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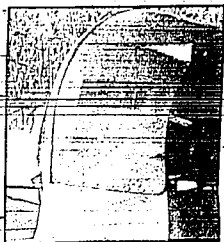
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# The Times-News

## Baker calls summit chance to advance

The Associated Press

Changes over a year — A3

WASHINGTON — President Bush's weekend summit with Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev should leave the superpowers "better prepared to make substantial progress" on a treaty to slash long-range nuclear weapons, Secretary of State James A. Baker III said Wednesday.

However, he emphasized that no such agreement would be reached during the two-day meeting.

In a pre-summit news conference at the White House, Baker also said the democratic reforms that are bringing down Eastern Europe's hard-line communist regimes are "the only path to long-term legitimacy and stability in the region," and he warned against any crackdown by authorities.

While saying Moscow has not stood in the way of the stunning changes, Baker declared, "We firmly believe that any attempts to forcibly intervene and prevent continued

reform will be extremely destabilizing and dangerous." He made a clear distinction between "forcibly suppressing peaceful dissent" and intervention by authorities to restore order, such as in possible ethnic violence in the Soviet Union.

"I see those as two distinctly different things," Baker said. The secretary spoke on the eve of the president's departure for the Mediterranean island of Malta. Bush and Gorbachev will hold talks Saturday and Sunday on U.S. and Soviet warships anchored in Malta's Marsaxlokk Bay.

Bush spent Wednesday preparing for his first meeting as president with Gorbachev, discussing the talks in a telephone conversation with West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

White House press secretary Martin Fitzwater said the two leaders also talked about Kohl's new proposal Tuesday for a confederation with East Germany as a step toward eventual reunification.

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JAMES BAKER

## Poll finds many Americans losing suspicions of Soviets

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Americans' suspicions of the Soviet Union's motives are fading rapidly, with a majority of people now convinced that the Soviets do not seek to dominate the world, a national poll has found.

As Presidents Bush and Mikhail Gorbachev prepare for their weekend summit off Malta, the poll found overwhelming belief that the Soviet leader seeks real reform in his country, although opinion was mixed on his prospects. Both men were highly popular in the Media General-Association Press poll, with Gorbachev out-polling Bush among the most

educated Americans. A plurality said Gorbachev has done more than Bush to ease East-West tensions.

Their meeting comes at a moment of great change in the Communist world. While Gorbachev pushes liberal reforms in the Soviet Union, his Eastern European allies have taken dramatic steps toward democracy in recent weeks.

Forty percent of the 1,117 adults surveyed Nov. 17-25 rated Bush as "too cautious" in encouraging reform in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe. Still, 46 percent said he was doing enough; the rest were unsure.

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## Czech Communists lose 40-year power monopoly

The Associated Press

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia — The Communist-run Politburo swiftly ended the party's 40-year monopoly on power on Wednesday and a Politburo member said Czechoslovakia's first free elections since 1948 could be held within a year.

The move was a frantic effort to satisfy the demands of the growing pro-democracy movement.

Premier Ladislav Adamc said he intended to negotiate a reassessment of the 1968 Warsaw Pact invasion that crushed reform in Czechoslovakia and would be prepared to negotiate the withdrawal of Soviet troops.

Italians cheer Gorbachev — A7

It was the first such statement by a top-level official.

Vasiliy Morzhin, a member of the ruling Politburo, told a news conference that now that the Communist Party has agreed to relinquish complete control, free elections could be held within 12 months.

Voting with the somber, mechanical gestures born of decades of rubberstamp approval of Communist measures, the 309 deputies unanimously scrapped Article 4 of the

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In the right place

"Gator" is not on the wrong side of the gate at the Twin Falls Livestock Commission facilities. While he's probably not on the

books as an employee, the horse is employed there by his owner, Kyril Kuhn, helping with the work of returning cattle to their proper

pens. During Wednesday's sale "Gator" was waiting for Kuhn to return from break during the afternoon.

Times-News photo/ANDY ARENZ

## Twin Falls building permit fees may jump 50% with new code

By KIRK MITCHELL Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Proposed city building code changes could mean 50 percent fee increases for some building permits.

Jim Leichter of JTB Engineers, which oversees building inspections for the city, said inspection fees for Twin Falls are low and need to be raised to meet expenses.

"Right now it is a bargain to build in Twin Falls," he said.

Leichter said the city employees who work for him sometimes spend an hour inspecting a site and then more time doing paperwork, all for a \$10 permit fee.

The city subsidized the building inspection program by approximately \$3,500 last year, City Manager Tom Courtney said.

Building permit fees for projects of various sizes would increase between 25 percent and 100 percent.

Gary Bond, a Twin Falls construction company owner, said the increases are small compared with other construction costs and he hopes that they will affect anyone's decision to build.

How fees will change for various projects

- Here's a sampling of permit fee increases for different-sized projects:
- A permit for a \$500 project would go from \$10 to \$15.
- A permit for a \$25,000 project would go from \$170 to \$252.
- A permit for a \$50,000 project would go from \$283 to \$415.
- A permit for a \$100,000 project would go from \$433 to \$640.
- Inspections outside normal business hours, reinspection fees and additional plan reviews would go from \$15 per hour to \$30 per hour.

fees reduced. That's because, small projects consume more than their share of officials' time, and their fees are being subsidized under the current system, he explained.

Leichter said he would suggest that the city Building Code Advisory Board's recommendation to adopt the 1988 Uniform Building Code, a standard building code used in most Western states that includes suggested fees.

The Uniform Building Code, which outlines acceptable building practices, is updated every three years.

