For story, see Page B1.

Times-News photo/ANDY ARIZO

Project at CSI lost as House halts spending

By The Times-News
and the Associated Press



BOISE — The House halted the state's budget spending spree Wednesday, but it came at the expense of a proposed \$2 million building wing at the College of Southern Idaho.

Representatives, fearing proposed state budgets would leave the state \$13 million to the \$17 million in the red, voted down the proposed \$136.3 million higher education budget. At issue was the \$20 million it included for a building project on every state college and junior college campus.

"Sometimes you have to put a balanced budget ahead of parochialism, and this is one of those times," said House Speaker Tim Boyd. The proposal failed 43-41, with all 20 House Democrats siding with the majority.

But supporters of the bill argued that either the money was sufficient or that other budgets should be cut. "What's breaking the bank is the public schools budget," said Rep. Mack Neibaur, R-Paul, the sponsor of the higher education bill. The Senate has approved a \$394.3 million public education budget, up from the \$356 million budget approved last year.

Neibaur said with \$6 million from

the on-going budget, \$4 million in one-time money and by taxing catalog sales to raise an additional \$5 million, the state could fund the higher education building program.

There are a lot of places they could have been fiscally responsible, said a disappointed CSI President Gerald Meyerhoeffer, who did last-minute lobbying for the bill Wednesday morning.

He has not given up hope, however.

Republican legislators are talking about a surplus eliminator bill to pay for at least a portion of the higher education buildings. That legislation would declare that the buildings will be funded if there is a surplus at the end of the state budget year in July.

"They all (the building projects) will be on it and when the dollars are there, they will be funded," Boyd said.

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Eastern slashes service in bid to remain flying

The Associated Press

Eastern Airlines slashed its shuttle fares and sold all its gates in Philadelphia in the fifth day of a Machinists strike Wednesday, and its sister carrier Continental Airlines took over the lucrative New York-Miami run.

Eastern, in a desperate attempt to lure back customers to its ailing shuttle service, said it will reduce one-way fares to \$12 on weekends, down from \$99.

Pilots at other airlines continued strictly adhering to safety rules, but for a second day there was little evidence of a backup on runways.

Houston-based Continental announced it would begin daily nonstop flights from New York City's LaGuardia Airport to Miami on Thursday. Continental said it will run four daily round trips.

In Philadelphia, USAir announced it had closed a \$70 million deal with Eastern after months of talks, to acquire all eight of the airline's gates at Philadelphia International Airport, third-largest of the airline's four hubs.

USAir said it will use the counter space along with baggage and checked services for operations of Piedmont Airlines, which will merge with USAir this year.

Eastern picked up \$15 million more in a separate deal, selling USAir its Philadelphia-Turner and Philadelphia-Montreal routes for \$15 million.

The labor dispute rested Wednesday with courts in New York, Philadelphia and Atlanta, while Eastern went to court to appeal a judge's refusal to order union pilots back to the cockpits.

Eastern contends it is near collapse, losing at least \$2 million a day.

Minimum wage increase receives committee approval

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Defying President Bush's veto threat, the Senate Labor Committee voted 11-5 Wednesday for a bill that would raise the \$3.35 hourly minimum wage to \$4.65 in three steps by 1991 without any subminimum rate.

The committee's swift approval, with similar action anticipated in the House, could set the stage this month or early in April for the first legislative showdown between the new president and Congress.

Bush — who has proposed a three-stage increase in the minimum wage to \$4.25 an hour, with an eventual top rate of 90 cents an hour less for new workers in their first six months of employment — has said that he would veto any bill more generous.

At the White House, press secretary Martin Fitzwater reaffirmed Wednesday that the president would not yield. "He's giving them our best and last figure up front, and his proposal for an increase to \$4.25 an hour is fair and firm and his last offer."

But Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., said the minimum wage had been unchanged since 1981 and that he believed there was enough congressional support for an increase to override a presidential veto.

"It's on a fast track now," said Kennedy, chairman of the Senate panel and chief advocate of the legislation. "The earlier the better, so far as I am concerned."

The Senate may vote as early as next week, he said. The House Education and Labor Committee is expected to approve a similar bill next week.

sin to beat deficit, poll says

The poll found that the most popular way to increase taxes are adding a new tax on cigarettes, a bracket for taxpayers with incomes above \$150,000, which 59 percent endorsed. Increasing sales taxes on beer and wine to the level charged on liquor sales, favored by 50 percent, and raising cigarette taxes to 15 cents per pack, which 54 percent backed.

On the question of defense spending, 56 percent of those polled said such should be kept at least maintained at the same level. That contrasts with the attitude favoring spending to a drop in concern over U.S. relations with the Soviet Union.

GOP leaders buy time for strategy

\$BOISE, Idaho (AP). — With House rejection of the controversial \$136.3-million higher education budget, Republican legislative leaders have bought themselves some time to come up with a 1989 budget blueprint that balances without a tax increase.

"It's strategy time," Senate President Pro Tem Michael Crapo of Idaho Falls said. "We've just taken the first step."

After some parliamentary wrangling on Wednesday, the Democrats finally allowed Crapo and GOP Floor Leader Roger Fairchild of Fruitland

to postpone action on any pending budget measures until next week.

"The issue here is stopping this as we can... Get a plan where we want to go — that is a balanced budget and no tax increase," Fairchild said.

The panel on Wednesday voted to finance random auditing of insurance agencies to avoid a recurrence of last year's bankruptcy of one of the largest agencies in southwestern Idaho.

But it rejected a \$81,000 proposal from the department to launch an insurance consumer education program, which the governor did not recommend.

"It doesn't take many bad apples in the barrel to scare the public on all of them," Sen. Ron Betschler of Grangeville, said in pressing for the auditing plan prompted by the bankruptcy of the Harrison-Frank Insurance Agency in Canyon County and the subsequent criminal charges filed against owner Wallace Frank.

But Betschler's support was unsuccessful in gaining support for the consumer education program, even after withdrawing from Senate consideration several controversial and more far-reaching bills and proposing just half the consumer education money the department sought.

Education funding roll call

BOISE (AP) — Here is the roll call by which the Idaho House voted 43-41 Wednesday against the \$136.3 million higher education funding bill.

Republicans for (20) — R. Black, Brockmeier, Brown, Crane, Huff, Duncan, Gurnsey, Hangerson, Hale, Doug Jones, M. Jones, Kellogg, Lucas, Nohr, Osborne, Parks, Peters, Steele, Steyer, Vosselinger, Wilde.

Democrats for (20) — Adams, P. Black, Braun, Hall, J. Hansen, Horvath, Johnson, Judd, Laanen, Lloyd, McCann, McDermott, Reid, Robison,

Stoicheff, Tucker, Vandenberg, Vickers, Vincent, White.

Republicans against (21) — Allan-Hodge, Antons, Barron, Bell, Bengson, Boyd, Burt, Childers, Crow, Danielson, Davis, Deckard, Field, Geddes, Gould, R. Hansen, Hartung, Hawkins, Hay, Hill, Infante, Donna Jones, Lieford, Loertscher, Loveland, Mahoney, Montgomery, Morrison, Newcomb, Pomeroy, Reynolds, Richardson, Robbins, Schaefer, Sessions, Simpson, Smock, Sorensen, Stone, Sutton, Taylor, Tippota, Wood.

Democrat against (0).

Leftists won't meet

LEFIA SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP). — Leftist guerrillas on Wednesday accused the government of "delay and deceit" in responding to their peace overture and said they would not meet with government officials before the presidential election.

The rebels also urged their supporters to boycott the March 19 election.

The rebel communique put at least a temporary end to the tentative peace process initiated Jan. 24.

Today's weather

There's no bleating about lamb-like March

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding:
Today and Friday, mostly cloudy with chance of rain showers. Warm today with highs 60 to 65. Highs Friday near 60. Lows tonight 35 to 40. South winds 15 to 20 mph. Camas Prairie and Wood River Valley.

Today and Friday, considerable cloudiness with scattered rain showers. Warm today with highs 60 to 65. Highs Friday near 60. Lows tonight near 30.

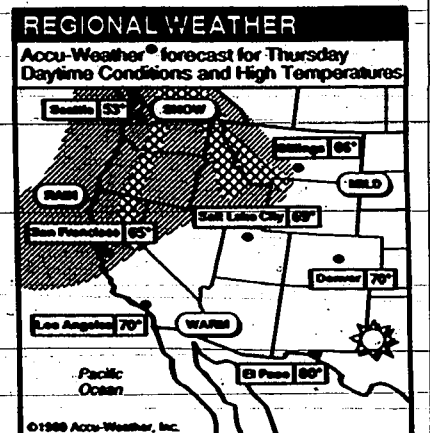
Northern Utah and Nevada:
Utah — Today, patchy fog early. Otherwise variable clouds with a few showers, mainly near the mountains. Local south winds 10 to 20 mph. Highs mid to upper 60s. Tonight and Friday, variable clouds with a few showers, mainly near the mountains. Local south winds 10 to 20 mph. Lows in the low 40s. Highs mid to upper 60s. Probability of measurable rain decreasing to less than 20 percent today through Friday.

Nevada — Snow advisory for the mountains of extreme western Nevada, including the Lake Tahoe area, above 7,000 feet today. Occasional rain north today with a chance of snow. Above 7,000 feet in extreme western mountains today. Rain likely mainly mountains north and a chance over northern valleys and central mountains today night. Chance of rain north and central mountains Friday. Highs today and Friday in the 50s to lower 60s.

Summary:
The National Weather Service says a springlike warming trend continued throughout Idaho on Wednesday as an upper level trough off the West Coast deepened and produced winds in a more southerly direction.

A few showers will occur in this moist flow of air during the next couple of days with some cooling expected toward the weekend. By afternoon Wednesday, most stations around the Gem State were reporting cloudy skies. There was light rain in the mountains around Sun Valley. The morning rain over the eastern part of the state moved off to the northeast.

Temperatures Wednesday were in the middle 50s in the south and half of the state, where Boise had 61



degrees. Cooler readings in the middle 40s were reported from the central mountains northward.

The warmest temperature in the state Wednesday was 61 degrees at Boise. Headquarters reported the coldest at 29 degrees.

The extended forecast for Southern Idaho: Scattered rain showers except snow showers over the higher mountains Saturday through Monday. Mild at first then cooler. Highs 50s to lower 60s Saturday cooling into the 40s Sunday. Lows mid 20s to mid 30s in the east and mostly 30s in the west.

Elsewhere in the nation Wednesday, the highest temperature was 92 degrees at Laughlin, Nev., and at Huckleberry, Phoenix and Yuma, Ariz.

Idaho road report

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

U.S. 96 — Riggins-Whitebird Hill, wet, rain; Grangeville-Moscow, wet; Weiser-New Meadows, wet, dry, watching for rolling rocks; Marsing-Oregon line, wet.

Interstate 84 — Caldwell, areas: Boise area, dry; Boise-Twin Falls,

wet, dry; Twin Falls-Utah line, dry. Idaho 66 — Horseshoe Bend-Donnely, icy spots, wet, dry; Donnelly-New Meadows, wet, watching for rolling rocks.

Idaho 21 — Boise-Idaho City, wet, dry, watching for rolling rocks; Idaho City-Lowman, icy spots, wet, rolling rocks; Grandjean Junction-Stanley, icy spots, wet, avalanche warning.

U.S. 20 — Mountain Home-Fairfield, wet; Fairfield-Arco, dry; Arco-Ashdon, wet, dry; Ashton-Montana line, icy spots, wet.

U.S. 26 — Idaho Falls-Wyoming line, wet, dry; Blackfoot-INEL, wet.

Idaho 51 — Wet, rain.

U.S. 93 — Nevada line-Arco, dry; Arco-Salt Lake, wet, dry; Lost Trail Pass, snow floor, broken snow floor, wet.

Idaho 75 — Shoshone-Ketchum, wet, dry; Calena Summit, broken snow floor, snowing.

Interstate 86 — Raft River-Pocatello, wet.

Interstate 16 — Utah line-Pocatello, wet, dry; Pocatello-Idaho Falls, dry; Idaho Falls-Dubois, wet, dry; Merida Pass, icy spots, wet, fog.

U.S. 30 — McCall-McCannon-Wyoming line, wet.

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Without that money the "it's back to the drawing board" for new physical science laboratories and space for an expanding agriculture management program at CSI, Meyerhoeffer said. The school's science laboratories were found to be overcrowded and unsafe in the school's last accreditation visit five years ago. Since then enrollment in science classes had doubled.

But Neibaur was pessimistic about a surplus eliminator. Now that the higher education building project has been killed, legislators will feel free to vote for proposed increased budgets in other areas, he said.

He blamed the Boise delegation for the bill's defeat Wednesday.

House Majority Leader Gary Montgomery, R-Boise, lobbied hard for the 13-member Ada County GOP delegation to vote against the bill, and nine of the 13 voted along with him.

The \$20 million appropriation included \$4 million for a College of Technology building at Boise State University already under construction. The Legislature will be getting the bill for the project, even though it was started without legislative approval, Neibaur said.

It's only fair to treat the other colleges the same, Neibaur said after

proposing the building projects for other districts.

Representatives of Twin Falls and Jerome counties, which support CSI with property taxes, split on the issue 4-3. Voting against the building program were Lee Barnes, R-Twin Falls; Maxine Ball, R-Jerome; Celia Gould, R-Buhl; and Gary Robbins, R-Dietrich, who holds a Magic Valley flier seat.

Voting for the bill were Ron Black, R-Twin Falls; Doug Jones, R-Filer; and Ralph Peters, R-Jerome.

Other Magic Valley legislators opposing the measure were Steve Adams, R-Rupert; Tom Morrison, R-Gooding; and Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley. Voting for the measure were Rep. Ernest Hale, R-Burley, and the bill's sponsor, Neibaur.

"If we pass this, we are looking for a tax increase," Robbins said. Those who claim themselves fiscal conservatives had no choice but to vote down the bill to avoid a tax increase, he said.

When Neibaur suggested the \$20 million building program at the first of the session, the math worked, Robbins said. But later in the budget process the budget committee began heaping more projects into the state

plan, he said.

"We all know we have overspent," said Montgomery, referring to the fact the Legislature started with a \$82 million surplus and has used it all up.

He urged the House to eliminate the \$20 million appropriation for construction, and allow it to happen only if there is a surplus at the end of the budget year in July.

"What we are saying is that we are going to spend the money even if we do not have it," he said. "The great majority of people do not want a tax increase."

"What you are voting for is a tax increase. There is not way around it," said Rep. Michael Simpson, R-Blackfoot, assistant floor leader.

Gov. Cecil Andrus said the House Republicans must have a plan they have not disclosed so far. They would not hang their speaker out to dry like that without a plan," he said. The bill contained \$4 million for University of Idaho projects in Boyd's district.

The Joint Finance and Appropriations Committee will meet Friday, morning to work out a new higher education budget.

Safety

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than Twin Falls," he said. About half of those that experiment with such systems return to separate departments, Vickers said.

"It would be much more efficient," he said. "It puts management in the hands of a professional." Separating the two departments would save a lot of money in cross-training costs, he said.

He said such a change would be timely now, while a new public safety director is being sought. Qualls retires at the end of this month.

Instead of hiring an overall manager, the city should hire a hands-on police expert, Vickers said. However, he said he doubts that will happen. "I don't think the majority of the council wants a police chief and a fire chief," Vickers said.

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Andrus urges pressure on legislators voting against abuse bills

BOISE (AP) — Gov. Cecil Andrus urged those who want tougher child abuse laws to put pressure on the 10 legislators who voted against two key bills.

Attorney General Jim Jones said Wednesday he was disappointed the bills did not pass late Tuesday night.

"I'm extremely disappointed that the Judiciary and Rules Committee in the House decided to kill the bills that would require mandatory sentences for people who abuse small



children," said Andrus.

"What it means is that we, the public in Idaho, have to say to small children and their families that they are going to have to wait for another

year to see if the criminal will be put in jail," the governor said.

"If the public is incensed enough that they can put the heat on their legislators, they still can get these bills passed by both houses of the Legislature," Andrus said.

Jones and Andrus worked together on a package of bills on child abuse. After a marathon, seven-hour session ending late Tuesday night, the House committee voted to kill what the sponsors called the key proposals.

One called for at least 12 months in jail for adults convicted of sex crimes against children. A second imposed mandatory five-year prison terms for adults committing aggravated sex crimes against children, such as using deadly weapons, drugs or force.

On the key roll call vote, backing the proposals were Republicans L. Ed Brown of Pocatello, Sheila Sorenson of Boise and Boise Democrat Jim

Hansen. Voting against were Republicans Don Loveland, Mary Hartung, Jerry Deckard, Mike Simpson, Celia Gould, Judi Danielson and Janet Hay. Democrats Patricia McDermott, Dorothy McCann and Mary Lloyd also voted against the measures.

Committee members Gary Montgomery and Pam Bengson attended part of the committee meeting but left before the key votes, which didn't come until nearly 10 p.m.

"I was disappointed that the

mandatory sentencing bills did not pass," said Jones, who along with Deputy Attorney General Pat Koles, battled into the evening hours to save the bills.

Like Andrus, Jones wasn't about ready to give up. "I don't know that we have seen the last of them," he said. "I don't think that we can give up on them. But the bills that were approved were good, and will help law enforcement."

Sandpoint mayor angry about water management bill

BOISE (AP) — Sandpoint Mayor Ron Chaney says the House Resources and Conservation Committee's action on a bill establishing a nutrient management plan for Idaho's surface waters was "a display of power politics at its best."

The committee took testimony from Chaney and others opposing the measure Tuesday, then voted 11-9 to send an amended version to the House floor.

The bill was introduced by the committee's chairman, Rep. Dean

Haagenson, R-Coeur d'Alene. It would direct the Department of Health and Welfare to formulate and adopt a comprehensive state nutrient management and prohibit local governments from imposing bans on detergents containing phosphate, which some contend has contributed to the increase of nutrient levels and decline in oxygen levels in northern Idaho lakes.

"We lost at the committee level. We will continue to oppose the bill as it still preempts local authority," Chaney said Wednesday. "Chairman Haagenson was most supportive of their position."

The phosphate industry has been fighting to stop cities such as Sandpoint from imposing bans on detergents containing phosphate, which some contend has contributed to the increase of nutrient levels and decline in oxygen levels in northern Idaho lakes.

"We lost at the committee level. We will continue to oppose the bill as it still preempts local authority," Chaney said. "If it makes it through the full House, hopefully we will be able to stop it in the Senate."

Sandpoint attorney Barbara Buchanan, who represented Sandpoint Unlimited and the Greater Sandpoint Chamber of Commerce, said opponents were "sandbagged."

"I think the (amended) language was ready and could have been provided so we could comment on it," she said.

Haagenson said he received the bill before the meeting and found a flaw and sent it back, getting the corrected version during the meeting.

Legislative log

By The Associated Press

Signed By Governor
HB15 (Revenue and Taxation) — Repeals sales tax on recreation vehicle repairs mistakenly imposed by 1988 Legislature.

SB1030 (Local Government and Taxation) — Repeals obsolete statute relating to counties.

SB1089 (Commerce and Labor) — Further defines "professional service" relating to professional service corporations.

SB1100 (Commerce and Labor) — Provides when a licensed real estate agent can sell managed and homes.

Legislative Action Completed:
HJM6 (State Affairs) — Urges Congress to designate Sept. 17 as a National Constitutional Commemorative Day.

Killed By House
HB337 (Appropriations) — Appropriates \$136.3 million from general fund and surplus for higher education.

HJR6 (State Affairs) — Allowed voters age 17 to vote in primary elections if they would reach age 18 by general election.

Killed By Senate
SB1270 (Resources and Environment) — Authorizes cities and counties to levy a user fee for up to \$15 per household for handling clean-up of household hazardous waste.

SB1103 (Commerce and Labor) — Acquired prior Insurance Department assessment of any proposed legislation mandating health insurance coverage.

Introduced in House:
HPI1 (State Affairs) — Proclamation honoring contributions to the Idaho

livestock industry of the late Thomas Robin Howards.

HB380 (Appropriations) — Appropriates \$325,400 for fiscal year 1990 to University of Idaho for Forest Utilization Research.

HB381 (Appropriations) — Appropriates \$2.9 million for WAMI medical education program and WOI regional veterinary program.

HB382 (Judiciary, Rules and Administration) — Requires attorney general to compile reports on cases of child sexual abuse through the courts.

HB383 (State Affairs) — Sets state

minimum wage at \$3.35 per hour; provides that in calendar years 1989 and 1990, minimum amount for tipped employees will be deemed to be comprised 20 percent of tips; drops to 10 percent in 1991 and zero in 1992 and thereafter.

HB384 (State Affairs) — Increasing fees relating to Board of Cosmetology.

HB385 (Appropriations) — Appropriates \$31,400 for fiscal year 1990 for Endowment Fund Investment Board.

HB386 (Appropriations) — Appropriates \$1.9 million for state liquor dispensary for fiscal year 1990.

HB387 (Appropriations) — Appropriates an extra \$3,200 in current budget for lieutenant governor's office; appropriates \$87,300 for fiscal year.

Introduced in Senate:
SB1295 (Finance) — Allocates \$800,000 in the 1990 budget for construction of a Pocatello Veterans Administration nursing home.

SB1297 (Finance) — Allocates \$17.6 million for 1990 operations of the Agricultural Extension Service.

SB1298 (Finance) — Allocates \$352,500 for 1990 operations of the Human Rights Commission.

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Boise attorney sentenced for drunken driving

BOISE (AP) — A prominent Boise attorney convicted of drunken driving has been fined and sentenced to house arrest, but his request to seal the case from public view was rejected by a judge.

Camas County Magistrate John Varin, who presided over Jeremiah Quane's drunken-driving trial last fall, handed down the sentence Monday in Fairfield.

Attorneys handling the case declined to say why the sentencing took place in that courtroom. All other proceedings in the Boise criminal case had been conducted in Ada County Magistrate Court.

For Quane's second DUI conviction within four years, the lawyer was ordered to spend at least 10 days under house arrest within the next four months, with a 50-day jail term suspended. He also was handed a \$2,000 fine and placed on probation for two years.

Silver bill may go before Congress

WALLACE (AP) — A silver imports bill sponsored by Rep. Richard Stallings, D-Idaho, is about to make a reappearance in Congress, to the applause of northern Idaho mining executives and Gov. Cecil Andrus.

The measure would establish a \$7.50 floor price for silver by levying a tax on imports below that price.

For example, if Peruvian miners sold silver to users in the United States at \$5.80 per ounce, the silver would be hit with a \$1.70-per-ounce tax at the border. If the silver came in at \$7 per ounce, it would be taxed 50 cents.

Only imports in excess of 1980 levels would be so taxed. Stallings said a variety of other imports, ranging from sugar to timber, are taxed according to the subsidies given them by foreign producers.

Andrus, who had requested that Stallings introduce the legislation, praised him for the measure Wednesday and said it would eliminate the competitive advantage foreign-subsidized producers have over Idaho miners.

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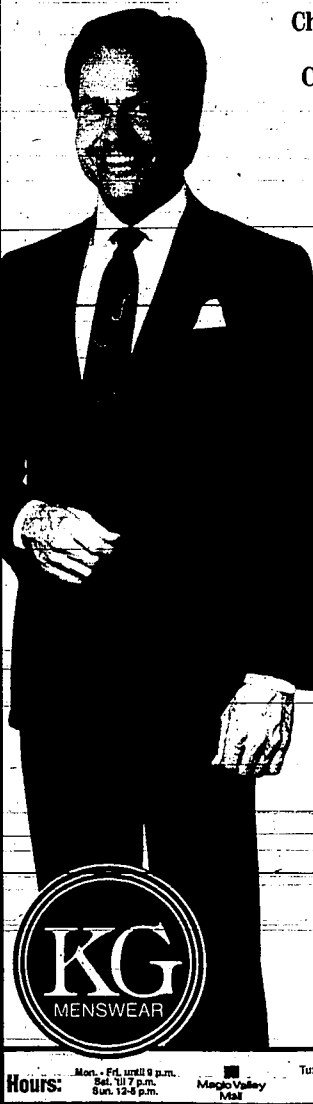
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Panel took right stand on child abuse bills

When an emotional, political issue gets rolling, it is often very difficult to stop it, even if in the abstract, people know that the proposals are seriously flawed.

