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Idaho officials dispute latest criticisms of INEL

The Associated Press

IDAHO FALLS — Idaho officials disagree with a General Accounting Office estimate that a new Idaho tritium reactor would take 16 years to complete and provide just half the Department of Energy's needs. But other reactor options would produce more tritium for DOE, and would be cheaper and quicker to construct, a GAO comptroller said. The GAO, the investigative arm of Congress, reviewed several options for a New Production

Reactor on Wednesday. J. Dexter Peach, a GAO assistant comptroller general, said the Energy Department's strategy would not ensure tritium production within 10 years, as originally planned. Tritium is a radioactive hydrogen isotope required for nuclear arms which deteriorates rapidly. Idaho National Engineering Laboratory officials say the GAO has not come up with new cost or production figures for the Idaho reactor. They also question the GAO's estimate. **• See INEL on Page A2**

GAO favors Hanford over INEL plant

By AMY GAMERMAN
Times-News Service

WASHINGTON — The Energy Department's plans to build a tritium producing reactor at Idaho National Engineering Laboratory came under criticism Wednesday on Capitol Hill for faulty scheduling and cost estimates. The General Accounting Office, the investigative branch of Congress, told a House panel that it should give full consideration to other options for tritium production, notably the conversion of a commercial power reactor at Hanford Reservation in Washington. "In terms of tritium out, (the Hanford reactor) could be done quicker and at less overall cost," comptroller general J. Dexter Peach told the special House panel on Energy Department weapons sites and programs. The Idaho reactor is part of a two-reactor strategy proposed by the Energy Department for

the production of tritium, a perishable gas needed to maintain nuclear weapons. The gas-cooled reactor would serve as a back-up to a larger reactor recommended for construction at the Savannah River plant in South Carolina. Peach faulted the Energy Department for giving an unrealistic schedule for the construction and operation of the Idaho reactor, charging that it will take 16 years, not 10 years as the IE will take 16 years, before the first full load of tritium is gained from the Idaho reactor. The extra time involved in starting up the Idaho reactor may work against it. Washington congressional representatives, including Reps. Sid Morrison (R) and Norm Dicks (D), however, members of the House Armed Services Committee, want DOE to consider shifting the scheme to Hanford. The light water reactor at the Hanford site is nearly complete. According to GAO, the reactor could be converted for tritium production in as

little as seven years at a much lower cost than the Idaho reactor, which would cost \$3.6 billion to install. However, the estimated \$2.2 billion needed to convert the Hanford reactor would not include the cost of buying it from the Washington Public Power Supply System, which halted construction of the commercial power program in 1982 because of financing difficulties. Acquisition cost estimates range from \$300 million to \$2.1 billion. Democratic Rep. Richard Stallings said he is optimistic that the Idaho reactor will win final approval, largely on the basis of its inherent safety and public support for the program in the state. "The Hanford reactor is a viable candidate, but I really don't see it as a serious threat," Stallings said. "It would have been a greater concern if GAO had said 'We don't need a second reactor.' The critical point will be safety. That's all." **• See COSTS on Page A2**



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Ready for Memorial Day

Jerrold May cuts grass between headstones at the Twin Falls Cemetery in preparation for Memorial Day weekend, when residents traditionally decorate the graves of veterans. Memorial Day weekend is also one of the biggest recreational times of the year. For a list of things to do and places to go this weekend, see story on Page B1.

Twin Falls teachers approve pay raise

By JENNIFER KAUTH
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls teachers ratified a tentative agreement Tuesday afternoon that would raise salaries an average of 7 percent if approved by the School Board. "All of us were surprised it could be worked out so quickly," said Tom Schmidt, the Twin Falls Education Association's spokesman. The agreement, which will not be final until the School Board approves it, was reached after only two meetings between union officials and the School Board's negotiators. Schmidt described the negotiated offer as "pretty middle-of-the-road, although he declined comment on each side's original request. "The fact that we brought it back for a vote meant that we thought it was a fair offer," Schmidt said. The tentative agreement calls for boosting the base pay \$700, from \$14,600 to \$15,300. The district uses the base pay to set each increment in the salary schedule, meaning each teacher will see a \$700 boost in next year's paychecks. Under a Legislative mandate, however, no teacher will receive less than \$16,000 for the 1989-90 school

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year. And each teacher will also receive the usual \$453 per year increment raise that comes from another year's worth of experience. Superintendent Carl Snow said that some teachers will see another 5 percent increase on top of that because they have earned more credits in their field. The district will continue to pay for any increases in medical insurance premiums for single party plans, but those teachers with two-party or family medical plans will have to cover any increases in their insurance premiums. The district will also pay for any increases in life and dental insurance premiums. Seventy-four percent of the TFEA teachers approved the agreement at Tuesday afternoon's meeting. O'Leary Junior High's auditorium. Non-union teachers were also polled, said TFEA President Milton Barrus, and they had an even higher percentage of "yes" votes. School Board members, teachers and administrators said the negotiations went smoothly. "We're always pleased when we" **• See CONTRACT on Page A2**

Chinese may ease out moderate Zhao

The Washington Post

BEIJING — Participants in high-level Communist Party meetings in Beijing have turned against party General Secretary Zhao Ziyang, endorsing a proposal for his eventual ouster, well-informed Chinese sources said. The sources said that senior leader Deng Xiaoping and Premier Li Peng succeeded in building a majority position against Zhao, first in a meeting of the ruling Politburo and then in a meeting of more than 100

party officials called a Central Working Conference. China's protesting university students now regard Zhao as the only top leader sympathetic to their cause, in sharp contrast with Li and Deng, who are seen as bent on suppressing the students' democracy movement. If Zhao is indeed forced out of his job, according to some observers, it will split the country, further radicalize the students and their supporters who have been demonstrating for democracy here

for more than a month and bring on a period of prolonged turmoil. "They've decided to dismiss Zhao from his position," said a party member who was briefed on the meeting, which took place Monday night and Tuesday. This information from several Chinese sources could not be confirmed by official spokesmen. The tone of the Chinese media has shifted in recent days. On Tuesday, media reports indicated that Li was losing the power struggle to Zhao's moderate forces.

Wright tries to fix a deal

The Baltimore Sun

WASHINGTON — Jim Wright's speakership was teetering Wednesday, as representatives of the Texas opened negotiations on what appeared to be the terms of his resignation from Congress. But members of the House began leaving Wednesday night for a weeklong recess, and it appeared that a proposed deal for Wright's resignation was at an impasse. Shortly before 8 p.m., Rep. Julian Dixon, D-Calif., the chairman of the House ethics committee, emerged from a four-hour session of the panel and tersely announced that no action had been taken in the case. "We have discussed the motions (filed by Wright for dismissal of the charges against him). We have made no decision on the motions," he said, adding that the committee would not meet again until June 1. That left open the possibility that Wright might resign sometime in the next week during the recess, thus sparing himself and his colleagues the painful process of deposing the highest-ranking Democratic official in the nation. **• See PROBE on Page A2**

Miss Rodeo Idaho pageant faces test

By MARTA CLEAVELAND
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Local rodeo pageant organizers will go to Oklahoma City Friday, prepared to defend Filer's claim to the Miss Rodeo Idaho pageant. The national Miss Rodeo America board of directors will hold a hearing to talk about "the Idaho problem," said Sheri Prescott, coordinator of the state pageant held at the Twin Falls County Fair & Rodeo. The exact nature of "the Idaho problem" is unclear and, depending on who tells the story, the hearing may or may not involve an attempt to move the pageant from Filer. The hearing was requested by Emery Petersen, owner of Petersen's Western Wear in Twin Falls. Prescott said the national board told her Petersen wanted to discuss two things: restructuring the Miss Rodeo Idaho pageant and moving the pageant to the Snake River Stampede in Nampa. Petersen denied wanting to move the pageant. "I have never ever suggested to anyone that it should be moved," he said Wednesday. "I think it belongs in Filer." Petersen said he asked for the hearing to be held to propose organizational changes favored by himself and Lloyd Kjalbring, owner of Lloyd's Country Stores in Nampa

and Boise. Prescott, a former employee of Petersen's who opened a competing Western wear store in Twin Falls in April, accused Petersen of "talking you one thing and doing another." Alan Greenway, a Miss Rodeo Idaho board member who owns Greenway Seed Co. in Caldwell, said Petersen and Kjalbring both want the pageant moved to Nampa. Kjalbring campaigned for the move last year, but the national board tabled his request. "I think Kjalbring is right. He has given up that Nampa would be a better location. "Next to the capital city is where it belongs," he said. "I hope someday they see the light and 'ah-ha' it moved." Prescott, Greenway and Tom Shouse, a member of the national executive board from Filer, all will attend the hearing. Prescott will take a paper arsenal in defense of both the Filer location and the way the pageant is run. She will present the national board with letters of support from past queens, queens' mothers, judges, sponsors, and the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce. William Kyle, owner of McDonald's restaurant in Twin Falls, a pageant sponsor, wrote, "It seems that Boise is always trying to 'rustle' any and every worthwhile project from the Magic Valley to" **• See RODEO on Page A2**

USS Iowa blast possibly deliberate

By Newsday

Federal agents investigating whether the fatal blast on the battleship Iowa was deliberately set have discovered a crude detonating device and a book, "How to Get Even Without Going to Jail," in the abandoned car of a sailor who commanded the ship's turret that exploded in the ship's sources close to the investigation said Wednesday. The car owned by Gunner's Mate Clayton Hartwig, who died in the April 19 blast along with 46 other sailors, was found by federal agents Monday in the parking lot of a McDonald's restaurant.

In the back seat of the car was what appeared to be a homemade detonating device and a copy of the book, which authorities said is a volume detailing methods of constructing booby-traps, according to the source. For the past month, the probe into the blast has centered on whether the explosion was a result of a suicide or a homicide resulting from the breakup of a friendship between two sailors in the No. 2 turret that exploded. The targets of the Iowa investigation are the 24-year-old Hartwig and Gunner's Mate Kendall L. Truitt, 21, who survived the explosion and was hailed by the Navy as a hero after the blast for helping stop further damage. The two had been "best friends," according to family members and friends. Hartwig had taken out a double-indemnity life insurance policy a year ago, entitling Truitt to a \$100,000 payout if he died of accidental causes. Investigators said that such an insurance policy was highly unusual, saying that young, unmarried sailors almost uniformly name their parents or other close relatives as beneficiaries on life insurance policies, sources said.

\$40 million budget surplus in the offing

Briefly

Kellogg residents fight gondola plan

WARDNER (AP) — Three property owners vowed to continue their fight against the city of Kellogg over the amount they will be paid to run a \$13 million ski gondola project over their properties.

"The fat lady hasn't sung, so it ain't over yet," Art Asmold, one of three Wardner residents who have set to an agreement with Kellogg, said Tuesday. Asmold, John Mathews and Steve Burch are named in a civil action brought by Kellogg to force them to reach settlements on their properties in the gondola's proposed path.

Kellogg sought to buy "aerial easements" for the 3.1-mile gondola project, using the concept of eminent domain that allows a government to take property from unwilling owners for the public good.

Jury clears teacher of abuse charges

BOISE (AP) — A jury has cleared Boise High School teacher John Keith Carlton of sexual abuse allegations and found school officials acted reasonably in choosing not to believe or report that the abuse occurred.

Following less than four hours of deliberations Tuesday, the seven-woman, five-man jury rejected Gretta Hosner's claim to special and punitive damages stemming from alleged abuse by Carlton in 1985 and 1986.

"We're very pleased with the verdict," said Boise attorney Max Eiden Jr., who in closing arguments dismissed Ms. Hosner's conspiracy theory as "total hogwash."

Inmates to begin cleaning roads

COTTONWOOD (AP) — Beginning June 5, five inmates from the North Idaho Correctional Institution will leave the compound near Cottonwood, travel to a site along U.S. Highway 95 and begin picking up litter.

They will earn 50 cents per hour for their labor and return to the Cottonwood minimum-security prison at the end of each day through the summer.

Inmates at the state's main penitentiary south of Boise have been working on similar road crews for a couple of years, but the plan marks a first for inmates at the North Idaho prison.

"We would like to do more of that type of work," said James Clayton of Lewiston, district engineer for the Idaho Transportation Department. "We don't do enough of it. It's an opportunity to enhance the roadside without making a real heavy commitment to salary, wages, time and equipment."

Contract offer disappoints teachers

BOISE (AP) — Most of the 400 Boise School District teachers were briefed on a tentative contract reached with district officials were disappointed with what it had to offer.

And many said Tuesday that they doubted it would be ratified when the Boise Education Association's 1,200 members vote May 31 and June 1.

"It was not well-received," association President Jody Clark said, after the meeting. "They were very disappointed. I think many of them were angry."

But Dehryl Tony Dennis, deputy superintendent for Boise schools and the district's lead negotiator, said he remained hopeful the tentative agreement would be approved.

BOISE (AP) — Idaho's strong economic recovery, documented in the latest financial update from administration analysts, has led Gov. Cecil Andrus to predict a revenue surplus on June 30 of \$40 million, more than twice the size of last year's surplus.

The financial outlook, released on Wednesday showed tax collections through April running \$40.3 million ahead of projections, and Andrus said that surplus level should hold through May and June, the final two months of the current 1989 spending year. The Division of Financial Management indicated it could be even higher. The surplus at the end of the 1988 year was \$17.1 million.

The surplus outlook, reminiscent of the boom years a decade ago, means the special budget reserve account set up by lawmakers last year will be filled and the \$13.5 million college campus construction program can be completed. Andrus had already said the money would be there for both.

But the dramatic rise in tax collections last month prompted the governor to highlight the possibility that he will call a one-day special legislative session to pay off the \$4.5 million still owed on the Boise State University technology school building. If that payment is made by mid-October, the state will save \$8.5 million in interest due over the next three decades.

they agree, the BSU building will be paid off.

It now appears the tax structure will generate about \$763 million during the year that ends June 30, a 13 percent increase over the previous year and \$53 million more than anticipated expenditures, Andrus said.

The state had already expected a \$12 million surplus, and administration economists said

Wednesday their best estimates indicate total revenues in the current year could hit \$769 million.

Under those conditions, the state would have between \$16 million and \$22 million in uncommitted revenue along with escalated revenue "instruments" for future years, lawmakers head into the 1990 election-year session. It should effectively eliminate any need for a pre-election battle over higher taxes.

"We are seeing significant increases in both personal and corporate income tax collections, which simply means that many Idahoans who have not been making money are making money again," Andrus said. "Virtually every segment of our economy is growing, and prospering."

"I'm confident now the money will probably be there," Andrus said. "But I have to have legislative concurrence before I would call a special session."

He said he would contact legislative leaders in July after the surplus total becomes firm, and if

Andrus vows special session only to save interest monies

BOISE (AP) — There will have to be support from leaders of the Idaho Legislature before he will call a special session this fall, Gov. Cecil Andrus says.

"I wouldn't even call a one-day special session if it appeared it would not be successful," Andrus said Wednesday.

session to spend the surplus on anything else.

"As I have stated before, I will call a special session to save money, but not to spend money," the governor said.

Andrus said the special session would have to come before Oct. 15, the deadline for paying off the Boise State bonds.

Andrus told a news conference that Idaho's revenue picture continues to grow, making it almost certain that the state will wind up its current budget with a big surplus July 1.

When that report's available, Andrus said, he will consult with legislative leaders on calling a special session for a single item: Appropriating \$4.5 million to pay off the bonds issued for the College of Technology building at Boise State University.

Paying off the bonds now, instead of paying for them over 29 years, will save \$8.5 million interest, the governor said.

But Andrus said he will strongly resist any efforts to use the special

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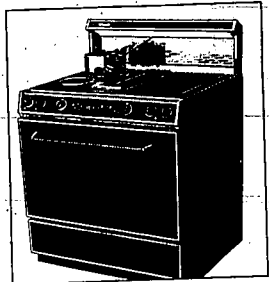
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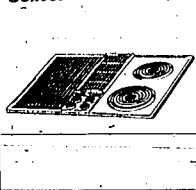
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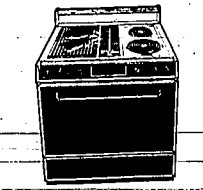


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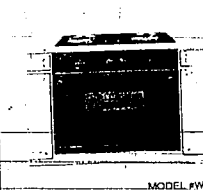
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Publication could improve U.S. math scores

Americans are becoming dumber in mathematics each year. We are no longer able to replace university faculty with the homegrown product, and must now import mathematics talent. Enrollment in mathematics-based science and technology subjects is dropping. The supply of secondary teachers competent to teach math is dwindling.

What to do? The standard answer is to make math more enjoyable. But the fun of learning is on its way out. Continuing the trend is unlikely to reverse the results we already have seen. More to the point, mathematics is not enjoyable at first. Attempts to make it appear so through more and better textbooks and more workshops on how to teach

Carl David

math will not work either. All the research in psychology and methodology has netted a rather tepid set of generalizations about teaching effectiveness, but not one concrete scheme that guarantees success.

Tricks that enrich one teacher's class briefly will pall, and probably are not transferable. The onus of learning, as all teachers know, is on the student. The best presentation, the finest texts, the sexiest computers and the most brilliant motivational aids will not make an uninterested or unmotivated child learn.

So, is there nothing we can do to reverse the anti-mathematics trend?

Elite schools could require something like 700 Scholastic Aptitude Test math scores for admission. But that is unlikely to happen spontaneously. The government, although supporting such institutions mightily, cannot force them to do socially useful things such as that.

We could institute a national mathematics curriculum, but local control of schools prevents that.

The best alternative is to institute national, synchronized testing in mathematical grade levels — plane geometry, first-year algebra, first-year calculus and so forth.

But that would mean forcing students to repeat, and pass, failed work.

The educational establishment is sensitive to public revelation of test

results. National math examinations, administered uniformly across the country, would have a bracing effect not only on how mathematics is taught, but also on what is taught.

Boards of education sit up and listen if their students' scores are public knowledge.

They would press their teachers and administrators to make changes if needed to keep up with the Jones' school.

National examinations need not mean national standards.

Passing Algebra I might mean different things in different communities, according to their judgments of the importance of national test scores vs. local evaluations of achievement.

What is important is that the school system, and its public owners,

could know in general terms how well their students were doing relative to all other students attempting the equivalent studies. It is also important for students to understand where their abilities lie in relation to others in their age group.

We should dismantle the entire math education bureaucracy, including all the researchers' money looking for tricks to improve the system. In its place we should establish an institute modeled on the College Board, which would produce examinations for middle-school mathematics through second-year calculus.

Then, we should create two math days, one in winter, one in late spring, in which these examinations

would be administered in every school in the country. The money saved by avoiding useless research could be used to buy the technology to get examinations graded quickly. Results could be returned to students with deficient performances before they had a chance to forget all they had learned.

We should also publish the tests each year in a way that would encourage parents to understand what was being examined. Publishing the tests would make it impossible to re-use them. But having to revise them yearly could mean the tests would be continuously improved.

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Communism crumbles in Eastern Europe, Asia

If there were lingering doubts that we are witnessing communism's death agony, the news reports from China have dispelled them.