City Council members will decide on Monday whether to adopt the 1988 code. The city is enforcing the 1985 Uniform Building Code, but charging fees recommended in the 1982 code. The fees in the 1988 code are the same as 1985.

Leichter said he would suggest that the city hire new employees with any money the higher fees generate above the break-even point.

"Our work load is very high," he said. Aside from the fees, changes in the 1988 code will have little impact in Twin Falls, he said.

## America's oldest teen-ager turns 60 somewhere in Brazil

The Associated Press

MALIBU, Calif. — Dick Clark, the boyish Pied Piper of rock 'n' roll known to generations as America's oldest teen-ager, turns 60 today, secluded on another continent far away from the ennobled masses.

The squeaky-clean package of pop will blow out the candles on a birthday cake with his wife, Kari, and another couple somewhere in Brazil, publicist Paul Shefin said.

No fanfare. No party. No fuss.

Whether because of modesty or vanity, Clark turned down an interview request. In the past, the multimillion-dollar entertainer-producer said he would prefer to "age gracefully" without media attention.

Wrinkles can finally be seen on his boyish face, but it's hard to believe he's 60.

For decades, his youthful looks were the butt of jokes. He once compared the burden to that of female sex symbols.

"They're constantly told how wonderful they look, but it gets ho-ho-be-a-drag after a while because someday the looks have gotta go. It would be nice to be allowed to age gracefully," he said.



DICK CLARK

Clark arrived in the nation's living rooms through his "American Bandstand" television show, introducing teen-agers to Stevie Wonder, The Jackson 5 and Madonna, as well as the Bunny Hop, Twist and Jerk dance crazes.

On Aug. 5, 1957, "American Bandstand" debuted on the ABC-TV network, quickly becoming a national success. Jerry Lee Lewis' "Whole Lotta Shakin' Goin' On" was the first record spun on that show.

In March, Clark hung up his saddle shoes after 33 years as host of "American Bandstand."

The show reigns as television's longest-lived variety program.

Clark was unique, however, in transcending the generations with a hip music show and, in recent years, as television producer and host of the "\$25,000 Pyramid" and "\$100,000 Pyramid" game shows.

He also produces the annual American Music Awards, the Academy of Country Music Awards, the "New Year's Rockin' Eve" TV bash and "TV's Bloopers and Practical Jokes."

## \$150 billion in waste possible, GAO warns

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As much as \$150 billion — or more — in taxpayers' money is likely to be wasted by the federal government in the near future because of antiquated accounting systems, lack of fiscal management, and hollow commitments to "doing better," Congress was told Wednesday.

Its investigative agency, the General Accounting Office, said problems exist in every major federal department and agency.

The GAO said the shoddy government oversight of how its money is spent is years' old in some cases and blamed Reagan administration deregulation and staff cutbacks for much of the problem.

The GAO also said that an ongoing audit of the Air Force had found its financial statements "dead wrong ... in practically every area" and cautioned that conditions likely were worse in the Army and Navy because the Air Force is believed to have

superior records. There is a seemingly never-ending and costly trail of mismanagement, abuse and illegal acts involving federal programs," the GAO said in the report to the Senate Government Affairs Committee. "Most of the problems are known, and in many instances have been known for years, but they remain uncorrected."

Comptroller General Charles Bowsher, who heads the GAO, said the government has wasted hundreds of millions of dollars on systems designed to improve accounting that proved virtually useless.

What's more, he said, many uncorrected problems remain uncorrected because government management systems, but said he did not know how much that would cost.

## Rodeo crown to Idahoan

The Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — Miss Rodeo Idaho for 1989 is Miss Miss Rodeo America for 1990.

Joni James of Jerome was crowned Miss Rodeo America for Wednesday night in Oklahoma City, Okla. She won four out of five categories.

On the way to the title, including speech, personality, horsemanship and appearance. James is a second-generation winner of the national title. Her mother, Karen Lavens James, was selected Miss Rodeo America in 1962 after being chosen Miss Rodeo Idaho.



JONI JAMES

# Expert links cancer, power lines

WASHINGTON (AP) — A study by a leading U.S. health scientist has found a statistically significant link between cancer and electromagnetic fields from the network of electrical wires that criss-cross the nation.

The unpublished findings by Dr. Genevieve Matanoski of Johns Hopkins University add to a rising sense of concern in the American scientific community that health risks from power distribution lines no longer can be ruled out.

Ms. Matanoski, a professor of epidemiology, said in a telephone interview Wednesday her findings

were preliminary and required further testing, but that the study results had changed her view of the theory about a cancer link to power lines.

"I thought before that the theory was wrong," she said. "I'm not so sure any more. I'm swayed to think it's more likely than before."

The major conclusions from her study of 50,000 New York state telephone workers are that there may be an increased risk of leukemia among active workers, and that incidence rates for almost all types of cancer are highest among linemen, whose exposure to

electromagnetic fields is the highest in the telephone worker group.

Ms. Matanoski also found exceptionally high rates of breast cancer among male technicians who work on central office telephone switching equipment. Her study found two cases of breast cancer among 9,500 central office technicians; ordinarily the incidence rate for males would be about one in one million, she said.

Ms. Matanoski reported on her study at a technical meeting sponsored jointly by the Energy Department and the Electric Power Research Institute in Portland, Ore.

# Briefly

## Girl, mother may be reunited soon

CHICAGO (AP) — The 21-month-old girl who received a historic liver transplant should be able to have a reunion soon with her mother, the donor, as officials said Wednesday.