Thus, it is unusual that the House Judiciary, Rules and Administration Committee has held a group of bills being pushed by advocates of stronger child abuse laws, as well as by the Governor's office.

The issue is an emotional one which has been turned decidedly political. Gov. Cecil Andrus, along with a loose coalition of Health & Welfare workers, county prosecutors and child protection volunteers, has been demanding action on a package of bills all winter.

Skittish legislators have recognized some of the deficiencies of the package, but some have been reluctant to speak-out-for-fear-of-being-labeled-as-soft-on-child-abusers.

Unfortunately, the legislation has some serious weaknesses. Some of it is probably unconstitutional in that it strips away defendant rights.

Other measures take away judicial discretion, which is an important component of the criminal law and procedure.

Still other parts would have the reverse effect of forcing trials to go forward and subjecting children to the very courtroom pressures their well-meaning advocates seek to prevent.

These points have been well presented in recent testimony before a subcommittee of the group, headed by Rep. Colin Gould, R-Buhl, by judges and others.

Gould has done a good job on this hot issue, keeping the subcommittee focused on what is good for the children of abuse as well as on what is right for defendants.

We continue to maintain that the child abuse issue is an important one, but it is one in which zealous prosecutors and child-protection advocates are telling only part of the story.

For the most part, judges already have the appropriate tools to control courtrooms and evidence involving cases in which minors are involved.

The tools being sought here are mostly ones which would allow the prosecution of weak cases which are either flawed on the evidence or which the prosecutor simply doesn't want to let go of for fear of being branded "soft."

The House committee, in our view, was right to kill these proposals. It may be tempting to "throw the book" at child abusers through a long list of punitive measures, but if the new laws hurt children in the process and remove essential rights, what have we gained?

Letters Welcome

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

More interest may help Crystal Lake

Clean up at Crystal Lake. Just drive down and look and you can see what has happened and the tremendous job it's going to take if it's ever put back in its normal condition.

The Times-News on Monday had an article in regard to the lake, but there are so many different conditions that first have to be met and developed.

One of the first problems is due to the fact that Clear Springs discharge into the Lake has been stopped, but not by choice.

Approximately a month ago, the flume carrying their discharge to Crystal Lake cracked and broke off due to the freeze about the time the Alaskan front moved through this area. They had to move fast to continue operations, and the gathering flume at the downstream point of their hatchery which is built on grade, was constructed so discharge could be released at either the southeast or southwest end of their hatchery.

They put in a short section of pipe (galvanized) under the road, built a permanent concrete pier to rest it on and now their discharge is going into the river.

Why, oh why, wasn't this done way back when those raceways were first constructed?

By then it was certainly obvious what was happening there. Yet for some unexplainable reason they made the decision to continue polluting the lake.

Now it's out of there and heaven forbid that Clear Springs (Mr. Cope) ever put back. He has offered to come up with some financial help for clean up.

The Parks Department and Fish-and-Game do have a memorandum agreement between them, dated June 21 and June 23, 1988, in which Director Conley of Fish and Game and Yvonne Ferrell, Director of Parks, explain what they will do.

Bob Burks

My concern is moving ahead with the agreement.

There is to be a dam built just above the two culverts where the lake dumps into the river. It will have a headgate at that point so the level of the lake can be controlled. There is approximately 50 cfs (I guessed it right on the button) now coming into the lake and that's all; but on Fish and Game's promise of their requesting enough funding in this legislative session and you writing or calling that information to your legislature, it's possible to get something done and soon.

Fish and Game has not submitted their budget as yet, and most of you are aware that the funds are not available until the start of the fiscal year, but there are ways. The legislature can do it, or the Fish and Game can do it. The money I am referring to is for tapping that collector on the hill where the water from Crystal Springs is contained and moved across the river to the Corps steelhead plant. The steelhead are hauled off in April. Then is the time for construction so the water quality won't disturb any steelhead. The Parks have Fish and Game committed to furnishing 50 cfs from that structure that will go into the bottom of the end of the lake.

I've discussed it with Mr. Christensen, who is the Fish and Game engineer, as to the additional cost it would take to increase the capacity up to the whole 120 cfs at times when it's not needed.

His response is for the whole amount it would be the additional cost of the pipe only; but any, just any, over 50 cfs would sure go a long ways. Even up to 75 plus.

Their plan is first build the dam. Check the

discharge which would raise the level of water in the Lake. The elevation would be approximately four to five feet, and yes it would cover the gunk and keep the odor that will be there in the warm weather.

Then make a study — studies are a means to buy time, same as kill time, that the legislature uses when they appoint an interim committee.

Any questions, call me. I tried calling the regional office in Jerome. They would only say that the office in Boise was working on it.

In discussing it with The Times-News, they handed me the agreement. My response was, where did you get it? They said, we asked for it way back in June; it is public information.

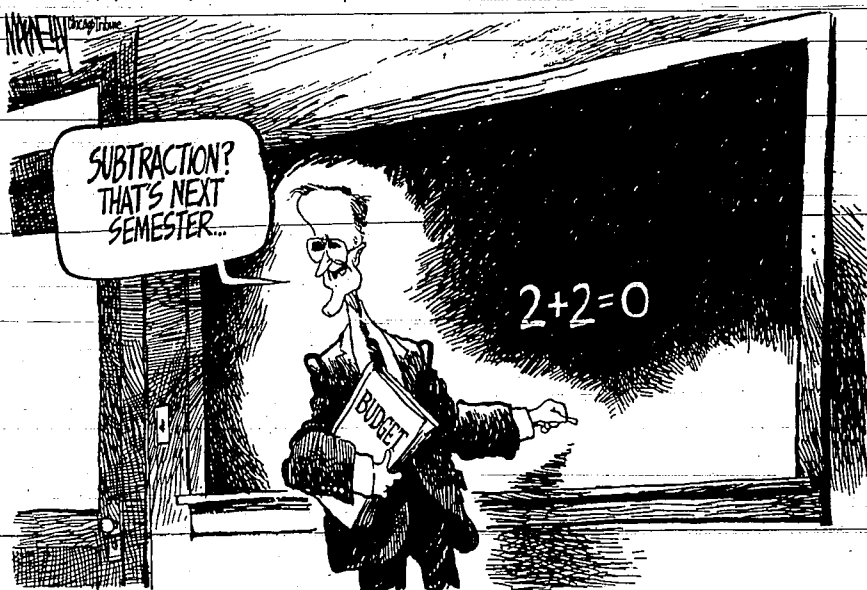
Then why didn't the regional here in Jerome know about it? Well they do now, as I've furnished them a copy. Looks like everybody but they knew about it. I guess you would call it a lack of communication within the department.

Don't forget, now, just pass the Niagara bridge (stop and look at the new overlook of Springs that Idaho Power built). Continue up river keeping left on the main-travelled road.

It's about a half mile to where you see the start of the damage the Corps did at Crystal but go about one-fourth more and go to the upper end of the lake where you can see the damage.

I always suggest people bring Kleenex. I guess I'm over emotional, but anyone that remembers that lake and how beautiful it was, 20-foot deep crystal clear. Where do you think it got its name from. It was named Crystal Lake because it was crystal clear.

Bob Burks, Wendell, writes frequently to The Times-News on Crystal Lake and other valley environmental issues.



The Education President

Greenspan must keep close track of inflationary impulses

WASHINGTON — Alan Greenspan worry about inflation. Why? Because nobody else does.

Nobody — not the financial markets, not the public, not the Bush administration and not Congress — is really worried about the current level of inflation, says economist Joel Popkin, because it still looks good in comparison with the late 1970s and early 80s.

But Greenspan must keep close track of inflationary impulses, and, most important, businesses, workers and government need to consume less and save more.

"I am afraid you are sowing the seeds of a recession," Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla., told Greenspan at a Budget Committee hearing. The economy is different from the economy of the 70s, said Brookings economist George Perry. We have chronic inflation but less pressure to accelerate. Labor unions are weaker, and fewer workers have inflation protection built in.

But things are not that good, either. For one thing, the January price spurt was by no means confined to a few volatile items: Excluding energy and food, prices still rose at a 6 percent rate.

Economists usually start worrying about inflation when it starts spilling over into labor costs; tight labor markets and continuing boosts in health, payroll taxes and other non-wage compensation could spell trouble ahead.

Nothing suggests that the public is ready to absorb any pain for the sake of controlling a problem that has barely made pollsters' rankings of national concerns.

So Greenspan must know that he could never count on the steadfast backing that Ronald Reagan gave his predecessor, Paul Volcker.

So Alan Greenspan ought to worry about inflation. But he should worry even more that there is probably not much the Fed, by itself, can do about it.

Jodie Allen writes for The Washington Post.

Letters/ Teachers, MVRMC, comics prompt reader comments

Add teacher abuse to the list

We hear of many complaints and abuses, such as child abuse, alcohol and drug abuse, greed, theft, rape, irresponsibility and threats of nuclear destruction, loss of safe environment, not enough money for government programs and schools — this list could go on and on.

I would like to add one more complaint to this list, namely "teacher abuse." Ask any dedicated teacher how he or she feels at the end of the day. We need protection for these people in the form of legislation to give them more authority without fear or possibility of law suits. This does not, in any way, mean unreasonable persecution for students, only sensible laws that will elevate teachers to a plane of respect, which they need, to be truly efficient. Past laws, made for the protection of children, have today ricocheted, tying teachers' hands, thus becoming stumbling blocks for education. Where there is little discipline, there is little learning. Before we condemn any teacher, let us look inward and ask ourselves — what kind of a parent am I?

There is a hue and cry for more money for schools, for salaries, books, the list is endless. I would ask this question, "Where are the priorities?" With almost 75 percent of tax money going to the education fund, and if

Jodie Allen

If inflation is building up a head of steam, the only way to diffuse it — short of a deep recession — is for everyone to start checking their inflationary impulses. Businesses need to moderate price hikes and profit margins, workers must moderate wage and benefit demands

money is the answer to all problems, why do we hear of so many so-called uneducated citizens in the job market? I would ask another question: "Why do so many people, highly qualified for teacher material, look in other sections of the job market?"

Learning is a privilege, an opportunity, an open door to a successful, well-rounded life of physical, mental and spiritual characteristics.

With many of our youth desperately crying for direction, can we not, with proper legislation, save our endangered species, the "dedicated teacher."

MADLEINE WALTERS
Jerome

Stop sniping at MVRMC

Enough is enough. Quit the sniping and get behind a fine community asset.

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center is an exceptional asset to the community of Twin Falls and the surrounding areas.

Before moving over 2,700 miles to retire to Twin Falls, several years of research and many visits ensued. At least two visits were made to this fine facility — a good health care unit was a prerequisite for our retirement home.

For the size of our community, MVRMC is an exceptionally fine facility. Having served

on various hospital boards and executive committees for umpteen years, one is able to make this determination intelligently.

Having now lived in Twin Falls for going on two years, our opinion has not only been confirmed but increased.

If there seems to be one common complaint, not only here but throughout the entire U.S.A., it deals with the cost of a hospital stay. First and foremost we must realize that no hospital in America, including MVRMC, practices medicine. In other words no hospital orders any tests, treatments, studies or any medical services whatsoever. It is the doctor who does this, and the hospital only does that which a doctor orders it to do.

With the litigious world in which we live today, you may be assured that a prudent doctor is going to order all the tests, X rays, studies, etc., that will give them the greatest protection from lawsuits.

If there is any fault, it is in the fact that MVRMC is not funded with taxpayer money, with the exception of indigent payments, but yet is made to operate as if it were a county-funded hospital. Counties across America must pay indigents' fees to hospitals, both private and municipally owned and operated. Although MVRMC is really a private hospital, it is having to operate as though it were a publically funded one. This, in one person's opinion, causes more

problems than are necessary for it puts the hospital in a never-never land of being neither one nor the other completely.

Whatever went on in the past is past and should be put aside. The board members have been appointed to perform a duty for the hospital. Not everyone of us will agree with every decision that they make. They should, however, be allowed to do their appointed jobs — and that is to run the hospital on a fiscally sound basis, providing the best hospital care our community can afford at the least possible cost.

No person suggests that the hospital not live within all the laws, but please get off their backs with all this sniping and support this truly fine community asset.

SAM G. ADLER
Twin Falls

Comics shouldn't be torture

I read, with a great deal of amusement, a letter by a lady who has been torturing herself for weeks. She states that, "I'd like to register my complaints after weeks of putting up with Calvin and Hobbes." Weeks — Weeks! Boggles the mind doesn't it? I mean I can understand doing something you don't like once, maybe even twice, but weeks! And she even has the choice to or not to, and she does it for weeks! I'm trying to picture the Ayatollah, sitting around reading

Satanic Verses for weeks, then saying, "Nope, I can't put up with this so let's kill him." I can only say to those few who don't like Calvin and his buddy, take the other lady's advice and cut out all the abusive, disrespectful, and of course the destructive, comic strips. What!! There's nothin' left of course not — they're all of the above in some form or another. Even Garry Trudeau's "Doonesbury" isn't funny anymore, since Congress is doing a better job than he could hope for.

I won't believe that at some time or another these ladies, or anyone else, hasn't ever had a bad thought about a brother or sister or aunt or someone; and you had a mental picture of just exactly what you would do to that person, if you had the chance, to get even. In your mind that is. Now if somebody was to tell me that they never had any of these thoughts, then I would have to assume I was looking at a person with a five-foot head and only a four-foot elevator in it.

To misquote a quote, "Let them that has never had not even one of these thoughts be condemned to life without humor and banished forever to the land of Notputtingupwiththisstuffanymore."

KEN WILSON
Buhl

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Vaccine maker says work won't bring AIDS shots soon

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — A scientist who developed a vaccine to protect monkeys against a virus distantly related to the one that causes AIDS cautioned Wednesday the work probably won't lead to an AIDS vaccine anytime soon.

"It would be foolish on my part to say, yeah, this opens up the way for a vaccine for AIDS," said Dr. Richard G. Olsen, a professor emeritus of veterinary pathology at Ohio State University. "Whether it would work for AIDS, I'd be very skeptical."

However, one well-known AIDS researcher said he thought the monkey vaccine could be quite valuable in developing an AIDS vaccine.

Olsen and Ohio State graduate students last week announced preliminary success with a vaccine to immunize monkeys against the HTLV-1 virus. The vaccine uses an approach similar to that of a vaccine Olsen developed several years ago, which veterinarians now use to protect millions of house cats from a deadly disease.

That illness, called feline leukemia, the HTLV-1 virus, which causes adult T-cell leukemia and lymphoma, and the virus that causes AIDS all belong to the retrovirus family. Unlike other viruses, retroviruses become part of a chromosome, which carries genetic information.

The AIDS virus has other characteristics in

common with HTLV-1. Both can be transmitted through blood, sexual intercourse and contaminated needles, and HTLV-1 causes AIDS-like symptoms in monkeys.

Some of the eight or so macaque monkeys vaccinated by Olsen's group and then exposed to HTLV-1 have gone as long as two years without their blood cells showing any signs of infection.

All five or six monkeys in a control group that were exposed to the virus without being vaccinated eventually developed the illness, he said.

Olsen said during the next two years he will try to prove the vaccine can prevent the virus from getting into a chromosome and lying dormant.

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Gun czar duty no big worry for Bennett

WASHINGTON (AP) — As if planning the national battle against illegal drugs wasn't enough work, President Bush saddled William J. Bennett with another controversial job: figuring out what to do about semi-automatic assault rifles.

"How does he feel about becoming gun czar?" Bennett's spokesman, Don Hamilton, said Wednesday. "He's not too upset about it."

In fact, Bennett met Wednesday with National Rifle Association representatives, a meeting that had been scheduled before Bush announced Tuesday that he had asked his designated drug policy director to find a solution to the weapons problem, Hamilton said.

It's not clear whether Bennett will incorporate his recommendations into the national drug control strategy due 180 days after he is confirmed as director of national drug control policy or if he will issue a separate recommendation, Hamilton said.

Asked Wednesday what Bennett and the NRA representatives were discussing, Hamilton said, "I think he's seeking input and advice. I'm rather confident he has not made up his mind."

"He's interested in seeing that firepower out of the wrong hands," Hamilton said. "He's concerned with the problem and he'd like to seek a solution that's consonant with the Constitution and individuals' rights concerning firearms. But he doesn't want to see that firepower in the hands of drug traffickers and other bad guys."

The Senate Judiciary Committee, which held two days of hearings on Bennett's nomination last week, is scheduled to vote on it today.

Sullivan endorses clean-needle plan

WASHINGTON — (AP) Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan on Wednesday encouraged communities to establish needle-exchange programs to help stop the spread of the deadly AIDS virus by drug addicts.

Sullivan said he does not favor a federal needle-exchange program because of the controversy surrounding the issue, but he said the federal government can provide encouragement and financing to support such programs.

"These are activities that really mandate local decisions from the local communities around the country, ... but we would be very supportive of such efforts if the communities make those decisions," the secretary said in an interview with The Associated Press.

Sullivan emphasized that communities should decide whether to have such programs because some officials oppose the idea.



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GAO report cites abuse, trash troubles in board, care homes

WASHINGTON (AP) — The General Accounting Office told Congress in a report released Wednesday that states have found problems ranging from physical and sexual abuse to improperly stored food and trash at rest homes and similar residential facilities for the elderly and mentally ill.

It reported on the so-called board and care homes, which are residences of last resort for many aged and mentally ill people.

"It is frightening how little we know about board and care homes," said Sen. John Heinz of Pennsylvania, ranking Republican on the Senate Special Committee on Aging. "This is

an industry out of sight and out of control." GAO, an arm of Congress, said state regulation of the homes is uneven, and the federal Health and Human Services Department has exercised minimal oversight of the facilities.

The residences are rest homes, group homes, and other facilities that may provide rooms, meals and help with daily routines but not regular medical care. Such homes are typically privately run, located in cities and serve many residents who rely on Supplemental Security Income to pay bills.

For 18 months, GAO said, it interviewed federal and state officials, board and care

owners, and representatives of organizations for the elderly.

GAO said states have found "serious problems" in licensed homes over the past several years.

"These range from very serious situations in which residents have been subjected to physical and sexual abuse, to problems involving persistent unsanitary conditions such as improperly stored food and trash," it said.

In some cases, board and care residents had been denied heat, were suffering from dehydration, were denied adequate medical care, or had food withheld if they did not

work."

The GAO focused on six states: California, Florida, New Jersey, Ohio, Texas and Virginia. The House and Senate aging committees, which requested the report, planned a joint hearing Thursday with case studies from Colorado, Pennsylvania and other states.

A 1976 law required states to certify to HHS that all facilities used by many SSI recipients meet appropriate standards, but that has not guaranteed that board and care residents' needs are being met, GAO said.

"Texas and Ohio, for example, have estimated that they have about 3,500 unlicensed homes, yet they certify to HHS that they are in compliance," the report said. "Both states cite the lack of resources as reasons for not licensing the homes."

Ohio officials agreed there was a problem. "As your report indicates, there are literally thousands of these homes in several states which appear to be unlicensed or unregulated," said a December letter to GAO from Patricia Barry, director of the state Department of Human Services. Her letter was included in the report.

'Supersaver' plan an aid for economy

WASHINGTON (AP) — A private report called Wednesday for a national campaign to reverse an economic-damaging decline in America's savings rate by offering government "Supersaver" bonds through monthly payroll deductions.

The report, released by the American Business Conference, said a low national savings rate is the biggest economic problem facing the United States and threatens its ability to remain competitive in the global market.

"Our high consumption rate ... is the single most important cause of our unprecedented trade deficits and inadequate domestic investment during the mid-1980s," the report said. "Restoring national saving at least to the level of the 1970s should be the central goal of national economic policy."

The authors found that while the government's huge budget deficits — the most popular villain — have contributed to the problem, the decline in national savings primarily has been caused by high consumption of products and services by individuals.

George Hatopoulos, chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston and lead author of the report, said "Supersaver" bonds would help people establish regular savings programs since the securities could be purchased only through monthly payroll deductions.

People would be less likely to spend earnings from the government-issued bonds since the profits would be available only when the securities were redeemed after seven years, he said.

Overall, national savings — the difference between the nation's output in goods and services and what is consumed by government and individuals — fell from 7.9 percent in the 1970s to 2.1 percent during 1985-87, the study indicated.

Over the same period, individuals' consumption of goods and services rose from 69.3 percent of national income to 74.1 percent.

In addition to recommending a program to increase personal savings, the report also proposed action on two other fronts to increase national savings from a low point that is unprecedented for a period of economic expansion, not only for the United States but for all industrialized countries:

- Reducing the federal deficit. Cutting government spending on goods and services is the most direct approach, although raising taxes and thus lowering private consumption would help to a lesser degree, the report said.

- Eliminating incentives for corporate buyouts. The report said the federal tax structure should be revised to eliminate incentives for corporate debt and thus reduce the trend toward higher cash payouts to shareholders.

Biologist starts test in module

ORACLE, Ariz. (AP) — The world within a world that biologist Abigail Alling entered Wednesday is landlocked, high and dry in the spectacular landscape of the desert.

But organizers of her five-day test run in the self-contained environment believe it could lead to the stars.

Her experiment will be the longest test so far of Biosphere I, a human-inhabited module independent of the air, water and nutrients of Earth.

The experiment is the first major test of plans for the much bigger Biosphere II, the largest closed ecosystem ever attempted.

If the \$100-million project succeeds, Space Biosphere Ventures plans to sell versions to governments and researchers to preserve endangered species or for research or space colonization, said spokeswoman Kathleen Dyer.

Ms. Alling's abbreviated module, stocked with flora and fauna, is a steel-framed greenhouse with a 20-foot ceiling over a 23-square-foot base.

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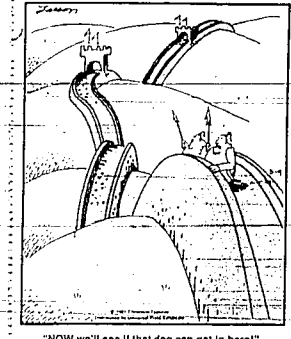
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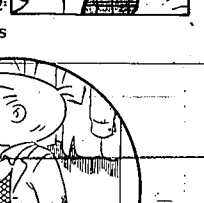
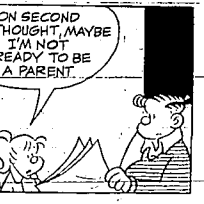
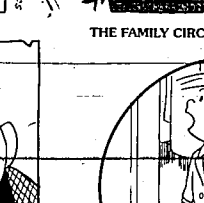
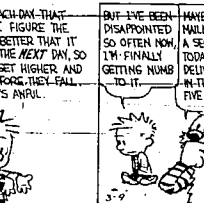
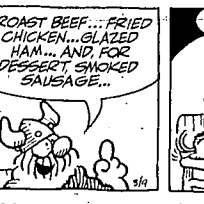
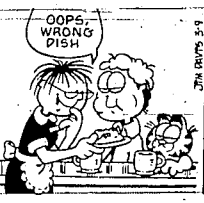
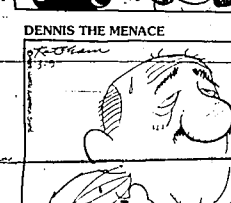
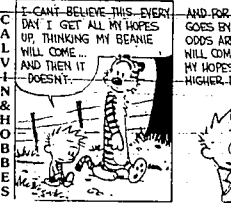
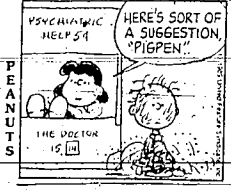
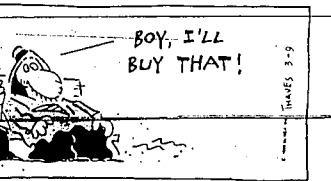
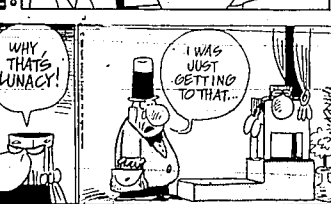
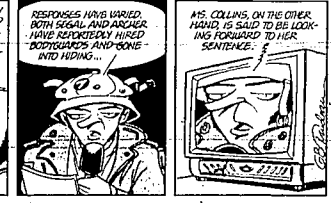
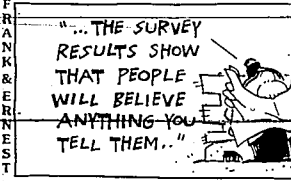
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ASTROLOGICAL FORECASTS

IF MARCH 9 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY, humanitarian instincts dominate. You side with underdog. You also attract those only too willing to take advantage of your sympathetic nature. Once pushed into corner, however, you are formidable opponent. Key is to know when you are pushed far enough. Arries, Libra persona play important roles in your life. You make important domestic adjustment this month. During May, you'll surprise many by concluding transaction which requires shrewdness, toughness, determination.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Solid results. You'll find a man in your sign who's a personality, charisma, sex appeal. You'll gain recognition from one in position to help career, business. Love relationship will prosper.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Do plenty of listening. Information, previously secret, will be revealed. Focus on showmanship, drama, ability to detect what occurs "back stage." Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius persons play roles.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Sudden turn of events could bring you romance, money, credit, added recognition. What you took for granted is valuable, represents a great, possible appearance before media. Taurus, Libra are in picture.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Many individuals felt you suffered irreparable damage as result of delay, postponement. You prove them wrong, superior says. You're going to be given material requested! Places figures prominently.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Lunar aspect combined with future prospects, communication, possible "romantic involvement." Emphasis on intensity, creativity, pressure of

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"I ALWAYS FORGET AIR WILSON... WHICH AM I NOT SUPPOSED TO BE, SEEN OR HEARD?"