Forty years after Mao Tse Tung instituted the revolutionary order, people from virtually every walk of life crowd the streets of Beijing and other cities to demand democracy.

And this is not an isolated phenomenon, unconnected with the larger movement of events. It parallels historical changes in East-Central Europe and the Soviet Union itself.

There, too, the communist experiment failed, not just politically and economically, but spiritually as well. In Hungary and Poland, party officials now cooperate with the opposition to recapture an ethos as well as rebuild a society. There, too, people measure past and present by the yardsticks of democracy and self-determination.

Mikhail S. Gorbachev may have described China's demonstrators as "hotheads," but he has charted an alternative, if moderately democratic course of his own. By his words and actions, in fact, he embodies dissenters. It is a nice irony.

In 1917, after three bloody years of war, his predecessor, V. I. Lenin, seized power from Alexander Kerensky's provisional, and democratic, government. Prophet of a world transformed, the Bolshevik chief laid down the blueprint for the cynical play of the ruling class and extolled the salvific powers of Marxism. The state, he promised, would soon "wither away" and all oppression would end.

But Lenin was not the only prophet to appear on the world's stage in 1917. He had a rival in Thomas Woodrow Wilson, the

Lee Congdon

corboreal president who led the United States into war — and the world arena — shortly after the czar's government collapsed.

Like Lenin, Wilson viewed politics in ideological, rather than historical, terms; unlike the Russian, he promoted democracy as the redemptive idea.

And while it is true that many in the West, including anti-communists, consider Marxism to be peculiarly alluring, people in China, East-Central Europe and the Soviet Union know better.

One would have to look long and hard to find a single person in communist-ruled lands who takes Lenin's theories seriously, while entire populations share Wilson's ideals.

There is certainly reason to be encouraged by this fact, for communism has claimed the lives of millions of innocent people, while depriving countless others of their human dignity.

And yet Gorbachev may be right to chide those "who want to renovate socialism overnight." It will require time and patient work to undo the damage of 40 — or 70 — years of misrule.

If his and reformers elsewhere in the communist world are to succeed, they will have to do more than turn from one prophet to another. They must decide what realistic step their country should take next. For the greatest leaders are never those who dream of the future, but those who reckon with the past.

The history and the vastness of China and the Soviet Union argue for the emergence of a non-ideological form of authoritarianism.

particularly if anarchy and civil war should threaten.

It was Alexander Solzhenitsyn who observed in his 1973 letter to his worse Soviet leaders that "everything depends upon what sort of authoritarian order lies for us in the future."

It is not authoritarianism itself that is intolerable, but the ideological lies that are daily foisted upon us. Not so much authoritarianism as arbitrariness and illegality.

There are those in the United States today, including former President Reagan and President

Bush, who speak in quasi-religious accents of a democratic imperative, of the exportation of America's form of government to the rest of the world.

As Wilson's heirs, they cannot imagine satisfactory political arrangements other than those that we have fashioned for ourselves.

But those arrangements are not a certain cure for all human ills. We have much for which to be thankful, but we also face demoralizing and socially destructive problems, such as drugs and savage crime, that democracy has not solved, and may have helped to create.

And if, as Winston Churchill remarked, "democracy is the worst form of government except all those other forms that have been tried," we should still ask ourselves whether it can succeed in countries that have had vastly different histories.

One of our wise counselors, George F. Kennan, has already answered in the negative. "I have ... always very emphatically rejected the concept of the universality of the American experience," he told one interviewer.

"Our national experience was never shared by any country and will

never be shared by any country in the future.

Perhaps we would do best, therefore, not to prejudice the forms of society and government that may be devised by those who are awakening from the long night of totalitarianism.

For even if they should opt for democracy, it will be democracy in their national style, whether Chinese, Russian or Hungarian.

Lee Congdon, a specialist in East-Central Europe, is a professor of history at James Madison

Letters/Communism, Gooding jail, Western Days draw comment

Beware of Gorbachev

When the world's premier communist, Mikhail Gorbachev, visits the West, especially the United States, he presents a smiling and cooperative image because he is seeking help for his financially destitute socialist regime. On such occasions, everything he says and does should be taken with a large grain of salt.

But when Gorbachev addresses fellow communists, as he did in Moscow to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution on November 2, 1987, his words carry far more meaning. On that special occasion, he ended his three-hour speech to 6,000 fellow communists with "In October 1917, we parted with the Old World, rejecting it once and for all. We are moving toward a new world, the world of communism. We shall never turn off that road."

In spite of this clear statement of communist determination to rule the world, most of the nation's media and most of our political leaders have Americans believing that Gorbachev is a different kind of communist, that communism is mellowing, and is no longer a threat, and even that we should increase programs that deliver massive amounts of aid and credits, equipment, food and technology to the Soviet Union. This is United States aid, in reality, keeps the Soviet Union's failure system afloat. Kremlin leaders are surely delighted.

Why do we spend over \$300 billion dollars

a year to defend ourselves from communism while we also spend billions to help our sworn enemy?

ALAN L. ARP
Twin Falls

Jail does not mean freedom

I read the article in the Gooding jail by Annette Cary in Sunday's paper with some interest and would like to respond with the following comments:

I sometimes have a peanut butter sandwich for lunch and TV dinners in the evening. However, I like the freedom to eat what I choose, so — I make a real effort to stay out of jail.

I agree that it would not be a lot of fun spending days and months in jail, so — I try very hard to stay on the outside.

I don't smoke, but I enjoy the freedom to do this if I choose, another reason to stay out of jail.

It is very nice to have TV and other diversions to break monotony, still another reason to stay out of jail.

My sandwiches are served without benefit of wrapping and, occasionally, without plates. I've even noted a stray hair from time to time.

Exercise equipment would be nice. I have some — a shovel, a rake, a hoe. Those are all available to those who stay out of jail.

I'm wondering if we shouldn't keep the idea that a jail is a place in which to do

penitence — a penitentiary — rather than a retreat to which we can flee when the world bores or tires us or makes demands.

BILL G. MARTIN
Paul

Help with Western Days

The 7th Annual Western Days is fast approaching. Although Western Days started as a Chamber of Commerce promotion, it has continued to grow into a grand community event.

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- Become a Western Days Volunteer and help with events.
- Wear Western attire during the week: Hat and Wear a Western Days Badge.
- When attending events, support the committees.
- Send Someone to the Western Days jail.
- Help someone get out of the Western Days jail.
- Put a team together for the Chili Cook-off.
- Put a float in the Western Days Parade.
- Just a reminder — Western Days needs you. It needs your ideas, your time and your financial support.

WES GATES
Twin Falls

have a multi-billion dollar defense? Our "adversaries" will never conquer our hearts minds, for we have tasted freedom!

I wonder how many Americans know about the National Security Act of 1947 (known as NSC-68). According to Gore Vidal ("The Nation" June 4, 1988) this is the document that committed us to develop the hydrogen bomb, build up our conventional forces, set up a strong alliance system, and mobilize the entire American society to fight Communism.

It also called for a large increase in taxes to pay for all this. At the time, Senator Vandenberg (a Republican) told President Truman that if he wanted all those weapons, and all those taxes to pay for them, he had better "sear the hell out of the American people." Truman obliged, with a series of speeches about the Red Menace; and he also instituted loyalty oaths for federal employees.

This climate of fear has been maintained quite zealously by all of Truman's successors with the brief exception of Dwight Eisenhower, who warned us against the military-industrial complex that had, by then, established permanent control over the state.

So now I'd like to know: When do we get to take back the control of our country? For forty-two years, we have been manipulated by phantom fears ... for the sake of the arms race. It's time to say NSC-68, and stuff it. Because, according to Secretary Baker, we need not have been afraid.

MARCY NEILSON
Rupert

A woman and a young man entered the shelter. They told the desk person the dogs had arrived. They also "just happened" to slide in the fact that the two dogs were the parents of eight, six week old puppies.

The women's responsibility for these lives was relieved when she paid the required fee. The two adult dogs were now in a run and the pup remained huddled in the box.

The mission was now accomplished. The man did not even appear to be concerned with the fact she had just committed.

By the act she had just very much against that event happening haunted me. The shelter was already full of happy healthy animals who were waiting for their second or third chance at finding a new home.

I tried to maintain a "safe" distance so I would not have to think about what "was happening. After all, most people cannot concern themselves with the mere loss of a pet animal's life. The box of puppies sat on the counter, the small cries of the pups could barely be heard over the barking and crying of the other dogs in the shelter.

The shelter worker then said something that I could not believe or rather did not want to believe. "The pups would not be able to find homes because they were too young."

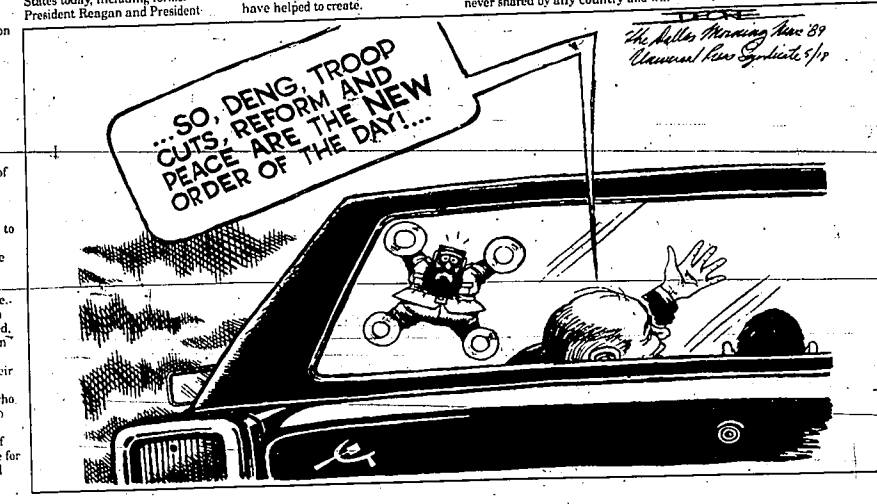
Reality set in. I turned and left the shelter knowing that this happens every day of every year. People always manage to convince themselves that in this waste of lives was only a dream of mine.

NORMA VIERSTRA
Twin Falls

Dogs' lives are wasted

The arrangements were all made the night before. The two family dogs — a black lab mix and a Beji dog were to be delivered to the animal shelter.

A pick-up truck carrying the unwanted pets pulled up to the animal shelter the next evening. A mysterious box accompanied the two dogs.



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Freedom is our defense

Our Secretary of State, James E. Baker III, said something last Saturday that I think really tells it like it is. He said, "Once people have a taste of freedom, you can't be able to take it away from them." (He was referring to the current situation in China, of course.)

But couldn't you say the same thing about the American people? And if this is the case, why are our leaders so convinced we must

never be shared by any country in the future.

Perhaps we would do best, therefore, not to prejudice the forms of society and government that may be devised by those who are awakening from the long night of totalitarianism.

For even if they should opt for democracy, it will be democracy in their national style, whether Chinese, Russian or Hungarian.

Lee Congdon, a specialist in East-Central Europe, is a professor of history at James Madison

Poorest, wealthiest pay the most tax

WASHINGTON (AP) — About 35 percent of every dollar of Americans' income goes for taxes, with the nation's poorest and wealthiest families paying considerably more than average, the Tax Foundation reported Wednesday.

In 1986, households under \$10,000 gave just about half their incomes — 49.5 percent — to federal, state and local governments. Those with incomes of \$30,000 and more paid an average 51.6 percent, the foundation said. The tax burden of Americans at all income levels averaged 35.53 percent. That figure rose slightly to

35.31 percent a year later, but detailed figures for 1987 are not yet available. The foundation, a Washington-based research organization whose trustees include heads of some of the nation's largest corporations, found glaring disparities between rich and poor in the burden of various types of taxes.

For example, a family with income between \$10,000 and \$15,000 paid 3.36 percent of its income for state and local sales taxes, compared with 1.42 percent for a \$30,000 family.

On the other hand, individual in-

come taxes took 27.4 percent from the wealthiest families, compared with 5.6 percent for the \$10,000-\$15,000 family. The average at all income levels was 11.3 percent.

A family under \$10,000 pays 10 times as much of its income in gasoline taxes (1.88 percent) as does an average \$30,000 family (0.19 percent). The average at all income levels is 0.71 percent. "Demands to reduce the federal budget deficit and to keep state and local spending under control sound loud and clear," wrote foundation president Robert C. Brown.

Report critical of nursing home insurance

WASHINGTON (AP) — Private nursing home insurance is so poorly regulated by states that federal rules may be necessary to protect America's elderly from rip-offs, the General Accounting Office said Wednesday.

In a report prepared at the direction of 88-year-old Rep. Claude Pepper, the GAO said many states allow insurers to sell policies with less protection than recommended by model plans developed by the national organization of state insurance commissioners.

"While such provisions can result in lower policy premiums," the report said, "they can adversely affect policy holders by decreasing the likelihood that needed services will be covered and increasing the risk of policy terminations."

Attempt to alter Bush S&L plan dies

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Judiciary Committee on Wednesday narrowly defeated a Republican attempt to blunt the key capital reform in President Bush's savings and loan bailout plan.

The amendment, which failed on a 17-17 vote, would have allowed some institutions to use administrative appeals to delay the imposition of tougher capital standards for up to 18 months.

Eleven Republicans and six Democrats supported the weakening amendment, offered by Reps. Henry J. Hyde, R-Ill., and Lawrence J. Smith, D-Fla. Three Republicans and 14 Democrats voted no. The committee chairman, Rep. Jack Brooks, D-Texas, obtained a majority vote for the latest in a series of bills by both the Judiciary panel and House Banking Committee in which Bush has attracted more Democratic

than Republican support for preserving his proposed reforms.

The banking committee adopted its version of S&L legislation three weeks ago. The full House will likely consider it early next month, along with alternatives to specific sections passed by other committees. The House bill and legislation passed by the Senate last month then would have to be reconciled in a conference between the two chambers.

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Male birth control is advancing

SEATTLE (AP) — Encouraging progress is being made on developing a reversible birth-control method for men, the first non-permanent male contraceptive since the condom was invented about 200 years ago, a researcher says.

Twenty-two Seattle-area men and their sexual partners are among about 250 couples worldwide participating in a study in which the men are injected with an anabolic steroid that shuts off sperm production, Dr. C. Alvin Paulsen said at a news conference Tuesday.

The purpose of the injectable contraceptive is to provide a reversible, alternative method to vasectomy, and also to take some of the burden of birth control off women, said Paulsen, a University of Washington professor of medicine and a major researcher in male contraception.

The product, if successful, may be marketable in about 10 years, he said. "This is a drug-seeking, dose-seeking exercise," Paulsen said of the human test program.

The injections are a combination of the male hormone testosterone and a compound that helps the hormone stay active in the body for seven to 10 days. When enough of the drug is injected, the brain senses it, signaling the testes to stop sperm production.

The injections of the synthetic hormone testosterone enanthate or TE are well below the steroid dosages that some athletes use, Paulsen said.

Dr. John McCracken, senior scientist at the Worcester Foundation for Experimental Biology in Shrewsbury, Mass., said Wednesday that the male injectable contraceptive seems to be effective because research so far indicates that TE does maintain male sexual drive. The foundation is where the original female birth control pill was formulated by Dr. Gregory Pincus in 1960.

"The depression of male libido has been the problem in the past with male contraceptives," McCracken said in a telephone interview.

Dr. C. Ward Barbin, director of the Center of Biomedical Research in New York, said the study needed a much larger sample of people to determine if the injections would be effective.

Six of the Seattle participants have finished a year-long series of injections without making their partners pregnant in that time.

Researchers had hoped about half of the couples participating worldwide would go a full year without a pregnancy. So far, about three-fourths of the participants who have reached the full-year stage at 70 men in six countries, have gone without a pregnancy, said Paulsen.

After 16 weeks of weekly injections, those men who develop no sperm are asked to discontinue all forms of contraception except for the weekly injections. The weekly injections then are continued for a year.

Paulsen said TE cannot be taken orally because the liver would destroy the drug's effectiveness. Other methods besides injections have not been tested yet, he said.

Paulsen said side effects of TE include a weight gain averaging about six pounds and, in some cases, acne may occur in men who were acne-prone in their younger years.

The UW is one of nine institutions worldwide, and the only one in the United States, working to develop an injectable male contraceptive, Paulsen said.



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California OKs assault gun ban

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Gov. George Deukmejian signed legislation today restricting the sale and possession of assault weapons in California, a first-in-the-nation law stemming from a schoolyard massacre.

The two bills signed by the Republican governor or virtually ban the sale of more than 50 specified semiautomatic assault rifles, pistols and shotguns after Jan. 1 and sharply restrict their possession.

Deukmejian said at the signing ceremony that law enforcement officers "need all the help we can give."

One gun-owners group immediately attacked the governor's actions, vowing to mount a recall drive against him and Assemblyman Mike Roos, author of one of the bills.

"Hundreds and thousands of gun owners throughout this state have called or written to George Deukmejian. Their message has been ignored," said Larry Kempton of Victorville, president of the California Gun Rights Committee.

Attempts to restrict such weapons had been blocked repeatedly by the gun lobby, led by the National Rifle Association, until a shooting rampage at a Stockton school four months ago left five children and the gunman dead.

The slayings by a deranged driver carrying a semiautomatic AK-47 rifle rallied the public support needed to push the measure through.



California Governor Deukmejian signs bill to ban the sale, possession of assault weapons in a ceremony in Sacramento.

Under the legislation, people who owned the listed weapons before June 1 may keep them by obtaining permits. Otherwise, the guns can be possessed only with a special-needs permit, such as those obtained by movie studios for machine guns.

House OKs funds to fight the drug war

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House approved legislation today that would add \$822 million to this year's federal efforts against drug traffickers, overcoming Bush administration complaints that the money was not needed.

On a 227-197 vote, the Democratic-controlled House approved a \$3.7 billion domestic spending bill containing the anti-drug money. The Senate will consider the legislation after that chamber's Memorial Day recess ends next week.

The House also planned to consider a separate bill that would transfer about \$900 million next year from the Star Wars missile defense program to anti-drug efforts. The measure was sponsored by a group of liberal Democrats, and would put pro-defense Republicans in the uncomfortable position of having to vote to hold down federal drug spending.

In addition, lawmakers were scheduled to debate a measure that would provide \$1.2 billion for veterans program.

Possession would be a misdemeanor, punishable by up to a year in jail and a \$1,000 fine, or a felony, carrying up to three years in prison. The bills would also increase the penalties for crimes in which assault weapons are used.

The House voted 219-201 to begin debate on the domestic spending bill, as majority Democrats overcame Republican efforts to block the measure.

Another \$1.2 billion for hard-pressed veterans programs was at stake in a third bill the House planned to consider, a measure that has bounced back and forth between them over past projects.

The Democratic effort to bolster anti-drug initiatives was opposed by the Bush administration and put Republicans in the politically embarrassing position of having to vote against higher drug spending. House Minority Leader Robert Michel, R-Ill., called the two measures "containing the drug funds" a "two-headed malodorous swamp animal."