"Both are looking forward to seeing each other," said spokesman John Easton at University of Chicago Hospitals after receiving a report from doctors on the girl's overnight progress.

The liver recipient Alyssa Smith received Monday from her mother, Teresa Smith, is functioning adequately and Alyssa is able to breathe without a ventilator, Easton said.

"Her intestinal function is returning, she's

responsive and her vital signs are perfectly stable," he said.

## Americans die in CIA plane crash

WASHINGTON (AP) — A CIA plane en route from Zaire to Angola carrying military and other equipment for U.S.-backed rebels in Angola crashed this week, killing an underdetermined number of Americans and insurgents, government officials said Wednesday.

The L-101 flight left a military base at Kamina in Zaire Monday night and went down not far from the southeastern Angolan town of Jamba, where the UNITA rebels have their headquarters, the sources said, attributing the crash to pilot error.

# Trust

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Respondents by a 2-1 margin favored establishing normal trade relations with the Soviets, a step that administration officials are exploring. A far less likely move, U.S. foreign aid to the Soviets, was soundly opposed.

Despite good will toward Gorbachev personally, the poll found lingering doubt about Soviet reliability, with 53 percent saying the Soviets cannot be trusted to live up to their arms control agreements. The level of doubt was down, though, from 61 percent in a poll last year.

Reflecting the cautious view, 52 percent in the new poll said the United States should not significantly reduce military spending because of lessening East-West tensions. The Bush administration is contemplating sizable cuts in its military budget.

Respondents were divided on whether the United States should remove all of its troops from Western Europe if the Soviets removed theirs from Eastern Europe. Of those who had an opinion, 47 percent favored such a deal and 42 percent were opposed, a split within the poll's 3-point error margin.

By a 68-25 percent margin, respondents opposed immediate cuts in U.S. troops stationed in Western Europe as a response to reforms in the East. But among those who opposed cuts, a majority said they would favor troop reductions later if the reforms continue.

On the broadest East-West issue, respondents by a 57-35 percent margin rejected the notion that the Soviet Union is trying to dominate the world, with the rest unsure. Just last spring, 50 percent in a CBS News-New York Times poll said they believed the Soviets did seek world domination.

# Baker

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On that point, Baker said, "If there's unification, it should occur in the context of Germany's continued alignment with NATO and an increasingly integrated European Community."

He ruled out any "trade" with Moscow in which the two Germans would be reunited as a neutral government.

Mindful of some reservations among U.S. allies in Europe, Baker said he preferred a gradual, step-by-step process of bringing the two Germans together.

Bush also planned to discuss the summit at a dinner with Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney.

At his news conference, Baker, said Bush would complain to Gorbachev about what U.S. officials say is a continuing flow of Soviet-made weapons to the Moscow-backed government of Afghanistan, as well as to leftist rebels in El Salvador through Nicaragua.

# Czechs

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constitution, which mandated the leading role of the Communist Party. They also deleted a clause that bases all education on Marxism-Leninism.

"The revolution is proceeding much quicker than we expected," said Jiri Dienstbier, spokesman for the Civic Forum opposition, minutes after the vote was broadcast live on national television.

The emergency parliamentary session ended late Wednesday, the Soviet news agency Tass said.

The changes were among historic concessions the opposition won from the Communist government on Tuesday when Adamec also

promised to form a new government, including non-Communists, by Sunday.

They followed a 17-day series of huge anti-government demonstrations, which culminated in a two-hour strike on Monday in which millions of workers participated.

Adamec went on national TV and said he had asked Civic Forum for its suggestions on whom to include in the new government.

Civic Forum proposed the new defense minister be a civilian, Communist and the interior minister, who controls the police, be a civilian non-Communist, Dienstbier said.

"This pattern is a Cold War relic," Baker said. "Soviet officials have promised to prevent Nicaragua from shipping Soviet arms to El Salvador, Baker said, "Either the Nicaraguans are lying to the Soviet Union or the Soviet Union is lying to us."

"We prefer to believe it's the former."

Baker said the Malta meeting would not be an arms-control summit, emphasizing that no agreement would be reached either on low-range nuclear weapons or reductions in troops and conventional arms in Europe.

However, he said, "this meeting should permit us to be much better prepared to make substantial progress... on arms control."

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# Today's weather

## Fog may mar those clear blue skies

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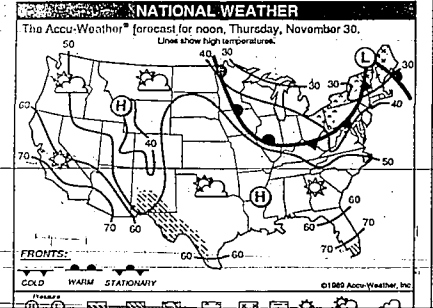
Coeur D'Alene and Wood River Valley.

Today and Friday, mostly clear with patchy night and morning fog. Highs in the 30s both days. Lows 5 below to 15 below zero.

Northern Utah and Nevada.

Today, Tuesday, and Wednesday, haze and patchy morning fog. Highs in the mid 30s. Tonight and Friday, increasing haze and locally dense fog. Lows near 20. Highs in the mid 30s.

Today, Tuesday, and Wednesday, mostly sunny today and Friday. Continued cold at night with low clouds from around 5 to the upper teens. A little warmer days with high winds from 38 to 50 and Friday from the lower 40s to mid 50.