DENNIS THE MENACE

Within eight days, you'll know outcome of investment.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): On Saturday, message will reveal that policies are actually in order. Meanwhile, check source material, dig for additional information. Procedures are subject to "radical change." Aries involved.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Different approach necessary in connection with legal proposals. Emphasis on independence, originality, ability to put across ideas in dynamic manner. Young person will become staunch ally.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Intuition is on target. Work method should not be tampered with - if it's not broken, don't fix it! Property transaction continues despite minor disputes. Aquarius plays significant role.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Answer to query? Don't stand still! Spotlight on style, creativity, pleasure, sexuality. You could have luck in matters of speculation, especially by sticking with number 3. Winner.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): What had recently been taken for granted will now require immediate attention. Emphasis on payments, collections, credit cards. Other individual, possibly family member, stresses budget requirements.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Brother or sister could be overly cautious. Diversification is necessary. Make inquiries, safely curiosity. Short trip results in completion of mission. Writer material provides answer to dilemma.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You'll be saying, "I found money." You get paid for service you thought was presented as gift. Actually, you understood mission your own way. Family discord evaporates. Harmony again reigns.



"But, if I wear my sneakers, then you won't have to shine my shoes."

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What's what

Coughing kangaroo
All kangaroos cough when scared.

Physicians students at the University of Virginia once put together what they called an osculometer. To measure electronically the zing of kisses. Young man in charge of the experiment, recorded that he couldn't find any zing differences between blondes - brunettes - and red heads, despite relentless testing.

CLONES
You know newborn armadillos run four to a litter all the same sex. Key to this curiosity is they don't come from four eggs, but from one which splits. They are, in fact, clones.

Nothing new about comparing a distance to stadium lengths. Aristotle used stadium lengths to define what he thought to be the circumference of the earth.

Q. Can you estimate the weight of the leg by the ham?
A. Can do. Figure the ham is 7 percent of it.

CAREER CHANGES
How many times have you changed careers? Possibly none; if you're a

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Ford writes letter in memory of Sipple



EX-PRESIDENT FORD
Grateful

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Former President Ford has written a letter to friends of Oliver Sipple, saying he would "forever be grateful" to the ex-Marine who saved him from an assassin's bullet.

Sipple, 47, was found dead of natural causes Feb. 2 in his apartment. In 1976, Sipple grabbed Sara Jane Moore's gun hand when she tried to shoot Ford outside a hotel, causing the shot to go astray and hit a building.

Sipple had shunned the publicity and was anguished that it brought to light his homosexuality.

Ford's letter was addressed to "the friends of Oliver Sipple." It hangs on the wall of the New Belle Saloon, Sipple's favorite bar.

"I will forever be grateful for Oliver's action on my behalf at the time of the assassination attempt by Sara Jane Moore in San Francisco," the letter says.

Moore pleaded guilty and is serving a life term in prison.

Police charge TV actor with assault, mischief

VANCOUVER, Canada (AP) — Johnny Depp, who plays a young undercover police officer in the Fox TV

series "21 Jump Street," was charged with assault and mischief after police were called to a noisy party early Wednesday, authorities said.

Depp, 26, was released from custody a couple of hours later, a spokesman said.

Leanne Muldoon, publicity co-ordinator for the locally produced "21 Jump Street," wouldn't comment on the charges or say if Depp was on the set Wednesday.

Burns says audiences help keep him going

LAS VEGAS (AP) — George Burns says the love he receives from audiences is what keeps him going at age 83.

Burns spent this week at Caesars Palace and has a best-selling book, "Gracie: A Love Story." Gracie Allen, Burns' wife, was his partner from 1923 until her retirement in 1959.

He died in 1994.

Burns, puffing on his ever-present cigar, said Tuesday he's still going strong "because of the love that comes over the footlights. That's what gives you the vitality."

Burns, who has vowed to play the Palladium at age 100, has a long-term contract with Caesars. "Gracie" is the seventh book he's written.

"Pretty good for a guy who's only read two," he said.

Holmes complains of treatment on show

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — Clint Holmes says his stint on the Fox network's now-defunct "The Late Show" was marked by poor pay and executives fighting to keep him off camera.

The 35-year-old singer, who opens this weekend at Trump Castle Hotel and Casino, said he took the job as off-camera announcer on "The Late Show" with Joan Rivers on the promise he eventually would be on host and sing on the program.

But Fox wanted some blond-haired, blue-eyed pretty boy to play off Joan's being ethnic, said Holmes.

Search party waits for weather

TALKEETNA, Alaska (AP) — Specialty-equipped military helicopters and a medical team waited Wednesday for wind to abate enough to allow a search for three Japanese climbers overdue on a winter ascent of Mount McKinley.

A twin-engine plane leased by the National Park Service approached within 12 miles of the 20,320-foot peak Tuesday but was driven back by the hurricane-force wind, said John

Quinley, a park service spokesman.

The Army plans to use Chinook helicopters in the search. The aircraft are twin-rotor troop and cargo carriers used previously in high-altitude rescue work.

The three men who set out to climb North America's highest peak last week were heard from more than a week ago. They have a radio, but efforts to contact them failed.

Wife of emigre seeks annulment

LYNN, Mass. (AP) — A woman who fought for nine years to win the release of her Russian fiancé from the Soviet Union has filed for annulment less than nine months after marrying him.

Elizabeth Condon, a high school language teacher, is seeking an annulment from Viktor M. Novikov, an emigrant he used her for passage to the United States, The Daily Evening

Item of Lynn reported in today's editions.

The couple made headlines a year ago when they were reunited after nearly 10 years apart because Novikov was unable to leave the Soviet Union. The reunion, after years of persistent lobbying by Condon, came on the eve of the Reagan-Gorbachev superpower summit.

who is black. "But Joan fought for me. Finally I got it and came out on screen."

Appearing on the Los Angeles-based show five days a week reduced Holmes' casino dates and cut into his pay, he said. "I made no bucks," Holmes said. "Almost every Friday night I got on the red-eye to do shows on the weekend."

Holmes stayed with the show after Ms. Rivers' departure before the show was canceled last year.

Gov. Mario Cuomo overwhelming on court

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Gov. Mario Cuomo, a former minor-league baseball player and avid amateur basketball fan, outperformed a Democratic colleague in a 30-minute game of one-on-one basketball, winning 18-12.

"It was a good fight," 5-foot-8 Assemblyman Richard Brodsky pulled after the game Tuesday before about 60 people at the State Police Academy gymnasium.

The 5-foot-11-inch governor was unusually reticent, saying, "He had as many fouls as I had." Brodsky scored about half his points at the foul line.

Broadway producer claims she is innocent

NEW YORK (AP) — Broadway producer Adela Holzer stood alone Wednesday as she pleaded innocent to charges of swindling investors of \$1.2 million.

A prosecutor said she had not paid her lawyers.

Holzer, 54, who produced or provided financial backing for such Broadway shows as "Sleuth," "Lenny," "The Ritz" and "Hair," was arraigned on charges of larceny and fraud. If convicted, she faces up to 15 years in prison.

Assistant District Attorney J. Christopher Prather said one of Ms. Holzer's lawyers told him they would not appear in court "basically because they hadn't been paid."

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U.S. checking Japanese tie to Libya chemical plant

WASHINGTON (AP) — The State Department said Wednesday it has no evidence a Japanese aerospace company installed equipment at a suspected Libyan chemical weapons plant, while President Bush's spokesman said "all aspects" of the plant are being investigated.

The Detroit News had reported that Mitsubishi Heavy Industries had a team of 50 technicians and engineers at the complex in the desert south of Tripoli.

The company is also involved in a proposed joint venture with the United States to build a jet fighter, the FSX. The deal was negotiated during the Reagan administration and is now

under review by the Bush administration — with a decision imminent.

Despite the State Department denial, the report on alleged involvement by the Japanese company in Libya raised new concerns in Congress about the proposed joint venture. And an administration official, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, said that although indications earlier in the week appeared to favor U.S. approval of the jet fighter project, within the past few days prospects had become "very fluid."

As a result, a final recommendation by the Defense Department and Commerce Department to President Bush may not be ready by a

Friday deadline suggested by the White House, the official said.

State Department spokesman Charles Redman told reporters that news stories of a Japanese company being involved with the Libyan plant surfaced last summer and that the Japanese government informed American authorities at the time that it had received assurances further Japanese involvement was not contemplated.

Those assurances are still valid, Redman said.

Earlier Wednesday, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the administration is investigating "all aspects" of the plant.

Fitzwater, while declining to comment directly on the story, said the plant is "the matter of the utmost concern to the United States and we have raised it in any number of forums."

Meanwhile, Rep. Mel Levine, D-Calif., a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee and a critic of the proposed joint venture with Mitsubishi, called for Bush to delay his decision.

"In light of recent press allegations ... we strongly urge that the decision on the plan to sell technology to Mitsubishi for the development of the FSX aircraft be put on hold until this new matter is thoroughly investigated," Levine said in a letter to Bush.

Plane hijack was 'military operation'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fawaz Younis, saying "we were in a state of war," testified Wednesday that he was carrying out military orders he thought would help his nation by leading the hijacking of a Royal Jordanian Airlines plane in June 1985.

"Hijacking a plane is a wartime operation," said Younis, a member of Lebanon's Amal militia, a Shiite Muslim group.

In response to the first question from federal prosecutor G.J. Ramsey Johnson at a trial in U.S. District Court, Younis acknowledged that he led the hijacking.

"We were in a state of war," said Younis. He added that he was armed with an automatic weapon and a pistol, and that the four sky pirates under his command had AK-47 assault rifles and hand grenades when they stormed the plane at Beirut airport.

Generally, in a state of war, people carry weapons," Younis said.

"Younis, 30, has pleaded innocent in the case, which is viewed as a test of a 1984 statute asserting "long-arm" jurisdiction for the United States over the taking of American hostages abroad.

On Sept. 13, 1987, more than two years after the hijacking, he was lured to a yacht in international waters of the Mediterranean Sea off the coast of Cyprus and arrested by the FBI.

Defense counsel Francis D. Carter has argued that the Amal militia to which Younis belonged is a legitimate military force and that Younis was acting in a chain of command.

Carter has also argued that FBI agents coerced a confession out of Younis during four days aboard a Navy munitions ship while he was suffering from senescence and two broken wrists. The hairline fractures were discovered after Younis was flown to the United States and arraigned, and an appeals court has ruled that the confession was valid.

The prosecutor asked Younis whether the confession he gave the FBI was the truth.

"Generally, I don't tell lies," said Younis, drawing laughs from the jury.

FBI says zealous students biggest threat over novel

WASHINGTON (AP) — Thousands of "zealous" Iranian students in the United States pose the greatest threat of violence against publishers and others over the controversial novel, "The Satanic Verses," an FBI official told Congress Wednesday.

As it to underline the impact of the threats of retribution coming from Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini, a representative of the U.S. publisher of the book, Viking-Penguin, declined to appear at the hearing.

A committee source said the company had cited security concerns in refusing the invitation. Calls to the publisher were not immediately returned.

"There are a large number of students here, both legally and illegally, who are zealous adherents to the Khomeini rhetoric ... and pursuit of violence," said Oliver "Buck" Revell, the executive assistant investigations director of the FBI.

Some 30,000 Iranian citizens are in the United States on student visas, and at least that many more are in the country illegally, he said. Some 10,000 to 15,000 are activists with sympathies for Khomeini's fundamentalist Shiite regime, he said, and many receive government money to help them stay in the United States or are affiliated with the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps.

Those Iranians, most of them students, represent a greater threat than the 200 or so foreign nationals in the United States who have known links to Iranian terrorist and intelligence networks, Revell told the Senate Foreign Relations subcommittee on terrorism.

"They are more dangerous than any sort of infrastructure or organizational activity" because they cannot be monitored, he said.

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Rupert residents object to juvenile detention center

By LONA RAYMOND
and TERRILL WILLIAMS
Times-News correspondents

RUPERT - Residents near a proposed juvenile home in Rupert say they are afraid for their safety. But Sheriff Ray Jarvis and County Commissioner Norman Siebold say there is no need to worry. About 50 local residents attended

the City Council meeting Tuesday to tell the council they don't want a juvenile detention center in their neighborhood.

The group was represented by Raymond Pena and Larry Duff, two local attorneys, who asked that all work on the facility be halted until a public hearing can be held on the matter.

Those attending the meeting said

they first knew of the center when they read a story in the Times-News that the county commissioners had leased the American Legion Hall, formerly the Senior Citizens Center, to be used for court-ordered detention of juveniles.

Pena cited compromised safety of the community and possible decrease of property values as his main concerns. Duff said current

residential zoning does not allow the proposed center.

Commission Chairman Siebold said the county would not house prisoners in the center until a public forum is held. The meeting is tentatively set for 7 p.m. April 7. The location is pending.

Juveniles brought to the home most likely would be those charged with non-violent offenses, such as

theft, shoplifting or simple assault "when they get in a fight," Jarvis said after the meeting. The worst offender would probably be a burglar, he said.

Violent juveniles would still be kept in the county jail, Jarvis said.

Those in school would be released to catch the neighborhood school bus in the morning and then return in the afternoon to the house, he said.

Siebold said people are afraid because they are misinformed. "They don't understand exactly what we intend to do," he said.

Residents around this house would not be in any more danger from the detained juveniles than from kids on the street, Siebold said. "It's not much more than a boarding school," he said.

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David McLaughlin, 6, relaxes in his hospital bed on Wednesday with brother James, 7, and mother Tina Hesselgesser at his side

7-year-old helps save brother's life

By MARTA CLEVELAND
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - During the fastest sprint of his life, says 7-year-old James McLaughlin, "I was trying to think of what to say because I thought she wouldn't believe me."

James was running to tell his mother that his little brother was hanging by his neck from a playground slide. His frantic dash helped save 6-year-old David's life Tuesday evening.

"I didn't do much," James said Wednesday.

An "initial report" of the event in Wednesday's paper, based on a police officer's second-hand account, didn't tell the full story of David's rescue.

Tuesday evening, David and James were playing in Hatmon Park across the street from their home. They found a belt from a man's bathrobe and tied it to the handles of the slide. They made a game of hanging from the belt on the slide until the bow knot came undone and they slid down.

"I tied the rope up at the top, of course, because (James) doesn't know how to tie as good a knot," David explained from his hospital bed.

Then David decided to tie the belt around his neck. He thought the bow would come undone as before and he would slide down unscathed.

It didn't. When he let go, the rope around his neck tightened instead of coming loose. He grabbed the sides of the slide and held himself up, but his arms got too tired and he

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Midwest feed corn infected with fungus may enter Idaho

By N. S. NOKKENTVED
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Midwest feed corn infected with toxin-producing fungus may find its way into Idaho, officials warn.

A fungus that thrives in hot, dry weather flourished in drought-weakened corn in parts of the Midwest last year. Officials fear the tainted corn, which already has caused problems in parts of the country, may be spreading undetected as dairy feed and corn products.

Infected corn has not yet showed up in Idaho.

"We do get some Midwest corn," said Dick Rush, director of the Idaho Department of Agriculture. But there is no cause to "hit the panic button," he said. "I don't think there's a major public health threat."

The fungus, *Aspergillus flavus*, produces aflatoxin, which a recent Wall Street Journal article called one of the most potent cancer-causing agents known to science. The article says the toxin is 100 times more carcinogenic than PCBs.

Only field corn was infected, because sweet corn is harvested before the sugar in the kernels turns to the

starch the fungus favors. Field corn is widely used as animal feed and in commercial processed food products such as corn chips and breakfast cereals.

Midwest field corn is also used in dairy feed in the Magic Valley.

The toxin can make dairy cows ill, but more often it passes into the milk. Though no tests have yet been done, the state Agriculture Department is preparing to test raw milk and finished dairy products milk for the toxin.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has set an "action limit" of 0.5 parts per billion of the toxin in milk, FDA investigator Dennis Hudson said. The FDA said the Journal article was generally accurate, though it exaggerated the health threat.

"The FDA does not believe it's a threat," Hudson read from an official press release. But the administration recommends that feed corn buyers test what they buy.

"We can't sample everything," Hudson said. In Texas, about two million pounds of milk tainted with the toxin had to be dumped, the Journal stated.

Idaho officials echo the warning of the FDA and the

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Hansen School Board will form committee to study consolidation

By LYNDIA BOODY
Times-News correspondent

HANSEN - At the request of several residents, the Hansen School Board has agreed to form an advisory committee to study the Kimberly/Hansen consolidation proposal and the cost of a building program.

Hansen resident Morgan Stanger presented the board at its Monday meeting with a petition of about 140 signatures requesting the committee be formed.

Several patrons attended the meeting and told the board they felt the town was largely uninformed

about the specifics of Hansen's future school space needs and said the committee could gather the necessary information needed to consider consolidation or a building program.

"I hate to see us make this decision without an informed community," Louis Egusquiza said.

Board members will each submit names of five candidates within their trustee zone for the committee and the board will select two representatives from each zone and name the committee at its March 20 meeting. Trustees Jeanne Gibson and Kenny Johnson will serve on the 12-member committee.

Some of patrons' concerns were prompted by a public forum last week on Kimberly schools' consolidation proposal. Documents presented at the meeting contained two cost figures concerning a program for new school facilities in Hansen.

"A lot of people didn't realize there'd be a building program," Stanger said at Monday's meeting.

The idea of a building program left many unanswered questions in the minds of patrons. "If we go alone are we going to consider a vo-ag or college preparation courses?" Stanger said.

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Kimberly second graders get used to the paces of a Mexican dance during 'world tour'

Kimberly school children take trip 'around the world'

By JENNIFER KAUTH
Times-News writer

KIMBERLY - Foreign phrases such as "g'day mate," "bonjour" and "boonoonoonoo" (Jamaican for "perfectly lovely") echoed through Kimberly Elementary School's hallways Wednesday as kids cruised "around the world" in just one afternoon.

Classrooms were converted to such faraway lands as Korea, Switzerland, Australia, Sweden and Hong Kong. In each room, a teacher greeted kids with an on-

hands lesson about a specific country.

In Mary Wilson's second-grade classroom, kids learned how to do the Mexican hat dance. Steacy Rasmussen helped kids who visited her third-grade room make Japanese origami swans. And in Connie Hachquet's second-grade room, kids tasted "hagles" - a toast topped with butter and chocolate sprinkles that is breakfast for kids in Holland.

The afternoon of foreign travel culminated a three-week unit begun by school librarian Vickie Ow-

ings. Each class has been studying a particular country, and students have been reading books from around the world.

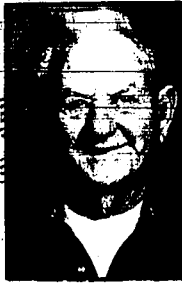
"I think the kids have learned a lot," said fifth-grade teacher Donna Yankey.

Owings said kids make a daily "baseline" for the wall-size world map in the library, excitedly pointing out countries they've learned about.

"You know the kids are interested when they don't even complain about missing afternoon recess,"

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Obituaries



Roy T. Gwin

JEROME—Roy T. Gwin Sr., 70, of Jerome, died Tuesday, March 7, 1989, at St. Benedict's Hospital in Boise following an extended illness.

He was born Aug. 23, 1919, in Solihatch, Ark., the son of Daniel M. and Jessie May Gwin. He was raised and educated in Bloomfield, Mo.

In 1926 Gwin enlisted in the United States Navy. After leaving the Navy he moved to San Francisco, Calif., where he worked as a taxi driver. He married Rebecca Sexton on March 10, 1960, in Virginia City, Nev. He then worked as an auto mechanic in various states until settling in the Magic Valley in 1964.

Gwin, owner and operator of the Husky Service Station in Twin Falls for several years and also worked at the Union Bus Depot in Twin Falls. He later worked for Cactus Pete's in Jackpot, Nev., before retiring in February of 1985.

Gwin was a member of the St. Jerome's Catholic Church.

Surviving are his wife of Jerome, six sons, Roy D. and Michael D. Gwin, both of San Francisco, Calif.; Donald W. and Roy T. Gwin, both of Jerome; and Joseph E. Gwin of Reno, Nev.; Daniel J. Gwin of Elko, Nev.; three daughters: Bridget Bryant of Sydney, Australia; Suzanne M. Gwin of Boise; and Tina Lee Gwin of Jerome; one stepson, Emmett Gleason of Brinnon, Wash.; one stepdaughter, Betty Hall of San Francisco, Calif.; 49 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers, one sister, one stepson and two stepdaughters.

A rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. today at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Keith M. Kuiper officiating. Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday at St. Jerome's Catholic Church. Burial will follow in the Twin Falls Cemetery. Friends may call at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel today from 6-7:30 p.m.

Doris F. McEachron
GOODING—Doris Fay McEachron, 90, of Gooding, died Monday, March 6, 1989, at the Green Acres Care Center in Gooding.

She was born Nov. 5, 1898, in Great Falls, Mont., the daughter of Ambrose and Alma Fay. She lived in Great Falls, Mont., from 1898-1921 where she graduated from high school. She attended Yankton College in Yankton, S.D., for two years and afterwards worked as a secretary in Great Falls, Mont. She married Charles W. McEachron on Feb. 23, 1920, in Great Falls, Mont., and he died in 1986. McEachron moved to Orofino in 1921 where she was a homemaker. In 1958 she moved to Lewiston. She then resided at Green Acres Care Center from 1987 until the time of her death.

Surviving are one daughter, Fay M. Wokosien of Fairfield; one son, Jack C. McEachron of Sun City, Ariz.; 15 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband and one daughter.

Charles T. Collins
ARCO—Charles Terry Collins, 30, of Arco, Nev., and formerly of Arco, died Tuesday, March 7, 1989, in a truck accident.

He was born July 11, 1958, the son of Floyd Randall Collins and Irene Collins Hulse. He attended schools in Arco. He married Ashley Michelle on Feb. 13, 1983. He had resided in Arco where he was in the trucking and construction business. He worked in his father-in-law's business with his father-in-law doing excavation work.

Surviving are his wife of Arco; one son, Cody Richard Collins of Arco; his mother, "Celia" Collins; four brothers, Clinton Collins of Twin Falls, Floyd Collins Jr. of Arco, Darrell McEachron of Arco and Eugene Behn Collins of Cape Girardeau, Mo.; three sisters, Mary Curtis of Las Vegas, Nev.; Shirley Daniels of Twin Falls; and Janice Butler of Twin Falls.

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Cremation took place and a memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Vassar-Rawls Funeral Home in Lewiston.

Evelyn A. Spurgeon
BURLEY—Evelyn Anna Spurgeon, 79, of Burley, died Monday March 6, 1989, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital.