Nonetheless, GOP lawmakers argued that the extra money for drug programs could wait until next year and would add even more red ink to the federal deficit. They also insisted that spending for anti-missile research should not be whittled down.

Cheney's daughter gets Yellowstone job when mom calls up

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — Defense Secretary Dick Cheney's daughter got a summer job at Yellowstone National Park after her mother called park officials who had initially rejected the girl's application.

"I wasn't calling as somebody in Washington, I was calling as a mother," Lynne Cheney said Wednesday from her Washington office. Mrs. Cheney is chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Mrs. Cheney said she saw nothing wrong with her intervening in her daughter's behalf and didn't think her position or her husband's influenced Barbee to "hire" their daughter.

Lines form for bread

NEW YORK (AP) — In what could have been a sequel to "Moscow on the Hudson," New Yorkers formed bread lines on Wednesday to buy loaves of real Russian rye flown in from the Soviet Union.

"We're selling it at a rate of one loaf every two minutes; right now, the line is very long," said Miraeed "Peake Smith, spokeswoman at Bloomingdale's, where 1,100 loaves arrived Tuesday night.

"One person came in and bought 14 loaves," she said. Among the buyers were employees from the Soviet mission to the United Nations.

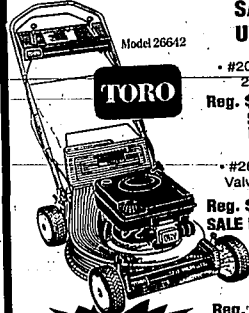
"The bread is good. It's not a gimmick," Ms. Smith said. "But Americans also seem to be fascinated with Russian items."

4-year-old dies saving infant brother in fire

CANTON, Miss. (AP) — A 4-year-old boy died while saving his infant brother from a fire in the family's mobile home, according to the firefighters who found them.

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Nation '75 blaze nearly got weapons

WASHINGTON (AP) — A raging fire aboard the USS Belknap in 1975 came within 40 feet of nuclear weapons aboard the nuclear cruiser, according to documents released by a private group Wednesday.

The collision in the Mediterranean between the Belknap and the aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy was widely reported, but the U.S. Navy did not note the nuclear aspect of the accident at the time or in lists compiled in 1981 and 1986 of incidents involving nuclear weapons.

But a newly declassified cable written by the task force commander shortly after the accident and released by independent analyst William Arkin alerted superiors to the "high probability that nuclear weapons" on the missile cruiser "were involved in fire and explosions subsequent to the collision."

The cable amounts to the first Navy acknowledgement of the accident's nuclear aspect. Indeed, asked about the cable, the Navy on Wednesday maintained its policy of refusing to confirm or deny the presence of nuclear weapons on its vessels.

"The Navy is lying about its nuclear accident record to cover up the presence of nuclear weapons that are routinely placed aboard ships and which routinely visit foreign ports," said Arkin, who released the documents with the environmental group Greenpeace.

Eight sailors were killed and 46 were injured when the Belknap and the Kennedy collided 70 miles off Sicily on Nov. 26, 1975.

Aviation fuel from the carrier rained down on the cruiser, knocking out its fire-fighting equipment. Two other vessels came alongside and extinguished the blaze, said Adm. Eugene Carroll, a retired officer who commanded the carrier task force at the time.

"It was pretty hairy out there. As we viewed the Belknap, it seemed to be a fairly total involvement. As it turned out, the fire gutted the midships," Carroll said in an interview.

U.S. gives support to Israeli plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — The State Department, in a gesture to Israel, offered wholehearted support Wednesday for that country's proposal for Palestinian elections in the occupied territories as part of an overall peace plan.

It was the first time the Bush administration had expressed unreserved backing for the election proposal set forth seven weeks ago.

The statement appeared designed to placate Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, who was highly critical of a speech on the Middle East two days ago by Secretary of State James A. Baker III.

The administration is reserving judgment about other aspects of Shamir's peace plan. But on the election proposal, State Department spokesman Margaret Tutwiler said, "We are wholeheartedly supportive of his election proposals. We want to work with the Israelis and the Palestinians to move the peace process forward," she said.

Under Shamir's proposal "interlocutors" would be chosen by Palestinians for the purpose of entering into negotiations with Israel for limited self-government.

Israeli Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who is in Washington this week making a peace pitch for American support for the plan, Shamir bluntly rejected Baker's statement on Monday calling on Israel to abandon any notion of retaining permanent control over the occupied territories and to cease further Jewish settlements on the West Bank.

Ms. Tutwiler said other comments made by Shamir about the speech were positive. She added that Baker has the "highest respect" for Shamir.

She said Baker's speech made clear the U.S. view that the Israelis have provided the United States something to work with in efforts to advance the peace process and that the Arabs are being asked for a constructive response.

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HAGGAR

KIDS SHOULD ALWAYS FOLLOW THEIR PARENTS' EXAMPLE, RIGHT?

THAT'S RIGHT, SON

GOOD! BECAUSE GRAND DAD ALWAYS GIVES ME ALL THE COOKIES I WANT

5-25

HAGGAR

I HAVEN'T SEEN CALVIN FOR ABOUT 15 MINUTES NOW.

THAT PROBABLY MEANS HE'S GETTING IN TROUBLE.

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FRANK & ERNEST

CLASS REUNION

THIS CAN'T BE OUR GROUP, ERNIE... THERE'S NOBODY IN THERE BUT A BUNCH OF OLD PEOPLE.

5-25

- ACROSS
- Sneers
 - Sweave
 - Le — Milan
 - Apple
 - Concerning
 - Rube
 - Father
 - Above
 - Contemplative
 - Person
 - Goffer Sam
 - Comp. pt.
 - Pavillions
 - Give up
 - Returns to custody
 - Cap
 - Full of: suff.
 - Nitrogen compounds
 - Remains unchanged
 - Julaps
 - Tablet
 - Pulsile
 - Violence
 - Laundry workers
 - Lim
 - Draft letters
 - Crude metal
 - Most
 - attractive
 - Garet
 - Sea eagle
 - Ready and willing
 - Keaton of films
 - Astronaut
 - Armstrong
 - Hack
 - "Gantry"
 - Sensible
 - Give off
 - Shabby
 - Rim
 - trap for (fly to catch)
 - DOWN
 - Hardy heroism
 - Shower
 - Farm unit
 - Gamo birds

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Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

BEAT MOTOR DALE
 ABLE MOLE AVAL
 BOAR TENDERNESS
 ANIMATES UPHATE
 IDEAS BELIE
 CORNER ROCK RIDE
 ALLEA BULL SHOTS PLIE
 EVE TESS PRIDE
 YETS NET COOPER
 APERCAMPAIGN
 TASTES SPACE TARE
 OUTERS EASE EMIY
 SOPS ORESS SAIPES

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 60 Ms. Matherly

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ASTROLOGICAL FORECASTS

IF MAY 25 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY you are spiritual, concerned with morality and can be your own most severe critic. Current cycle highlights interest in philosophical subject, sensitivity concerning wardrobe, weight, body image. Pisces, Virgo persons play important roles in your life. Emotional trauma took place this month but you are on way to recovery. During June, you'll be on way to recovery, creative juices will flow, you could also be madly in love. Fresh start in new direction for you in July.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Relaxation of tensions enables you to sample the flow of life. Obstacle is removed, friendly persuasion replaces arguments. Youth gain affection and could win contest. Stick with number 4.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Open dialogue with Aquarius. Emphasis on legal affairs, public relations, ability to tell your side of story. Partner or mate will have plenty to say. Summertime "let" is ready to get Gemini (May 21-June 20): Domestic adjustment featured. Scenario also highlights meditation, reflection, reading material concerned with philosophy, spiritual values. Your "soul mate" is ready to make appearance.

Cancer (June 21-July 21): Legal danger is left in abeyance. Play waiting game. Decision this day would favor opposition. Start for time "Secret" meeting could involve romance. Surprise includes news of hidden resources.

Leo (July 22-Aug. 22): Emphasis on power, authority, ability to push through special program. Scenario features legal requirements, permissions, partnership, marital status. Older individual helps obtain necessary funds.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Perceive potential. Employment full is temporary. Scenario features distance, language, travel, educational material. Budget will be "found" for entertainment program. Aries plays role.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): What had been multiple will be located. Young person involved in "hide-and-seek." Moon position highlights sensuality, personal magnetism, strong love relationship. Love, Aquarius persons are in picture.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21): Emphasis on property security, unique dialogue with older woman, possibly mother. If attitude, you-amazing, romance, emotionally and hopeful in connection with finances. Cancer natal plays role.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Keep resolutions concerning exercise, diet, nutrition. Display roles, purple and pink. Relative talks about short journey but neglects to mention money. Manifestation of humor and fitness.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Lunar position accents personal possessions, redactions, income. Bead between links, study results with efforts to show you will be repaid within 10 days. Scorpio plays instrumental role.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Moon in your sign emphasizes straightforward, direct, adventure, personal magnetism. People want to hear what you say, many are conversed with efforts to please you. Your questions will be answered.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): You become aware of "secret" weapon. Much that happens is of clandestine nature. Changes occur at home, including addition of large appliance. Surprise party is in planning stage.

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What's what

Cranberry vs. scurvy
 Q. While the early English sailors were cutting lines to prevent scurvy, what were the American sailors eating for the same reason?
 A. Cranberries.

Do you know your astrological sign?
 Find out, that's not so silly a query, evidently. Pollsters say one American in four doesn't know.

You're a "drinker," according to Federal Health statisticians, even if you only drink one beer a month.

Q. Don't U.S. residents eat more chicken per capita than other people?
 A. Except for Israelis, No. 1, and Saudi Arabians, No. 2.

SOUND THROUGH GLASS
 When a car backfires in front of your house, you hear the bang more quickly with your windows closed than when open. Not really. But in theory. Only theory. Sound travels through glass faster than through air.

Not too deep in the files of the market researchers is the fact that people in Dallas eat more spinach than citizens elsewhere.

Twenty-eight percent of the population of Ireland is still made up of unmarried men aged 15 to 49, according to recent report. Quite a passel of bachelors, what?

DRINK OF OLD
 Q. The mixed drink called a "Tom" — what's it made of?
 A. Eggs, sugar, cognac and hot water. That one goes back 150 years to New Orleans. Don't believe it's served anywhere now.

A fact gatherer who purports to know insists "Rover" remains the country's most common name for a dog.

Salamanders always have twins.

Those who work with their brains need more sleep than those who work with their muscles, according to the medical researchers.

Q. How does the Sahara compare in size to the United States?
 A. About the same.

It's reported Soviet shortbustlers end two out of every three pregnancies there.

Don't stir it too much, Mommy. I like to have a little chocolate mud left at the bottom.

Smoke-free program graduates students

BOSTON (AP) — With songs like "Smoke Is No Joke" and a skit that turned the big bad wolf into a wheezing swamp, the first group of first-graders graduated with honors Wednesday from a national anti-smoking program.

Seven-year-old Elizabeth Gomes, wearing a mortar board made of red construction paper and a proud grin, promised she would never be a smoker.

"If I smoke, I'll get sick," she said, noting that her father smokes and she is trying to get him to stop.

The "Smoke-Free Class of 2000" program started last fall in 28,000 schools with the aim of ensuring the 800,000 first-graders are non-smokers through their high school graduations. It is sponsored by the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association and the American Lung Association.

The goal is to reach children before cigarette advertising does.

Most smokers first try cigarettes between the ages of 12 and 14, according to the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

By the sixth grade, 7 percent of boys and girls call themselves regu-

lar smokers, said Martha Wood of the state Department of Public Health.

Nearly 20 percent of American teenagers smoke cigarettes, according to NJDA. About half of the high school seniors who smoke say they want to quit, but follow-up studies show 73 percent are still daily smokers eight years later.

As the age where kids begin to smoke gets lower and lower, we want to begin the education process earlier," said Judy Gelman, spokeswoman for the American Lung Association of Massachusetts.

On Wednesday, the 70 first-graders at the Joseph P. Tynan school seemed to have heard the non-smoking message.

They staged a skit about a dozen little pigs and a wolf who's a heavy smoker. The wolf threatens to huff and puff and blow their house down, but coughs and wheezes instead.

"Who's afraid of the wolf that smokes? Not me!" the children sang. Before an audience of parents, teachers and kindergartners, who will participate in the program next fall, the children also performed a song called "Smoke Is No Joke."



Marissa Pettigrew-Gordon holds up a 'Smoke-Free Class of 2000' T-shirt Wednesday in Boston during graduation ceremonies for 70 1st graders completing the project

Idaho woman is mother of year

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — An Idaho Falls mother of 10 has been named "Mother of the Year" by the national Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Shola Ann Olsen will receive her award from President Bush in a White House ceremony June 21.

Mrs. Olsen, 50, was named the Idaho Multiple Sclerosis Society's Mother of the Year in March, which put her in the running for the national award. James Phelps, chairman of the board of the Idaho chapter, said he was not surprised.

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Dick Clark wishes he'd been a musician

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — Dick Clark is justifiably proud of his place in rock 'n' roll history, but he admits he wouldn't have minded being a headliner instead of a host.

"My only regret is that I didn't study more on the piano," Clark said in a recent interview. "I've gotten awards where I've mentioned in the same company of musicians, and while it makes me proud, it also humbles me."

Still, he said, "I may not be a king of rock 'n' roll... but I certainly was there playing midwife."

Clark, who hosted "American Bandstand" on television for more than 20 years, will play host to The

Spinners, The Guess Who, The Association and The Drivers in the "American Bandstand Concert Tour" at Bully's Grand Hotel Casino on Saturday.

The tour is one of Clark's first performing jobs since he gave the reins of "American Bandstand" over to his hand-picked successor, David Hirsch, 26, earlier this year.

Clark, who was 23 when he took over "Bandstand" and now is 59, concedes that he "stepped down reluctantly." "It's one of those things I didn't want to say goodbye to," he said. "But I was getting out of an age range with the kids that I was comfortable with."

Neighbor: Girl planned blackmail of Rob Lowe

ATLANTA (AP) — A 17-year-old girl who allegedly took part in a pornographic videotape with actor Rob Lowe reportedly told her next-door neighbor that she planned to blackmail the star for \$2 million.

The neighbor's statement was contained in a court affidavit filed last summer in Cobb County Superior Court as part of the girl's parents' divorce. The Atlanta Journal and The Atlanta Constitution reported Wednesday.

The girl's mother filed a civil lawsuit in Fulton County on May 12

seeking unspecified civil damages from Lowe, and prosecutors are considering possible criminal charges against the 21-year-old Brat Paek star for exploitation of a minor. The girl was 16 at the time of the alleged incident.

News reports have said the girl, who turned 17 in April, apparently met Lowe in Atlanta during last summer's Democratic National Convention. An acquaintance said in an affidavit filed in the Cobb County case that the girl said she and another woman had sex with Lowe and that they all took turns filming, each other, the newspapers reported.

Etch-A-Sketch artist popular

BURBANK, Calif. (AP) — They may not rank up there with the works of Picasso or Matisse, but Michael Angelo Vidal Jr.'s Etch-A-Sketch masterpieces are drawing rave reviews at the Burbank Central Library.

"It's incredible," said Michael Lewis as he gazed at an elaborate drawing of a knight battling a scaly dragon outside a brick medieval castle. "I've been doing Etch-A-Sketch since I was little and all I can draw is a face."

While the art world reels from an insatiable demand for big-name creations such as "Yo Picasso," the self-

portrait which recently sold for \$47 million, the visionary Vidal is plotting a new artistic course.

Equipped with a standard toy-store-issue Etch-A-Sketch, Vidal meticulously moves the horizontal and vertical knobs on the red 5-by-7-inch "magic screen" filled with metallic powder.

"Sobn, Voila!" The little black squiggle that has kept kids quiet in the back seat for three decades becomes another Vidal Original.

Michael Angelo Vidal (and that's his real name) wasn't always an accomplished Etch-A-Sketcher.

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Meet the two toughest cops

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SAT-SUN-MON 1:00-3:00-5:00-7:00-9:00

GENE WILDER SEE NOVEL HEAR NOVEL

DAILY 7:30-9:30
SAT-SUN-MON 1:30-3:30-5:30-7:30-9:30

ON OUR 40 FOOT CURVED SCREEN AND 6 TRACK DOLBY SURROUND SOUND

INDIANA JONES and the LAST CRUSADE

DAILY 7:00-9:40
SAT-SUN-MON 1:40-4:20-7:00-9:40

KEVIN COSTNER

FIELD OF DREAMS

DAILY 7:30-9:30
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DEAD IS BETTER

PET SEMATARY

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Institute questions Gorbachev's reforms

LONDON (AP) — The Cold War is over, but global security now is threatened by the buildup of ballistic missiles in developing countries, a research institute said Wednesday in an annual report.

The International Institute for Strategic Studies also raised doubts about whether Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev will succeed with his reforms, or even survive.

"While skepticism about Gorbachev's sincerity was subsiding among Western leaders, questions about his ability to succeed, and even to stay in

power, abound," said the report.

"Open opposition and challenges have been replaced with grumbling beneath the surface," it said. "This does not necessarily make Gorbachev's situation any less dangerous."

Institute director Francois Heisbourg told a news conference that 1988 was "the year in which the Cold War ended."

"We move from a highly polarized and very threatening world... (into one) which will be much less stable, much more messy, albeit with a much more relaxed East-West relationship," Heisbourg said.

Iran prays for thanks of Khomeini surgery

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — The president of Iran led one of many prayer sessions held around the country Wednesday to give thanks for the successful surgery on Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, Tehran Radio reported.

President Ali Khamenei and others said the operation, to stop bleeding in the Iranian leader's digestive tract, was a complete success and the 89-year-old revolutionary patriarch is in good condition a day after the operation.

"God willing, we will see the Imam for long years, healthier and stronger, at the helm of the Islamic Republic," parliament speaker

Hashemi Rafsanjani said after visiting Khomeini.

Doctors who performed the operation said Khomeini's heart, kidneys, respiration, blood pressure and pulse all were normal, said Tehran radio, monitored in Nicosia.

Rafsanjani was received by Khomeini along with close friends and relatives in his hospital room Wednesday morning, the radio said.

"He was in bed, and the doctors were around him. His health was very good," Rafsanjani was quoted as saying.

"He was very cheerful. I asked him if he had any pain, and he replied that we has very little and

that he is comfortable. He is feeling very well."

His previously unreported illness highlighted the question of who will govern Iran after he dies.

Khomeini ousted his designated successor, Ayatollah Hussein Ali Montazeri, on March 28 for criticizing his policies and appointed a 20-man committee of leading political, clerical and legal figures to settle the leadership question.

Briefly

Nazi collaborator Touvier arrested

PARIS (AP) — One of France's most notorious Nazi collaborators was arrested Wednesday and charged with crimes against humanity after spending most of four decades in hiding.

Paul Touvier, captured at a priory in Nice, faces trial for crimes he allegedly committed while leading the pro-Nazi French militia in Lyon, where he worked closely with Gestapo chief Klaus Barbie.