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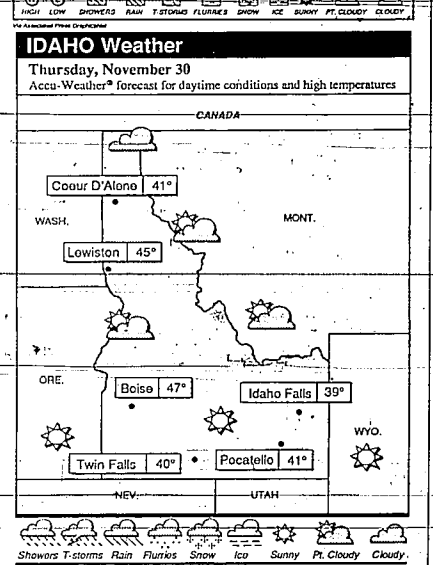
BOISE 47°

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TWIN FALLS 40°

POCATELLO 41°

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**Idaho road report**

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Department of Transportation Wednesday night reported some icy spots on the state roads with broken snow floors on mountain passes.

Road conditions:

- U.S. 95 — Plummer-Coeur d'Alene, icy spots; Coeur d'Alene-Candian bend, dry.
- U.S. 95 — Riggs-Macene, dry; Weiser-Northern Meadows, icy spots; Marsing-Oregon line, dry.
- Interstate 90 — Fourth of July Canyon, icy spots; Lookout Pass, icy, broken snow floors; Chainader, dry.
- U.S. 42 — Lewiston-Koonika, icy; Koonika-Lowell, dry; Lowell-Lodi Pass, icy spots.
- Interstate 84 — dry.
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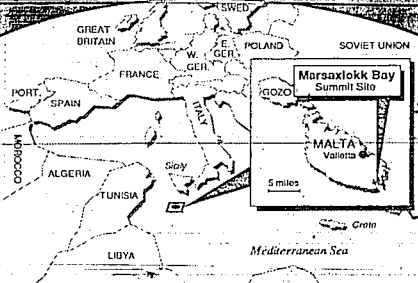
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WASHINGTON (AP) — In the year since Mikhail S. Gorbachev last met with U.S. president, the Soviet leader's world has turned topsy-turvy with a legislature challenging him at home and demonstrators chasing Communist regimes from power in Eastern Europe.

On the U.S. side, the change is less striking simply the marauder top. As George Bush prepares for his first meeting as president with Gorbachev, the world overseas appears to be changing at a faster pace than at any time since World War II, when President Franklin D. Roosevelt began the practice of sitting down for a summit with the Soviet leader, at that time Josef Stalin.

Since the most recent superpower summit on Dec. 7, 1988, Gorbachev met with President Reagan and then Vice President Bush in New York. Poland has formed the first non-Communist government in the Soviet bloc, Hungary has scrapped its Communist Party, East Germany has opened the Berlin Wall, Bulgaria has dumped its longtime Communist boss, and the Czechoslovakian Communist Party has surrendered its monopoly on power.

Only Romania, long a maverick in the Warsaw Pact, has not sold to the thaw started by Gorbachev after he rose to power in March 1985. For years the Soviets complained about what they perceived as the tumult of the U.S. electoral process, with presidential balloting every four

years and congressional races every two clouding the rare air of geopolitics.

Now the United States seems tranquil compared to the free-for-all in the Communist world.

Bush, under pressure to respond to changes in the Soviet bloc, scheduled the meeting with Gorbachev off the Mediterranean island of Malta this weekend. He has also begun planning for a military cutback. He would be hard put to keep pace with the revolution in Eastern Europe. In the Soviet Union, the Communist Party was embarrassed in elections last March, the most democratic legislature in 72 years of Soviet history is learning to stand up to the government and the party, and ethnic unrest has shaken the country from the Baltic Sea to Central Asia.

On the international front, Bush administration officials, like their predecessors, are complaining that Soviet surrogates Nicaragua and Cuba are expiring revolutions in El Salvador.

Closer to Moscow, Soviet troops pulled out of Afghanistan last February, but the Kremlin-backed government there remains in power. The president of the U.S.-backed Afghan interim government in exile, Shihghatullah Mojaddedi, on Monday said he wants Bush to pressure Gorbachev to end support for the puppet government and reach a political accord with the resistance.

In arms control, many hurdles have been cleared, but the superpowers have not finalized deals to cut nuclear, conventional and chemical weapons.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze told Secretary of State

James A. Baker III last September in warning that the Kremlin was removing two major obstacles to a proposed Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START) to reduce long-range superpower nuclear weapons by up to 50 percent.

But the Soviets have been pressing for talks to curb the might of the U.S. Navy, and want to ban the submarine cruise missiles within that framework.

Although changes have been more slow and orderly in the United States, they have occurred. Bush has replaced former as president and after months of 3,000 men appears to have embraced Gorbachev's reforms.

Bush's apparent uncertainty prompted Democrats, led by Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell of Maine, to label the Republican president as "timid" in responding to Gorbachev.

## Webster says changes create instability

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rapid change in Eastern Europe has created a new and uncertain era where hope for the demise of communist systems is accompanied by dangerous instability, CIA Director William Webster said Wednesday.

"As the hard edges of the world recede, the threats we face become more numerous, more diffuse and more difficult to define," Webster said in a speech to the National Press Club.

He said intelligence that concentrates on counting Soviet military forces and tracing Moscow's influence around the world is giving way to the need to spy on drug traffickers, assess Third World conflicts and verify arms-

control treaties. Moves in Eastern Europe will open new economic opportunities for the West, he said. But those moves also represent "the most immediate threat to internal political stability. The reformers face stiff odds."

because of the need for economic austerity measures that will bring popular unrest, he said.