She was born Sept. 23, 1909, in Price, Utah, the daughter of Joseph and Margaret Wardell Case. She married Richard Allen Spurgeon on March 16, 1940, in Brigham City, Utah. Their marriage was solemnized in the Logan LDS Temple on April 14, 1979. He died in 1984. She worked at J.R. Simplot until her retirement.

Spurgeon was a member of the LDS Church.

Surviving are two sons, W. Otene Spurgeon of Burley and Terry Spurgeon of Heyburn; three daughters Mrs. Carl (Phyllis) Kurtz of Anchorage, Alaska, Mrs. Howard (Anita) Taylor of Orem, Utah and Mrs. John (Dorothy) Katsenberger of Winnemucca, Nev.; one brother, Wayne Case of Burley; 17 grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, two sisters and two brothers.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Friday in the Burley Eighth Ward Chapel, 2050 Normal Ave. with former Bishop Zane Parker officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View cemetery. Friends may call at McCall's Funeral Home today from 6 to 8:30 p.m. and on Friday one hour prior to the service.

Richard Morrison
BUHL—Richard Morrison, 75, of Buhl, died Tuesday, March 7, 1989, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital of natural causes.

He was born Nov. 2, 1913, in Kenosha, Wis. He married Pauline King on Dec. 2, 1975, in Las Vegas, Nev., and later moved to Utah. Morrison retired from General Dynamics in 1976 and had recently moved to Twin Falls.

He was a member of the Peace Lutheran Church and a 45-year member of the Elks Lodge.

Surviving are his wife of Twin Falls; one daughter, Barbara Melvin of North Platt, Neb.; three stepdaughters, June Darby of Texas, and Marcia Eastman and Patricia Simmons of California; two grandchildren, nine step grandchildren and two step great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one grandchild.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday at the Peace Lutheran Church in Buhl with the Rev. Gary Bendix officiating. Burial will follow at the West End Cemetery in Buhl. Friends may call at the Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl today from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Friday from 10 a.m. to noon.

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Falls, and one grandmother, Mell Maloney of Twin Falls. He was preceded in death by his father, two brothers, his paternal grandparents and his maternal grandfather.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Friday at Burns Funeral Home in Elko, Nev. Burial will be in the Carlin Cemetery.

Sylvia A. Cunningham
KIMBERLY—Sylvia A. Cunningham, 68, of Kimberly, died Wednesday, March 8, 1989, at Bullhead City Community Hospital in Bullhead City, Ariz., following a sudden illness.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Nellie Sova
HAGERMAN—Nellie Sova, 79, of Gooding, and formerly of Hagerman, died Tuesday, March 7, 1989, at Gooding Memorial Hospital.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demarys Gooding Chapel.

Fleeta Weir
TWIN FALLS—Fleeta Weir, 102, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, March 8, 1989, at West Magic Care Center.

She was born Oct. 3, 1886, in Hampton, Iowa. She taught school in Hampton, Iowa. She married A.D. Weir in 1916 in Iowa. They later moved to Colorado Springs, Colo. Weir moved to Twin Falls in 1943 to live with her father, Dexter L. Carroll.

Weir was the oldest member of the Twin Falls United Methodist Church where she was active for many years. She also belonged to the former Aeroma Club and the Cheerful Matriot Club.

Surviving are one stepdaughter, Mary Covert of Waterloo, Iowa; one nephew, Don Carroll of Riverton, Utah, and a longtime friend, Thelma Hollar of Twin Falls. She was preceded in death by her husband.

The funeral will be at 3 p.m. Saturday at White Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Tom Tucker officiating. Friends may call at White Mortuary today and Friday from 3 to 8 p.m. Interment will be at the Twin Falls Cemetery.

Etta R. Englar
TWIN FALLS—Etta Rose Englar, 70, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, March 8, 1989, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital following an extended illness.

She was born May 13, 1910, in Maddock, N.D., the daughter of George and Hulda Lindgren. She married Lloyd Englar on Aug. 19, 1928, in Maddock, N.D. and he died in 1980. After their marriage they moved to Minot, N.D., and resided there for 20 years. They then moved to Devil's Lake, N.D., where they resided for several years before moving to St. Joseph, Mo., where they resided for 20 years. She then moved back to Devil's Lake for six years before moving to Twin Falls in 1987.

Surviving are four daughters, Connie Englar and Doris Rohde, both of Twin Falls, Carol Torgerson of St. Louis Park, Minn., and Evelyn Englar of St. Louis, Mo.; one son, Donald Englar of Eden Prairie, Minn.; one brother, Eugene Englar of Los Angeles, Calif.; one sister, Helen Jenkins of Sardinia, Ga.; 16 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband and two sisters.

The funeral will be at 10 a.m. Friday at White Mortuary with the Rev. Ted Brittain officiating. Friends may call at White Mortuary today from 3 to 8 p.m. A service will be held at Meyeroff-Fleaman Funeral Home in St. Joseph, Mo. on Tuesday, March 14 at 10:30 a.m. Burial will follow at Memorial Park Cemetery in St. Joseph, Mo.

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 But local residents are not convinced.

One, Ginny McCombs, worried that there would not be sufficient supervision to provide protection for the community. "We will definitely move if the detention center goes in," she said.

"Just across the alley is a widow lady who works in her garden all the time and she is scared to death," McCombs later said. "A lot of people are really frightened."

McCombs was echoed by Walt Amen, who owns property adjacent to the Legion Hall. He was concerned about plans to have no bars on the windows. "My wife and I have been literally sick since we found out about this," Amen said. "We will have to sell even if we have to take a loss on our property."

The facility will not have bars on the windows or locks to keep people in, the sheriff said. If the county builds a locked facility, he explained, then the house would have to comply with the "severe standards" of the American Corrections Association, costing \$60,000 to \$90,000 per bed.

One woman defended the detention

center, pointing out that second-time offenders are not necessarily dangerous. She offered an example of an 8-year-old boy, arrested twice for shoplifting. He would need punitive restrictions, but would not pose any threat to society, she said.

Several people said the Idaho Youth Ranch was the proper place to house the juveniles.

Seibold said he asked the Youth Ranch and was turned down. The commission then picked up the lease on the Legion Hall and pumped \$3,000 into readying it for occupancy.

McCombs said she and her neighbors are "irked" that they were not given a voice on the decision to use the American Legion house for juvenile detention.

"At least a public hearing would have been a little more fair," she said.

Seibold said the commissioners considered this house "off and on" for about two months.

"We didn't think a public hearing was needed," he said. "We adhered to the code and figured that we were within our rights."

The City Council asked the commissioners for a detailed report on what facilities the juvenile house:

would have, who will operate it, who the residents could be and what expansion plans could be.

Jarvis said Wednesday that he is making a report on juveniles detained by the county. In 1988, he said, 50 or less juveniles were held for an average stay of two days. "It's usually a weekend," he said.

Jarvis predicted the house would be empty more than it is used.

McCombs said she plans to review the commissioners report and then ask for a public hearing "so we can voice our side."

In other council business, Stephens Computer Consulting of Twin Falls entered the winning bid of \$13,209 for IBM equipment being purchased for the city offices.

Rupert will cooperate in a pilot program with Magic Valley Rehabilitation Services in providing employment for the disadvantaged and disabled. The agency will place its first client in a shop maintenance and janitorial position under the supervision of an agency trainer-coach. Mayor Bill Whitton has worked hard to bring the program to Rupert. "We are responsible to all segments of our society in providing a higher quality of life," he said.

Hansen

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 Other patrons questioned Hansen, a farming community, not having a vocational-agriculture department.

Others were concerned that many Hansen kids are attending school in other districts, presumably to seek a higher quality of education.

Superintendent Richard Smith said a proposal to consolidate may include other communities in addition to Kimberly. "We're sitting where we could blend with two or three other communities right now," he said. Smith, who did not name the communities, said such consolidations might be considered by the committee.

Board Vice Chairman Gene Walker, chairing the meeting in the absence of Chairman Bill Allen, said the vo-ag classes had been allowed to drop due to the expense and the fact that most kids in Hansen are "city kids."

"I don't just want a basic education for the kids," Craig Gilles replied. "Rather than to bring emotions into this, let's get facts, he said."

The hard facts are expected to include better estimates of the costs of a building program as compared to a

consolidation proposal. Hansen estimated the taxes on a \$1 million bond to be \$19 for every \$10,000 in property value over a 20-year period. The cost would be \$28 per \$10,000 for a \$1.6-million bond.

These costs would be in addition to any existing bond indebtedness.

As yet, there is no information on whether either bond would build an adequate school building.

In other matters, the track program in Hansen will get a boost this spring. The board approved the construction of a new long jump pit and the hiring of a junior varsity coach.

The new pit will be near the elementary school next to the blacktop. The site will provide students the opportunity to practice on a blacktop approach like those found at other tracks. The school currently takes students to other tracks for practice.

The estimated cost is \$100-\$150. Smith said that students will haul sand and help build the pit.

Smith was also given the OK to hire a JV coach for the six-week track season. The new coach is expected to put in about 50 hours of work during the season, Smith said.

The coach will be paid a stipend of \$300.

The district will hire a planner to design an asbestos removal plan. The planner will obtain bids from certified removers after the plan is written and approved, Smith said. The planner will cost the district about \$850, he said.

Smith further estimates the cost of asbestos removal and re-insulation to be \$25,000-\$30,000 for all buildings. The buildings contain about 1,000 linear feet of asbestos around pipes and in the furnace room. Smith hopes to begin removal of half of the asbestos this summer. The rest will be removed the following year, he said.

In other business: "The athletes club will purchase a video recorder for athletic events. Money for the equipment was generated by coaches and students who operated concessions during the girls' basketball tournaments. The seven nights of work generated the needed \$1,200 for the equipment."

Parent-Teacher Conferences will be during the week of March 20.

World

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 said Christie McGrew, the teacher who helped Owings organize Wednesday's event.

Even Owings and McGrew got excited as they talk about what the kids have learned, especially in light of studies that say many American

kids can't find their homeland on a world map.

"When you ask them where they live, instead of just saying Kimberly or Idaho, the kids put their home into perspective with the rest of the world," McGrew said. "They know the world is broader than their own

town or city."

"When they hear a country on the news, Greece, for instance, they say, 'We know where that is,' Owings said."

"We've piqued an interest in travel and we've made the children more aware politically," McGrew added.

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Petition may circulate in Filer Boy to obtain liquor by the drink

By LYNDA BOODY
Times-News correspondent

FILER — Liquor by the drink may be on the November ballot this year in Filer.

Wanda Griggs, owner of The Club, asked the City Council Tuesday to put the issue on the November ballot. The council denied the request, meaning Griggs will have to gather petitions to put the issue to a vote.

"I would like to see it come from the people by petitioning," Councilman Russell Sheridan said. The other three board members agreed.

Griggs said her bar and fast food restaurant serves only beer and wine and loses a lot of business to Twin Falls.

"If we don't do something in this town, we're going to go downhill," she said.

Many people stop off in Twin Falls on their way home for a drink, Griggs said. "They'd rather walk down-

town and have a couple of drinks rather than go to Twin Falls, because, then, they're on the highway," she said. If liquor by the drink passes this year, Griggs hopes to increase her service to include an Italian food restaurant. She would convert the bar into a lounge, she said.

Griggs will embark on the collection of signatures soon.

City Attorney Fred Decker said Griggs would need to collect the signatures of 20 percent of registered or qualified voters from the last election.

A referendum vote failed once before Griggs feels because voters failed to register in the city. She said many people assumed they could vote, but were not registered properly.

Twila Knudsen reported that the zoning committee is now operating with a set of bylaws. The committee still needs one more member, she said. Potential members must have

lived in Twin Falls County for the past five years and must be a resident of Filer. Interested individuals may contact the city clerk.

In other business:

• Joe Barattii, of Filer, was hired as the new maintenance person.

• The city will initiate the DuPont safety training program for all city employees. Police Chief, Don Barkley said the program is for awareness. Accidents are the result of loss of awareness, he said. The program will cost about \$475 to implement.

• Tom Fisher was named as the city's representative for Johnny Horizon Day to May 5 and 6 this year.

• Filer is currently working to raise about \$2,800 for a marquee sign to place at Yakima and Highway 30. The sign would be rented to contain advertisements. Donations are being accepted at the city office or Idaho First National Bank in Filer.

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let go.

James couldn't reach David's arms, so he tried to pull him up with the belt, but his efforts only tightened the death trap around David's neck.

"I tried to pull him up by the rope because I thought it would come undone. There was blood coming out of his mouth. I thought he was dead," James said.

Then he ran to get his mother, fearing she wouldn't believe his tale. She did.

"I don't think my feet touched the ground. I was flying," said his mother, Tina Hesselgesser.

Barefoot and ankle-deep in mud, she and a friend found David purple, swollen-faced and bleeding. The friend — she knows him only as Mike — pushed David up while Hesselgesser took the belt off his neck.

"There was no pulse, no heartbeat," she said.

Mike began mouth-to-mouth resuscitation that he learned in the military.

Hesselgesser's brother, Rick Towns, called the police. They responded in less than a minute, according to Sgt. Danny Crafton. When they arrived, David was breathing shallowly. The police gave him oxygen.

David was loaded into an ambulance, but it got stuck on the mud, and a second ambulance had to be called. On the way to the hospital, he regained consciousness and started screaming.

Perhaps the sweetest sounds his mother ever heard.

David doesn't remember anything until he was in X-ray. He remembers how many "pictures" they took there. David loves to have his picture taken.

His right eye has broken blood vessels, he is running a temperature caused by the shock, and he stutters a little and seems confused at times, his mother said. Still, she said, "I think he's going to be all right."

She said he might be released from Magic Valley Regional Medical

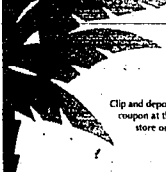
Center Wednesday night.

"The doctor said if he had hung there a few seconds more he would have been dead," Hesselgesser said. "My mom says she's going to give me the world running record patch,"

James said proudly.

She has already taught David what to do if he finds another rope or belt.

"Throw it in the garbage," David recited.



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Judge to hear case of man accused of killing forest agent

SANDPOINT (AP) — A retired district judge from Coeur d'Alene has been assigned to hear the case of one of two defendants accused of murdering a U.S. Forest Service agent in January.

Bonner County Prosecutor Philip Robinson said Wednesday that he had received word from the Idaho

Supreme Court that retired 1st District Judge Watt Prather has been assigned to hear the case of James Pratt.

Pratt and his brother, Joseph, are accused of killing Brent "Jake" Jacobson during a shootout eight miles west of Sandpoint on Jan. 12.

The Pratts are accused of 18

felonies each in connection with the slaying and a botched burglary in Saginaw on Jan. 11. Second District Judge George Reinhardt has been assigned to hear Joseph Pratt's case.

Reinhardt was appointed to both cases after 1st District Judge James Michael was disqualified from hearing the combined cases.

Corn

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U.S. Department of Agriculture that corn buyers should protect themselves by ensuring the corn they buy has been tested for the toxin.

Through the toxin is not something to fear, farmers and grain buyers should be aware of it, said Bob Ohlenschlaeger, extension agent for the University of Idaho.

The fungus can often be detected with ultraviolet light that makes the fungus glow. This method, however, is not foolproof.

Gene Stubbs, general feeds manager of Rangen Inc., a Magic Valley dairy feed producer, said the company has not bought any of the 1988 Midwest corn crop. The corn the

company usually buys comes from Nebraska, where the fungus has not been a problem.

Ron Rowan, grain merchant with J.R. Simplot Co., said Midwest corn brought to Idaho comes from irrigated corn crops in central and western Nebraska. The fungus is more of a problem with dryland corn.

The aflatoxin is more of a problem in the cottonseed and cottonseed meal imported from Arizona and used as dairy feed, Rowan said. Cottonseed, however, must be certified free of the fungus before it can be sold, said Lois Nagelny of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Corn is not routinely checked in Idaho, she said. But it must be tested before it

can enter interstate commerce.

The aflatoxin comes around every few years, Ohlenschlaeger said. The toxin appeared in Idaho five or six years ago, he said.

Idaho grows much of its own dairy feed and uses only a small amount of Midwest corn, he said. Most dairies in the Magic Valley area use a low percentage of corn in their feed, he said.

Some dairy farmers use no corn at all, and others sometimes use as much as 20 percent. The average is 5 to 10 percent, Ohlenschlaeger said. A common substitute for corn in dairy feed is barley, most of which is grown in the Pacific Northwest, he said.

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Valley life

Parent wonders how to deal with son who sells drugs

DEAR ABBY: I think I know the answer to my problem, but I need your advice.

I have good reason to believe that my eldest son (I'll call him Paul) is dealing drugs. I have suspected his selling marijuana for years. Over the last few years he's become a chronic liar and braggart. I've ignored it until he showed me a wad of money he claimed was \$10,000. Since he hasn't held a legitimate job in 16 years, I've concluded that he's selling more than marijuana.

Shortly after showing me the money, he bought his wife a new car. He



Abigail
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Dear Abby

said he paid cash for it. He has also bragged about owning a gun.

Paul's wife is pleasant enough, but I feel that she does nothing to stop him from doing whatever he is into. In fact, I think she encourages him. I've noticed that she has become

more materialistic over the past few years. She's buying a lot of clothes and jewelry, and they're living in a home they could not afford on her salary alone.

Abby, I know in my heart the best thing I could do for my son would be to notify the sheriff, but I worry about what will happen to my grandson if Paul is arrested. If it were one else, I'd contact the authorities. Please help me.

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DEAR PERPLEXED: You're right; you do have the answer to your problem. I think you should warn Paul and give him the chance to quit this risky, illegal business before he ends up either in prison; or even dead. You need have no qualms of conscience about blowing the whistle. If your son goes to prison, at least he'll be alive, and will have a chance to go straight eventually.

DEAR ABBY: Recently I was invited to lunch at a friend's home. My hostess is a very nice woman with

good manners, but all during lunch (there were just the two of us), she kept her TV soap opera on, and consequently we had no chance to visit. (She didn't turn down the volume; in fact, she turned it up.)

Please comment in your column on people keeping their television sets on when they have guests. She didn't even ask me if I wanted to see that program.

NAME
DEAR NO NAME: Your hostess

was rude. What happened to her good manners?

I have dealt with this problem before. If company should drop in uninvited to find their friends watching a television program, it's perfectly all right for the surprised hosts to continue watching their favorite program, and the drop-ins should not feel hurt. But when one invites guests for lunch, the TV set should be turned off unless, of course, the guest is just as eager to watch it as the host.

Valley happenings

Childbirth course begins tonight at MVRMC

TWIN FALLS — A prepared childbirth course for parents due in late April begins at 7 p.m. today at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Fee for the Lamaze-based series of six classes is \$40. Pre-registration is required. Call 737-2900.

All-Masonic night set for Saturday

TWIN FALLS — The annual all-Masonic night is set for 6:30 p.m. Saturday at the Twin Falls Masonic Temple. Dinner will be given by the Grand Lodge of Idaho with a short program to follow.

Castleford church will hold enchilada dinner

CASTLEFORD — An enchilada dinner will be served from 6 to 7 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church Annex, Castleford. Donations will be accepted for the youth convention.

Group for single women plans potluck luncheon

TWIN FALLS — One by Ones, a group for single women, will hold a potluck luncheon Saturday noon at Valley Vista Village. Persons attending should bring a covered dish, table service and an Irish joke or memento.

Senior citizens group schedules breakfast

EDEN — Silver and Gold senior citizens will hold a pancake breakfast at the center in Eden from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday.

Big Kids Klub will meet Saturday morning

TWIN FALLS — The Big Kids Klub, designed to help young children adjust to a new baby brother or sister, meets at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Women's Health and Education Center conference room on the second floor of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Cost is \$5 per child or \$8 per family. To register call the center at 737-2900.

Pioneer Button club schedules meeting

TWIN FALLS — The Pioneer Button club meets at 1 p.m. Saturday at Sunny View Court recreation room. Plans will be discussed for National Button week starting March 13. Displays are planned at several locations in the area. For more information call 423-4008 or 328-4555.

Boys' club will hold district Pinewood derby

EDEN-HAZELTON — The Royal Rangers, a boys' club of the Assembly of God Church, will hold its fifth annual district Pinewood derby at 10 a.m. Saturday at Valley High School gym. Bob Carr, district commander, says 140 cars are registered.

\$200 scholarship now available

BURLEY — The Mini-Cassia Branch of the American Association of University-Women is seeking qualified applicants for its \$200 scholarship award for the 1989-90 school year.

Women applying must be from Cassia or Minidoka counties and be in their junior or senior year at a Idaho university or college in the fall of 1989. Forms are available from the scholarship committee: Anne Christman, 678-5932, Rt. 3 Box 3083, Burley, Idaho 83318; or Dolly Freiburger, 436-4057, Rt. 5 Box 67, Rupert, Idaho 83350. Applications are also available from the financial aid offices at Idaho Colleges. The deadline for applications is April 24.

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Students compete at area history fair

By JANENE BUCKWAY
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Students from around the Magic Valley competed for cash and scholarships during the South Central Idaho History Fair Saturday.

The annual event, hosted by the College of Southern Idaho, featured historical presentations by area students. Winning entries are eligible to compete at the State History Fair April 21-22 at Boise State University.

Forty-five students representing the Jerome, Twin Falls, Filer, Shoshone, Kimberly and Oakley school districts, as well as home schooling programs, participated. History fair coordinator Jim Gentry, CSI history professor, said this was the largest history fair to be held at the college.

First and second place winners advanced to the state event. Winners at the state history fair qualify to attend the National History Day program at the University of Maryland in June. Both events offer scholarships and cash prizes.

Following is a list of top local winners:

Grades four and five: essays — Sarah Gedeberg, Lincoln Elementary (Shoshone); individual projects — first place, Heather Jones, Filer Elementary and second place, Ben Dekker, Central Elementary in Jerome; group projects — Katie

Crozier, Lanie Barnes and Aimee Benulleu of Central Elementary.

Grades six-eight: essays — first place, Ruth Ann Gedeberg, Shoshone Junior High School and second place, Sara Lindermood, Kimberly Elementary; individual projects — Donna Siplon, Sawtooth Elementary, Twin Falls.

Grades nine-12: essays first place, Clint A. Powell, Jerome High School and second place, Neil T. Fox, Jerome High School.

Powell also received a one-year scholarship to CSI. Fox received a summer school scholarship from CSI. Gentry said the college has been very supportive in hosting the event, providing the scholarship awards and members of the faculty help with judging.

The Twin Falls American Legion Post offers savings bonds for work depicting patriotism and heroism.

The Col. William B. Rose patriotic history award went to Jones who received a \$100 savings bond for her project "A Devil in Baggy Pants." And a \$50 bond went to Lindermood for her paper "World War I."

The Frank W. Mogensen Heroic American award of a \$100 bond went to Mike Bennett of Kimberly Elementary for his essay "Haynes Thomas in the Civil War." A \$50 bond went to Lisa Dixon of Jerome High School for her paper "Fearless Ferris-Idaho's Own Stinker."

Boudoir photography clicks in rural area

GREEN SPRINGS, Ohio (AP) — Sherry Walden is living a double life. She's working on an assembly line by day and venturing into the world of glamour photography by night.

Walden takes boudoir photographs. It began with a request from her daughter and has developed into a small business called Romantically Inclined.

She says she is getting more and more phone calls from women asking about boudoir photographs, seductive pictures taken in her Victorian-style bedroom.

"It is mostly housewives wanting pictures for their husbands," Walden says. "I think I do it more for seeing them get a little bit of fun out of something. Plus, I am trying to make a little extra money to refinish this old country home I live in."

The photo sessions are in the bedroom of her house in this Sandusky County village. She uses candles and gas lights to add softness and plays easy-listening music on the radio and serves her customers herb tea to further set the mood.

Walden, 41, started the business last year. The Victorian-style photos are described as a way of spicing up marriages and giving women a chance to fulfill their fantasies.

Boudoir photography is not a new idea. But it is new in this neck of the woods. Green Springs is in the heart of rural northwest Ohio where small family farms line roads that cut across the county.

When customers come to be photographed, says Walden, they usually bring a friend because they are nervous.

"But once I take the first picture, they relax, they are into it, they are having fun. That makes me feel good."