Touvier, 74, was captured Wednesday morning in Nice and flown to Paris for questioning, police said. He was taken in a guarded fire department ambulance to the Palais de Justice where he was charged, and then transferred to a prison in Fresnes, south of the capital.

E. German escapes in roadsweeper

Los Angeles Times

MUNICH, West Germany — An East German roadsweeping machine operator escaped to West Germany Wednesday by driving his vehicle at full speed past two startled East German guards, Bavarian border police said.

The man, whose identity was withheld, said he had been on a routine roadsweeping detail Wednesday morning on the access road to the border crossing between Meiningen in East Germany and the Lower Bavarian hamlet of Eussenhausen.

His cleaning duties took him up to the border crossing itself, he said, and when the guards were not looking, he stepped on the gas and drove to the West.

Iran releases sick, disabled Iraqi POWs

Los Angeles Times

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran has released a group of "sick and disabled" Iraqi prisoners of war, the official news agency IRNA reported Wednesday.

IRNA said 50 POWs were freed, but International Red Cross officials in Geneva said 49 were flown to Baghdad Tuesday aboard a Red Cross plane.

There was no explanation for the discrepancy in figures.

Iran said nine of those released sought asylum in Iran "in the presence of Red Cross representatives," and that another "succumbed to his sickness."

To keep the total at 50, Iranian authorities released 10 more POWs, the agency reported, quoting an Iranian government source at the commission in charge of Iraqi POWs.

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Around the valley

2-year-old girl dies in accident Wednesday

TWIN FALLS — A 2-year-old girl died early Wednesday after she fell out of a car her mother was backing out of a Monroe Street driveway.

The girl, Sarah Leigh of Hazelton, died instantly. Her second birthday was May 19.

The accident happened at 10:25 a.m., just after a family visit, said Jo Ann Loveland, Twin Falls patrol woman. The mother, Linda Leigh, 38, started to leave the house with her three children in the car, but forgot something and went back into the house.

Leigh returned to the car and backed out of the driveway at 590 Monroe Street, Loveland said, unaware one of the children apparently had unlocked and opened the passenger door.

Sarah fell out of the passenger door and under the car as it was backing out, Loveland said.

O'Leary Junior High teacher elected education president

TWIN FALLS — An O'Leary Junior High School social studies teacher has been elected president of the Idaho Education Association.

Dick Chilcote, who has taught in Twin Falls for 20 years, will leave his teaching post after this school year to fulfill his two-year term as the association's head.

He has been active in the teachers union and has held IEA local and state leadership positions for 16 years. Currently, he is the IEA vice president.

Smoldering weeds cause of fire that burns Jerome barn

JEROME — A fire apparently started by smoldering weeds burned a vacant barn about three miles north of here, the Jerome County Sheriff's Department said.

About 25 city and rural firefighters answered a call from a neighbor at 6:47 a.m. who noticed a small fire behind a building owned by Charles Hancock, of Hancock Honey, Sheriff Larry Gold said. The fire was declared under control at 8:15 p.m., he said.

Hancock told investigators he had been burning weeds in the field and left shortly after 3 p.m. But wind apparently fanned live embers and started a fire in a shed next to the barn, Gold said. The building, vacant for about a year, was more than 50 percent destroyed, Gold said.

Key Bank pledges to give CSI \$5,000 for program

BURLEY — The College of Southern Idaho Foundation received a boost from Key Bank Wednesday when the bank pledged its support for the college's satellite program.

Key Bank will give the college \$1,000 a year for five years. The money is to be earmarked for the new Mini-Cassia Center, where many Key Bank employees have continued their education, said Gary Hubsmith, manager of Key Bank's Burley branch.

The CSI Foundation purchased property from the Methodist Church and has established classrooms in the old church's Sunday School building. The foundation has set a goal of \$308,000 to pay for the land, building and for new equipment. So far it has raised \$222,000.

More than 600 students have enrolled in classes here each semester for the past two years. "We believe in continuing education and we feel CSI is very vital to this area," Hubsmith said.

Noranda to monitor effects on wildlife near gold mine

BURLEY — Noranda Mining Co. has reached an agreement with state and federal governments to monitor any effects on wildlife from its proposed gold mine south of here — if it decides to go ahead with the project.

Under the plan, the company will fly wildlife biologists over its Black Pine Mine project to inventory wildlife. Action will be taken if mining begins to affect wildlife.

The company had previously agreed to build a pond to draw wildlife away from the mining site, reclaim the area once mining ends and transfer water rights to the government for wildlife and other resource uses. Noranda proposed the mine last year, but weak gold prices have prompted the company officials to reassess the project. A decision is expected within the next several weeks.

Covered wagon trek begins

By DENISE TURNER
Times-News correspondent

RICHFIELD — Donald "Cotton" Riley has always been a pioneer at heart. Today, he'll have the chance to experience the real thing — or as close as he can get.

This morning he will climb aboard the covered wagon he built and begin the 250-mile journey to Bannack, Mont., where he'll hook up with about 80 heavy pioneers in a wagon train to Helena.

The Montana Draft Horse and Mule Association's Wagon Train, a 200-mile trek from Bannack to Helena, is set for June 12-July 3 to celebrate Montana's 1989 Centennial.

"I rode for the Camas County Cow Association for 22 years," said Riley, 67, a retired farmer who describes himself as a poor man draining the barrel for this once-in-a-lifetime trip. "I've always wanted to see what pioneer life was like."

An experienced hand with wagons and mules, Riley began more than two years ago replacing bolts, building sideboxes, brushing on linseed finishes and constructing a canvas top with hoops. The wagon will include a kind of tent for cooking and sleeping in bad weather. "I will be able to jack horse," he said.

Riley hired a wheelwright to rebuild his wagon's eight wheels, which are required to be wooden for the trip, at a cost of \$135 a wheel, or \$1,080. He spent another \$400 on a chuck wagon/cupboard with four drawers, which is made with metalware off an old mining car. He will take along three or four head of mules and will use his second wagon to haul supplies.

"I have a 35-gallon wooden barrel for water and a two-burner gas stove for cooking," Riley said. The daily fare will consist of potatoes, canned fruit and elk meat put up in pint jars.

Shoing tools and wagon jacks will also be hauled along on the trip. "You have to grease the wheels daily," Riley said.

The wagon trip, according to the association, will be long and hard along dirt roads and trails in steep country. Riley planned his route to Bannack using Bureau of Land Management maps. He'll head northeast from Richfield to Dubois, then turn north over the mountains.

He'll be joined there by his wife, Nina, and her sister, Pearl Patrick, of Salt Lake City, who plan to drive up. Nina says

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Donald 'Cotton' Riley worked on his wagon for more than two years

Memorial Day weekend gas prices on the rise

By BRAD BOWLIN
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The long Memorial Day weekend, the traditional summer fun kickoff, will feature dips in a new pool, thrills in the sky and campfires in the hills.

Driving in the Gem State will not be cheap, however.

The average price of gasoline across Idaho will be just over \$1.23 a gallon, nearly 21 cents higher than during the Easter weekend at the end of March, the American Automobile Association reports.

The survey found 36 percent of Idaho service stations plan to operate around the clock during the weekend and nearly all stations will be open on Memorial Day.

Fortunately, fuel is available close to home.

The Thunderbirds, the Air Force's showpiece flying squadron will take to the air Sunday as part of the Mountain Home Air Force Base community appreciation day. Various aircraft will be on display, including a B-1 bomber and a Soviet MiG-15, said Steve Solmson, chief of public affairs for the Air Force Base.

Large crowds are expected, he said. Two

years ago, 60,000 spectators showed up for the Thunderbirds' show, and many people

American Legion to place flags

TWIN FALLS — The local American Legion post will place flags at the graves of veterans in Sunset Memorial Park and Twin Falls Cemetery Saturday in observance of Memorial Day.

Aron Boy Scouts will join the American Legion in placing more than 600 flags, said Roland Gardner, adjutant of the American Legion Post 7.

A memorial plaque and flagpole honoring Filer men who died in World War II and the Korean and Vietnam wars will be dedicated Friday at Filer High School.

Members of the American Legion and the families of the 16 honorees will conduct the ceremony at 1 p.m.

On Memorial Day, all area veterans groups will gather for services at Sunset Memorial Park at 11 a.m. Randall Russell, junior vice commander of the

Veterans of Foreign Wars department of Idaho, will speak.

William Rose of the American Legion and Don Overlin of the Disabled American Veterans will receive plaques for their service to veterans, Gardner said.

The annual ceremony began about 20 years ago, he said.

After the ceremony, the veterans will convoy to the Rock Creek Cemetery south of Hansen for a dedication ceremony.

Veterans groups and local citizens recently volunteered more than 600 man-hours to restore the pioneer cemetery. Rep. Richard Stallings, D-Idaho also plans to attend, Gardner said.

The American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans, Vietnam Veterans and Pearl Harbor Survivors will all be represented, Gardner said.

Deputy charged with accepting loan

By FERRELL WILLIAMS
Times-News correspondent

GOODING — The chief deputy of the Gooding County Sheriff's Office has been charged with accepting a loan from a man the department was investigating.

Under Idaho law it is illegal for an employee of a public agency to accept gifts from a person subject to that agency's jurisdiction.

Midemeanor charges filed Wednesday state that Carl Taylor, a Gooding deputy for about two years, allegedly asked for and accepted \$5,000 from Arthur Troutner, who has been under investigation for allegedly furnishing alcohol to minors at his Hagerman residence.

The investigation of Troutner is continuing, according to documents. No charges have been filed against him.

At the request of Gooding County

Prosecutor Lynn Nelson, criminal investigator Richard LeGall of the Idaho Attorney General's office in Boise investigated allegations against Taylor and filed a report on May 19.

LeGall's report states that on Nov. 15, 1988, Sheriff Robert Aja directed Taylor to begin an investigation into allegations that Troutner was furnishing alcohol to minors.

According to court documents, Taylor

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Mushroom investor 'forced' to sign guarantee

By KRISTAN WATKINS
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY — Sam Jordan, a former Twin Falls beer distributor and investor in the Bliss Valley Brewery farm, testified in court Wednesday that Idaho First National Bank "forced" him to sign additional guarantees in the fall of 1985.

Jordan also testified that Bill Babcock, manager of the Idaho First's Twin Falls

branch, threatened to cut off the bank's loan to Bliss Valley if he and his wife, Barbara, did not sign the guarantee.

"Babcock said, 'If you don't sign it, we're going to discontinue giving any more funds to the mushroom farm,'" Jordan said.

The trial has not established what effect the guarantees would have on the liability of the farm's investors.

Jordan's attorney, Jack Gyording, tried to establish that it could have caused the

bank to pursue the assets of the investors, when the mushroom project went sour, rather than the general partners in the venture.

Investors have testified Babcock told them the bank would first pursue the assets of the Bliss Valley corporation, then Robert Perkins and Thomas Walker Jr., the co-owners of the farm, and lastly the investors.

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County enters dairy suit

By KIRK MITCHELL
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The county has joined in lawsuit against a dairy that argues the city lacks the authority to enforce its laws in its impact area.

The city has been trying since late last year to shut down Keith Jones' 17-acre dairy just north of the Low Line Canal on Blue Lakes Boulevard, claiming it violates city zoning ordinances and the building code.

Jeff Stoker, Jones' attorney, has recently sought to throw the case out of 5th District Court by asserting that it is unconstitutional for the city to govern inside its impact area. The impact area lies outside city limits, but is partially controlled by the city for future growth.

A hearing on a motion by Jones for summary judgment is scheduled for June 12.

City Attorney Fritz Wonderlich said he disagrees that the city cannot enforce laws in its impact area, but as a precaution he wants the county to back the city up with its laws.

"I avoid the argument totally by doing it this way," he said.

The county has adopted by reference the city ordinance.

"The city is requesting that you authorize us to pursue the matter in the name of the county as well as the city," Wonderlich said in a letter to the county.

Commissioners at their regular Wednesday meeting did just that.

Wonderlich also asked the county to consider renegotiating the impact area so that it will not have to ask the county to join lawsuits each time it tries to enforce its ordinances.

The city is asking the county to formally adopt ordinances that mirror its own in the impact area and give the city authority to enforce the laws.

Commissioner Jim Fraley said he is willing to consider the change if the city also indemnifies the county from having to pay enforcement costs.

Commissioners voted to allow the issue to go before the Planning and Zoning Board

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Arrive early

Gates will be open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., with the Thunderbirds performing early in the afternoon, he said. Admission and parking are free.

The new Twin Falls city pool will begin the summer — with three days of free swimming.

Weather permitting, the pool will be open from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. all three days. Lifeguards will be at the pool, located on Locust Street behind the high school.

In Hagerman, the second annual State Fossil Day on Saturday will feature a parade, an open house at the Hagerman Valley Historical Museum and two tours of the fossil beds.

James McClure, R-Idaho, and Rep. Richard Stallings, D-Idaho, are scheduled to participate in a ceremony marking the fossil beds' designation as a national park.

Campgrounds

Camping enthusiasts will find plenty of open campgrounds this weekend, according to the U.S. Forest Service and the Idaho Parks and Recreation Department. Here's a rundown:

All campgrounds in the South Hills area

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Edwards wants opinions about investments

By ANNETTE CARY
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Should Idaho government be spending its money in lucrative overseas financial markets?

Treasurer Ledia Justice Edwards wants taxpayers to tell her whether they want to expand the state's enthusiasm for international trade to state financial transactions, she said at the Twin Falls Rotary Club meeting Wednesday.

She has already hired a U.S. underwriter to handle next year's tax anticipation notes — money she borrows to cover temporary shortfalls — at an interest rate of 7 3/4 percent. But Kentucky has hired a general insurance underwriter who charges only 4 1/2 percent interest.

"Is it more important to save money, or

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Valley life

A word to the wise is to keep silent about 38-year error

DEAR ABBY: Thirty-eight years ago, I crocheted a tablecloth as a wedding gift for my husband's sister. (I'll call her Charlotte. I asked my mother-in-law to deliver it to her because Charlotte and my mother-in-law lived in the same neighborhood, and I lived on the other side of town. I never received any kind of "thank-you" from Charlotte, and I didn't have the nerve to ask my mother-in-law if she ever delivered the tablecloth to her. I just assumed she did. Well, Abby, after all these



Abigail VanBuren
Dear Abby

years, I visited Charlotte, and there on her dining room table was the tablecloth I had crocheted for her. I was delighted to see it there, and I exclaimed, "My, how lovely that tablecloth looks on your table!" Charlotte replied, "Thank you. I just

love it. My mother made it for me." Abby, I was shocked speechless, but I never said a word. This has really bothered me, but since my mother-in-law has been dead for several years now, I saw no point in telling Charlotte that I had crocheted that cloth for her. I had asked her mother to take it to her. What do you think should be done about all these years?

— PUZZLED IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR PUZZLED: Nothing. Your initial decision to remain silent was both kind and wise. Keep it that way.

DEAR ABBY: I never thought I'd be writing to you, but at least it's not about a personal problem. I want to thank you for allowing The Tacoma, News Tribune to print a few recipes from your cookbooklet. I made your gourmet rice pudding, and it was out of this world!

I am a homemaker with two children. My husband is the supervising chef at the Tacoma General Hospital. He called me from work today and I told him I was in the middle of making a new dessert and he said, "Oh, nooo!" He is leery about new recipes. Well, to make a long story short, I gave him a bowl of your rice pudding for dessert that evening, and he asked for a second bowl. Then he said it was so good he wanted to know if you'd have any objections to his giving the recipe to

the hospital for it to use. Now, that's a compliment!

I'm enclosing \$3.50 for your favorite recipes cookbooklet. If the others are as good as the rice pudding, I'll be more than satisfied.

— KAREN COOK, TACOMA, WASH.

DEAR KAREN: Tell your husband he has my permission to take that recipe to the hospital for its use. And if he thinks the rice pudding is out of this world, he should try my quick-and-easy date cake. (It tastes like chocolate!)

DEAR ABBY: I recently lost my beloved husband after 42 years of marriage. This was difficult enough, but some of my friends and neighbors act as though I not only lost my husband, but my mind as well.

They are constantly giving me advice about what to do with my husband's business and my large

home. I know they mean well, but I have two wonderful grown children who are sensible and intelligent. I also have a good lawyer, and if I feel I need advice on how to take care of my business, I'll go to those people. So far, I have listened patiently to all this unasked-for advice, but my patience is wearing thinner and thinner. Is there a diplomatic way to handle this?

— A SAD WIDOW, NOT A STUPID ONE

DEAR SAD: Tell your friends exactly what you have told me — that you appreciate their advice, but you have the situation well in hand.

Abby's favorite recipes are going like hotcakes! Send your name and address, plus check or money order for \$3.50 (\$4 in Canada) to: Abby's Cookbooklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61051. (Postage is included.)

Valley happenings

Smoke cessation class starts Friday

TWIN FALLS— A smoking cessation class will begin Friday at the South Central District Health Department. Betsy Jordan, R.N., an American Lung Association-trained instructor, will teach the class from noon to 1:30 p.m. The seven-session clinic will run conclude June 30. Fee is \$50 and \$25 will be returned to participants who attend all of the sessions. Enrollment is limited and a minimum of five is required to hold the class. Pre-registration is necessary by calling 734-3300.

Self-esteem workshop set for June 3

TWIN FALLS— "Celebrate Your Uniqueness," a self-esteem workshop, will be held from 8 a.m. to

4:30 p.m. June 3 in Room 105 of the College of Southern Idaho Shields Building, presented by Southern Idaho Hospital and the CSI Center for New Directions. Cost is \$30. Deadline for pre-registration is Friday with open registration to be held from 8 to 9 a.m. June 3. Call Canyon View Hospital, 734-5100, to pre-register. Center for New Direction participants can call the center, 736-0070.

Bike safety class begins on June 20

HOLLISTER— The Salmon Trackers 4-H Club will hold bicycle safety classes. Anyone interested in is asked to contact Phil and Suzanne Auth, 734-2613. The next group meeting is at 7 p.m. June 20 at the Hollister grange.

Anniversary — Lee Rayborn's piano students had recital at Nazarene church

JEROME— Mr. and Mrs. Herman Jacobson will be honored at an open house Saturday in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center, 212 1st Ave. E. in Jerome.

The event is being given by their children, Jacqueline, Oley, Bruce and Treem.

TWIN FALLS— Piano students of Lee Rayborn presented a recital at the Church of the Nazarene in Twin Falls.

Participating were Heidi Schneidermann, Alyson Kral, Dillon Mayas, Annie Howard, Jason Dick, Christina Sievers, Erin Foss, Robby Becht, Jennifer Simons, Kimberly Kral, Bryan Lynch, Erin Talkington, Nathan Welch, Carrie Hunter, Diana

Berry, David Broner, Beth Hyatt, Pam Howard, Kelly Cope, Rebecca Church, Amy Jo Becht, Mike Stubbs, Angie Eucker, Kristina Lynch, Ross Hyatt, Sheila Davis, Heather Parry, Jaime Dick, Julie Wheeler, Tyler Harris, Gina Willey, Clint Mayas, Renee Hafer, Jared Stubbs, Julie Lane, Travis Volveller, Christina Cady, John Harris and Lorie Wheeler.