As the Soviet grip on its satellites loosens, the Central Intelligence Agency and spy services of U.S. allies agree that Moscow's own intelligence activities around the world are growing, Webster said. "Around the world, our stations are reporting more aggressive action, a more robust intelligence-collection effort, more efforts to recruit our

embassy and intelligence personnel than we have seen in a long time," he said.

Many of the moves appear aimed at sealing U.S. or allied technology, he said. "As less money is dedicated to that particular effort inside the Soviet Union, more and more effort needs to be applied to obtain that kind of technology through clandestine means. And that's what we're experiencing."

Much of his speech appeared to be a plea to head off budget cuts for the CIA and other intelligence agencies in the government as the Pentagon — in whose budget most intelligence operations are hidden — prepares for substantial cuts in the next few years.

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# Supreme Court hears arguments on abortion parental-notice laws

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Supreme Court was asked Wednesday to rule that most young girls have no right to abortions without first telling their parents.

The justices, who have allowed limits on the availability of abortion for minors in the past, questioned lawyers defending and attacking parental-notification laws in Minnesota and Ohio.



SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR  
Plays pivotal role in decision

In two hours of relatively narrow arguments, they gave no sign they are considering the broader possibility of scrapping the court's 1973 Roe vs. Wade decision that legalized abortion — an idea much discussed outside the court whenever they take up any abortion case.

"The court showed no interest in overturning a woman's constitutional right to abortion," Cleveland lawyer Linda Sogg said after the argument session in which she attacked the Ohio law.

Minnesota Chief Deputy Attorney General John Tunheim agreed. "I don't think Roe should be on the table in this case," he told reporters after defending his state law before the court.

Last July, the court voted 5-4 to

give states more authority to regulate abortions for all women. Four justices appeared ready to go even further and overturn Roe vs. Wade, but Justice Sandra Day O'Connor refused.

Groups on both sides of the

abortion issue had looked to the court this term to help clarify its allegiance to the 1973 decision.

But settlement of an Illinois dispute over regulating abortion clinics — a case that was to be argued before the justices next month — may have eliminated the greatest immediate threat to Roe vs. Wade. The Illinois settlement still must be approved by a federal judge.

O'Connor is expected to play the pivotal role again in the Minnesota and Ohio cases, to be decided by July. At issue in both are laws requiring parents to be notified before abortions are performed on unmarried girls under 18 who are still supported by parents.

About half the states have laws requiring parental notification — or even parental consent — in such cases, but most of the laws have been invalidated after court challenges.

Nationwide, about 40 percent of the nearly 1 million teen-agers who become pregnant each year seek abortions. Of the 1.5 million legal abortions performed annually since 1973, about 12 percent — 180,000 a year — have been for girls 17 and younger.

The Ohio law requires that one of a minor's parents be notified by a doctor at least 24 hours before an abortion is performed. The girl can avoid telling her parent if she persuades a judge she is mature enough to make the decision on her own, or if telling her parents is not in her best interest.

The Minnesota law requires that the minor's two biological parents be notified at least 48 hours before she has an abortion. A judicial bypass alternative also is provided.

Both Tunheim, Minnesota's

lawyer, and Ohio Assistant Attorney General Rita Eppler argued that states do not have to provide a judicial alternative in such cases. But because both states do provide them, the court might not have to

say. O'Connor, vigorously questioning Tunheim, seemed deeply troubled by Minnesota's two-parent requirement.

For any exceptions, even when it's not in the child's best interests, O'Connor said. "How do you defend the state's interest" in requiring both parents be notified, she asked Tunheim.

## Judge declares mistrial in revolutionaries' case

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP)—A judge declared a mistrial Wednesday after a jury deadlocked on racketeering charges against three avowed revolutionaries.

The ruling by U.S. District Judge William Young came on the jury's 21st day of deliberations in the year-long trial.

The jury for three days had said it did not think it would be able to reach agreement on the racketeering and conspiracy charges, which involved 15 successful or attempted

bombings of courthouses, banks, corporate offices and military recruiting and reserve centers. One of the bombings at a courthouse in Boston in 1976, cost one man his lower leg. Some other bombs failed to explode.

It was not immediately clear if a second trial would be held on the racketeering charges.

The jury delivered a partial verdict Monday, acquitting the three of sedition, or trying to overthrow the government, a charge rarely used since the Civil War. The acquittal means the defendants cannot be tried again on that charge.

On trial were Raymond Levasseur, his wife, Patricia Gros Levasseur, and Richard Williams.

They were tried as part of a group operating under the names United Freedom Front and Sam McDeville-Jonathan Jackson Unit, which they said took responsibility for a string of bombings and bank robberies along the East Coast from 1976 to 1984.

Juries were deciding racketeering charges against Levasseur and Williams as well as a charge of racketeering conspiracy against all three. Each count carries a maximum penalty of 20 years and \$20,000 in fines.

## Slayer draws death penalty

SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP)—Randy Kraft was sentenced to the chamber Wednesday for strangling 16 young men during a 12-year spree of sexual torture and mutilation.

"Burn in hell, Kraft!" one of the victims' relatives shouted as Kraft was led from court. "Turn around and look!" the relative shouted.

The 44-year-old Long Beach computer consultant was convicted of murder in May after a 10-month trial. In August the jury recommended the death penalty, and Superior Court Judge Donald A. McCortin Wednesday agreed.

The judge recounted one of Kraft's slayings, which included cigarette lighter torture, castration and mutilation, and said, "If anyone ever deserved the death penalty, he's got it coming."

Kraft was convicted of murders that occurred between 1972 and 1983. Prosecutors said he picked up hitchhikers, gave them drugs and alcohol, sexually tortured or mutilated them and then strangled them.