Customers bring their own outfits. It is up to each to decide the style of the photograph — soft or romantic or bordering on risqué.

"I won't do anything tasteless. I'm not getting into anything sleazy," she says.

She often takes seductive photos and urges her customers to go for the natural look, without a lot of make-up.

"I have thought about the moral part of it," she says. "I have wrestled around with it and I think it is all right to do boudoir photos."

Walden's business started last year with Tammi, 22, one of her three children.

"My daughter came to me and wanted me to do some pictures for her fiancé," Walden says. "At that time I did not know what boudoir pictures were. And then I started doing it for family members and then family members started bringing friends."

Sessions cost \$50 each, which include a variety of prints.

Walden, who has been taking pictures since age 11, has never taken a photography class. She says taking pictures comes naturally to her.

While she would like to set up her own studio in the village, she is not giving up her job at Cal Van Tools in Fremont.

"Taking photographs is a long way from the assembly line," she says. "But I am not even dreaming about quitting my factory job. That is my primary security blanket."

Don't deny children's feelings of sibling rivalry

The Associated Press

Parents cannot guarantee sibling goodwill, but they can remove the obstacles to harmony so that when children are ready to reach out to each other the road is clear.

There is a tendency for parents to deny their children's feelings of sibling rivalry in the hopes they will eventually go away, according to an article by Adele Faber and Elaine Mazlish in the current issue of Redbook.

But feelings that are denied don't disappear, wrote Faber and Mazlish, authors of "How To Talk So Kids Will Listen & Listen So Kids Will Talk" and "Siblings Without Rivalry" (both Avon).

They either go underground and reappear as nail biting, bedwetting, nightmares and whining, or they are acted out with pinches and punches.

"As children get older," Faber and Mazlish wrote, "forbidden feelings erupt into the teasing, tattling and battling syndrome commonly called sibling rivalry."

But parents need not be defeated by jealous rivalry among the kids, and Faber and Mazlish offered some suggestions that they have taught to parents in their workshops and lec-

tures. Acknowledge children's angry feelings. Children need to have their bad feelings accepted and respected. A response that acknowledges angry feelings can help to defuse them. When hostile feelings are denied, they become more intense and more deeply entrenched.

— Help children express feelings with words. Feelings can be acknowledged and respected, but hurtful behavior must be stopped. Children can learn to express savage feelings in civilized ways.

— Take a stand against name-calling. In the same way that we don't allow physical abuse, it's important to stand firmly against verbal abuse. Names such as idiot, moron and retard wound the spirit and poison the sibling relationship. Parents can point out how they can express themselves without being hurtful.

Resist the urge to compare. Most parents know comparing one child to another is a surefire way to create hostility between them. If someone said to you, "Why can't you dress like your sister?" She's so neat," you might want to push your sister in the mud. Favorable comparisons also can fuel tension.

Several outdoor classes begin later this month

TWIN FALLS — Several outdoor classes will begin later this month through the College of Southern Idaho Continuing Education Department.

On March 21, Beginning Rock climbing meets for the first of five

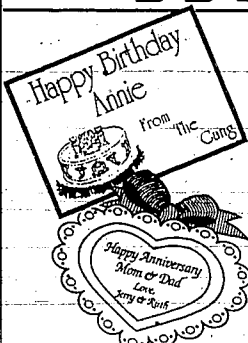
sessions. The class will teach the basic concepts, equipment and techniques of modern sport climbing and mountaineering. The class meets Tuesday and Thursday evenings at Dierke's Lake and the fee is \$85. Local photographer Douglas Bobb

will teach an eight-session course on Outdoor Color Photography which meets Wednesdays starting March 22 in room 210 of the Shields Building from 7 to 9 p.m. The fee is \$40 and students must have a good working knowledge of their own manual cam-

eras. Performance Cycling will meet from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning March 22. Fee for the six sessions is \$25.

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Idaho/West

Milk firms settle for \$250,000 each in Utah antitrust action

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Two milk companies accused of fixing prices have agreed to pay the state \$250,000 each in penalties under the largest antitrust settlement ever obtained in Utah, Attorney General Paul Van Dam says.

The agreement, signed Tuesday in 3rd Circuit Court, came after state officials alleged that top executives from Western Dairymen Cooperative Inc., of Thornton, Colo., and Meadow Gold Dairies, of Columbus, Ohio, in the fall of 1988 and agreed to raise the price of milk by 10 cents per gallon.

The executives also reportedly agreed to

divide the wholesale dairy market among themselves, and Western Dairymen officials took steps to monopolize trade and suppress competition, according to a court complaint.

Neither company admits fault in the agreements, and Van Dam said no criminal charges are pending. The companies already have paid most of the money to the state and are expected to pay the rest within a few days.

The board of directors of WDCI believes that the enormous expenses entailed in responding to the investigation and the resulting loss of time and effort by its manage-

ment, directors and officers made it prudent and wise to settle the case before causing further expense to our dairy farmers," said Western Dairymen President James P. Camerilo in a statement released Tuesday.

Camerilo, who "expressly and specifically denied that his company had engaged in any of the alleged conduct, said the investigation already has caused great expense for the cooperative and individual dairy farmer members.

Van Dam said the price fixing was believed to have occurred several times until January 1988. The executives met in Denver

and Salt Lake City to agree on prices, he said, but the settlement covers only the companies' dealings in Utah.

"We have to confine our investigation to the area we have jurisdiction over," Van Dam said, adding he knows of no other states investigating the firms.

Western Dairymen is the largest supplier of raw milk in the Great Basin Region, with members in Idaho, Colorado, Utah, Nevada and Arizona. Meadow Gold also is one of the largest milk producers in the region and does business nationwide.

Van Dam said the combined \$500,000 in

finest does not come close to the amount of money the companies are believed to have earned from the price fixing. He did not estimate how much money they received.

State attorneys began investigating anonymous tips about price fixing last year, Van Dam said.

Camerilo was mentioned in the settlement, which also prohibited Meadow Gold from hiring its former president, Jay Johnson.

The agreement also called for the companies to stop setting prices together and to allow the attorney general's office to review their records and documents for 10 years.

Plant rules broken after exposure

IDHAHO FALLS (AP) — When an Idaho Chemical Processing Plant employee noticed a trace of radioactivity on his clothes last week, he broke plant regulations by not being fully examined by a health physics technician, a Westinghouse Idaho Nuclear Co. official says.

Instead, the employee left the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory Feb. 27, returned to work the next morning, and again was found to have radioactive contamination on his clothes.

The WINCO worker, whom the company will not identify, discovered radioactive cesium on his keys, so he cut out his pants pocket and left the contents at the Chemical Processing Plant, officials said last week.

He called for a health physics technician and could not reach one, but should have kept trying, John Volpe, WINCO's vice president and manager for nuclear and industrial safety, said Monday.

"We consider that a big deal," he said. "You've got to call the experts."

INEL officials do not want workers trying to take care of contamination themselves, no matter how low the level of exposure, Volpe said.

The INEL has a staff of about 50 health physics technicians working around the clock, he said.

A week after the incident, INEL officials still did not know how the employee's keys were contaminated and say they may never find out.

"It is possible he got them contaminated without knowing it. ... It's a little bit of a mystery about how they got contaminated," Volpe said. "We don't think we'll be able to find the source."

Technicians checked the locks where the keys could have been used and found no contamination. Volpe interviewed the employee for over two hours, and the employee did not recall lending the keys to any other worker or even taking the keys from his pocket on Feb. 27.

The keys were tested and found not contaminated during routine monitoring Feb. 24, officials said.

INEL officials say the employee was contaminated with about 200 counts per minute of radioactivity.

That prompted WINCO to check the employee's Idaho Falls home and the INEL, but he took home last week. No contamination was found.

"When some of it gets out, we try in good conscience to report it," INEL Deputy Manager Bob Tiller said Friday.

Last week's incident shows that the INEL monitors radioactivity to a "gun's eyebrow" above background levels, said John Barry, DOE-Idaho's assistant director for environmental and health programs.

The employee's exposure did not reach any legal definitions for contamination, Volpe said.

Teacher faces conduct probe

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A tenured Coeur d'Alene High School teacher has been suspended with pay pending an internal investigation of alleged misconduct.

School district officials would not identify the suspended teacher Tuesday, but high school English teacher Larry Isitt said he has been suspended pending an investigation.

Neither Isitt, who has been with the district for 14 years, or district officials would say what the alleged misconduct involves.

Isitt said his suspension has nothing to do with the recent personnel shake-up in the school district.

"It's a sensitive issue," Superintendent Merlin Ludwig said. "It's fairly complicated, and I'm just going to have to wade into it and investigate."

Further comment on the suspension was referred to the school's attorney, Charles Dodson. He issued a short press release Friday and said he could not comment further.

The release said that "any further action is dependent upon the internal investigation of the matter" by the district.

Boundary County sheriff calls it quits after 8 weeks

BONNERS FERRY (AP) — Just eight weeks after being sworn into office, Boundary County Sheriff Joe Allen has announced his resignation.

Allen said Monday that he will step down June 15 to seek greater economic opportunities outside Boundary County.

He is the third consecutive Boundary County sheriff to resign within the span of his term.

Mike Toogood and Ron Shidrak have left office since Allen, a Democrat, defeated Republican challenger Lorne Peterson in November. Allen said

he found the county "a very difficult place to run" and that he was "not a very good fit" for the position.

"I thought it would be a good idea to get out of here before it was too late," he said.

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Fee refunds costly

POCATELLO (AP) — City officials estimate it will cost more than \$1 million to refund a street fee ruled unconstitutional by the Idaho Supreme Court, which last week rejected a city request for a rehearing.

More than 75 percent of the eligible Pocatello residents want a refund. Others have donated their past payments to the city.

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Census Bureau projects Utah growth will be 11th fastest over 3 decades

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — U.S. Census Bureau projections indicate Utah will be the 11th fastest-growing state in the nation over the next three decades, while the Utah Office of Planning puts it in sixth place.

Whatever the growth, however, the state will fail to keep pace with the expansion forecast for other Western states between 1986 and 2010, officials say.

While the state and Census Bureau differ by only about 9,000 on their 1990 population projections and 12,000 for projections for the year 2000, they differ by 271,000 for 2010.

The Census Bureau says Utah will have 2,171,000 people in 2010; the state says there will be 2,442,000 people.

Natalie Gochnour, research analyst with the Office of Planning and Budget, said the Census Bureau is basing its projections on recent trends of out-migration from the state. The state, however, bases its projections on the assumption that out-migration will slow.

"They say it is going to follow the negative trend for a large out-migration from Utah. We don't think it is going to be that way," Gochnour said, although she admits projecting population can be inexact.

Whatever estimate is correct, officials agree Utah's growth will pale behind that of Arizona, Nevada and New Mexico.

Projections show Arizona will be the fastest-growing state with a 60.3 percent increase in population by 2010. Nevada and New Mexico will follow with 54.1 and 62 percent, respectively. Other top gainers will include Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Alaska, New Hampshire, California and Texas.

The South and West regions are projected to account for nearly 95 percent of the total population growth in the country from 1986 through the year 2010. The South alone will account for 54 percent of the growth, Gochnour said. "The West alone is projected to be the fastest-growing, followed by the South and Northeast."

California, Florida and Texas will

lead the population gain for the next 20 years. In fact, over half of the total U.S. growth for the next 20 years is expected in these states.

California — with the biggest numerical gain of 10.3 million people — will remain the most populous state in 2010. Texas — with a numerical gain of 5.6 million people — will pass New York to become the second largest state in the country by 2010. Florida is projected to gain 5.9 million and will rank fourth in total population by 2010 just after New York, Gochnour said.

With the shift in population, more political clout will come to the West, although Utah may not get a fourth congressional district until well into the 21st century, while California, Arizona and Texas are likely to add several after the 1990 census.

"The West has long felt the political consequences of being the smallest region in the country and, therefore, having the smallest political representation in the country. These projections indicate that the West, in time, will no longer have this problem," she said.

Utah Power and Light seeks rate decrease from Utah board

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah Power & Light Co. has asked the Public Service Commission for a \$13 million rate decrease, a reduction of about 2 percent.

Since January 1988, UP&L has cut

prices by about \$53 million, or about 8 percent.

"We are pleased to go ahead with the first of what we expect will be a continuing series of merger-related rate reductions over the next few

years," said UP&L President Frank N. Davis, referring to the recent merger between UP&L and PacifiCorp.

The latest rate reduction takes effect Friday.

'We don't expect their review to hold up the opening of WIPP.'
— Ben McCarty of DOE

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A large provision of the federal Energy Reorganization Act, which contains provisions for the construction and operation of a new nuclear reactor, is expected to be passed by the House of Representatives in the next few days, according to a DOE spokesman.

Pipe bomb blast leads to charges

PROVO, Utah (AP) — Brigham Young University Police have filed class B misdemeanor charges of vandalism against three students stemming from the explosion of a homemade pipe bomb on campus last month.

Aaron P. Smith, 18, of Ohio and Dennis P. Spratling, 19, and Michael K. Egan, 18, both of Oregon, were charged Friday in 4th Circuit Court. All are freshmen living in Helaman Halls.

The bomb, made by packing gunpowder into a copper tube and crimping the ends, was ignited with a fuse and destroyed a newspaper dispenser outside the Tanner Building on Feb. 24. University Police Sgt. Aaron Rhoades said an informant had provided police with names after someone bragged about setting off the bomb. The three who were charged turned themselves in shortly after that.

The informant was not aware of a \$500 reward that had been posted by the university for information leading to the arrest of those responsible for the bombing.

A \$500 reward is still being offered for information leading to arrests of parties responsible for telephone bomb threats made Feb. 10 and Feb. 24.

Whoever made the pipe bomb was extremely lucky, said Sgt. Dan Clark. "After crimping one end of the pipe and filling it with gunpowder, they crimped the other end by hitting it with a hammer. Had it exploded while they were working on it, the bomb could have blown off their hands and driven shrapnel 6-8 inches into their chest and face."

Kraft layoffs are seasonal

POCATELLO (AP) — Kraft Foods will lay off nine production workers Monday at its 500,000-square-foot cheese processing and distribution center in Pocatello.

Kraft spokeswoman Kathy Knuth in Glenview, Ill., said the layoffs were the result of "normal seasonal fluctuations in our production cycle." The plant employs more than 400 people. Its employment shot from 240 to more than 600 when Kraft completed a \$28 million project in 1979 that expanded the plant by about 310,000 square feet, doubling its size and tripling its payroll.

The plant has capacity to cut, package, store and ship 90 million pounds of natural and process cheese annually. Much of its bulk cheese comes from Kraft plants at Blackfoot, Idaho and Rupert, which process milk from Idaho dairy farmers. It has 120,000 square feet of refrigeration.

Ms. Knuth denied the company plans to sharply curtail operations in Pocatello, calling such speculation "purely rumor."

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Seepage erosion led to Utah dike collapse

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Quail Creek Dike collapsed because engineers failed to protect the structure's silty foundation from seepage erosion, an independent panel of engineers reported on Tuesday.

The chairman of the state-appointed Independent Review Team also said that the many fissures in rock underlying the dam should have alerted the designers that a significant amount of seepage was probable at the site nine miles east of St. George.

"When you build an earthen dam over a foundation, you have to protect that contact" between the foundation and bedrock, said chairman Robert L. James. "They did not really do much contact treatment."

The 70-foot-high dike collapsed shortly after midnight on New Year's Day, sending a wall of water into St. George, Bloomington and other downstream communities.

No lives were lost, but damage to homes, apartments, farmland and livestock has been estimated at \$12 million.

James, a private engineering consultant based in Lancaster, Texas, said fissures in the rock formations around the dike should have alerted designers that significant seepage might occur. However, it was assumed in the state-approved plans that little would occur and more extensive precautions were not necessary.

"Based on the assumption there would be little or no seepage, these contacts were not protected," James said.

He said there was no evidence the break was

due to soluble gypsum in the rock formations under the dam, as geologists speculated immediately after the collapse.

He said gypsum usually must be exposed to water for several years before it dissolves. Seepage at Quail Creek began almost immediately after the reservoir began filling in 1985.

The \$3-million dike was part of a \$23-million dam and reservoir project that contained 50,000 acre-feet of water. The project was designed for the state by the Provo firm of Bolling, Brown and Gunnell Inc. After it's completion, the reservoir and dam were managed by the Washington County Water Conservancy District.

The report released Tuesday addressed the cause of the collapse and whether the dike can be rebuilt. James said the panel still is working on the additional assignments of evaluating the stability of the Quail Creek Dam, which is north of the dike.

James said the team concluded that a new dike can be built, but the state should not attempt to patch the remnants of the old structure.

In a new structure, seepage would likely continue, but it will not cause damage if the foundation is protected by filtering material, such as sand, gravel or both. The filter would be placed between the bedrock and the silt foundation, allowing water to pass through the foundation but preventing erosion by holding the foundation material in place.

Other possible solutions would include: putting the foundation directly on bedrock, rather than on

"overburden," or loose boulders and rock above the bedrock and closing any openings with grouting, sealing the embankment with a concrete slab.

The best solution would depend on the site selected for the new dike, James said.

James declined to say who specifically was to blame for the collapse, saying the team's instructions were to evaluate the technical causes. He also noted that while a safer dam could have been built, it would have cost more.

"I certainly won't say we saw anything we thought was incompetent. Anytime you're designing a dam you're making assumptions," he said. "I'm not saying this was an improper foundation. It's not the most desirable foundation I've seen. I've also seen less-desirable foundations."

James said the panel could not specifically pinpoint the erosion channel since most of the evidence was washed downstream when the dam collapsed.

He said seepage, which probably entered the foundation area from several vertical fissures in the rock, is almost inevitable in any dam and is not a major problem if proper measures are taken.

More precautions were taken with the construction of the Quail Creek Dam itself, James said. He said the dam foundation was grouted extensively, but also, it is built on less risky formations. Underlying the dike are a series of ridges run in the same direction as the downstream flow, creating a greater risk of seepage. The dam faces a different direction, and the ridges under it cut across the water's natural flow, James said.

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BSU, Idaho may each earn NCAA postseason berth

By STEVE CRUMP
Times-News sports editor

BOISE — For the first time since the Big Sky Conference initiated its postseason basketball tournament in 1976, two teams have a realistic shot of making the NCAA tourney.

If those teams are Boise State and Idaho.

"Sure, the NCAA is in the back of our minds," said Idaho coach Kermit Davis on Wednesday. "As a staff we don't talk about it with the players, but everybody is thinking about the possibility."

Defending conference champion Boise State, 22-5, and Idaho, 23-5, the regular-season co-champs this year, have first-round byes in the tournament, which begins tonight in the Pavilion. Both Idaho and BSU have berths in the conference semifinals, Idaho against the winner of tonight's first-round game between Montana and Montana State and BSU against the winner of tonight's other opening-round contest between Nevada-Reno and Weber State.

If both teams win their semifinal games on Fridays, there's a good chance that the loser of Saturday's championship game will get an at-large invitation from the NCAA to the tournament. The league champ, of course, gets an automatic bid.

"We're certainly playing to get into the NCAA, but that's premature," says Bronco coach Bobby Dye. "Obviously, we're going to have a tough game whether we play Weber or Reno."

Under a new tournament format this year, only the top six teams qualify for the conference tournament, meaning that Eastern Washington, Idaho State and Northern Arizona, the seventh, eighth- and ninth-place teams in the Big Sky final standings, will sit out postseason.

Third-seeded Montana, 19-10, will square off against sixth-seeded Montana State, 14-14, in the tournament opener at 6:30 p.m., while fourth-seeded Nevada-Reno, 16-11, will meet No. 5 Weber State, 16-10, at 9 p.m.

BSU, the top seed in this tournament, will play the UNR-Weber winner at 9, and second-

seeded Idaho will play the Montana-Montana State winner at 7:07 p.m.

The winners of those games will play for the championship Saturday at 9:07.

Boise television station KTVB-TV, channels 7 and 38 in the Magic Valley, will broadcast the semifinals and the championship game. ESPN will broadcast the second half of the game live.

Nevada-Reno has lost its second starter in two days and will go into the opening game of the Big Sky tournament with just five veterans.

One day after starting guard Darryl Owens was suspended, the Wolf-Pack learned Tuesday that junior forward Jon Baer will be out for the rest of the season with mononucleosis.

That leaves just five players with any significant amount of playing time this season, plus freshmen Mike Honeycutt, who has 132 minutes on the court, Brent Barley has played 25 minutes and freshman Mike Mémemga only 18.

"We'll play our five guys," coach Len Stevens said. "We'll change up our defenses and when we have the lead, we'll take more care of the ball. We'll have to play a lot slower, especially if we have the lead."

With Baer out, senior Chris Rupp will start. Rupp scored 45 points and grabbed 14 rebounds last week and was named Big Sky player of the week, but he has not started since last season.

Baer's loss comes on the heels of Stevens' suspension of Owens, the team captain and the Big Sky's leading scorer with a 22.7 average.

Owens was dropped after his former girlfriend charged him with misdemeanor battery following an argument. The woman was not injured but said she was frightened when Owens allegedly threatened her.

"I suspect the Reno-Weber game will be very tough," said Dye. "Reno has played very well of late and Weber is tough against anybody. I suspect losing Owens will hurt Reno, but there are not very many teams that can lose the leading scorer in the conference and replace him with a guy who is averaging 18 points a game."

"I don't think it matters what we do as much as how we react to what they do," said Weber coach Denny

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Weber ace loses top ranking

The Associated Press

BOISE — A career bad day at Akron has cost Weber State's Rico Washington the basketball scoring lead heading into the Big Sky conference tournament at Boise.

Washington, the league's top scorer most of the season, was held to five points as the Wildcats dropped a 42-point decision at Akron, the worst defeat in Weber's basketball history.

It wasn't much of a day for Washington, either. His five points were the lowest in his 56-game Weber career and the first time this season he did not lead the team in scoring.

That opened the door for Nevada-Reno's Darryl Owens, who moved to 22.7 points for the season, just ahead of Washington, 22.5. The teams met Thursday night in an opening-round tournament game.

But Owens chances for the scoring crown may be out of his hands. On Monday, Wolf-Pack Coach Len Stevens indefinitely suspended his star player after Owens was arrested on a misdemeanor battery charge involving an incident with a woman identified as his ex-girlfriend. The suspension will not be lifted until the charge is disposed of, and Stevens said that probably means the senior's college career is over.

Martin took long way to CSI

By LARRY HOVEY
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — There may be some question in some minds whether the best junior college basketball is played in Texas or the Intermountain West.

Cliff Martin, College of Southern Idaho starting forward, has no such doubts — and he is one of the few who has played in both of them.

Martin has crammed 60-some games into the two regions since graduating from high school in Montgomery, Ala., two years ago. His first taste of junior college ball came at Odessa Community College in Odessa, Texas, a traditional basketball power.

"This region is much tougher," says Martin of the comparison. "Here you have good talent, good players and well-coached teams. What are there? Ten teams in this region and four or five very strong teams. There were just six teams down there and they all weren't tough."

Martin isn't comparing apples and oranges because Odessa was ranked as high as No. 2 last year and ended up sixth, one behind CSI. This year, the Eagles helped him know the satisfaction of being ranked No. 1 in the nation with a chance to substantiate that on the playing court.

"I look on the defense," he continued. "I've always felt if you play good defense, the offense will come. I see now that most teams here can't handle a lot of pressure. I think if we would go to Texas, we would kill them because they are pretty much offense-oriented."

One of the quickest 6-foot, 8-inch players around, Martin said it always hasn't been that way.

"I was 6-6 when I came out of high school. I'm just starting to catch up to my growth," he says with a smile after admitting he's run into very few 6-8 or taller players who can stay with him.

When he came out of high school he didn't attract a lot of recruiting attention.

"I wasn't much of a star," he said. "I saw myself as the kind of guy who needs to get the offense organized. I didn't score that well but I tried to do a lot of other things like leadership, rebounding and playing defense to help win games," he said.

When he came through an assistant coach at University of Wyoming, Martin said. He became friendly with an assistant coach — at Odessa, Fletcher Cockrell, and when Cockrell left

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Times-News photo/MIKE BALSBURY

After playing in Texas, Clifford Martin says coming to CSI was the right decision

WAC: Utah downs San Diego

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Josh Grant scored 19 points, including two 3-point goals to spark a second-half rally, as Utah defeated San Diego State 70-57 in an opening-round Western Athletic Conference tournament game Wednesday night.