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World

Soviet parliament hopes for a free hand

MOSCOW (AP) — Gestures from the Kremlin have given hope to delegates of the new Soviet parliament that they will have an independent voice in solving pressing economic and social problems when its first session convenes Thursday.

Early indications had been that Communist Party leaders intended to direct the decisions of the parliament, known as the Congress of People's Deputies, but they have been backing off lately.

The leadership called a meeting Tuesday of its majority in the congress, rousing fear that the program would be dictated. Instead, the session was thrown open to non-party deputies and a free discussion followed, said Yuri Andreyev, a member from Moscow.

Andreyev, a construction engineer, described the meeting as a rehearsal for similar outspoken sessions in the congress.

"There are no decisions required of all the deputies," he said. "This is very important."

Kremlin leaders also hoped earlier proposals for a party slate to fill the 542 seats in a smaller working legislature to be elected by the congress, said Andreyev and Marju Lauristin, a deputy

from Estonia.

Vadim Medvedev, the party ideologist, said on state television Tuesday night: "I don't think we should limit any discussions. We just have to live through them."

On Monday, a meeting of deputies from the Russian republic rejected a partial slate of 147 names for the legislature submitted by party leaders, said Sergei Stankevich of the Moscow Deputies Club.

Since no slate was offered at the Tuesday meeting of Communist Party deputies from all 15 republics, the leadership appears to have taken notice.

As the opening session approached, reformers among the 2,250 members were busy looking for each other.

Meetings were scheduled all over Moscow. Volunteers made copies of the latest proposals and posted them.

The Communist Party, the only legal political group for 70 years, is far better organized and enjoys such advantages as copying machines in a country that banned them for decades because of underground publishing.

Although party members are an overwhelming majority in the new congress, Mikhail S. Gorbachev's cautiously reformist leadership cannot count on support from either the conservative wing or those who want greater change.

Ms. Lauristin said "we were surprised that so many deputies from Russia were so free in expressing their opinions" at the party meeting Tuesday. She is a middle-aged professor considered an extremist by many Russians because she favors independence for Estonia.

Hundreds of deputies have arrived with specific proposals that range from a committee to oversee the KGB secret police to sovereignty for Estonia and the other two Baltic republics, Latvia and Lithuania.

Many Soviet citizens frustrated by empty stores and unkept promises to fill them have put their faith in the congress.

"Pravda, the Communist Party newspaper, quoted one on Wednesday as saying he hoped it would 'make our life, our country, such that you can once again say without blushing, 'I am a citizen of the Soviet Union.'"

Issues Soviet congress will face

- Some proposals that reformist representatives will bring to the new Congress of People's Deputies, which convenes Thursday:
 - Revision of a government decree that allows internal security troops to be used to clear demonstrations.
 - Repeal of a law making it illegal to insult or discredit the government and officials.
 - Decentralization of the Soviet economy, allowing the country's 15 constituent republics to run their own industries and protect their environment.
 - Sovereignty for the republics.
 - Replacement of a decree that limits the actions of private cooperatives with a new, more liberal law.
 - Creation of congressional watchdog commissions for the KGB and the military.
 - Investigation of the fatal clash between troops and demonstrators last month in Tbilisi, capital of Soviet Georgia.
 - Allocation of support staff, a library and other facilities for deputies.
- Transfer of legislative power from the 542-member Supreme Soviet to the 2,250-member Congress of People's Deputies.

OAS continues investigation into Panama election fraud

PANAMA CITY, Panama (AP) — A candidate in the presidential election said he told of massive fraud by both pro- and anti-government parties today during a meeting with a delegation from the Organization of American States.

The Panamanian government presented its case against the United States during a meeting Tuesday with the OAS delegation, sent in the wake of the nullified election.

"The Panamanian government took the opportunity to present a series of documents and actions that contributed to invalidate the elections of 1989," presidential spokesman Jose Hernandez said.

An OAS source who refused to be named said the meeting was "difficult," but he did not go into detail.

Sources said the delegation was attempting to arrange a meeting with Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega, the Defense Forces chief and de facto ruler of Panama.

Members of the OAS delegation said they had come to facilitate a search for solutions to Panama's political troubles.

Opposition presidential candidate

Guillermo Endara and his two vice presidential candidates were scheduled to meet with the OAS delegation. They contend they won the May 7 vote by about 3-to-1 over Noriega's hand-picked candidate.

The government, however, nullified the vote, and blamed opposition fraud and U.S. interference in the election.

The OAS group met this morning with Hildebrando Nicosia, the Authentic Panamanian Party's presidential candidate. He received only a small percentage of the vote.

German leader warns country isn't 'playing'

LOS ANGELES TIMES

BONN, West Germany — President Richard von Weizsäcker warned Wednesday that although West Germany was not a great power it should not be regarded as a "plaything" by other nations.

West Germany has been "a friend and partner, and should be recognized" as such, Von Weizsäcker said in a speech commemorating his country's 40th anniversary.

He called attention to West Germany's accomplishments and said that it had become self-confident, but he warned his countrymen against becoming self-satisfied.

"The economy is blooming, science has won back its prominence and education has become an example for the world," he said. "Yet we have no grounds for self-satisfaction. We have not become angels under the Basic Law."

This was a reference to the law enacted Dec. 23, 1949, that serves as West Germany's constitution.

Von Weizsäcker, who was elected to a second term Tuesday, thanked the United States for helping rebuild the nation from the ruins of World War II.

Polish students vote to end school sit-in

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Students voted Wednesday to end a university sit-in against government refusal to legalize their independent union, and said they would concentrate on electing the Solidarity parliament slate June 4.

They said a Warsaw court's rejection Tuesday of the application to register the Independent Students Association, known as NZS, was a futile attempt to divide students from Solidarity just before the elections.

Solidarity leader Lech Walesa said Poland's communist authorities broke a pledge by not making NZS legal. The court ruling was pronounced the same day an episode of Solidarity's weekly television program was canceled.


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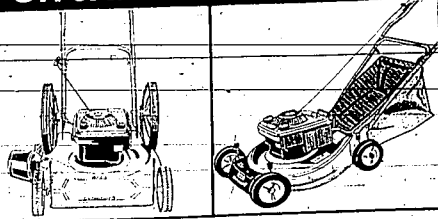
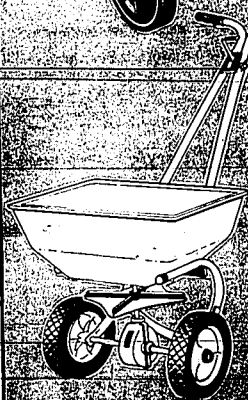
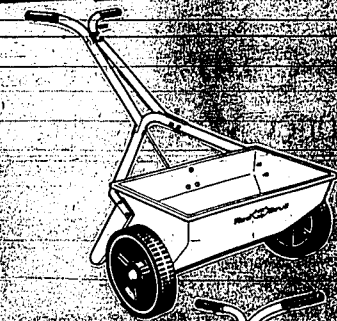
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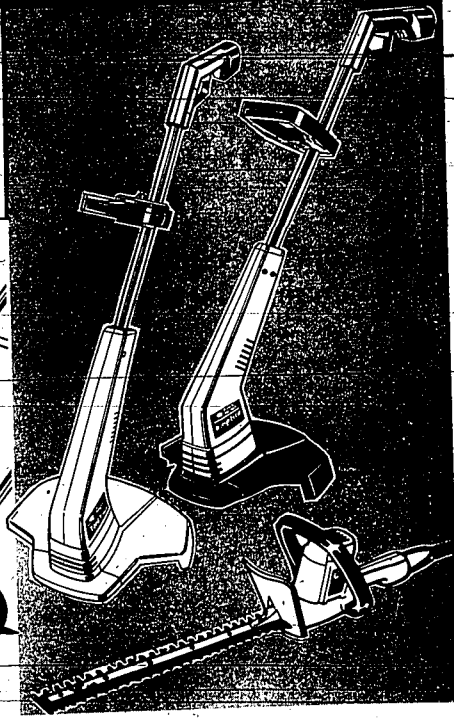
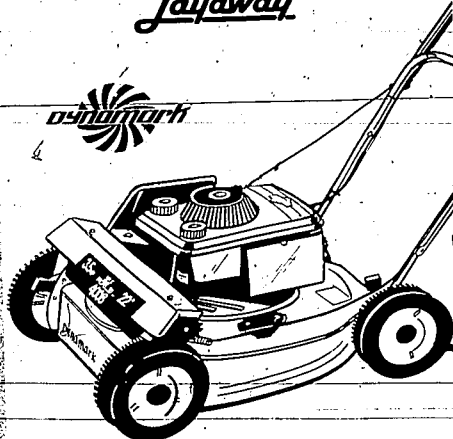
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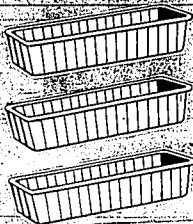
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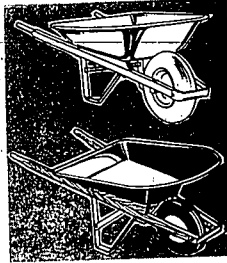
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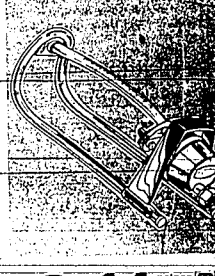
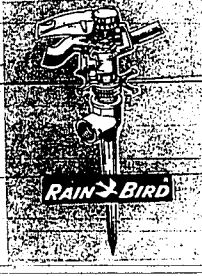
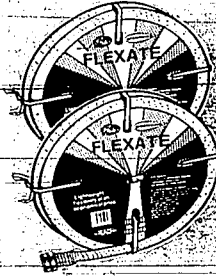
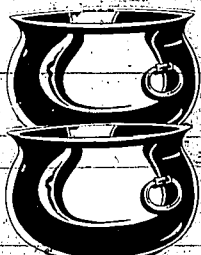
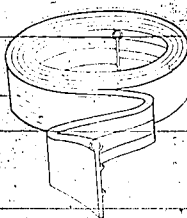
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Beirut divides leaders at Arab summit



Libyan leader Muammar Gadhafi, right, talks with Syrian President Hafez Al Assad after morning summit session.

CASABLANCA, Morocco (AP)— Arab leaders remained bitterly divided Wednesday over a proposal to send a joint police force to Beirut to replace Syrian troops that support Moslem forces in Lebanon's 14-year civil war.

Despite that rift, and another argument over the Palestine Liberation Organization, the summit of the 22-nation Arab League appeared significantly to smooth relations between some of the Arab world's most bitter foes.

President George Bush sent a message to Morocco's King Hassan II—the conference chairman—expressing hope the summit would "strengthen the possibility" of an Arab-Israeli peace settlement.

Bush asked Arab leaders to support the peace initiatives of both Israel and PLO leader Yasser Arafat.

He also stressed U.S. support for league efforts to halt the fighting in Lebanon.

The summit convened Tuesday to welcome Egypt back to the Arab fold after a 10-year ostracism for making peace with Israel. It was to end Wednesday, but Moroccan delegates said the dispute over Lebanon

threatened to delay the closing by 24 hours.

Leaders met behind closed doors and at private meetings Tuesday and Wednesday but made no progress. The summit convened for only five minutes before it adjourned.

Another session for heads of delegations only was set for early evening.

Lebanon's civil war had been dormant for nearly four years when fighting erupted March 8 between Syrian-backed Moslem forces and

Christians supported by Iraq. Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak moved quickly to restore his country's leading role in Arab politics by offering a proposal on Lebanon jointly with King Hussein of Jordan.

They proposed that all 15,000 Syrian soldiers withdraw from the Moslem sector of the Lebanese capital, to be replaced by a joint Arab police force that also would deploy in Beirut's Christian sector, conference sources said on condition of anonymity. About 25,000 Syrian soldiers police the rest of Lebanon.

They suggested the force be drawn from all Arab League member states.



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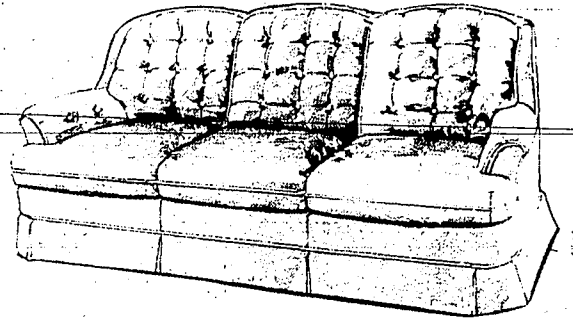
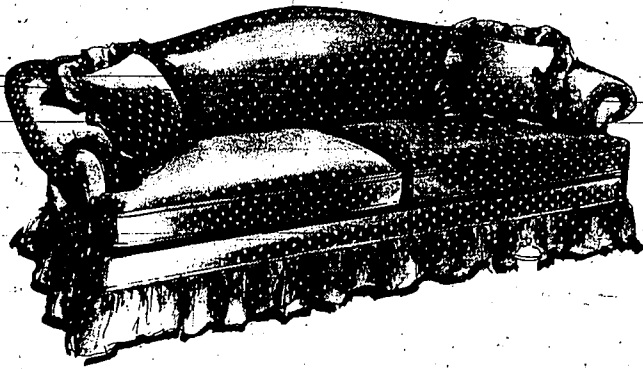
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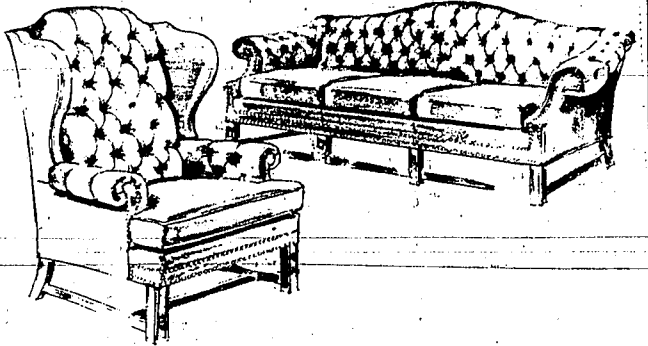


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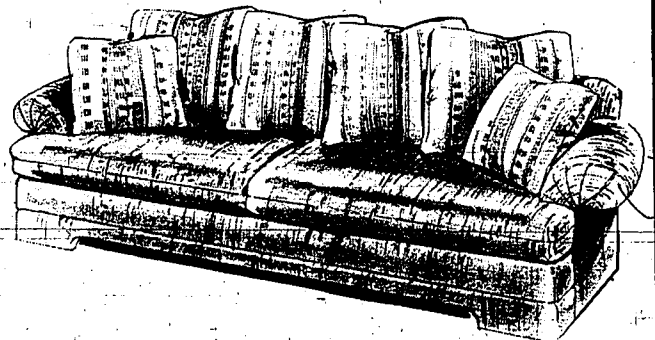
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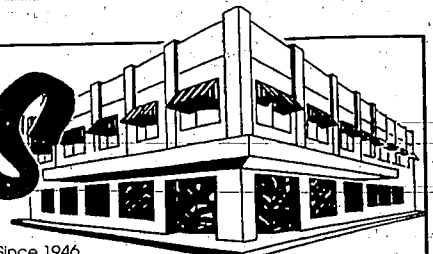


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Survey shows the top financial worries

Paying mortgage is at head of list

By MARC RICE
The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Long-term financial anxieties such as retirement and old-age health care take a back seat to immediate worries about paying the mortgage, a study shows.

In a survey of 1,000 U.S. households, conducted for the International Association for Financial Planning, 19 percent listed "payments on the house" among their two or three biggest financial concerns, making it the most frequent response.

In an IAFP survey last year, monthly house payments ranked third in frequency at 9 percent, the organization said, behind monthly bills and taxes.

The survey also suggests Americans are worrying less about inflation, with only 2 percent of the respondents expressing concern about rising consumer prices. In last year's IAFP survey, inflation was listed by 9 percent of the respondents.

"If you look, their concerns are short- instead of long-term," IAFP President Charles Finn said Tuesday.

Finn said rising interest rates are behind the heightened concern about mortgage payments. "The force that drives that the most is adjustable rate mortgages," he said.

The survey by The Gallup Organization and released Monday in Atlanta, included a related study of 300 households with in-

Mortgage interest tax deduction is not targeted for cut by Congress

By ANN MARIANO
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The mortgage interest tax deduction is safe from congressional tinkering this year, House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., assured the National Association of Realtors. But Rostenkowski said that if opponents mount a campaign to scale back the homeowner's favorite tax break, the NAR itself will be to blame.

"No one (in Congress) will attempt a serious challenge" to the deduction, Rostenkowski said in a speech to members of the nation's largest real estate organization. But he said that the Realtors group, in staging an all-out effort to save the deduction, had "succeeded in creating a controversy where none existed before," risking a renewed effort to decrease or eliminate the tax deduction. "You kicked a sleeping political dog."

The mortgage interest deduction costs the government more than \$30 billion a

year in lost revenue and it has a tilt toward more affluent individuals," Rostenkowski said. Nevertheless, he said, "I'm committed to protecting the \$1 million cap."

Until the 1986 tax revision act limited the deduction to the interest on \$1 million worth of mortgage debt, there was no restriction on the amount of mortgage interest that could be deducted.

Critics of the deduction call it a government subsidy for the affluent. Using this definition, the 17 percent of the population who earn more than \$50,000 a year get more than half of all federal housing subsidies.

More than 6,000 NAR members came to Washington this week to lobby Congress on behalf of legislation favorable to the industry and the mortgage interest deduction was high on their list.

NAR President Ira Gribin of Los Angeles said, however, that the association halted its high-profile campaign on behalf of the deduction after Rostenkowski and Senate Finance Committee Chair-

man Lloyd Bentsen, D-Tex., assured the NAR leaders earlier this year that the deduction would not be changed.

Gribin defended the 800,000-member organization's aggressive defense of the homeowner tax break. He said there was "sufficient indication to us in the early fall (last year) that there might be an attempt" by opponents to cut back the deduction and the NAR wanted "to see if the trial balloons were real."

Another champion of the mortgage interest deduction, Rep. Les AuCoin, D-Ore., was more cautious. "Money obviously is very tight, so it makes it difficult to project" where lawmakers might look for revenue, AuCoin and Rep. Marge Roukema, R-N.J., are the sponsors of a resolution supporting the deduction and signed by 237 House members.

Also high on the association's legislative wish list is restoration of special tax treatment for capital gains. Until the law was changed in 1986, owners who sold real estate and other assets did not have

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Learn about recent tax rulings

On a seemingly quiet tax front, changes that may vitally affect you are taking place in the form of court decisions, IRS rulings and legislative changes.

Tax attorney Eli J. Warach of Prudential-Hall and I have compiled a few of the more significant developments:



Sylvia Porter

MUTUAL FUND EXPENSES.

In order to decrease your investment risk, you may have purchased shares in a publicly traded mutual fund. The expenses incurred to manage the fund are passed through to you.

As a result of a 1986 change in the law, these expenses could not be used to offset your taxable income from the fund. Rather, they were grouped with miscellaneous itemized expenses, which are only deductible to the extent they exceed 2 percent of your adjusted gross income.