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# Air Force chooses sites in 6 states for rail-based MX missiles

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Air Force announced Wednesday that 50 MX nuclear missiles will be removed from underground silos in Wyoming and placed on trains in six states — Louisiana, Texas, Washington, North Dakota, Arkansas and Michigan. The announcement represents the

## Warren AFB role — B5

Bush administration's commitment to push ahead with plans to modernize the nation's strategic nuclear missile force, even amid projections of Pentagon belt-tightening, heightened prospects for arms-control agreements and sweeping changes in the Soviet Union and its Warsaw Pact allies.

The 50 missiles — dubbed the "Peacekeeper" by former President Reagan — will be placed on 25 trains, each with two MX missiles aboard. The trains will be kept on six Air Force bases and moved onto civilian railroad tracks in time of crisis.

The Air Force did not indicate how many of the missiles would be at any particular site, but did say that Warren Air Force Base in Wyoming will continue to be the main MX operating base. In a statement, the Air Force said

that once the trains are sent out they will have access to "more than 120,000 miles of commercial track. This dispersal will offer enhanced (missile) survivability in the event of an enemy attack, providing the potential for prompt retaliation vital to the successful deterrence of war," the Air Force said.

The Bush administration has struggled, as had the Reagan administration, to develop a plan for adding a mobile nuclear missile to America's arsenal. The idea is to make it more difficult for the Soviet Union to target U.S. forces and thus deter the Soviets from even considering a first-strike attack.

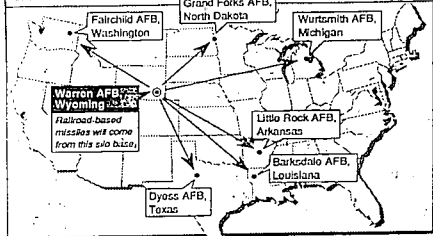
Earlier this year, President Bush chose to move forward with two mobile intercontinental ballistic missile systems by putting the 10-warhead MX on trains while also building the smaller, truck-based Midgetman.

Bush's decision has run into considerable opposition in Congress

both among those who contend the two-prong program is too expensive and among those who favor one weapon or the other. The cost of taking the nation's 50 MX missiles out of their anonymity

## Railroad-Based MX Missiles

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## New book indicts outside counsel for Wright case

WASHINGTON (AP) — The outside counsel called in to investigate ethics charges against former House Speaker Jim Wright wined and dined members of the ethics committee and ran up an expense account of more than \$150,000, according to a new book on Wright's tenure.

The attorney, Richard J. Phelan of Chicago, routinely took committee members out to dinner at some of the most expensive restaurants in Washington, writes John Burt Foster, published by Viking.

During the two years of research for the book, Wright granted Barry unusually broad access to otherwise private meetings of the House leadership and meetings with the speaker's staff.

Barry, quoting from secret transcripts of closed-door arguments before the ethics committee, said Phelan continued his courtship of the panel in those sessions, praising them for their work and using exaggeration as he argued that Wright had violated House rules.

At one point, referring to Wright's

acceptance of gifts from a Fort Worth businessman and friend, George Mallick, Phelan was said to have told the panel: "In Chicago we call it having someone in your pocket."

But on another occasion, Barry writes, Phelan deputy Michael Hawlett, confided to a Chicago acquaintance, "We're doing a dirty thing here."

Phelan strongly denied the charges that he had exerted undue influence on the ethics panel. He said he dined out with its members only a few times and when he did, "it was cheapsville" — the House dining room or a low-priced Chinese restaurant. The \$150,000 figure represented food, lodging and other expenses for a staff of 10 people over a 7-month period, he added.

"The idea that some lawyer from Chicago could come out and schmooze 12 hard-nosed congressmen into bulldozing the speaker of the House ... defies any kind of logic at all," he said. Phelan is currently running for president of the Cook County Board, the top elective post in the county where Chicago is located.

## Brutal storm season ends

MIAMI (AP) — The 1989 hurricane season, more active than usual and including the costliest storm in U.S. history, officially ends Thursday but it was not expiring silently in the rain-soaked Caribbean.

A late-season tropical depression headed for the Yucatan Channel between Mexico and Cuba on Wednesday, but forecasters thought it unlikely it would become this year's 11th named storm.

The six-month Atlantic hurricane season had three tropical storms and six hurricanes, the biggest of which was Hugo. That storm caused an estimated \$7 billion damage on the U.S. mainland, especially around Charleston, S.C.

This year's storms killed 84

people, with 49 by Hugo, said meteorologist Mark Zimmer. In the United States, the number was 56 dead, with 21 deaths blamed on Hugo.

The total number of deaths caused by 1988 storms was 550, most in Caribbean nations and Latin America.

The 1989 hurricane season, which began June 1, was above average in the number of hurricanes and the strength of those systems, said Bob Sheets, director of the National Hurricane Center in suburban Coral Gables.

Last year, the season had seven tropical storms and five hurricanes. The usual number of tropical storms, including hurricanes, is about 10.

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# Gorbachev visits Italy; reunification rejected

ROME (AP) — Soviet officials rejected West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's German reunification plan Wednesday, the first day of Mikhail S. Gorbachev's visit to Italy.

They said a united Germany could be a Soviet ally. As the Soviet president was hailed in the streets of Rome by throngs shouting, "Bravo, Mikhail, bravo!" a Soviet spokesman dismissed the 10-point plan for peace and stability between the two Germanys outlined Tuesday by Kohl.