With the victory, the Utes, 16-16, earned the eighth seed in the tournament and will face No. 1 seed Colorado State here Thursday night.

The Utes made it look easy in the end against San Diego State, 12-17. Utah led 34-28 at halftime after Grant scored 9 of his points, including a slam that capped a 6-0 run with 1:53 left in the half and put Utah ahead 25-20. The Aztecs closed within 81-49 when Shawn Bell scored from underneath with 7:06 left in the game, but the Utes outscored San Diego State 19-8 the rest of the way.

McNesse State 85, North Texas 68

DENTON, Texas — Anthony Pullard scored 15 of his 24 points in the second half Wednesday night as McNesse State clinched its first-ever NCAA tournament berth with an 85-68 victory over North Texas in the finals of the Southland Conference Tournament.

Tournament MVP Michael Cutright added 23 points for the Cowboys, 18-13, who finished second behind North Texas in the regular season.

Ricky Robertson led the Eagles with 15 points. Dean Hunter, the Southland Conference player of the year, was held to eight points and did not score in the first half.

North Texas, 14-15, cut a 14-point halftime deficit to nine on four occasions in the second half, but the Cowboys responded each time, quieting the partisan crowd.

After North Texas pulled to 56-46 with 11:10 left, Pullard scored six points during a 7-2 run as McNesse stretched its advantage to 62-48.

Then after the Eagles had pulled to 64-55 with 7:06 left,

Pullard answered with another field goal. North Texas got no closer than 10 points the rest of the way.

Wayne Davis converted all 12 of his free throw attempts and finished with 16 points for McNesse.

North Texas was fortunate to be down only 39-25 at the half.

The Eagles shot just 30 percent from the field and converted only 5 of 12 free throws during the first 20 minutes. Hunter took only three shots from the field and did not score.

Cutright, who scored 22 points Tuesday in the Cowboys' 80-65 victory over Northeast Louisiana, sat out the final 4:06 of the first half after picking up his second and third fouls 33 seconds apart. He left with 16 points and the Cowboys leading, 32-23.

McNesse State responded by scoring the next seven points.

Southwest Missouri State 73, Illinois-Chicago 67

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. — At 6-foot-10 and 206 pounds, Southwest Missouri State's Hubert Henderson tends to get most of his points close to the basket.

But if opponents leave him alone from 3-point range, he's free to let fly.

The senior forward scored 27 points and hit all three of his 3-point shots Wednesday, leading the Bears to a 73-67 victory over Illinois-Chicago in the championship game of the Association of Mid-Continent Universities tournament. Southwest Missouri earned its third straight NCAA Tournament berth with the victory.

"If I'm open and the shot is there, Coach (Charlie) Spoonhour says go ahead and take it," said Henderson, who had made 5 of 13 3-pointers this season entering the game. "Today they left me open, so I shot. I practice 3-pointers but I don't get a lot of chances to shoot them in games."

Henderson, who made 9 of 14 field goals and added four assists and four blocked shots, was named the tournament's most valuable player.

The morning line

Good morning. It's Thursday, March 9, 1989. Wednesday's scores

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Denver 112, Seattle 95
Dallas 99, Portland 92
Utah 117, Houston 80

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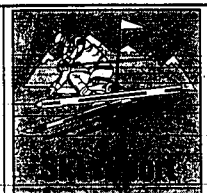
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PREP BASKETBALL

McGee Valley Conference-Canyon Conference girls' all-star game; Marquette High School, 7 p.m.
McGee Valley Conference-Canyon Conference boys' all-star game; Marquette High School, about 8:30 p.m.

Sports on TV

3 p.m. — Channel 13, College basketball: Trans America Conference Championship.
5:30 p.m. — Channel 13, College basketball: Ohio Valley Conference Championship.
7:30 p.m. — Channel 13, College basketball: Atlantic Ten Conference Championship.
10 p.m. — Channel 13, Women's college basketball: Southern Cal at Stanford.



Sun Valley — Sun Valley added 5 inches of new snow Wednesday, bringing the total to 70 inches at the top of Bald Mountain with 60 inches at mid-slope. Temperatures on the valley floor ranged between 40 and 45 degrees Wednesday afternoon, with light southwesterly winds. The snow level now is at about 7,000 feet. All lifts and runs are in operation. Hours today: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Pomerelle — Pomerelle added 2 inches of new snow Wednesday, bringing the total to 120 inches at the top of the mountain and 87 inches at the lodge. The access road has been plowed and sanded, but snow tires or chains are required. Hours today: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Soldier Mountain — Open today, no report.

Magic Mountain — Closed today, reopens Friday.

Ski conditions Wednesday at other major southern Idaho ski areas:

Beggs Basin — 48 base, 97 mid-course, no new snow, grooming today.

Brundage — 22 base, 38 top, trace snow, grooming lightly.

Grand Targhee — 79 base, 100 top, 3 new, grooming lightly.

Kelly Canyon — 52 base, 79 top, no new, grooming lightly.

Lookout Pass — Weekend only.

Snow depth in inches refers to untracked snow at the main run markers. New snow refers to snow within last 24 hours.



Pheasants Forever makes haul at banquet

GOODING — The Gooding Chapter of Pheasants Forever probably mailed down its ranking as the No. 1 unit in the state by collecting a little over \$15,000 at its annual banquet Friday night.

"With the matching funds from the Idaho Fish and Game Department through the state upland bird stamp, we can develop a lot of habitat for Magic Valley this year," said a happy Rod Thomas, a member of the organizing committee and president of the group.

Gooding, which is listed as the No. 27 chapter in the nation, accumulated the net \$15,000 from 175 individuals attending the meeting.

"We told the cook to have prime rib enough for 150 and after 173 he said 'I've run out,'" Thomas said. "But none of the guests went hungry — just a couple of the committee."

Thomas said the success was a "combination of whose buyers and bidders at the banquet and those (Gooding area businessmen) who donated so many of the prizes and items."

Thomas attributed the success of the Gooding Chapter to "being able to put our projects on the ground. People like to see results and when they do they don't mind contributing. We have several very successful projects going in this county."

"The good thing about Pheasants Forever is it's not very top heavy," he said. "We need \$15 per individual, to"

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Big-game numbers, ratios appear steady

By LARRY HOVEY
Times-News writer

JEROME — Magic Valley's big-game numbers and ratios seem to be holding constant according to winter aerial counts by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

Little Wood and Big Wood river elk populations are very close to those recorded over the past several years. The feed sites along the south fork of the Boise River are housing about the usual number.

A sharp increase in the mule deer wintering on Black Pine may reflect closer scrutiny more than population increases, but the figures compiled this year are the highest since the interstate highway separated the Rockland Hills deer herds from their wintering ranges.

And another deer survey apparently substantiates previous deductions that the Picabo Hills have lost their allure as a wintering range as the deer tend to automatically leave the hills for the big desert country in the later and colder stages of winter.

Loss of 6,000 acres of primary wintering range to fire three years ago has redistributed deer in the Cassia Division (Unit 54). And the aftermath of the fire to this point hasn't proved fatal to those herds.

Craig Kvale, Region 4 wildlife manager for Fish and Game, gave an area-by-area report on the aerial surveys taken in the last two weeks of February.

Little Wood elk — Surveyed from the reservoir upstream, the area yielded 264 total elk with 235 classified as to sex and calf-adult age. The final ratios were 17 bulls to 100 cows and 57 calves per 100 cows.

This compares to the last survey taken in 1983 which 204 elk were classified, having 17 bulls to 100 cows and 61 calves to 100 cows.

"This is one of our more productive herds and one that doesn't take any feeding," Kvale pointed out.

There was a redistribution, the 1983 survey finding almost all the animals "down in the willow bottoms and this year the elk were on the slopes with south aspects and fairly high. That is the same condition we saw in Big Wood. Any place that had bare ground on the slopes had a group of elk. This evidently was not a tough winter."

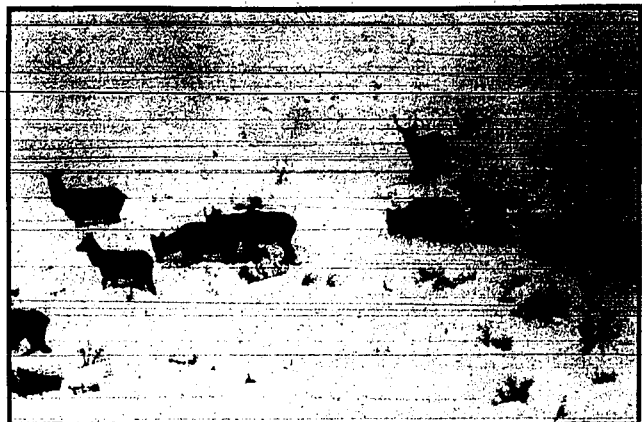
Big Wood River — 435 elk were classified on the east side of the drainage with ratios of 26 bulls to 100 cows and 54 calves per 100 cows. "That's good production and pretty good bull ratio," Kvale said.

South Fork of the Boise River — On three feed sites, 320 elk were classified with 9 bulls to 100 cows and 43 calves to 100 cows. This compared to last year when 332 elk were sorted with the bull ratio at 12-100 and calves 35-100.

Kvale said he doesn't read a lot of difference into those stats, noting "it might indicate we're up a little on calves. The bulls weren't forced down to the feed sites this year. They generally don't pull in too well and stay up in the higher elevations. We suspect that the difference this year."

Black Pine deer — This area underwent an extensive aerial search, 11 hours, as part of a "sightability" research project being carried out by graduate student Bruce Ackerman. This "sightability project" includes intensive air searches followed with ground observations — throwing in snow and vegetation cover and other variables such as moving or standing deer. It is hoped some formula can be devised which can be factored in "to account for the deer we don't see" from the air.

But for whatever reason, biologist Randy Smith recorded 1,641 deer. In 1974 and 1978 the totals were 800 to 1,000 deer with both flights being considerable shorter in duration. Pre-interstate counts for 1965, 68 and 71, were 2,038, 1,971 and 1,755, respectively.



Times-News file photo

Elk have a tough time finding sufficient natural forage during the worst winter months

"It might appear that we are back to pre-interstate levels but we are trying to sort that out," he said. This survey said more about winter distribution and the important winter range locations. We still found fewer deer on the south end of Black Pine, where Sublett and another deer used to pile up. On the westside this year, however, is where most of the deer were found."

Smith said the next major step at Black Pine will be "to get a handle on the condition of those winter ranges. Some have been in poor condition. We will have to see if we've had any recovery and what the carrying capacity might be."

Cassia Division — Covering those winter ranges from McMullan to Rock creeks with special emphasis on redistribution of deer caused by the Cherry Springs fire of 1985.

This year's count was much higher

than those record in the 1970s. The department counted 2,251 deer. In four counts during the 1970s, the counts ran from 602 to 1,296.

"On these flights, the times spent were similar. The 1971 winter was very mild accounting for that low figure."

Smith said the major concern is that's a lot of deer on that range, subtracting out the 6,000 acres of the burn. Basically, the herds have just moved into the habitat adjacent to the burn. This would indicate that the deer are using habitat inferior to what the fire took away from us and we are unsure of what the carrying capacity should be. We will have to work with the Bureau of Land Management to determine that. We certainly don't want to over browse our winter range and have to look at substantial cutbacks in deer numbers."

Smith said he was able to classify

1,740 of the deer, yielding ratios of 30 bucks to 100 does and 87 fawns per 100 does. Those ratios are very close to long term averages.

Picabo Hills — A helicopter flight yielded just 249 deer compared with the 1981-82 peak of 2,300.

As seen in past year and again in January this year, there is movement off the hills onto the desert. We charted one bunch of about 150 animals that moved into the flats about 10 miles southeast of Carey. We knew a lot of them were going off the hills, we just want to see what was left," said Kvale.

He said half of the 249 spotted were on the north-face of the range whereas in tough winters the northside will be devoid of deer. He said a combination of one to two feet of snow and cold temperatures seem the triggers that send the deer off the hills.

Fly-fishing-only, catch-and-release fans may rule Silver Creek, Big Wood River

By LARRY HOVEY
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley's bait fishermen made their plans for continued participation in Big Wood River and Silver Creek at a public meeting Tuesday night.

But the inferences of everything emanating from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game indicated that fly-fishing-only and catch-and-release interests would have

the department's recommendation to the Idaho Fish and Game Commission for inclusion in the 1989 general fishing season.

"Profacing the final alternatives toward establishing 'trophy fisheries' on the streams with study data obtained by Idaho State University graduate students and department biologist Russ Thoreau, the options left for anglers included the possibility of the lower, sometimes de-watered portion of Big Wood staying in the bait-use regulations and none of Silver Creek."

Most of the speaking turned down options that included catch and release only. But in all cases, the regulatory proposals included sharp reductions in limit to two per day and usually a preponderance of the stream being reserved for fly or lure fishing only.

Although some denied this was playing into the hands of special interests, Marshall Everheart, Jerome, noted, "according to your own figures 46 percent are bait fishermen. If you eliminate them, who are these regulations really for? These two streams probably are the most popular fishing in the area and I don't mean just fly fishermen."

Steve Huffaker's opening remarks indicated that bait fishermen were in for a rough night. Huffaker, from Boise headquarters of Fish & Game, noted "Idaho had 3,300 stream miles under special regulations for the enhancement of wild trout fisheries. Montana has 300 miles, Wyoming 20 miles and Washington and Oregon a couple of creeks."

He said special regulations always are designed to "optimize the size structure of wild trout populations."

Al VanHorn, Boise, presented the Silver Creek story, noting that the fly fishing-only area on the Nature Conservancy stretch, the department access at Point of Rocks and the Bureau of Land Management access on the lower end received the most fishing pressure.

He noted the Nature Conservancy catch rate was 1.9 fish per hour with exceptional fish sizes that had 25 to 33 percent rated in trophy proportions (16 inches or over). The department stretch, which allows bait fishing currently and a six-fish limit, was almost as good at 1.6 fish per hour and the trophy fish remained about 15 percent of the catch. The BLM area, located on more marginal habitat, was one fish per hour with only one percent exceeding 16 inches.

On those stretches, VanHorn said 44 percent of the fish die each year on the Nature Conservancy non-consumptive fishery. The department mortality was 42 percent — almost all of that due to fisherman harvest. The BLM reach had 77 percent mortality with 65 percent harvest.

VanHorn emphasized in all proposals for Silver Creek, bait was not an option.

Thoreau said the separation of Big Wood River from Snake River due to falls had allowed the Big Wood rainbow to become a distinct strain. In his three-year study from the Boise area to Magic Reservoir, Thoreau said he discovered Big Wood growth rates comparable to any of Idaho's best trout fisheries.

He said little interchange of fish from above to below Warm Springs occurs and study indicated it was possible to manage the river by sections because of these reduced up and downstream travel.

He said fishermen surveys indicated 70 percent were Idaho residents, 46 percent were bait fishermen, 41 percent fly fisherman and 8 percent lures. The other 5 percent considered themselves multiple threats.

He added these fishermen release 58 percent of all the first they catch and that 60 percent of the harvest is trout 8 inches or longer.

"Regulations have a relatively minor effect on the abundance of trout," he said. "That is controlled by natural factors. Regulations can affect the size structure but you'll never get large numbers of 16-inch trout."

He said "not until you reduce a limit to two fish is there a major influence in the number of fish" left in the stream.

He said 25 percent of fish caught and released by bait fishermen die, mostly from the way anglers handle the fish.

"If they would learn to just cut the leader in deep-hooked fish, mortality would drop dramatically," he said.

But he also said that given a 60 percent dieoff of bait-caught and released fish, the two-fish limit would get "a positive response" in size and numbers of fish remaining.

He said the biological capabilities differed as the stream descended toward Magic and each allowed for different applications.

He said the Ketchum-to-Bellevue stretch of the Big Wood could be propped up to provide 35 percent of all fish caught to be 16 inches or larger. The Bellevue-to-Glendale diversion offered little management hope because of channel alteration and irrigation demand that at times de-watered the river.

"If we could purchase appropriated water, this stretch has tremendous potential," he said.

He said Warm Springs to North Fork could support a wild trout fishery if harvest is managed.

"Regulations can increase the size," Thoreau reiterated "if you apply those regulations where they would generate the best response."

He said it was possible to "maintain bait angling and still increase size" of fish, but pointed out "uncertainties can limit the benefit of restrictive regulations. If we continue to treat the river badly, all bets are off."

"Once you know what your goal is, this information can help you get there," he said.

VanHorn then took over to note that the Big Wood would remain in the general season parameters — Memorial Day Weekend to Nov. 30. The white-fish season through the winter would be continued but the incidental trout catch would have to be returned to the river.

The more productive stretch of the river would have a three-under 12-inch and one over 20-inch restriction on limits along with fly and lure only.

The lower eight miles would have a two-fish limit with nothing between 12 and 16 inches being kept but bait would be allowed.

After that the individual anglers took over with the large majority supporting continued use of bait both as a preference and the convenience of children and older anglers. Les Hazen said elimination of bait reduced

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Farm Bureau objects to F&G 'welfare program' to feed winter elk

The Associated Press

MCCALL — The Custer County Farm Bureau contends the Idaho Department of Fish and Game is conducting a "welfare program" by providing winter feed for an elk herd in the Stanley Basin.

In a recent letter to Fish and Game, Commissioner Norm Guth of Salmon, Custer County Farm Bureau President Rodney Evans said 247 member families opposed the winter feeding of about 400 elk in the central Idaho basin that has gone on for the past five years.

Guth presented the letter Wednesday at the Fish and Game Commission's monthly meeting in McCall.

In it, Evans said the winter range of the herd has been altered by the state's efforts, prompting the elk to venture closer to civilization. That has led to more road kills, depredation of farmers' haystacks and infringement on livestock grazing, he said.

"Thus the Fish and Game Department will be locked into a yearly feeding program ... It will entirely upset nature's balance, both of elk numbers and the natural range of the elk," Evans said in his letter.

He suggested that Fish and Game end the feeding program, determine the natural size of the elk herd in the basin and allow the herd to "self-regulate" to maintain that level to avoid depredation and other problems.

"The winter feeding programs can very easily become a welfare program, drawing elk in from miles around," Evans said.

But Guth said Wednesday that he already had informed Evans that the department would continue the program.

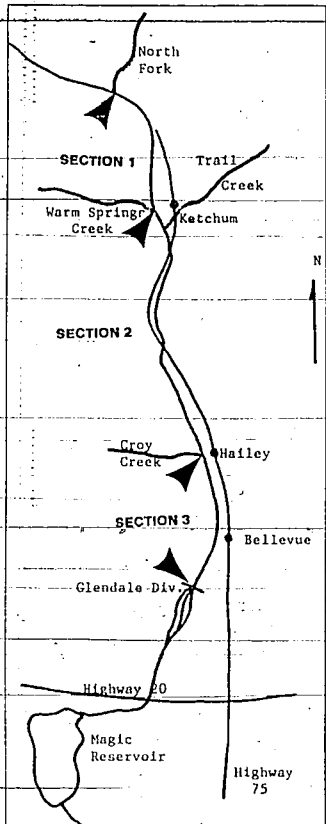
"I spent a large part of my life in Stanley Basin and can recall feeding elk with our horses during the hard winter of 1948," Guth told his fellow commissioners. "My family loved those animals and were more than glad to contribute to their survival."

Ron Gillett, owner of Triangle C Ranch, a Stanley-based whitewater rafting company, agreed with Guth that Fish and Game was taking the correct management approach.

He said the basin finally has a viable elk herd drawing visitors to the area in winter, but without the feeding program the numbers could be drastically reduced by starvation.

"The elkmen have been getting tremendous value from the Forest Service's public grazing — practically a free lunch — for little or nothing at the expense of fish, wildlife and ultimately the public," Gillett said.

Stanley-area merchants have told Salmon-National Recreation Area officials it is poor range management to leave livestock on public range.



Duck survey shows mid-winter numbers lowest ever

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

PORTLAND, Ore. — An annual mid-winter survey shows wintering duck populations in the Pacific Flyway to be the lowest on record, according to U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service biologists.

About 3.4 million ducks were counted in Pacific Flyway states in early January. This is seven percent below the previous winter low of 3.6 million in 1987, 32 percent below the winter count of 1988 and 45 percent below the winter average of the last 33 years.

Wintering mallards fell to a flyway record low of 1.1 million, down 37 percent from their long-term winter average. Pintails were

down 1.70 percent from their long-term average. Biologists counted approximately 685,000 pintails which winter primarily in California's Central Valley.

Discussing the report, Region Director Marvin Pioner said "this survey confirms the serious downward trend we saw last year when biologists counted extremely low numbers of nesting waterfowl in Canada and the northcentral United States. Long-term drought and habitat loss have hit duck populations hard and we are going to have to continue with some strong medicine to bring them back."

"That certainly wasn't the story in our area," noted Idaho Fish and Game Biologist Randy Smith. "But I

guess our little 32,000 ducks (consistent with previous years) don't amount to much when you're counting in the millions."

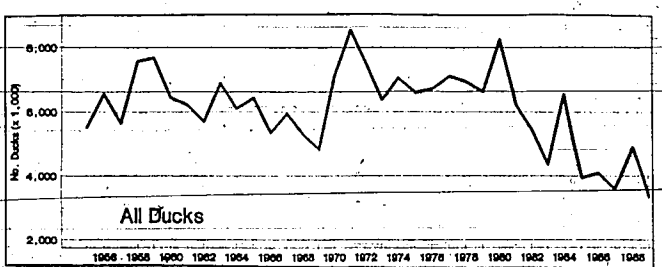
Region 4 Wildlife Manager Craig Kvale, who participated in the waterfowl season-setting procedure last year, called the number very discouraging.

"If these numbers are substantiated in nesting counts this spring, Idaho hunters may be looking back on the bag limits and regulations for this past year as very liberal," he said.

The survey was conducted by federal and state biologists at the end of the hunting season in early January. Most counts were made from aircraft. The counts are not considered absolutely accurate because of annual variations in bird distribution and survey conditions. However, they are useful in determining long-term population trends.

The Pacific Flyway survey encompassed the states of California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, Idaho, Arizona and parts of Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado and New Mexico.

The mid-winter survey



supplements two others conducted each year by U.S. and Canadian biologists to closely monitor populations. A survey is done in May when birds arrive in their northern nesting grounds to estimate waterfowl breeding populations. Another is conducted in July before the birds start their migration southward to estimate breeding success.

In response to near record low nesting populations and production in 1988, the Fish and Wildlife Service established restrictive frameworks

for the 1988-89 waterfowl seasons. Measures included shortened season lengths and lower bag limits, aimed at reducing duck harvest to protect core breeding populations.

While the immediate problem has been a devastating drought in duck-nesting areas of the mid-continent prairies, the underlying problem is continent-wide habitat loss.

To protect wetlands for future waterfowl populations, the service and Canada negotiated an agreement in 1986 known as the North American Waterfowl

Management Plan.

Under the plan, habitat conservation projects are underway in six key areas.

In one bright note, the service also reports that most goose populations in the Pacific Flyway appear to be holding steady or increasing.

Biologists attribute this to the fact that geese nest farther north and have not been as affected by drought conditions. Several goose populations were counted at fall concentration areas in late November and early December.

Briefly

F&G checks the Boise for mortality

BOISE — In the first year of an Idaho Department of Fish and Game research project on the Boise River, the study team found that mortality due to harvest of wild rainbow trout is high in the middle fork — to the extent that there are very few fish over 12 inches in length.

Population densities of wild rainbow are low in the roaded segment of the North Fork but increase six-fold within the roadless area, indicating that road access and associated harvest has significant impact.

Bob Rohrer, fisheries research biologist, has been leading the study team for the past year on the Boise River, a backyard fishery for Idaho's capital city.

The long-term goal of the project is learning what can be done to increase fishing opportunity and enhance the quality of fishing in the tributaries and reservoirs as well as the river itself. Research will focus on rivers early in the study, then shift to reservoirs.