Bottom line — Your taxable income from the fund could be higher than the net income you actually received.

Now, though, there is good news. A 1987 law change allowed your expenses to offset fully your income from the fund, but only for two years. A 1988 law change inadvertently made this benefit permanent. Under current rules, mutual fund expenses passed through to you will not be subject to the 2 percent deduction floor.

MEDICAL EXPENSES.

Under current rules, your annual medical expenses are deductible only to the extent they exceed 7.5 percent of your adjusted gross income. And for executives covered by company health plans, this has just about put an end to medical deductions.

An exception could be medically necessary home improvements you have to make on account of an illness or medical condition of a family member. This is the kind of big-dollar, one-shot expense that could put you near or over the 7.5 percent mark.

The home improvement counts as a medical expense only to the extent the costs exceed any increase in your home's value. For example, suppose you install an air conditioning system to alleviate your child's asthma. The system costs \$10,000 and it increases your home's value by \$6,000. So your medical expense is \$4,000.

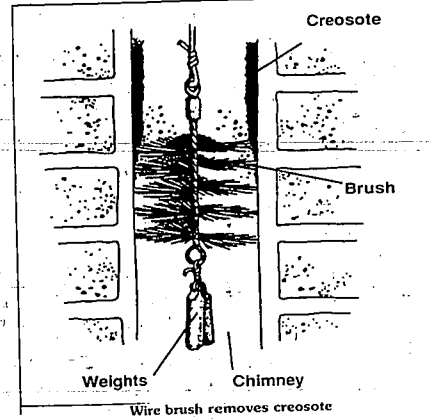
There are types of improvements automatically treated as not increasing your home's value. You can deduct those in full, with the Internal Revenue Service's blessing, as long as they are medically necessary. Among them: Constructing entrance and exit ramps to your home; lowering kitchen cabinets; installing railing and support bars; and widening or modifying doorways.

VACATION HOMES:

If you rent out your vacation home, you can write off your depreciation and maintenance costs

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Cut your utility bill



Spring is best time to clean chimney

Q — I used my wood burning fireplace (open hearth) several winters. I wondered if I should have the chimney cleaned or can I easily clean it myself? S. B.

A — Spring is the best time to have your chimney cleaned. Chimney sweeps are less busy now. If any problems with the chimney are discovered, you will have ample time to have it repaired. Also, buying your firewood now gives it time to "season" before next fall.

Although typical open hearth fireplaces usually burn hot enough to minimize creosote buildup, it can accumulate. Creosote is a combustible product of incomplete combustion of wood. Unburnt wood gases coat the chimney wall and gradually build up to form a hard black coating.

When the creosote ignites inside your chimney, it can burn slowly, often without your noticing. If your chimney is in need of repair, the fire can eventually burn through your house wall. Many fires are lost each year due to chimney fires.

The best way to minimize creosote buildup is burning good hot fires and not using high-creosote forming types of firewood. Generally, the softer, higher-moisture content types



James Dullely

of firewood tend to form more creosote.

If you haven't had your chimney checked for years, it is best to hire a qualified chimney sweep. It usually costs about \$50 and it is \$50 well spent. The chimney sweep can also inspect your chimney after the cleaning for any needed repairs.

After that initial inspection, you can clean it yourself. One excellent cleaning method is a two-person brush. This special brush has a long rope tied to each end. With one person on the roof and one at the hearth, pull the brush up and down through the chimney.

For one-person operation, you can tie a heavy weight to the bottom of the brush. From up on the roof, drop the weight and brush down the chimney and work it up and down. You can also buy brushes with handle extensions that you can slowly work up the

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Thanks a million

A little would mean big help for handicapped girl



Percy Ross

Minneapolis millionaire Percy Ross is internationally known for his philanthropic work. He 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."

Dear Mr. Ross: We have a 5-year-old daughter who was born mentally retarded with cerebral palsy. She is self-abusive and needs restraints to keep from injuring herself. She also needs braces on her legs. We're hopeful that she will walk one day, even though her doctors say that she might be 10 before it happens. She gets a disability check, but with two other children (ages 2 and 4), it's very hard to make ends meet. The bills and groceries take almost everything.

Please, Mr. Ross, she really needs these items. I'm also enclosing a picture of her, and her latest medical report so you can judge for yourself. The braces and re-

straints total \$401. I thank you — Mrs. D.P., Bessmer City, N.J.

Dear Mrs. P.: Frankly, I THANK YOU! You see, your letter, was sandwiched among some "negative" ones — letters from readers who had written in previously and wanted to complain that their requests were not granted. To say they were angry with me is an understatement — one reader even placed a "death curse" on me for not supplying his wish.

Then I read your letter, looked at the photo (what a beautiful daughter you have!), and although I'm no doctor, I did try to make sense of the medical report you enclosed. Then I thought, "I can help this little girl, and hopefully my help will make a difference."

While signing my check for her medical needs, a good feeling came over me, which replaced any self-pity I had for not being able to help everyone who writes me. Thanks for restoring my faith in the positive effect of this column.

Dear Mr. Ross: I'm writing in behalf of one of my best friends whom I've known for 35 years. She has been doing an admirable job of solely raising her daughter, without any financial assistance.

What my friend desperately needs is a reliable vehicle. After numerous used cars that financially drained her with their ongoing repairs, she is now looking to buy a new car. However, without a minimal down payment of \$1,000, she's unable to afford even the most economical of models.

I'm counting on you to match the dollar figure of my \$500 check, which I'm enclosing with this letter; so you can forward it to her. With an additional \$500 from you, she will be able to afford a brand new car with such luxuries as a radio, automatic transmission and air conditioning. I hope you can extend yourself one again.

Ms. G.K., West Palm Beach, Fla.

Dear Mr. G.: How can I extend myself when you're twisting my arm? On one

hand, it's terrific that you are willing to help your friend — your \$500 check is nothing to sneeze at.

On the other hand, I feel trapped into sponsoring what you call "cause," because you've set me up. You, and who knows how many others, are going to accuse of "Percy being heartless." But, I'm returning your check to you. In doing so, I feel a twinge of guilt, but guilt should never be a motivating factor in giving — it should be done from the heart.

Dear Mr. Ross: I'm a nurse in a psychiatric unit at Desert Hospital in Palm Springs. Our hospital is the only one in the eastern portion of this county which accepts psychiatric patients without private insurance. Many of our patients are transients. Many of our patients are unable to pay for their care. In order to provide a change of clean clothing, we maintain a "clothes closet," which is supplied with discarded clothing by hospital staff and friends.

One item is missing from our closet — underclothing! Usually these needy patients arrive without underwear. I'd like to

be able to give every needy psychiatric patient at least one clean set of shorts or pants. With your help, I'll achieve this goal.

— Mrs. J.F., Palm Springs, Calif.

Dear Mr. F.: I was tempted to make light of the opportunity you've invited me to donate underwear in Palm Springs, of all places. However, I'm reminded of the plight common to all of the homeless mentally ill scattered throughout America, and I'm overwhelmed by the darkness and despair that exist in their lives.

Your unique request to provide these folks with the comfort of clean underwear is a feeling few will ever know. My check is on the way. Thanks for allowing me to be a part of this humane service.

You may write to Percy Ross c/o The Times-News P.O. Box 55000, 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.

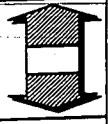
Business Stock market closes higher

The Associated Press NEW YORK — The stock market showed off an early slump and closed higher Wednesday in a generally quiet session. The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial stocks closed up 5.86 points at 2,483.87.

Late in the day, however, traders sold off their gains. Tuesday's session had focused on activity in the currency markets, with stocks declining amid speculation over whether the Federal Reserve would push U.S. interest rates lower to stem the rising dollar...

MARKET-IN-BRIEF

NYSE issues consolidated trading May 24, 1989 Volume in shares 208,593,850 Issues traded 1,957 Up 762 Unchanged 534 Down 661 NYSE Index 177.97 Up 0.36 S&P Composite 319.14 Up 0.82 Dow Jones Industrials 2,483.87 Up 5.86



Western grain

CRACK WHEAT (AP) — Market steady. Demand fair for crack wheat. Producers are looking for a price rise...

Denver eggs

DENVER (AP) — Market steady. Demand fair for large eggs. Producers are looking for a price rise...

Denver beans

DENVER (AP) — Growth in price and demand. Producers are looking for a price rise...

Gold futures

THE Associated Press (AP) — Market steady. Demand fair for gold. Producers are looking for a price rise...

Potatoes

(DIA) FALLS (AP) — Market steady. Demand fair for potatoes. Producers are looking for a price rise...

Valley beans

CREW (AP) — Growth in price and demand. Producers are looking for a price rise...

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Chicago grain

SPRINGFIELD (AP) — Trade and rail bids for grain. Producers are looking for a price rise...

D-J averages

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Metal prices

NEW YORK (AP) — Heavy & common metal Tuesday. Aluminum: 205.25 per pound. Copper: 81.1250 per pound.

Local interest stock quotations

Table with columns for stock name, price, and change. Includes Alberslotts, Blu Crut Val Frd, ConAgra, Coors, Duff & Phelps, etc.

Closing commodity futures

Table with columns for commodity, price, and change. Includes Month live cattle, May live cattle, etc.

Housing becomes a bargain

NEW YORK — With asking prices below their highs of a few months ago, with large numbers of unsold houses on the market and with interest rates falling, an investment opportunity may be developing in single-family housing.

Today's stocks

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New York Stock Exchange

Large table of stock market data including various indices and individual stock prices.

Grain futures

Table with columns for grain name, price, and change. Includes Wheat, Corn, Soybeans, etc.

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Large table of American Stock Exchange data including various indices and individual stock prices.

Business

Livestock

LIVESTOCK AUCTION - Professional Livestock Auction on Tuesday, May 23rd...
NATIONAL STOCK YARDS, INC. (API) - Over 3,000 head of cattle...
DODD, MORGAN, AND COMPANY - Damaged U.S. mail from Washington...

Housing

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figure that would make 1989 the
biggest in the building year since
1983. Lomas Mortgages USA, a large
mortgage lender, estimates new
housing permits this at 1.284 million,
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Stocks

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amid new takeover speculation...
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Plaintiff, MICHAEL J. WOLFE, is a resident of the County of Payette, Idaho, and is the author of the said Complaint. Defendant, THE STATE OF IDAHO, is a resident of the County of Payette, Idaho, and is the author of the said Complaint.

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Announcements Selected offers

The Times News Advertising Deadlines For The Memorial Day Holiday

Listed below are the 1989 Memorial Day Advertising deadlines. Please review them carefully so that your advertising plan will run smoothly.

Table with columns: Insertion Date, Ad Deadline. Rows include FRI, 5/26; SAT, 5/27; SUN, 5/28; MON, 5/29; TUE, 5/30; WED, 5/31; PENNY SAVER, 5/31; THUR, 6/1; FRI, 6/2; TV BOOK, 6/2.

Deadlines for receiving classified line ads to be run Sunday, 5/28, through Tuesday, 5/30, will be noon, Saturday, 5/27.

The Times-News will be closed on Monday, May 29.

The Times News

002 Lost & Found: 1 Lab X, black and white, male. 2 Australian Shepherd, in colored female pup.

LOCATED: 199 9th Ave W. Open 5-7 pm only Monday thru Friday.

1 Because dogs are brought in every hour and SOLD OR DESTROYED...

LOCATED: 199 9th Ave W. Open 5-7 pm only Monday thru Friday.

1 Jerome Dog Log AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION.

1 1989 dog licenses may be purchased at the City-Var Office.

Call 324-8436. Leaf female Siamese cat, white coat, white on face...

1989 dog licenses may be purchased at the City-Var Office.

002 Lost & Found: 2 Chocolate Lab pups, 1 white and black, about 10 wks old.

003 Special Notices: Memorial day flowers, dried & fresh.

006 Personals: ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS.

HYPODERMIS TRAINING: 50 hours begins June 10th.

OVERTEARS: Hypnotic subjects wanted for experimental work.

PREGNANT NERFHEP: Pregnant Nerfhep available.

Selected Offers: \$28,000 FOR COLLEGE.

007 Jobs of Interest: Demonstrators needed for 1989-90.

007-Jobs of Interest: Adult sitter needed for summer.

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Large advertisement for 'TWIN FALLS ROUTES AVAILABLE' with contact information for various real estate and business services.

ANNIVERSARY SALE!



Wills Motor Co. is Celebrating 43 years of continuous Sales and Service for the Magic Valley with our 43rd Anniversary Sale.

THIS IS OUR BIGGEST SALE OF THE YEAR - DON'T MISS IT!

#9T130



1989 COROLLA SR5 COUPE
ANNIVERSARY PRICE
\$10,795
LIST \$13,161
SAVE OVER \$2300

VEHICLE SUBJECT TO PRIOR SALE

#9T183



1989 TOYOTA CAMRY 4 DOOR
ANNIVERSARY PRICE
\$10,995
LIST \$13,560

VEHICLE SUBJECT TO PRIOR SALE

#9T219



1989 TOYOTA TERCEL COUPE
Lt. Blue Metallic with 5-Speed, Power Steering, Tilt Wheel, Full Fabric Seats
ANNIVERSARY PRICE
\$7995
BUY FOR \$43 DOWN \$183mo.
*O.A.C. \$43 Down - Tax-60 Payments-13.5% APR.
LEASE FOR \$142mo.
*O.A.C. 60 mo. Closed end lease. 1st mo. payment and refundable security deposit of \$150 collected. Payment subject to sales tax. Option to purchase at lease end for residual value of \$2,995.

#9T231



1989 TOYOTA STANDARD BED TRUCK
ANNIVERSARY PRICE
\$7395
\$43 DOWN \$169mo.
*O.A.C. \$43 Down - Tax-60 Payments-13.5% APR. - Rear Bumper Optional.

VEHICLE SUBJECT TO PRIOR SALE

#9T168



-DRIVE THE ULTIMATE TOYOTA-
1989 TOYOTA CRESSIDA
DRIVE FOR ONLY...
\$299mo.*


*O.A.C. 60 mo. Closed End Lease. 1st mo. Payment & Refundable Security Deposit of \$325. Collected. Payment subject to Sales Tax. Option to purchase at lease end for Residual Value of \$8728.



3 HARD TO GET 1989 TOYOTA LANDCRUISERS
SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY SAVINGS

VEHICLE SUBJECT TO PRIOR SALE


#9T128



1989 TOYOTA VAN
Loaded 7 Pass. Van with Auto., P/S, Dual Air, Cruise, Tilt, P/W, Power Locks, Rear Heater, Privacy Glass.
ANNIVERSARY PRICE
\$15,995
EARLY \$2000

VEHICLE SUBJECT TO PRIOR SALE


#9T145



1989 TOYOTA CELICA ST COUPE
EFI Engine, w/ 5 Speed, AM/FM Cassette, Power Sun Roof, Color: Super Red
ANNIVERSARY PRICE
\$11,495
LIST \$14,066

VEHICLE SUBJECT TO PRIOR SALE

#9T036



1989 TOYOTA SR-5 V-6 XTRA-CAB 4X4
31x10.5 Tires w/ Aluminum Alloy Wheels, Sliding Rear Wind, A/C, 4 Speaker AM/FM Cass., Toyota Vehicle Security System, On Demand Wheel Drive System.
WAS \$20,857
SAVE \$4000 ON THIS TOP OF THE LINE DEMONSTRATOR.

VEHICLE SUBJECT TO PRIOR SALE

FANTASTIC ANNIVERSARY SAVINGS ON EVERY VEHICLE!

WILLS MOTOR COMPANY SHOSHONE ST. W. TWIN FALLS 733-BUY-1
TOYOTA - Jeep - Eagle

FREE SOFT DRINKS

BALLOONS FOR THE KIDS

FREE SILK FLOWERS WITH EACH DEMO

A detailed preview of weekend events

SportsPlus

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The morning line

Good morning. It's Thursday, May 25.
Wednesday's scores

Baseball

American League

California 11, New York 4
Boston 6, Seattle 1
Detroit 2, Cleveland 1, 10 innings
Minnesota 10, Toronto 4
Baltimore 5, Chicago 9
Oakland 6, Milwaukee 2
Kansas City at Texas, late

National League

Cincinnati 5, St. Louis 1
Chicago at Houston 1
Pittsburgh 4, Atlanta 1, 14 innings
Philadelphia at Anaheim, late
New York at San Diego, late
Montreal at San Francisco, late

Briefly

Rangers fire Esposito as coach, executive

NEW YORK (AP) — Phil Esposito was fired Wednesday as coach, general manager and vice president of the New York Rangers.

Esposito took over as coach with two games left last season, when as general manager, he fired Michael Bergeron. In making the announcement, John Dillner, executive vice president of Madison Square Garden Sports Group, which owns the NHL team, said, "We announced at the end of the season that we would undertake a thorough assessment of the entire Ranger organization."

Eagles' Hymas, Cooke are named to region's 1st team

ST. GEORGE, Utah — College of Southern Idaho right-fielder Troy Hymas and left-handed pitcher Steve Cooke were named to the first-team all-Region 18 baseball squad.

Hymas, a left-handed-hitting sophomore from St. George, hit .344 for CSI this year. Cooke, a freshman from Tigard, Ore., posted a 5-3 record with a 1.45 earned run average.

Other first-team selections were infielder Mark Roberts, outfielder Reed Sechrist, catcher Sid Smith and designated hitter Chad Erickson from Region 18 champion Dixie; infielder Boyd Murray and outfielder Bob Trythall from Snow College; infielder Mike Redmond from Treasure Valley Community College; infielder Gavin Jangard from Utah Valley and right-handed pitcher Brad Brimhall from Ricks.

CSI third baseman Butch Nolan, second baseman Stacey Ayers, center-fielder John Greene and catcher Jessie Torres were second-team selections, who designated hitter Brendan Peach and right-handed pitcher Tom Cheek were honorable mention choices.

Boston pitcher Gardner goes on 15-day disabled list

BOSTON (AP) — Boston pitcher Wes Gardner, plagued by a sore elbow for more than two weeks, was placed on the 15-day disabled list Wednesday.

To fill Gardner's spot on the staff, the Red Sox called up rookie right-hander Eric Hitzel, who was 3-2 with a 2.73 earned run average for Pawtucket of the International League.

Gardner joins another Boston starter, Dennis "Oil Can" Boyd, on the disabled list. Gardner, a reliever last season, has a 1-4 record with a 7.12 ERA in seven starts this year. He allowed five runs on five hits in 11-3 innings at Oakland last Saturday.

SportsQuote

"I'm eating the same amount of sushi that I've always eaten."

— Former major leaguer Warren Cromartie, now hitting .472 for Japan's Yomiuri Giants



Overcoming a pulled thigh muscle, Richfield's Jim Thomas turned in the fastest state qualifying time in the 110-meter hurdles

Richfield's Thomas has 1 last hurdle

By BRAD BRELAND
Times-News writer

RICHFIELD — Like a bottle of good wine, Richfield's Jim Thomas improves with age.