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The rejection showed mounting Soviet concern that the Kremlin's tolerance of democratic reforms in the East bloc could be used to disrupt Gorbachev's vision of a "common European home" erasing the lines between East and West.

While Gorbachev met privately for more than 1½ hours with Premier Giulio Andreotti, Foreign Minister Edouard A. Shevardnadze expressed Moscow's concerns to Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis and other Italian officials, a spokesman said.

Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennadi I. Gerasimov told a news briefing, "Not one country in Europe is anxious to see a united Germany because it could upset the present stability in Europe."

Gerasimov said Shevardnadze told the Italian Soviet Union would not reconsider its opposition to the Kohl plan unless West Germany first renounces any claim to the pre-World War II borders of Germany,

which included many areas now belonging to Poland, the Soviet Union and other border states.

A West German constitutional court ruled in 1972 that, in the absence of a treaty defining new borders, the legal boundaries of Germany are those that existed in 1937. Before Adolf Hitler launched the war that led to his death and the carving up of the German nation.

In Moscow, Gerasimov deputy Yuri Gromitskikh rejected the Kohl plan in even harsher language, calling it "an attempt to shift the movement that started in East Germany to nationalistic lines."

Gromitskikh said Kohl presented the plan "without considering the interests of other countries."

On the first day of his three-day state visit, Gorbachev waded into cheering crowds who shouted "Gorby! Gorby!" as he and his wife took a whirlwind tour of Rome between official talks that focused on the tumultuous changes taking place in Eastern Europe.

On Friday, he will have a historic meeting with Pope John Paul II at the Vatican.

The first Soviet Communist Party chief to visit Italy, Gorbachev was greeted like a conquering hero by flag-waving Romans, who rarely display any particular enthusiasm for visiting foreign dignitaries.

During a 10-minute stop at the Colosseum, Gorbachev and his wife, Raisa, started into a crowd and were instantly engulfed by shouting well-wishers.

Some young people began singing the "Internationale," the socialist anthem, and others waved the red and yellow flag of the big Italian Communist Party, now in the midst of a soul-searching comparable to that going on among Communists in much of Eastern Europe.

# Cheney says new arms negotiations are possible

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — Defense Secretary Dick Cheney raised the possibility Wednesday that NATO and the Warsaw Pact might enter into a second set of negotiations to slash conventional arms and troops further in Europe.

Cheney said at the end of a two-day meeting at the North Atlantic Treaty Organization that no decision had been made to go beyond the current bargaining in Vienna to reduce non-nuclear forces in Europe.

"But," he said, "I certainly would not rule out the possibility" that after an agreement was reached in Vienna, the alliance "would then decide upon further steps to accelerate and expand upon" the pact.

He said he hoped that "we will be able to persuade the Soviets to ultimately withdraw all of their forces from Eastern Europe."

As part of those talks, President Bush has suggested the United States and the Soviet Union pare their forces in Europe to 275,000 on each side. The plan would require the Soviets to pull out 300,000 troops and the United States, 30,000.

An agreement on conventional armed forces in Europe is expected in the second half of next year.

During meetings with other defense ministers, Cheney sought to dispel fears the United States would unilaterally pull its troops out of Europe because of budget pressures and reduced East-West tensions.

"Reports of American plans to clip military spending in coming years has prompted concern about the United States' ties to its European allies."

# Krenz fights Bonn plan, vows independence

EAST BERLIN (AP) — Communist Party chief Egon Krenz joined with leading dissidents Wednesday in calling for East Germany to remain independent, but West Germany began an international effort to win support for reunification.

The United States already has given its support to uniting the Germanys, whose common border is considered the dividing line of East and West and was established after the Nazi defeat in World War II.

The Soviets criticized the plan Wednesday. East German Communist leaders reiterated their opposition, and a leading group of dissidents also rejected it.

Krenz used the situation to rally support for his beleaguered Communist Party by signing a petition circulated by the dissidents, who called for a national "vote of confidence" in socialism.

Krenz told the organizers in a letter: "We have the historic duty to

preserve this country with its antifascist ideals and traditions as a socialist alternative within German development."

Krenz, echoing the petition's sentiments, also called for "peace and social justice, individual freedom, freedom of travel for all and the preservation of the environment."

The Communist government, having to a popular uprising for reform, already has promised free elections by early 1991 and a

constitutional amendment stripping it of its 40-year monopoly on power.

Kahl has said East Germany must hold free elections if it wants West Germany and closer ties with its neighbor. East German leaders have welcomed greater cooperation but have refused to discuss reunification.

Kohl on Tuesday reaffirmed his point reunification plan, which received the approval of West Germany's opposition Social Democrats.