Bull trout harvest in the middle fork was low in 1988, attributed partially to drought and the draining of Arrowrock Reservoir, which could have disrupted the normal autumn spawning cycle of some bull trout which live part of their lives in the reservoir.

Harvest of hatchery rainbow in 1988 was fair, but Fish and Game felt there was room for improvement and Rohrer will evaluate changes in the hatchery stocking program for both the North and Middle forks this year.

Additional tagged trout will be released in both forks.

Other aspects of the research project in 1989 will include sampling of the plankton food base for kokanee salmon in Lucky Peak.

Sturgeon permits now available

BOISE — Sturgeon permits, required since Jan. 1 of this year, are available at Idaho Department of Fish and Game offices and many license vendors.

The permits are similar to a steelhead permit with notches which must be cut out to indicate the date and location of catches. Sturgeon have been subject to catch-and-release-only angling regulations throughout Idaho since 1984 and were protected from harvest in most waters prior to that.

The regulations were put in place to protect the limited numbers of sturgeon remaining in the Snake and Kootenai rivers. Idaho's rod and reel record for sturgeon, 394 pounds, was taken in the Snake River by Glenn Howard in 1956.

Anglers are required to return the permit after it is filled or by Jan. 15 of the following year. The department of Fish and Game also provides a sturgeon fishing log for recording information about each trip and each sturgeon caught.

This information will be compiled annually and a report of statewide sturgeon fishing activity returned to each angler.

The permits were delayed during printing until February. However, no anglers were checked prior to availability of the forms.

Governor meets with stamp artists

BOISE — Idaho Gov. Cecil Andrus promoted the wildlife Habitat Improvement Program in 1988 by making available a signed "Governor's Edition" of the official upland game and waterfowl stamp art.

Upland stamp artist Michael Sieve and waterfowl artist Jim Killen will meet with the governor today to honor that special edition in a signing ceremony.

Collectors and wildlife supporters are enthusiastic about the special edition and Idaho businesses have used them to express appreciation to employees. The prints may be ordered through March 31 from Voyageur Art, 1-800-528-4132, or from local art dealers.

Dr. W. A. Hunter and fisherman and past U.S. secretary of the Interior, Andrus is knowledgeable of wildlife habitat and public land issues and often lends his support to projects designed to enhance wildlife populations.

Sieve has won the First of State Oregon duck stamp contest as well as two subsequent years and has done limited-edition prints for several conservation organizations.

Killen painted the first of state Vermont duck stamp, among many state wildfowl stamps and was best of show in the 1985 national wildlife art show. His work has been featured in many major shows and he was National Ducks Unlimited artist of the year in 1984.

Pheasant need good habitat, weather

QUESTION: As you know and as the Idaho Fish and Game Department has finally publicly admitted, Idaho has a very serious shortage of pheasants in the state and especially Magic Valley.

I don't propose to have all the answers but I will offer a couple of suggestions for possible consideration.

1. Shorten the season. Maybe a two- or three-week season for a couple of years would help? I believe most hunters agree that the majority of the pheasants are harvested during the first two weekends of the season.

2. Establish a two-cock, shortened season limit.

3. Institute a vigorous education program in the media, Fish and Game pamphlets reaffirming the seriousness of the problem.

4. Close the season for two years. This is a last resort suggestion but the problem is critical and requires drastic and short-range solutions.

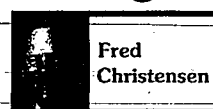
Hearing

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family and physically-impaired from using the areas. "I think they should be allowed to fish. I think bait should be allowed," he said.

Scott Tingey spoke for continue careful management of the fishery below Magic Dam.

Chuck Iretson of Jerome and a long list of fishermen from the Thompson



Fred Christensen

"I am seriously considering turning 80 acres of my grassland into upland game habitat. Maybe it would help protect those two or three birds left in the area. Also, I may obtain a few birds and check on their survival rates? Whitey Hurlbut, Twin Falls.

ANSWER: Seasons and bag limits are set using information from biologic studies, harvest data or any population trend counts that might be available. The perpetuation of the resource is the first priority.

There are two main factors which limit pheasant populations. They are 1. habitat and 2. weather.

and Hanchey families spoke for bait use.

Ron Hicks, Jerome, voted for the second option on both but admitted to a preference for fly fishing.

Gary Stone said he "liked all these things (flies, lures, bait) because I'm a fisherman. George Lee cited the safety factor for children in the lower two sections of Silver Creek and asked that bait be kept there "maybe with only barbless hooks."

Iretson opted for "leaving regulations as they currently stand as did several others.

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1989 Toyota Cressida is a 'solid' car

The 1989 Toyota Cressida is a work of repressed libido — even its curves are straight.

Its exterior design is so staid and proper that if the Cressida were a person, it could apply for a job on the White House staff. But the resume handlers would have to be careful with this one. The Cressida is a scandal waiting to happen. Just give it a little gas.

Whoosh!

This understated, upscale family sedan is unbelievably fast. Its behavior is delightfully outrageous. It can run faster and handle better than many luxury performance cars double and triple its price.

This is the perfect encephalobomb — a roadworthy wild thing that would

Warren Brown

fit nicely in any political conservative's driveway or on any church parking lot.

Background: Toyota calls the 1989 Cressida "all new," which it isn't. There are a number of carry-overs from previous models, and there is more than a little styling resemblance between the new Cressida and its lesser Toyota cousins, the Corolla and the Camry.

But the hot news for 1989 is the Toyota Supra-derived three-liter, straight-six-cylinder, 24-valve, twin-cam engine beneath the Cressida's hood. This motor can move it pops out 190 horsepower at 5,600 rpm, a 22 percent increase over the previous Cressida's maximum output of 156 hp.

The new Cressida also has a new suspension system — a redone McPherson strut job up front and a wishbone suspension mounted to a subframe in the rear.

Finally, the engine is super quiet, the ride is super smooth, and the Cressida remains rear-wheel-drive.

Complaints: Stetly fumes from the test model's exhaust system oc-

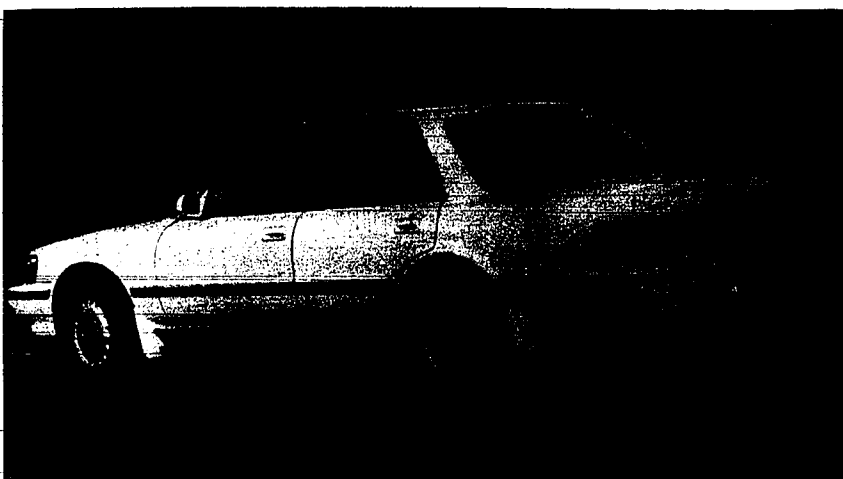


Photo courtesy of Toyota

Toyota's Cressida is rated as one of the most trouble-free cars currently offered by dealers

asionally seeped into the passenger cabin, necessitating a lowering of windows. The rotten-egg odor, was apparent only when the car was idling.

Also, the otherwise perfect ergonomics of the Cressida's interior was ruined by somebody's decision to stick the air conditioner and other climate controls between the two sets of sound-system controls. Attempts to turn up the boogie often resulted in turning off the heat.

Praise: J. D. Power and Associates, an automotive marketing and research firm in California, rates the Cressida as the most trouble-

free car on sale in America.

Of course, Toyota does make mistakes. (I know some Camry owners I'd like Toyota's managers to meet.) But I must agree with the Power group on the Cressida: The car's quality is absolutely solid.

Braking: Excellent. The test model was equipped with four-wheel, power disc brakes backed up by an antilock system.

Head-turning quotient: Zip. Special feature: Toyota, like Audi, Mercedes-Benz and nearly all other auto makers, has been hit with charges that its cars are prone to sudden acceleration — which

supposedly occurs when an automatic-transmission car speeds forward or backward with little or no gas-pedal pressure.

To correct the alleged defect, Toyota has installed a shift-lock device in the 1989 Cressida — its polite way of saying that it believes sudden acceleration is driver-caused.

Sound system: Six-speaker electronic AM-FM stereo radio and cassette by Toyota. Very good, but decidedly beneath the quality of competitive systems from Ford-JBL and GM-Deleco-Bose.

Mileage: About 20 to the gallon (18.5-gallon tank, estimated 355-

mile range on usable volume), mostly highway and driver only.

Price: Base price is \$21,498. Dealer's invoice price on the base model is \$17,628. Price as tested is \$23,748, including \$1,940 in options and a \$310 destination charge.

Purse-strings note: Anyone in the market for a luxury sedan should check out this model. It could save you loads of cash and lots of maintenance trouble.

Warren Brown covers the automotive industry for The Washington Post.

Hands-on approach to antique buying

On a trip to London three decades ago, my husband bought a pair of old candlesticks at the Silver Vaults for about \$150. There was little silver left on what he thought was Sheffield plate and when he took them out last Christmas, I objected. So he took them to a dealer in New York to be replated. "You shouldn't do it," said the dealer. Jim asked why. He replied, "They are more than 200 years old and made by hand — before plating was known — and worth more than \$3,000."



Sylvia Porter

You probably have your own tale of collecting or selling antiques that matches or surpasses this. The recent nationwide surge in trading antique furniture and decorative arts has focused attention on antique collections. But how much do you really know about buying antiques?

Here are ten tips on buying antique furnishings. They are designed to help novices determine authenticity and value, and come from Bernard Karr, one of the nation's foremost authorities on fine English furniture and decorative arts.

1) First decide on the style of furnishing that most interests you, be it English, American or French. Concentrate on that one style. Read everything you can about it, and visit places like museums to see top-quality examples.

2) Handle objects. Especially in the case of furniture, you should feel surfaces, turn things over and examine the undersides. Of course, only an expert can tell for sure, but if you turn a piece over, and the workmanship is top pristine, you know that it may not be very old.

3) Look for wear. A hundred-year-old chest of drawers, for instance, will show signs of wear both on the sides and undersides of the drawers. 4) Examine the hardware and locks on pieces. If there's a lock on a drop-top desk, there has to be a key hole.

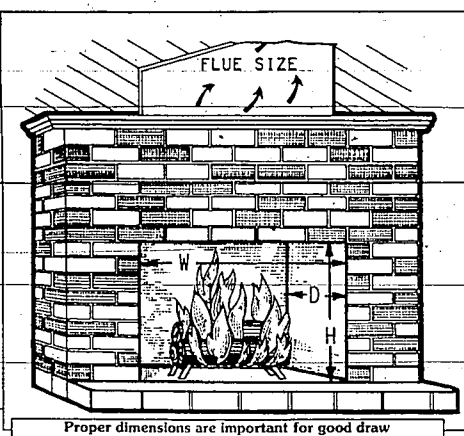
5) Ask about restoration. The phrase "original condition" should be taken with a grain of salt. What most people don't realize is that pieces in their original condition are often not suitable for use.

Likewise, because most homes were heated with wood or coal-burning stoves that generated a lot of soot, the gilding on the frames of an "original" mirror will undoubtedly be black. Therefore, almost all antique gilt mirrors have been regilded.

Antiques are old — that's what gives them their charm and character. They are supposed to look old.

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Cut your utility bill



Proper dimensions are important for good draw

Poor draw is often due to improper design

Q - Sometimes when we use our wood burning fireplace to help heat the living room, it does not draw well and smoke comes out into the room. How can we make it draw better? D. C.



James Duley

A - A common cause of poor draw in a fireplace is improper design. Sometimes if the opening height is too large, just adding a narrow metal trim strip across the top of the opening can dramatically improve the draw. If a fireplace has good draw, it will not dump smoke into your room.

There are many design dimensions that should be considered for a fireplace and the proper relationship among them is important. Most critical is the relationship between the opening width and height and the depth.

A rule of thumb is that the opening height should be between two-thirds and three-fourths of the width and the depth should be one-half to two-thirds of the height. You

should follow FHA or your local code requirements for the size of the flue.

The height and position of your chimney relative to your roof and trees can effect the draw. A strong wind blowing in a particular direction may create a downward draft into your chimney. You can get chimney caps and wind deflectors to minimize the effect of the wind.

You should have your chimney checked and cleaned. Open fireplaces generally burn hot enough to minimize creosote buildup, but a bird or other animal's nest in the chimney may be obstructing the flow.

If you have an extremely airtight house,

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Lecture won't help pregnant teen-ager's situation

Minneapolis millionaire Percy Ross is internationally known for his philanthropic works and likes to encourage others to help solve problems for those in need. He has earned a fortune and a wealth of knowledge during his lifetime and wants to share both before his death. His motto is: "He who gives while he lives... also knows where it goes."



Percy Ross

Dear Mr. Ross: I am a 15-year-old girl who happens to be pregnant. I didn't expect to get pregnant, but things happen. I'm still attending school to get an education in order to support me and my baby.

Right now, I live with my parents and they are unable to buy a baby bed and some clothes for my child, because my dad isn't working. We're behind on all our bills. We just can't afford anything.

If there's anyway you can help, please let me know. I'm the type that doesn't like asking for things from anyone, but in this case, Mr. Ross, I really need the help.

— 15 and Pregnant, Lakeland, Fla.

Dear 15: Your situation isn't new or different. But no matter how many times I hear of it, teenage pregnancies cut me to the bone and leave me with a deep aching. My word, at 15 you're still just a baby!

I'm tempted to lecture, but what good would that do? It certainly isn't going to make the baby go away. No, you're just going to have to grow up real fast and maybe that's the saddest part of all.

However, I'll get you started with my check for a crib and some baby clothes. In the future, I hope you make some good choices, and that in the long run, you have a happy life.

Dear Mr. Ross: After reading your replies regarding cigarette smoking for his

mentally ill, I have only one conclusion to draw. It's amazing how many stupid people who end up with money still display ignorance. "Congratulations" on having joined that group.

Your attitude could possibly be changed if you consulted with some competent authorities. I would hope you that you'd find putting cigarettes in people's mouths is not defensible, no matter what the circumstances.

Mr. J.L., Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Dear Mr. L.: Neither are all the other negative influences which exist in the '80s. Just remember though, people make choices and frankly, I have no regrets about my choices to send cigarette money for the mentally ill. I did it and I'm glad I did.

Dear Mr. Ross: My husband and I recently moved here from Virginia. He works in construction. We have two children, a 3-year-old and an 8-month-old.

We are struggling to pay rent and everything else. The cost of city living is so much

more expensive than living in the country. I want to get a job. My experience and training is that of a nursing assistant. However, the condition of my teeth makes getting work out of the question, due to my appearance. Besides, the pain and discomfort from the swelling is unbelievable.

Mr. Ross, I don't know anyone else to ask. Just increase you have a problem deciding whether I need help. I've enclosed a photo. If a picture says a thousand words, then this one is screaming, "I need dentures!"

Mr. P.G., Winston-Salem, N.C. Dear Mrs. G.: Good thing you included the photo, because the proof is in the pudding. (For my readers' benefit, I'll explain: Picture a young gal in her 20s, blonde hair, pretty face — with a mouth full of decayed, broken-off teeth.)

One look at your picture and I didn't have to think twice before sending you my check for dentures. Best wishes.

Dear Mr. Ross: I purchased a Kirby vac-

uum cleaner last month and now realize that I can't afford it. I could tell you that my husband has allergies and that I needed a super-charged system to lift all the dust, but that would be a lie. I got this vacuum cleaner because it is the top of the line.

Not only did I buy it, but I want to keep it — provided you'll help me. My balance due is \$1,163.14. Got to go — my husband just sneezed, again.

— Mrs. L.J., Jackson, Miss. Dear Mrs. J.: That Kirby vacuum cleaner or has given you a false sense of power and now you're trying to suck me in: "All I can say is tell your husband, 'Gesundheit!'"

You may write to Percy Ross c/o (The Times-News), P.O. Box 35000, Minneapolis, Minn. 55435. Include a telephone number if you wish. All letters sent to Mr. Ross are read. Only a few are answered in this column, although others may be acknowledged privately.

Sudden acceleration alleged in Cadillacs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sudden acceleration in Cadillac cars made from 1982 through 1988 has resulted in five deaths, a consumer affairs group said in a petition filed with the government.

The Center for Auto Safety, a Washington-based group, petitioned the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to order a recall of 1.1 million Cadillacs having HT-400 4.1-liter V8 engines.

Altogether, the center said it knows of 120 instances of sudden acceleration in the Cadillacs, resulting in 63 accidents and 70 injuries.

"Victims in many of these cases are pedestrians or bystanders unable to dodge an out-of-control Cadillac," the center said in its petition. "Clearly, runaway Cadillacs represent an obvious threat to the health and safety of not only their occupants but also others outside the vehicles."

The government agency said it would respond to the center's request "within 120 days." A spokesman declined to comment further on the center's petition.

A spokesman for General Motors Cadillac Division in Detroit, Vince Muniga, said the agency in a broad investigation of GM cars in 1986 "was unable to pinpoint a common design flaw or manufacturing defect that could be the root cause for these unwanted accidents."

celeration incidents."

"GM also has investigated these claims and reached the same conclusion," Muniga said. "We are cooperating fully with NHTSA's current inquiries, and if the center has any technical information that would shed light on these incidents, we would certainly like to see it."

The government agency, in response to an earlier petition by the center, has been investigating since April allegations of sudden acceleration in front-wheel-drive Cadillac DeVilles and Fleetwoods made from 1985 through 1988.

The models included in the center's latest petition are the 1982-1984 DeVilles and Fleetwoods; 1982-1987 Eldorados; 1985-1986 Broughams and Fleetwood Broughams; and 1987-1988 Atlantes.

One of the cars cited in the petition, a 1986 Eldorado, crashed through the front of a K-mart department store in Belleville, N.J., last November, killing two shoppers and injuring 13, the center said.

In recent years, federal engineers have investigated allegations of sudden acceleration in about 80 million vehicles made by 10 manufacturers, according to figures compiled by the center.

About 440,000 cars were recalled as a result of the investigations, the center said.

Women claim sexism exists in showroom

By Warren Brown
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Rosa Mintz of Silver Spring, Md., signed a \$4,678 sales contract for a 1988 Buick Wildcat. She said she felt victim to high-pressure salesmanship that, among other things, induced her to buy an extended warranty for \$1,105 — enough to get a top-notch service agreement on a 1988 Buick Wildcat.

Barbara Morgenstern of McLean, Va., said she was insulted by a new-car salesman after she refused to answer his questions about her ability to pay for a Mazda 929. A woman of means, she could have paid cash for anything on the lot.

Monique Lyons of Washington visited two dealers who didn't take her Honda Civic quest seriously. She finally bought the car she wanted from a responsive salesman at dealership No. 3.

Lyons was lucky. Women car-shoppers are the most likely candidates for a raw deal, according to numerous auto-industry executives, analysts, car dealers and others familiar with the treatment of women in auto dealerships.

Although women bought nearly half of the 10.3 million cars sold in this country last year, and influenced 60 percent of all new-car sales, the dealerships that sell them those cars remain largely male-dominated.

As a result of that dominance, and what some consider old-fashioned views of female car-shoppers, women tend to be targeted more often than men as easy marks for a quick or profitable sale, according to those in the industry.

The auto dealership is one of the last bastions of overt male chauvinism in the United States, said Aiko Woods, a Washington woman who

spent about two years selling cars at various dealerships in the area.

Ron B. Tonkin, president of the McLean-based National Automobile Dealers Association, which represents 20,000 of the nation's car dealerships, admits there is an old boys' culture in the car business. But he believes that's changing, largely because dealers who want to stay in business have no choice.

"In our industry today, you don't have to be hit over the head to see the handwriting on the wall. Women

'The days of 'Hi, honey' and 'What color are you looking for?' are over.'

— Ron B. Tonkin
Dealers' Association president

are becoming major buyers," he said. "The days of 'Hi, honey, and 'What color are you looking for?' are over," Tonkin said.

Women coming to buy cars today don't want to be talked down to. They want real answers to real questions about costs, engine displacement, mileage — answers to the same kinds of questions men ask," he said. "We have to continue to educate our salesmen on how to treat women customers."

Salesmen?

It was not a Freudian slip.

Despite their growing presence as buyers, women remain a minority in the executive sales ranks of the nation's dealerships.

Fewer than 3 percent of the nation's dealerships are owned by women and most of them inherited their dealerships from husbands or

fathers, according to NADA and other industry reports.

Exact figures for new- and used-car salespeople are difficult to ascertain, because people frequently move in and out of the industry, or move from dealership to dealership.

But the NADA estimated that in 1987 there were 189,655 auto salespeople in the United States. Of those, according to other industry sources, about 2.5 percent were women.

The dealerships' mostly white-male culture is bound to have some negative effects on women car-shoppers, said Sheila Sheinberg, president of the Houston-based Center for Life Cycle Sciences, a management consulting firm for automotive and other businesses.

That culture carries with it social behaviors, biases and language that are offensive to women, Sheinberg said.

Many dealers disagree, including the one who sold Mintz the Yugo.

"I've sold more cars to women than anyone. At least 44 percent of my business is with women. We don't mistreat women," said John Darvish of his Lanham, Md., dealership.

Mintz, the Yugo-buyer, voluntarily accepted the extended warranty and an \$895 dealership package (which included such extras as undercoating and rust-proofing) that helped to boost the price of her car, Darvish said. "She knew exactly what she was doing right from the beginning," he said.

Not so, said Mintz, who insists she was only attracted to the Yugo because of ads describing it as the most affordable car in America.

"I told them that it was my first time buying a new car. They encouraged me to buy these things and told me that everything was all right. I feel exploited," Mintz said.

By her own description, Mintz was

what many auto salespeople in America call a "day-down" customer, one who readily pays the sticker price and has few objections to dealer actions.

"Day-downs" are always welcome in car dealerships. "Be-backs" and "bitches," two other prominently used terms in the industry, are not.

"Be-backs" are car shoppers who have no intention of buying at the moment. Dealership employees under pressure to meet sales goals frequently regard "be-backs" as time-wasters.

"Bitches" are women who come well-armed for price negotiations. They already know the manufacturer's suggested retail price and usually know what's realistic in terms of dealer and options costs.

They ask specific questions and get upset when specific answers aren't forthcoming. They can make a salesperson lose an enormous amount of time in a sale — and then walk away leaving the salesperson empty-handed.

Although men can also be cast in these three categories, numerous salespeople said the terms "bitches" and "day-downs" most often are used to describe female buyers.

"Statistically, you can't prove that women are treated worse than men in new-car sales," said Susan S. and Judy Golden, spokeswoman for Family Circle magazine, which has spent considerable time and money researching complaints about car dealers by its mostly female readership.

FINANCIAL FOCUS

— Bob Seibel

Indecision Can Hurt Investors

Bernard Baruch, the well-known financier, who asked what the stock market would do answered, "Fluctuate." No one can argue with that kind of forecasting. Although the stock market, like the economy, reflects the business cycle, it does have periods of depression. Market fluctuation is not only normal, it's healthy. The economy can continue uninterrupted in one direction. The stocks that make up the market also fluctuate. At some point the advance falters, slows, retreats and the basic security is sound, advances again to start the cycle over.

There are good arguments for buying equity securities, and holding them. At some point, however, a stock becomes too expensive to own. It is overpriced in the market place and should not be bought. Benjamin Graham, in his book "The Intelligent Investor," sets very specific guidelines on when to sell, buy and hold a stock. Graham takes a very conservative approach to investing by looking at a company's financial picture. When it meets his criteria, he buys; when it does not, he sells. His theory is simple: If you are somewhat of an expert with numbers.

Your investing goal should not be to buy low and sell high. Few can do it all, and no one can do it consistently. It demands an uncanny accuracy to predict the exact time to buy, the peak moment to sell, and the point when to repurchase. At a low price, look for three meaningful sell signals; none predicting future lows.