From a non-qualifying run at the state Class A-3 high school track meet two years ago to a seventh-place finish last year, the senior high hurdler has the best qualifying time headed into this year's finals.

The road to the District 4 title was a bumpy one and for a while it looked as if Thomas, who will be attending the University of Idaho this fall majoring in agriculture, would not even participate in the district meet this year.

Almost a week before track season started this year, Thomas came up with a pulled quadricep muscle. The muscle of the front of the thigh and it's divided into four

parts.

"I did it March 26," said Thomas recalling the incident. Then he aggravated that injury during a stretch of track meets late in April.

After six track meets on April 25, Thomas finally had to quit. It was after he blew away the competition at the O'Leary Relays in Twin Falls. He pulled his quad muscle so badly that he couldn't run the hurdles, let alone practice.

His only activity seemed to be a trip to Magic Valley Physical Therapy Clinic in Shoshone.

Like many Magic Valley athletes, Thomas visits the therapist about three times a week. Magic Valley Physical Therapy has offices in Jerome, Twin Falls and Shoshone and have treated athletes like Hanson's Bob Larson, Jerome's John Gorley, former Hagerman sprinter Frank

Temple and College of Southern Idaho's Nancy Stevens, just to name a few.

Not a bad recommendation for a guy who wants to win. "We do see a lot of athletes with these hamstring, quad-type pulls," said therapist Gary Garrison. "Jim had been fighting this for three or four weeks," said Garrison.

Through a series of ultrasound and hot-moist packs, Thomas was on his way to recovery.

Through these visits and bicycle training for breathing and form training involving stretching and step throughs, Thomas thought he'd be ready for the Northside Conference championship.

"I really wanted to run bad," said Thomas.

But his injury kept him on the sidelines watching the meet instead of participating in it.

• See THOMAS on Page D2

Pitino offered Kentucky job

By MIKE EMBRY
The Associated Press

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Rick Pitino said Wednesday he has been offered the head basketball coaching job at Kentucky but will not make a decision until next week.

The New York Knicks coach, who has been in Kentucky since Monday, said he will let university officials know if he accepts their offer next Monday.

"I've learned from experience a few times that the best thing to do is to go back and think about it and not get carried away," Pitino said at an impromptu news conference at Wildcat Lodge. "It's like a

(student-athlete's) 48-hour visit when you go to college — you can't get carried away during that visit and commit to a school."

Pitino said that he is torn between his current position in the NBA and accepting the Kentucky offer.

"I really mean that," he said. "It's going to be a tough decision."

Pitino said he plans to discuss the opportunity with his wife, family and members of the Knicks before announcing his intentions.

Pitino fueled speculation that he might become Kentucky's next basketball coach when he decided to spend an extra day in the Bluegrass region.

Dissension develops in NFL

By BOB OATES
Los Angeles Times

NEW ORLEANS — Members of the National Football League's old-guard acknowledged Wednesday that a rift had opened in the league in recent months. And they moved to do something about it.

"First, they came up with a roster of 11 semifinalists in the search for a new commissioner; they made sure that the candidates favored by both sides were represented."

"Second, they withheld the names of all 11 to restrict early electioneering. Lamar Hunt, president of the Kansas City Chiefs, said the 11 names were known only to six NFL owners, fellow members of the search committee."

"And third, they decided to reduce the list to about three finalists in the next three or four weeks and present the names of all three to the other owners at the league's election meeting late next month."

At that time, it will take 19 of a possible 32 owners to elect a commissioner. • See NFL on Page D2

Athlete graduation numbers would be disclosed under bill

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A bill requiring colleges to disclose how many of their athletes graduate could improve education standards for student athletes, a congressman and former pro basketball player said Wednesday.

Rep. Tom McMillen, D-Md., a sponsor of the "Student-Athlete Right to Know Act," called the effort "a relatively innocuous consumer information bill, designed to provide the students and parents with valuable

information about the school they are considering."

McMillen played for the University of Maryland, then the NBA's Atlanta Hawks and Washington Bullets.

In testimony submitted to a House subcommittee, he said the disclosure bill itself will not ensure that athletes get the education they deserve but could help "to move us back towards the primary goal of educating young people and to developing basic standards for student-athletes."

Ben Johnson's doctor describes giving steroids

By JOHN JEANSONNE
Newsday

TORONTO — Ben Johnson's physician spent most of his first day before the Canadian inquiry into athletes' drug use telling about his association with Johnson in regard to the sprinter's use of steroids.

Dr. Jamie Astaphan, however, did not talk about the specifics of Johnson's banishment from the Seoul Games in September after testing positive for the synthetic growth hormone stanozolol.

That incident initiated the hearings which are in their fifth month. But he championed the defrocked Olympic sprinter as a willing recipient of banned performance-enhancing drugs.

Astaphan said he injected Johnson 50 or 60 times beginning in the spring of

1984 through the summer of 1988 at his home and office, and at Johnson's home. He said Johnson had a supply of steroids for when Astaphan was home on the Caribbean island of St. Kitts or otherwise not available.

Astaphan said he regularly discussed with Johnson what was being provided and the potential side effects. "All the time," Astaphan said. "He was very inquisitive." Asked if Johnson understood, the doctor replied, "Absolutely."

Astaphan, admitting he also has prescribed, administered and "obtained" anabolic steroids for other Canadian track athletes, said Johnson came to him as regularly as was possible for Ben Johnson when he felt like it; when it fit into his schedule. Johnson's lawyer, Ed Futerman, had indicated that the athlete had limited comprehension.

Astaphan mentions Carl Lewis' track club

By RANDY HARVEY
Los Angeles Times

TORONTO — After gaining an international reputation as an expert in the administration of anabolic steroids and other performance-enhancing drugs to track and field athletes, Dr. Jamie Astaphan said he was approached on two occasions last year to work with Carl Lewis and other members of the Santa Monica Track Club.

But Astaphan, whose most famous patient was Lewis' sprint rival, Ben Johnson, testified Wednesday before the Canadian government's commission of inquiry into drug use by athletes that he ignored the overtures, which he said were made after meets last August at Ottawa and Zurich, Switzerland, by Dr.

Jack Scott. A former sports and political activist best known for his connection with Patty Hearst during her association with the Symbionese Liberation Army, Scott has maintained a high profile in athletics as a physical therapist. He has treated both Lewis and Johnson.

In a telephone interview from his Berkeley, Calif., office, Scott gave a different version of the story. He said "Astaphan approached him after Johnson had finished second-to-Lewis in the 100 meters on Aug. 17 at Zurich and expressed frustration because of the Canadian sprinter's notoriously lackadaisical work habits."

"Astaphan came up to me and said, 'introduce me to Carl,'" Scott said. • See LEWIS on Page D2

Cubs beat Astros for 3 straight Baltimore Orioles now lead East

HOUSTON (AP) — Shawn Dunston singled in two runs Wednesday night as the Chicago Cubs beat the Houston Astros 3-1 to sweep their three-game series.

The victory was the eighth in nine games for the Cubs. Greg Maddux, 35, had a shutout until Gerald Young singled in a run, with two outs in the ninth. Roberto Alomar came in and struck out Rafael Ramirez with men on first and third for his 12th save in 15 opportunities.

Maddux allowed eight hits, struck out three and walked four.

Bob Knepper, 28, took the loss. He gave up three runs on seven hits in 6-2/3 innings.

Chicago took a 2-0 lead in the fourth on leading the bases on a two-out single by Damon Berryhill and walks to Lloyd McClendon and Darrin Jackson. Dunston then lined a two-run single to center.

The Cubs made it 3-0 in the sixth when Byne Sandberg led off with a single, moved to third on Mark Grace's single and scored when Berryhill singled into a double play.

Bill Doran singled in the eighth to extend his hitting streak to nine games. He is batting .459 during the streak, with 17 hits in 37 at-bats.

Pittsburgh 4 Atlanta 1
ATLANTA (AP) — Glenn Wilson hit a tie-breaking, two-run double in the 14th inning Wednesday night as the Pittsburgh Pirates beat the Atlanta Braves 4-1.

The victory was the Pirates third in a row, their longest winning streak of the season. It was Atlanta's fourth straight loss and ninth in 11 games. The Braves have only scored 10 runs in their last 85 innings.

Pittsburgh's Andy Van Slyke walked with one out in the 14th off Atlanta reliever Jim Acker, 0-2, and moved to third on a single by Bobby Bonilla.

Wilson followed with a double to the left-center field wall, scoring both runners. Then he scored on a single by Benny DiStefano.

Lewis

Continued from Page D1 said, "I can do for Carl what I've done for Ben, it won't be close."

Scott said he did not consider acting upon Astaphan's request because of "his reputation that he gave out steroids and other illegal drugs."

Joe Douglas, the Santa Monica Track-Club manager, said Scott told him essentially the same story during the Summit Olympics at Seoul, South Korea, last October, when

National League

Cincinnati 5 St. Louis 1
CINCINNATI (AP) — Tom Browning won his first game in four weeks and Barry Larkin had two triples and two RBIs Wednesday night as the Cincinnati Reds maintained their mastery of the St. Louis Cardinals with a 5-1 victory.

Browning, 44, snapped a personal three-game losing streak with his second complete game of the season. The left-hander gave up eight hits, including five doubles, struck out three and walked three.

The Cardinals, 0-5 against the Reds this season, stranded six runners in scoring position in the first

five innings. Cincinnati scored two runs before making an out against Ken Hill, 2-3. Chris Sabo led off the Reds' first with his second homer in two games. Ken Griffey then singled and scored on Larkin's triple to make it 2-0.

A throwing error by Sabo at third, his team-high ninth error, let Jose Quiroga score St. Louis' only run in the fifth.

The Reds took a 3-1 lead in the bottom of the inning when Eric Davis walked, including Hill's walk with the bases loaded.

Sabo doubled in the seventh and scored on Larkin's triple, and the Reds made it 5-1 in the eighth on an RBI double by Lenny Harris.



Reds; Harris, left, Davis collide while chasing fly ball

CHICAGO (AP) — Jay Tibbs scattered seven hits over six-plus innings in his first start of the season to end a personal 10-game losing streak and Mickey Tettleton hit his 10th home run of the season as the Baltimore Orioles defeated the Chicago White Sox 8-0 Wednesday night to move into first place in the American League East.

The loss was the sixth straight for the White Sox, who were swept in a six-game homestand for the first time since May 1986.

After leading Texas last July 9, Tibbs, 1-0, lost nine straight starts and a relief appearance, finishing 7-15. He walked two and struck out four before allowing a seventh-inning double single as the Orioles' won three straight for the first time since last Aug. 18-20. Mark Williamson allowed one hit over the final three innings for his fifth save.

Baltimore, who won only nine of its first 44 games a year ago, evened its record at 21-21. The Orioles didn't win their 21st game in 1988 until June 24. The Orioles have won six of their last eight and their pitchers have allowed 16 runs in that span.

Tibbs had made two relief appearances since coming back from the minors and twice lost starts due to rainouts.

Chicago starter Eric King, 4-5, lost for the second time in his last seven starts. He yielded three runs and six hits in 7-1/3 innings before Baltimore scored five times off Bobby Thigpen in the ninth.

Oakland 6 Milwaukee 2
MILWAUKEE (AP) — Mike Moore pitched a five-hitter over eight innings and Stan Javier's two-run triple keyed a four-run third inning as the Oakland Athletics beat the Milwaukee Brewers 6-2 Wednesday night.

Moore, 5-3, allowed Bob Deer's two-run homer in the fourth inning and four singles. The homer was Deer's 12th, tying him for the American League lead.

The Athletics hammered Milwaukee starter Mike Birkbeck, 0-3, for five runs and six hits in 2-2/3 innings. Dave Henderson, Dave Parker and Mark McGwire singled for a run in the first. In the fourth, Henderson and Terry Steinbach walked and Carney Lansford made it 2-0 with a single.

Javier drove in Steinbach and Lansford with his triple and Mark Knudson gave up a double to Tony Phillips that made it 5-0. Steinbach's RBI single following a wind-blown double by Parker in the seventh gave the Athletics a 6-2 lead.

Rick Honeycutt pitched the ninth inning for Oakland.

California 11 New York Yankees 4
NEW YORK (AP) — Rookie Jim Abbott won his second straight game. Johnny Ray drove in four runs and Lance Parrish and Chili Davis homered, leading the California Angels past the New York Yankees 11-4 Wednesday night.

Abbott, 43, who pitched a four-hit shutout to beat Boston and Roger Clemens on May 17, allowed the Yankees 10 hits but only three runs

American League

MINNESOTA 10 TORONTO 4
TORONTO (AP) — Kirby Puckett paced a 13-hit Minnesota attack with his second four-hit game of the season and 30th of his career Wednesday night, driving in three runs and scoring two in the Twins' 10-4 victory over the Toronto Blue Jays.

Puckett singled three times and doubled in six at bats in support of Frank Viola, 3-6, who gave up eight hits and the four Toronto runs in six innings. Gary Wayne, Steve Shields and Jeff Reardon each pitched one scoreless inning.

The Twins took a 5-0 lead in the top of the first, sending 10 men to the plate and rapping off six hits. Dan Gladden led off with a double and scored on Puckett's one-out single. Gary Gaetti's triple made it 2-0.

Gene Larkin hit a grounder back to the mound, Mike Flanagan, 3-4, tried to nail Gaetti at the plate but catcher Bob Brenly lost the ball for an error. Larkin took second and scored on a single by Carmen Castillo. Tim Louden chased Flanagan with a single and John Moses' two-out single off Frank Wills scored Castillo. The one-third of an inning was the shortest outing of Flanagan's career.

Boston 6 Seattle 5
BOSTON (AP) — Wade Boggs went 3-for-3 with two doubles and a single, scored two runs and drove in one Wednesday night, helping the Boston Red Sox to a 6-5 victory over the Seattle Mariners.

With their second consecutive victory since a 3-6 trip to the West Coast, the Red Sox climbed back to .500 with a 21-21 record.

Mike Bodieker, 3-4, ended a personal three-game Fenway Park losing streak, allowing three runs, one unearned, and seven hits before being replaced by Bob Stanley with the bases loaded and two out in the seventh.

Jeff Leonard grounded Stanley's first pitch to left for a two-run single but the veteran reliever retired Ken Griffey Jr. on a grounder to short. Lee Smith came on for his fifth save after Stanley hit Dave Cochrane with a pitch to start the Seattle ninth.

The Red Sox capitalized on the wildness of Erik Hanson, 4-4, for two runs in the first inning. They added two more in the third and two in the fifth.

Detroit 2 Cleveland 1
DETROIT (AP) — Lou Whitaker's 10th-inning single over a drawn-in outfield scored Guay Pettis with the winning run as the Detroit Tigers beat the Cleveland Indians 2-1 Wednesday night.

Scott Bales, 1-2, the third Cleveland pitcher, came on to start the 10th. Pettis led off with a ground ball up the middle that second baseman Luis Aguayo deflected into shallow center field and the fleet Pettis stretched it into a double.

Pettis went to third on Fred Lynn's fly ball to deep center and scored when Whitaker drilled a 1-and-1 pitch into left center.

NFL

Continued from Page D1 28 votes to elect Pete Rozelle's successor for a term of five to 10 years.

"I think this is wise, politically," Rozelle said. "If the search committee recommends a single candidate, it will look like they're trying to jam the new guy down people's throats."

Rozelle's use of the word "political" was an indication that trouble has come to his longme, and indeed it has. "There's a dichotomy in the (NFL) today," Art Modell, owner of the Cleveland Browns, confirmed. "And I am sorry about that."

Dichotomy is defined in Webster's as a word meaning "a division into two... parts, hence a cutting in two." In its NFL manifestation, the division is between two kinds of club owners — those who bought into pro football for a song in the 1960s or before and those who paid \$50 to \$100 million in recent years. Eight clubs have changed hands in the last five years — Denver, Philadelphia, San Diego, New Orleans, Seattle, Minnesota, New England and Dallas.

The owners of these hugely expensive establishments are concerned that the new commissioner might ignore them and their debt structures if he is selected by old-guard owners.

Hence the care that is being taken this week by the search committee, which is an exclusively old-guard committee, to ensure the active participation of all owners in the selection of a new commissioner.

As Modell said, speaking as the senior owner present and a member of the search group: "We're making sure that the (new owners) are part of the process."

Defending the committee's decision not to disclose the names of the 11 semifinalists, Wellington Mara, the old-guard owner of the New York Giants, said, "The (candidates) deserve confidentiality. The proposers deserve confidentiality." In particular, the new-wave proposers.

Three candidates with NFL credentials are believed to head the list. They are former Red Jack Kemp, who has served on NFL charity committees for many years and in other assignments for Rozelle; Jim Finks, general manager of the Saints, and

Johnston was disqualified because of his positive test for an anabolic steroid after winning the 100 meters. As the runner-up, Lewis subsequently was awarded the gold medal.

When told of Astaphan's version, Douglas laughed. "That's obviously not true," he said, speaking by telephone from Santa Monica, Calif. "Number one, we're anti-drug. Number two, if anybody is going to approach anybody, it would be me. Jack Scott does not represent the

Santa Monica Track Club." It was the second time Lewis' name had emerged in testimony at the inquiry, the track and field phase of which entered its 10th week Wednesday.

Johnston's coach, Charlie Francis, earlier suggested that Lewis might have been part of a plot to sabotage Johnston's drug test, a theory that since has been discounted by the commission.

Paul Tadiabane, often an NFL attorney, Rozelle, speaking from experience, said. "The (new commissioner) should either be knowledgeable about the inner workings of the league and its traditions or a quick study."



JACK KEMP Said to be high on list

in Lane 5. Both are in the same heat Friday.

With Richfield not having a track, Thomas has come a long way working by himself.

"He's done a lot of that on his own," said Carey assistant track coach Heber Kirkland. "He's just a good hurdler. He's got good technique and speed."

The interest in hurdling came long ago for Thomas on the grassy fields of Richfield.

"I guess I started in grade school. I was out on the football field and jumped over the hurdles. I thought it was fun," said Thomas.

Although his form of days gone by has changed, his attitude hasn't. "I'm almost 100 percent. I can't train real hard yet," said Thomas.

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Outdoors

Fishing prospects are good

JEROME — General fishing season opens Saturday and fishing prospects appear good in Region 4.

Most of the reservoirs have refilled since the drought and fish hatchery personnel have been working overtime to plant fishing waters with catchable and fingerling trout.

For example, Magic Reservoir is scheduled to receive 105,000 catchable trout and 1.25 million fingerlings this spring.

Stu Murrell

There was some water left in the reservoir so a small number of holdover trout and a good population of yellow perch should be available. Magic Reservoir has a year-round fishing season and anglers have already been fishing it since ice-out.

Fish Creek Reservoir was completely dry the last two years but has refilled. It has been planted with catchable and fingerling trout but will probably be a year or so before it recovers completely.

Little Wood Reservoir did not get completely dry so will have some holdovers plus the planted trout from this spring.

Roseworth Reservoir has refilled completely and has received good numbers of catchables.

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Briefly

F&G approves buying property on Brownlee

BOISE — The Idaho Fish and Game Commission approved a \$25,000 purchase of the Steek property on upper Brownlee Reservoir in Washington County.

The 65-acre site adjacent to current Bureau of Land Management access site will be developed as an addition to Steek Park. The new property has three-quarters of a mile of waterfront, will include campsites, parking and a boat ramp accessible at all water levels.

Brownlee, one of the most popular fisheries in Idaho, provides excellent rainbow trout, crappie, catfish and bass angling.

Regulations, free litter bags available for all anglers

BOISE — Opening day anglers can pick up fishing regulations at license vendors and Department of Fish and Game offices and should be sure to get one of the free litter bags available at most outlets.

Pat Cumbore, landowner relations coordinator for the department, distributes the bags as part of an organized litter cleanup each year on Free Fishing Day. Although June 10 is the main event for Cumbore's program, the bags have been distributed early as the department urges anglers to keep Idaho clean.

Mountain man group holds rendezvous this weekend

HANSEN — The old West returns to the South Hills for 2 1/2 days this weekend with the eighth annual North-Valley Freetrappers Rendezvous at Bear Gulch.

The get-together includes competition in blackpowder target shooting, knife and tomahawk throwing plus the social highlight — 'n tall tale roasting of the truth that rages around a major council bonfire Saturday night.

The Bear Gulch campground is located between Blue Lakes Blvd. S. extended from Twin Falls and the Rock Creek Canyon-Magic Reservoir highway south of Hansen. The site is eight miles west of the ski lift or 12 miles east of Blue Lakes on the Rogerson-Magic road.

Spectators are welcome. Bonfires featuring handmade mountain man articles will be in operation.

Game officers are assaulted more often than policemen

BOISE — Wildlife officers are nine times more likely to be fatally assaulted than other law enforcement officers, according to a U.S. Fish and Wildlife service study.

In addition, four of five people who assault wildlife officers are carrying firearms as opposed to one-in-five who assault urban police.

The study, as reported in Illinois Outdoor Highlights, detailed 128 assaults on 8,997 state conservation officers and 186 federal agents in 1987.

Release of sturgeon will be a first



By LARRY HOVEY Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — In the immediate future, perhaps as early as next week, the final cycle of a precedent-setting sturgeon population project will reach fruition in Magic Valley.

The progeny of "Big Bertha," the Snake River female sturgeon that has been housed at the Twin Falls College of Southern Idaho Fish Hatchery for the past three years, will be placed in the free-flowing sections of the Snake River below the Bliss Dam and above it, into the Wiley reach.

This will culminate a "first" of any captive reproduction and release in Idaho's history and set another first in the respect that young fish were produced from eggs of a female that was held in captivity for over a year before ovulation and actually are the products of an encasarin section.

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game, in conjunction with CSI and Idaho and Idaho's commercial food fish industry, is providing PIT (passive-induced transmitter) tags and the last thousand of those should be injected into the 12 to 18-inch sturgeon this week, allowing for release anytime in the immediate future.

"The (Fish and Game) commission is pointing toward a media day for this one," said Fred Partridge, department biologist who has been part of the project from its inception. "I think media from throughout the state and maybe the entire area will be invited for the releases."

At that time, more firsts will fall into

place as the department will continue to try to "track" the movement of the planted sturgeon, monitoring their movement, growth rates, etc., and establishing habitat ranges within the river system that will be preferred by the sturgeon for any number of reasons ranging from reproduction and rearing sites to loafing pools and feeding banks.

The PIT tag will facilitate that, as one quick electronic scan will immediately inform biologists the sturgeon's age, size at time of planting and location of planting.

The entire project provides two obviously useable conclusions. First, it is Idaho's first effort beyond harvest restriction at enhancing its sturgeon population. Second, its success would become a major argument against further elimination of free-flowing sections of the Snake River. Sturgeon must have free-flowing water to survive and their demise in Idaho is probably as attributable to the long, slack-water pools behind dams as anything.

Since this has been a precedent-setting project, a lot of trial and error and unneeded knowledge has resulted.

Terry Patterson, CSI biologist who heads up the school's hatchery and participation in sturgeon restoration, said a lot of things have been learned, others becoming suspected and some mysteries still remain.

It all started when the three groups lined up behind the project and a number of fishermen were sent to Snake River to catch a set of parents.

The problem is, sturgeon are not on an annual reproduction cycle.

"According to literature, it seems to be five to eight years," Patterson said, then added Big Bertha will be held for the next several years to establish that cycle of fecundity.

As a female was caught, she would be tested to see if she was producing eggs and if the eggs were reaching maturity.

Big Bertha foiled them from the standpoint that when she was first taken from the river, tests gave rise to speculation that she would ripen within the summer.

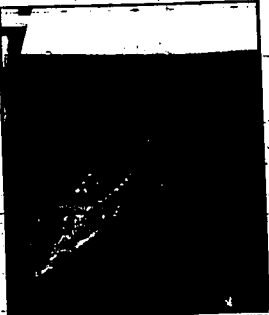
Knowing the development stages of sturgeon eggs from salt water sturgeon research, it was a month-by-month study. While a certain nucleus didn't line up in the undeveloped egg, there was speculation that perhaps the Snake River strain deviated from the normal. But each month the nucleus conformed more and more to the usual.

As it became more evident that Big Bertha was about to issue the 150,000 eggs she was developing, the need for a father arose. A fertile father in season was as difficult to locate as a female, fishermen found.

But finally a smaller mature male was taken and Big Bertha reacted to a hormone shot designed to trigger ovulation.

"A sturgeon would never ovulate in a pond," Patterson said, referring to the need for flowing water for reproduction. "She would either carry them or ingest them."

About 30 hours after the hormone shot, a few eggs dribbled into the pond bottom and Patterson and his crew immediately went into the cesarian operation.



Left, Terry Patterson holds 1 of the sturgeon to be released. Above, a 180-lb. male sturgeon captured this year

The next limiting factor in the process was the male produced only enough sperm to fertilize 14,000 of Big Bertha's eggs.

But this wasn't all bad because as Patterson said "I don't know where we could have put 150,000 small-sturgeon. We certainly don't have room here."

There were sound biological reasons, however, that the total 150,000 couldn't be born.

In the first place, there would be serious doubt if there was sufficient Idaho water range to harbor an infestation that large. Secondly, there is the matter of the gene pool. Some 150,000 same-year progeny would become the dominate class in the habitat, perhaps to the detriment of future natural generations.

"It appears we will be putting 3,400 into the two portions of Snake River as it is and there are questions about whether that might not be too many," Patterson said. "In any event, even if we had successfully reared the 150,000, I doubt the department would want more than 3,500 same-year fish planted."

Once the little sturgeon hatched, the next problem was converting them to non-natural feed. The project is using basically the anadromous feed developed for salmon and steelhead hatcheries; a soft, moist high-protein pellet that is manufactured as close to meat texture and characteristics as possible.

This proved a very limiting factor. Only 45 percent were able to move away from the aquatic insects and life they sought naturally. Patterson did put two in a special aquarium and feeds them a natural diet, including small minnows. Those on the manufactured diet have shown growth rates as good or better than these two.

Part-two of the feeding was the decision to maintain the sturgeon custom-of-eating at night.

"In the wild, when it gets dark the sturgeon start their feeding and will forage until dawn," he said. "For that reason, we have some holding ponds that we feed only from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. It is a reason that we keep the fish indoors in dimlight conditions."

While a lot of unexpected things happened, Patterson said perhaps the biggest surprise to him was the sturgeon growth rate.

"Even on the artificial diet, we are seeing

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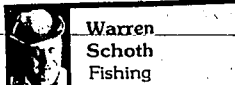
Anglers, get ready now for opening day rites

Saturday is opening day of the general fishing season.

Consider this as fair warning; you still have a little time to get ready.

I know all you float tubers have fixed the slow leak in the valve stem of your tube and patched your waders. You are all sort of things so there is no question that you know where your flippers are and that the grommets, leaces and booties are intact.

The last thing you want to start the week with is the banking of your buddy's truck horn as you paw through the basement at 4 a.m. trying to get your gear to-



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gether.

By the way, if you adders, did you check your lines, put on now leaders and recharge your selection of tippet material? Are the polishing glasses intact? How about a little grease on that reel spool shaft?

Dogs may deter grizzlies

The Associated Press

CODY, Wyo. — Shoshone National Forest officials "looking into various ways to teach grizzlies to avoid man, plan to see if some Russian dogs will do the trick.

Wildlife Game and Fish Department biologists have been experimenting with various bear aversion techniques in recent years, and this year will continue working to see if a "thumper gun" that fires plastic bullets at grizzlies will teach them to avoid people.

But recently forest officials received permission to see if "Russian Bear Dogs" can be used to scare off bears.

While the use of the dogs is not a new concept, the Russian hounds were never

available in the past because neither the Soviets nor Fins would export the animals. But with the advent of Glasnost in the Soviet Union, some of the dogs have found their way to the United States, including some pups now in Montana.

Monte Barker, a U.S. Forest Service biologist, said the dogs now in the country haven't been trained as bear dogs, but he's confident they could be. "There's no doubt dogs work, even here," said Barker.

The small, quick dogs have been used primarily for bear hunting and protection in the Soviet Union, where they are trained with European brown bears, he said. The dogs' characteristics include fearlessness, courage, speed, and a highly-developed sense of smell.

You have just enough time to get that new sinking line put on like you promised last year.

How about licenses? Yeah, licenses. Don't tell me you all have them because dealers will be writing until their arms are sore.

There will be a line six deep with everyone hollering and in a snit because the poor clerk can't issue them fast enough on opening day.

Don't forget your 14-year-old kid. This year he or she has to have a license. Last year, at 13, they fished free.

If you are past 70 years old, you can get a

free license from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game regional office in Jerome. That is the good news. The bad news is they are not open on Saturday or Sunday so Friday is your last opportunity if you plan to fish opening day.

If you have a boat and it is cleaned up, did you lube the wheels? Is there air in the spare? Is the boat licensed? How about the trailer?

Do you have spare cotter keys? Are your tie-downs intact? How about the main plug? Remember when you almost sunk your in-

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Upland game plan now under review

The Times-News

BOISE — Idaho Department of Fish and Game biologists are beginning to plan for wildlife management in the 1991-1995, according to a species plan coordinator John Beecham.

Management plans are revised every five years to respond to changes in wildlife populations and public interest.

Upland game and furberer plans are first on the agenda, according to

Beecham. Biologist Tom Hemker is the project leader for upland game species, and Garry Will, Idaho Furberer manager, is in charge of the furberer plan. Both are compiling a list of major issues to be addressed in the plans, which will be available in draft form Sept. 1.

Written comment on major issues is welcome but should be restricted to major topics which the plans can address

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Warden Mike Ottman is surrounded by confiscated big game trophies

Poaching sting hits Montana, Idaho

HAMILTON, Mont. (AP) — An undercover sting by Montana wildlife officials prompted a search of a Challis, Idaho, residence, but Idaho authorities said Wednesday they have made no arrests yet and charges are pending.

Charges were filed against six Montana men last Tuesday. Al Nicholson, an Idaho Fish and Game Department warden supervisor based in Salmon, said he and other officers raided the Challis home after getting a search warrant based on information from Montana authorities.

They seized what Nicholson would describe only as "unlawful wildlife parts."

He said Idaho officials expect to file misdemeanor charges of state and federal laws against two Idaho residents and one Montana resident, probably within a week.

The federal violations would in-

clude allegations of transporting illegally taken or possessed animal parts across state lines, but he would divulge no further details.

"At this point, we really haven't decided which charges we're going to proceed with," he said.

Nearly two dozen local, state and federal officers arrested four people and charged two others in Montana.

Two Darby men were jailed after the raids. Carl Lee Pyles, 30, is accused of a variety of poaching violations stemming from his "Moonlight Guide Service" that allegedly took an undercover agent on nocturnal hunting trips by spotlight and on black bear hunts using bait.

Pyles faces four felonies and 15 misdemeanors.

Steve Hamblen, 21, also of Darby, is charged with one felony count of selling the head and horns of a poached bighorn sheep to the undercover agent.

Darby outfitter William White is charged with two misdemeanors for allegedly hiring the unlicensed Pyles as a hunting guide last October. Darby-area resident Robert Walker is charged with one misdemeanor count of outfitting without a license.

In Missoula, agents conducted simultaneous raids early Tuesday, based on a separate sting by the same agent. David Alan Garrett, 27, was charged with counts of possessing and selling illegally taken big-game parts and animal pelts.

Garrett was released from the Missoula County Jail on his own recognizance Wednesday.

Roger Allen Thompson, 33, was arrested on four felony and one misdemeanor wildlife violations, and a felony drug count after officials allegedly found marijuana plants during their search.

governmental efforts in the United States and Canada, French said.

"In 1966 there were no breeding pairs left in the East, except in northern Canada," he said. "Now we have 89 breeding pairs and we've reached a turning point where we have more breeding pairs in the wild than in captivity."

Since 1974, the private Peregrine Fund has raised more than 1,000 birds for release in both urban and rural areas, he said.

Although they normally nest on high cliffs, peregrines have taken a liking to the high ledges of city skyscrapers, where they can indulge their taste for pigeons.

Massachusetts released young falcons in Boston and Amherst. But the Springfield pair, including a female released in Toronto as part of the Canadian government's restoration program, found this Connecticut River city on their own. The male is also banded; but officials haven't yet determined his origin.

Falcons, swift predators that had all but disappeared from the East Coast because of damage by the now-banned pesticide DDT, are being used to make a comeback after more than a decade of private and

Rappeller recovers peregrine egg

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP) — Rappelling down the side of a 23-story building to save an unattended peregrine falcon egg was "absolutely worth it," even though the egg proved to be infertile, a state preservationist said Thursday.

"There are so few peregrines left we had to try," said Thomas French, the head of the state's endangered species program.

French, who donned a hard hat and gaudy lites to protect himself from the diving attacks of the parent birds, said he actually felt more comfortable inching down the office building Wednesday than he was climbing some high cliffs to band young ravens.

"I had so much gear on I was perfectly safe," he said. "It's really all in the mind."

"The adults popped me a few times on the head and once on my boot as I was sitting on the ledge," French said. "But mostly all I could feel was the whoosh of wings and the wind as

they passed."

He estimated that the adults, which can reach speeds of 185 mph, dived at him at speeds of about 60 mph to 70 mph even in the tight quarters.

French sent the egg up to the roof in a can. But after taking it to his Conway home in hopes of incubating it, Thomas P. Ricciardi, a master falconer, said it contained no embryo.

"My heart kind of sank," Ricciardi said.

Two other eggs in the nest on a ledge at the 21st floor had already hatched, the first to do so here in more than 40 years.

If the remaining egg could have been hatched, the chick would have been returned to the nest under a state program to preserve the species, he said.

Falcons, swift predators that had all but disappeared from the East Coast because of damage by the now-banned pesticide DDT, are being used to make a comeback after more than a decade of private and

Conservationist says no wilderness added since days of Frank Church

STANLEY (AP) — Wilderness legislation for Idaho has ground to a complete halt, says a conservationist who helped create the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness.

Compromise legislation proposed by Democratic Gov. Cecil Andrus and Republican Sen. James McClure is dead, those attending the Idaho Conservation League's annual meeting near Stanley agreed Sunday.

"To me, preserving a broad enough base of wilderness is the core of the whole conservation movement," said Ernie Day, a conservationist from Boise and Stanley. "It's frustrating beyond belief. We haven't had one foot of new wilderness since (Sen.) Frank Church left the scene," Day said.

A 3.5-million-acre wilderness bill introduced by Rep. Peter Kostmayer, D-Penn., met with favor from environmentalists as an alternative to the 1.5 million-acre Andrus-McClure bill. But it, too, is destined to die, those attending concluded.

The Kostmayer bill is handicapped by its lack of support from the Idaho congressional delegation. "It's awfully hard to do it from the outside," Day said.

The 25th anniversary of the Wilderness Act of 1964 comes up in September. But the momentum that helped create the Frank Church and Goshute Hump wildernesses seems to have dwindled.

"Idaho is in fact a state where with just an ounce of political leadership a reasonable solution could be worked out," said Doug Scott, the Sierra Club spokesman from the Sierra Club who has worked on every Idaho wilderness bill since 1964.

Church brought together the timber and business interests from the Grangeville area to hash out a compromise with conservationists of the Goshute Hump, Scott said.

"If anybody had said to me the Sierra Club would be sitting down at the Elks Club in Grangeville week after week with the Chamber of

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Spotted owl issue begins to reach Idaho

LEWISTON (AP) — Idaho's timberlands are not likely to become a battleground in the war being waged by environmentalists and federal land officials over the spotted owl.

But some of the repercussions of the controversy over the endangered bird are being felt here, said John M. Richards, newly elected president and chief operating officer of Potlatch Corp.

Richards is an Idaho native and former vice president of the San Francisco-based company's Western Wood Products Division in Lewiston. He was in town Monday seeing to business in his first official visit since being named to the company's top post earlier this month.

Because the spotted owl, which nests in old-growth timber stands, is being proposed for threatened species status by the U.S. Fish and

Wildlife Service, environmentalists have sought to block the logging of old-growth forests in Oregon and Washington.

Richards said mill owners in those states, worried about having enough wood chips, already are looking toward Idaho as a source of chips. That could threaten Potlatch's supply, he said.

But that's only part of the trouble.

"The spotted owl is today's proxy. Tomorrow, it could be something else," he said. "The spotted owl is just a proxy."

Richards said the real goal of preservationists is not to save the spotted owl, but to cut the timber supply. And the Audubon Society and other environmental groups have gained strength in their cause since the early 1980s, while the timber industry has become weakened by having to cope

with the recession of the early decade and by political divisiveness.

"In a way, we dug ourselves into a hole," he said.

To win the battle with environmentalists will require that the industry join forces and educate the public, Richards said, noting that preservationists have done a good job of promoting their views, especially among residents of more populous states such as California and New York.

"People in Manhattan reading in The New York Times how they're cutting down all the trees in Oregon, you can't blame them for being upset."

"We need to get the industry together," he said. "We have a good story to tell: The forest is renewable and it can be managed."

Rare-grouse restoration successful

EUREKA, Mont. (AP) — Now that scientists apparently have cured a severe case of sex imbalance, it looks like a rare grouse may not fade out on northwestern Montana's Tobacco Plains.

A two-year international effort to restore the fading Columbian sharp-tailed grouse population near Eureka had been a bust until this spring.

The reason was that the first 31 grouse airlifted to the Tobacco Plains after being trapped near Kamloops, British Columbia, all turned out to be males.

And the badly skewed sex ratio threatened the entire transplant effort.

But a switch-in-trapping technique apparently solved the problem.

Ten female grouse and three males were trapped at Kamloops last month and released near Eureka.

The Nature Conservancy has been heading the effort in Montana's last outpost of the Columbian sharp-tailed grouse, which once was the most abundant game bird in the Pacific Northwest.

But unlike its more successful relative, the prairie sharp-tailed grouse, the Columbian species could not cope with the spread of agriculture and livestock.

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