Sell if fundamentals change. Stock prices should be based on sound investment advice. Buy common stock because you want to own part of a company that appears to be prosperous or heading in that direction. Unless a company is strong, you can't expect much gain from its stock. If you research diligently and invest on sound fundamentals, these fundamentals make a change for the worse, it's generally a good time to sell or seriously re-evaluate your stock.

Sell When Stock Becomes Overpriced. This is a difficult decision. A good guideline to follow is when a stock is too expensive to buy, sell it. Some stocks continue to increase in value without being overpriced. The companies have grown, increased earnings, paid dividends and proved to be excellent long-term investments. There is no reason to sell. It is only when the price is no longer justified by the company's fundamentals that the stock becomes overpriced and a sell candidate.

Sell When You Make A Mistake. A mistake seldom corrects itself. Most decisions made in the stock market are not the basis of sound investing. If it's obvious you have made a mistake, your investment is not making sense, it's time to correct it. Sell the stock and profit by your own decision. No one invests infrequently. The successful investor recognizes this and cuts any losses short.

Sell When You Make A Mistake. These three simple rules won't make it easier but they should give enough reasons to make a decision. It's indecision that hurt investors.

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Taxpayers may claim moving expenses

From the Internal Revenue Service

Taxpayers who are changing their job location or starting a new job this year may be able to claim many of their moving expenses as an itemized deduction on Schedule A (Form 1040) when they file their tax returns, the Internal Revenue Service said. Form 990 is used to compute the amount of deductible expenses.

Moving expenses that are allowable as an itemized deduction include the costs of: 1) househunting trips prior to the move but after getting the new job; 2) disposing of the old home and getting a new one; 3) meals and lodging while occupying temporary quarters at the new location; 4) moving personal items and household goods; and 5) transportation, meals, and lodging while traveling to the new residence.

The job-related moving expenses may be deducted if the taxpayer meets the "distance test" and "time test," and the move is "closely related" to the start of work.

To meet the distance test, the new main job location must be at least 35 miles farther from the taxpayer's former home than the old main job location was. For example, if a taxpayer's old job was three miles from his or her former home, the new job must be at least 38 miles from that home.

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To expect that an antique chair should look unused simply does not make any sense. You want things to look as though they have been used and carefully cared for by generations of people.

6) Find out where the piece was made and who owned it. Owning an antique is like bringing a piece of history into your home. Most important furniture and objects will have what is known as "provenance," a kind of pedigree that tells who originally commissioned or bought a piece, who made it, where it was

made, and when, plus an indication of who the successive owners were.

7) Learn to identify secondary woods. As you become more adept at identifying periods in furniture and the materials typically used during those periods, you'll be able to use secondary woods as still another guide to determine authenticity.

A knowledge of secondary wood also helps you determine how much restoration has been done to a piece. Wood contracts and expands according to the humidity in the air. Sometimes the bottoms of drawers in very old pieces shrink to the point where

there are significant gaps. These are often remedied by filling the gap with a strip of wood. If it's a different kind of wood, or one that's a noticeably different color, then you know that repairs have been made.

8) Be careful in choosing sellers from whom to buy. Unless you're a professional, buying at flea markets and the like comes strictly at your own risk.

9) Find a dealer who is willing to buy back or trade back at a later date anything he or she sells. Many people's tastes change as they grow more knowledgeable. Reputable

dealers should be willing to establish such a relationship.

10) Finally, don't be afraid to make mistakes. Even the most expert dealers can be fooled, and it's usually when decisions are made too hastily. But even a goof can be all right. As long as the piece pleases you, it's only the price that stings.

Sylvia Porter writes on matters of interest to consumers. Her columns appear in the *Business and Women's* sections of *The Times-News*.

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The smoke may be caused by an inadequate supply of air. Try opening a window in your living room and see if that helps. Also try to determine if the smoke comes from the clothes dryer or kitchen or bathroom exhaust fans are running.

The best method to provide combustion air and to increase the overall energy efficiency of your fireplace is to provide outdoor combustion air. Without it, your fireplace draws heated air out of the rest of your house. The room with the fireplace stays warm, but the other

rooms get chilly.

You can run a duct from outdoors under the floor to the fireplace. You should put a damper baffle in it or have a tight-fitting cover so no air can close it off when there is no fire. If your house is built on a slab, just crack a window open a little in that room and close doors leading to other rooms. This reduces warm room air loss.

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a list of tips to use your fireplace efficiently. Please include \$1.00 and a self-addressed envelope.

Q - Our home is designed with the furnace duct running through the crawl space. We have insulated the sides of the foundation wall. Should we insulate the floor above the crawl space too? T. N.

A - The additional energy savings from insulating your floor above the crawl space probably won't give a good payback. If the entire foundation wall is insulated, the uninsulated

ground surface should not absorb a significant amount of heat.

Even though your crawl space is insulated, it may be a good idea to insulate any hot water pipes running through it. You also should have caulked around the sill perimeter where the walls rest on the top of the foundation. This is a common source of outdoor air leaking into your home.

"Cut Your Utility Bill," runs in *Your Money* every Thursday. Please address questions to James Dulley, *The Times-News*, 6006 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45244.

walls. Replace a tired, worn floor. There are wonderful new products on the market, and it may be less expensive than you think. Consider ceramic tile — the proper color and style can enhance a kitchen enormously. Consider replacing outdated, worn

counters. You must also repaint or wallpaper walls that need it. Be critical in selecting colors. Bright lighter colors such as white, linen white, yellow and almond generally appeal to the most people when deciding patterns or designs, if you have any doubts, a subtle design is safer than a bold one.

If you want to invest more in your kitchen, then evaluate the layout: that is, are the appliances conveniently located? Is there sufficient storage space? Also, you may want to update or improve the lighting.

"CONSUMER WATCH," is a reader's service column. Inquiries should be addressed to "Consumer Watch," 409 W. Jefferson, Boise, ID 83702. Questions of general interest will be answered here, while others will be answered by mail.

Let's Talk Real Estate
by
Jane George

INVITING FACTORS
When home buyers are ready about the qualities that most appeal to them in their home buying decision, four basic factors consistently rank first in importance. A home that has plenty of natural light exudes a feeling of warmth and growth, both conducive to nurturing. In addition, homebuyers like to have a feeling of spaciousness in their interior surroundings. They also like to experience a sense of privacy and security. On the more practical side, the prospect of low maintenance draws people to a home. To promote these features, heavy draperies can be replaced by lighter window treatments, and walls can be painted with light, airy shades. Nest fences and hedges will shield neighboring sight lines. Finally, a clean home suggests maintenance and care. With a thoughtful and active, a home may be made increasingly inviting.

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Promissory note or trust deed can make difference in loan

Q: I have loaned a friend \$20,000 for 10 years so he can buy a piece of real estate. I have received the standard forms and receipt. Is that all that is necessary, or do I need to register the note anywhere for my protection in case the building is sold? Please help.

A: You really have not given us enough information about this loan to be able to give you precise advice. For example, you have not said if the note you received was a straight "promissory note" — which is a lot like a fancy IOU — or a trust deed secured by the real estate that your

Carla Lazzareschi
friend purchased.
If you received a trust deed — by far the preferable type of loan, from a lender's perspective — you should record the document in your local county recorder's office. If you do not record the deed, it is possible that the property could be sold without your being notified and, worse yet, repaid.
If you received a straight promissory note, it must be notarized before it can be considered a legally binding document. Even then, if the borrower defaults on the loan, your only re-

course is to sue to recover your money.
Q: My two brothers and I will be inheriting equal shares of my father's estate, and I expect that each of us will get about \$15,000 — the proceeds from the sale of a farm in Iowa. I don't expect to have to pay inheritance taxes on the amount, but I am wondering if the estate will have to pay any federal income taxes. The lawyer handling the estate says the estate will have to file a tax form. What does all this mean?
A: The tax specialists we consulted say that an estate is a taxable entity and is required to file a tax return if

it has a gross annual income of more than \$600, regardless of whether the estate actually has to pay any taxes. Computing the tax owed on the farm sale shouldn't be difficult. The general rules governing inheritances state that the value of the farm will be set at the fair market value on the date of your father's death. Any gain would be the difference between that value and the price the estate receives for the farm. So, if the farm is sold near the date of death, it is not too likely that there would be much, if any, gain to be taxed.
Q: We are contemplating selling our home, which we have lived in for the last 2½ years, and

we expect to realize a substantial gain over the original sales price. We are both over age 55 and have never taken advantage of the one-time exclusion of \$125,000 of profits on the sale of a home. Have we lived in our house long enough to take advantage of the exemption?
A: Hold on just a few more months and you will be eligible. In order to take advantage of the \$125,000 exclusion, either you or your spouse must be over age 55 and you must have lived in the house for three of the last five years. These need not be three consecutive years, and you are credited with occupying the house

even if you rented it during some short, temporary vacations.
So, if you have lived in the house continuously for the last 2½ years, meet the age test and have never taken advantage of this special exemption, you should be eligible for the exclusion in about six months.
Carla Lazzareschi cannot answer mail individually but will respond in this column to financial questions of general interest. Please do not telephone. Write to Your Money, Business Section, Los Angeles Times, Times Mirror Square, Los Angeles, Calif. 90053.



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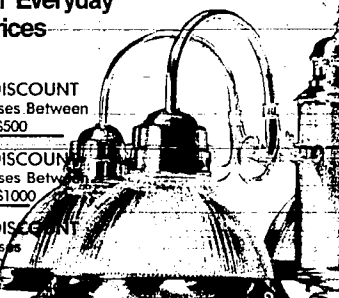
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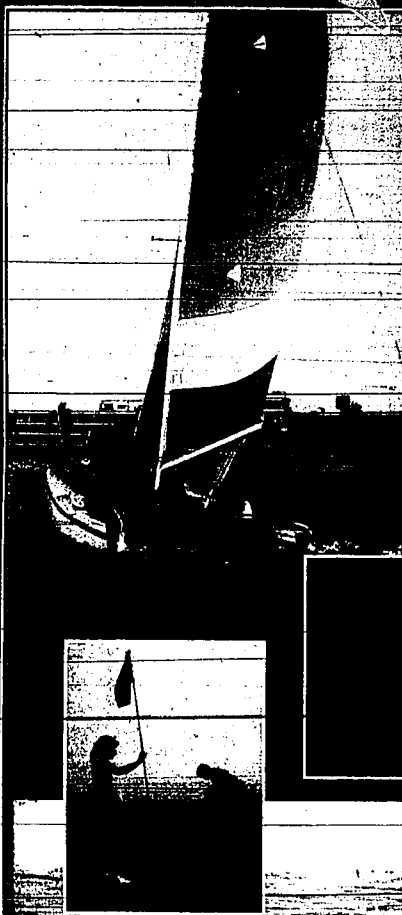
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Briefly

Soviets accept World Court authority

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The Soviet Union announced on Wednesday that it will accept the authority of the World Court in major human rights treaties, ending 40 years of resistance to the court's jurisdiction. State Department officials hailed the move as a step toward an eventual agreement under which Moscow would join Washington in accepting the court's rulings in all but the most sensitive political and national security cases.

The U.S. legal office released a letter from Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze to Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar withdrawing Soviet reservations to human rights treaties. The Soviet Union had signed the treaties, but added the reservation that it did not accept World Court authority in disputes.

The World Court, formally known as the International Court of Justice at The Hague, is the main judicial body of the United Nations. It has no powers of enforcement, but its rulings carry a major moral impact on world opinion.

Shevardnadze said the Soviet Union would recognize the binding jurisdiction of the court in these human rights treaties:

- The 1948 Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide;
- The 1949 Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitutions of Others;
- The 1952 Convention on the Political Rights of Women;
- The 1965 International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination;
- The 1979 Convention on the Elimination All Forms of Discrimination Against Women;
- The 1984 Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment.

Chinese troops take up post in Tibet

CHENGDU, China (AP) — Security forces dragged Tibetans from their homes Wednesday as thousands of Chinese troops took up posts around Lhasa after three days of anti-Chinese riots, travelers said.

By official count, 12 people had been killed and more than 100 wounded in violence since Sunday when Tibetans marched in Lhasa demanding an end to nearly four decades of communist rule and the return of their spiritual leader, the Dalai Lama. Travelers quoted Tibetans as saying the actual death toll was much higher.

The Dalai Lama's government-in-exile in India offered to hold talks with China to discuss the future of Tibet. The Chinese Embassy in New Delhi refused comment.

There were no reports of further demonstrations or gunfire on Wednesday, but Westerners in Lhasa said troops filled the streets.

Beginning at midnight, trucks with loudspeakers drove through the city of 70,000 announcing the martial law imposed Tuesday and ordering Tibetans to stay inside, said foreign travelers, most of whom spoke on condition of anonymity.

Court sentences Armenians to jail

MOSCOW (AP) — Armenia's Supreme Court sentenced two Armenians to 18 months' jail for organizing the storming of an airport in a violent campaign for control of the Nagorno-Karabakh region, the Moscow News reported.

Albrik Gevanyan, 37, and Artur Pogoyan, 30, were convicted of organizing "group actions violating public order" that led to a shutdown of Zvartnots Airport at the Armenian capital, Yerevan.

Several thousand Armenians stormed the airport July 4-5 to try to get aviation workers to join a strike. Troops shot and killed one demonstrator and at least 36 people were injured.

The ethnic disturbances disrupted 65 flights and cost \$3.2 million, authorities said. Armenians began striking and demonstrating last year to demand control of Nagorno-Karabakh, a mostly Armenian area of the neighboring republic of Azerbaijan. Moscow refused the demand, but placed the region temporarily under its direct control.

20 Palestinians injured in clashes

BEIT ARYEH, Occupied West Bank (AP) — Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin vowed Wednesday to block illegal Jewish settlements in the occupied lands after troops foiled attempts by right-wing activists to settle two sites.

In clashes with troops in the West Bank and occupied Gaza Strip, 20 Palestinians were shot, including a 13-year-old boy and a 75-year-old man, Arab hospital officials said.

The army confirmed two of the injury reports and said it was checking the others.

The army blocked two groups of would-be settlers who set out for the West Bank Tuesday night after a rally in Tel Aviv attended by about 10,000 people.

Eight activists from the right-wing Betar youth movement pitched a tent on a hilltop about 15 miles east of Tel Aviv where the settlement of Ofra is to be built, said a Defense Ministry official who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The activists pulled up stakes after soldiers told them to leave, the official said. On Wednesday, soldiers guarding the site told reporters it was a closed military area.

Other would-be settlers drove three mobile homes from the rally to the Beit Horon settlement north of Jerusalem, and said they planned to move to the proposed new settlement of Talmon later in the week.

The Defense Ministry official said the group canceled its plans after failing to receive government permits. But photographers said troops stopped the group as it tried to drive to Talmon Tuesday night.

Korean police arrest striking workers

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Riot police Wednesday arrested 258 Hyundai workers who have been striking for three months to demand free union activity.

Riot police seized the shipyard workers as they marched from the headquarters of Hyundai Heavy Industries Co. near downtown Seoul to a nearby police station to protest police attempts Tuesday to arrest strike leaders.

About 1,000 riot police surrounded the building Tuesday to try to arrest strike leaders, but angry workers resisted them with clubs and firebombs.

The 320 strikers from South Korea's largest shipyard in the east coast port of Ulsan have been camping in tents outside the company's Seoul headquarters since February.

Hyundai officials removed tents after police took away most strikers. Police said most arrested workers would be released after questioning.

The strikers want better pay and free union activity at the shipyard, which has been hit by a labor dispute since Dec. 12.

Italians set up studio in Singapore

SINGAPORE (AP) — The Italian Cecchi Gori group is setting up a \$17.5 million studio in Singapore to produce English-language movies, it was announced Wednesday.

A subsidiary called Cecchi Gori Summit Studios (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. has been set up to co-produce films with North American producers worth about \$206.9 million annually, said group president Vittorio Cecchi Gori.

He expected directors, writers, actors and actresses to come from Europe and the United States to work in the studio complex.

Cecchi Gori said they plan to start filming in a year, although the complex will be completed in two years.

The government has granted the subsidiary pioneer status exempting it from income tax for 10 years.

Indians protest Union Carbide settlement

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Victims of the Bhopal gas disaster rammaged through Union Carbide Corp. offices Wednesday, and a human chain surrounded the building screaming: "Killer Carbide, quit India!"

Hundreds of other protesting victims squatted outside the Supreme Court, which Wednesday began hearing a petition challenging the government's right to settle on compensation for all victims of the world's worst industrial accident.

About 570,000 people say they are entitled to compensation for the Dec. 3, 1984 gas leak at a Union Carbide pesticide plant in the central town of Bhopal that killed at least 3,400 people and injured 20,000. Today, people still are dying from effects of the leak.

About a dozen people broke away from the protest outside the downtown New Delhi offices of the Danbury, Conn.-based multinational Wednesday, and stormed into the reception area.

They broke windows, smashed furniture and scrawled slogans on the walls; said company spokesman Subramaniam Kumaraswamy.

About 140 demonstrators who formed a human chain around the building yelled, "We Will Not Allow UCC To Get Away With Murder!"

The 10 employees in the reception area were unharmed during the 20-minute melee, Kumaraswamy said.

Immediately, the company sought police protection.

"We have posted policemen all over," a police official said on condition of anonymity. "What happened will not happen now."

Protesters want the Supreme Court to scrap a \$470 million settlement agreed to by the government Feb. 14 as "full and final" compensation for all sufferers from the disaster.

"I am a gas victim," said a yellow paper badge on the sari of a woman among 800 demonstrators who sat cross-legged in the parking lot of the Supreme Court.

The main gates of the court were locked and police and paramilitary

troops searched everyone entering the building.

Inside, the court heard the petition of Charanlal Sahu, 51, a Supreme Court lawyer who was in Bhopal at the time of the gas leak. Sahu says his lungs and eyes still are affected by the exposure.

His lawyer, R.K. Garg, argued the government's assumption of power to act for all victims is a denial of the fundamental rights to life and livelihood guaranteed by India's constitution.



Delhi police drag a demonstrator away from the Union Carbide office after 15 protested settlement.

Afghan rebels claim capture of army post

War is part of everyday life for millions of Afghan people

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — In the bustling markets that line the narrow, winding alleys and the muddy Kabul River, war always seems just around the corner.

Tanks with their guns fixed and armored personnel carriers block intersections.

Young soldiers clutching Kalashnikov rifles in one hand and plastic prayer beads in the other patrol the streets and stand guard on rooftops.

Helicopter gunships chug along the snow-covered mountains lined with radar installations.

The Moslem guerrillas battling the forces of Afghanistan's Soviet

style government are hiding beyond the ridges that form a bowl around Kabul, the capital city of 2.25 million. They periodically launch a few rockets into the capital.

There's little feeling of imminent danger in the marketplaces, where merchants bargain in tattered brown shawls and dingy

white turbans sit cross-legged on the ground in front of huge piles of fruits and vegetables.

But rumor and speculation are as plentiful now as Russian caviar and vodka were before the Soviet

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live just inside Pakistan, in border camps and cities the insurgents use as bases and supply points.

Moslem guerrillas began fighting after a communist coup in April 1978 and Soviet soldiers entered

Afghanistan in December 1979. An estimated 115,000 were there at outset of the U.N.-sponsored withdrawal, which was completed Feb. 15.

Afghanistan's official radio also said four Pakistan army helicopters flew Afghan guerrilla leaders and field commanders Wednesday to Ghazni Abad, about 10 miles east of Jalalabad.

Insurgents destroyed a military transport plane at the Jalalabad airport Tuesday, Kabul radio, in a report confirmed by guerrilla sources, said two people were killed.

Satullah said insurgent positions around the city, particularly to the south, were bombed in retaliation for the capture of the Samarkhail fortress. Another guerrilla source reported "indiscriminate bombing last night and this morning."

Insurgents near Jalalabad shot down an Afghan helicopter gunship and a Soviet-made MiG-25 jet with U.S.-made missiles Wednesday and there were no survivors, Satullah said.

About 3.5 million Afghan refugees

Pope encourages bishops to continue teachings

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John Paul II encouraged U.S. Roman Catholic bishops Wednesday to proclaim church teaching even if it is unpopular. They responded that authoritarianism "does not convince Americans."

The views were voiced at the start of a special four-day conference of 35 American bishops the pontiff summoned to Rome from church teaching in the United States has raised concern in the Vatican, which considers the 52 million-member American church critical because of its size, wealth and potential to fit worldwide trends.

John Paul described the bishops as "pillars" who give the church strength and the bishops' role is expected to dominate the 12-hour-of discussions with top Vatican officials through Saturday.

He spoke briefly in English to the prelates, who were gathered with Vatican officials in the Old Synod Hall. The meeting was closed but his remarks were made public.

"I wish to encourage you in your ministry," John Paul said. "I am fully conscious of the challenges you face in bringing the Gospel message to a world that does not often readily accept it."

"Your people experience the difficulties of being Christians in today's world. Yet at the same time they search for direction in following the path marked out by Christ."

Responding to the pope, Archbishop John L. May of St. Louis, president of the U.S. National Conference of Catholic Bishops, took up the theme of American democracy raised earlier in the day by Cardinal Joseph Bernardini of Chicago.

"Authoritarianism is suspect in any area of learning or culture," in America, May said. "Individual freedom is prized supremely. Religious doctrine and moral teaching are widely judged by these criteria."

"Therefore, to assert that there is a church teaching with authority binding and loosing for eternity is truly a sign of contradiction to many Americans who consider the divine right of bishops as outmoded as the divine right of kings," he said. "Accordingly, bishops live and work constantly in this atmosphere."

Both sides emphasized the non-confrontational nature of the meeting, but a conflict arose immediately over releasing speeches by the bishops and officials public.

Other topics to be covered include the family, sacraments, Christian education and the media.

2 compete for chance to represent Estonia

TALLINN, U.S.S.R. (AP) — On March 25, Ans Paju will mark the 40th anniversary of the day he was placed on a train as a boy and deported to Siberia.

The next day, the bearded 44-year-old "journalist" will stand against a top official for the right to represent central Estonia in a new parliament in Moscow.

In the small Baltic republics, the cracks between Russians and ethnic Balts and between the Communist Party and the reform-minded People's Front are widening as the election draws near.

Paju, editor of the nature magazine Eesti Loodus, is running against the head of the Estonian state agricultural-industrial complex, Gustav Tsonsoog, on a platform that mixes environmental and economic issues with the spiritual renewal activists say is crucial to the survival of the Estonian people.

The worse the internal state of people, the greater the possibilities of doing terrible things to our environment," Paju said in an interview.

Paju is the son of an Estonian peasant who also was deported to Siberia and died there after the Soviet Union took control of the Baltic republic in 1940. He was

put on a train with a woman he did not know — his mother was required to remain in Estonia — and sent to Siberia until after Josef Stalin died in 1953.

Now he hopes to become a member of the 225-member Congress of People's Deputies, which President Mikhail S. Gorbachev says must help turn the Soviet Union into a nation governed by laws rather than personal dictate.

Estonia has gone further than Latvia and Lithuania in asserting its independence from Moscow, declaring its sovereignty Nov. 16.

Although Moscow rejected that claim, the two sides have managed to avoid an open conflict. However, Estonia has not backed down.

Estonian activists say that in contrast to the other Baltic republics, their Communist Party and government leadership strongly support the grassroots People's Front political movement striving for autonomy from Moscow.

Candidates such as Paju and scientist Endel Littmaa, 58, have appeared to push the People's Front's program.

"Without criticizing everything left and right, it's unlikely you'll be elected," said Littmaa.

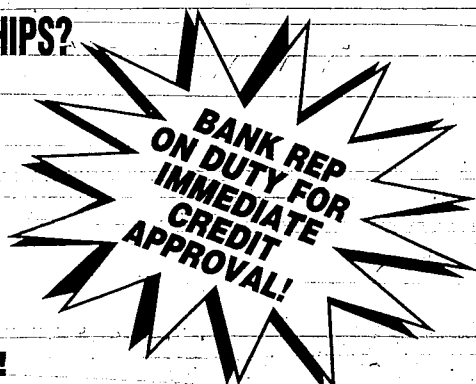
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