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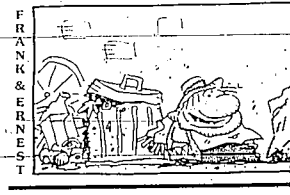
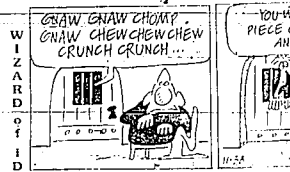
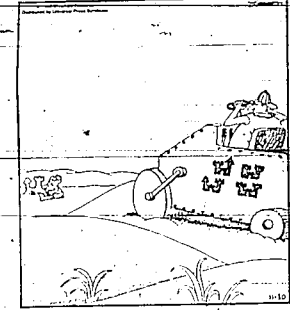
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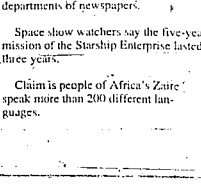
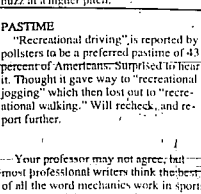
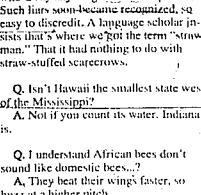
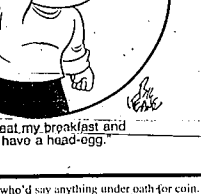
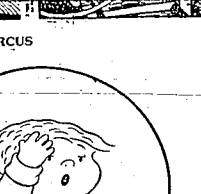
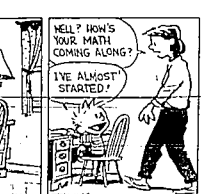
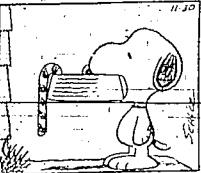
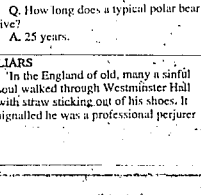
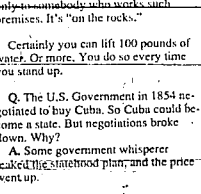
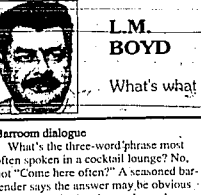
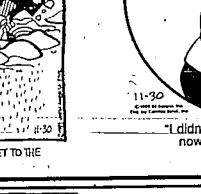
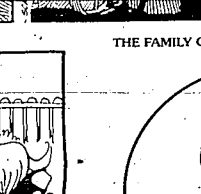
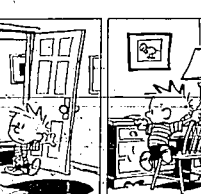
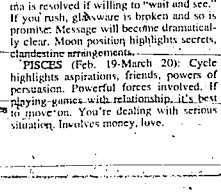
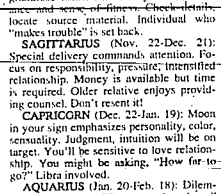
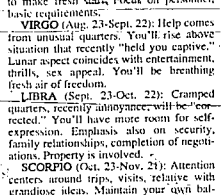
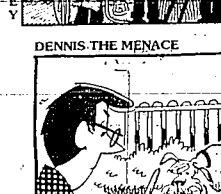
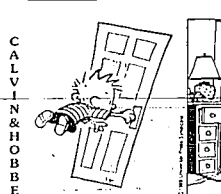
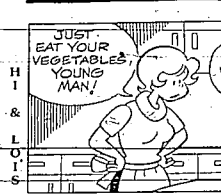
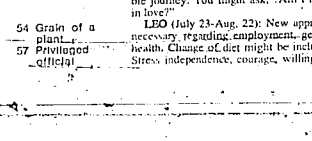
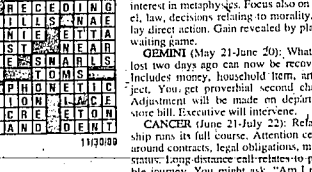
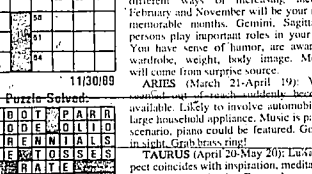
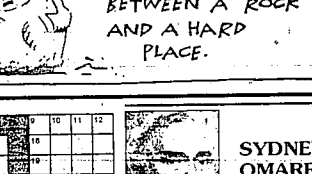
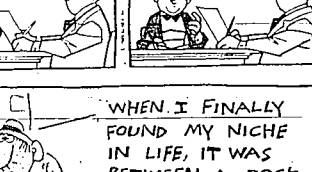
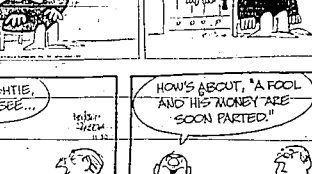
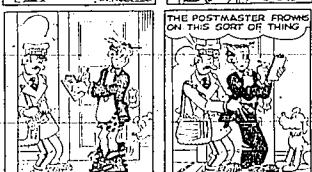
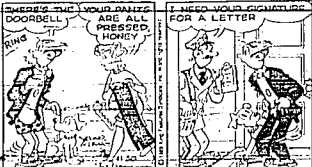
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## ASTROLOGICAL FORECASTS

**IF NOVEMBER 30 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** During December, attention centers around financial status, legal affairs, possible addition to family. In 1990, spotlight on possible change of residence, marriage, different ways of increasing income. February and November will be your most memorable months. Gemini, Sagittarius persons play important roles in your life. You have sense of humor, are aware of warfare, weight, body image. Money will come from surprise source.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** What would you do if you suddenly became available. Likely to involve automobile of large household appliance. Move is part of scenario, piano could be featured. Goal is in sight. Grab brass ring!

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Lunar aspect coincides with inspiration, meditation, interest in metaphysics. Focus also on travel, law, decisions relating to morality. Delay direct action. Gain revealed by playing waiting game.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** What was lost two days ago can now be recovered. Includes money, household item, art object. You get proverbial second chance. Adjustment will be made on department store bill. Executive will intervene.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Relationship runs its full course. Attention centers around contracts, legal obligations, marital status. Long distance call relates to possible journey. You might ask, "Am I really in love?"

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** New approach necessary regarding employment, general health. Change of diet might be included. Stress, independence, courage, willingsness to make fresh start, focus on personnel, basic motivation.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Help comes from unusual quarters. You'll rise above situation that recently "held you captive." Lunar aspect coincides with entertainment, thrills, sex appeal. You'll be breathing fresh air of freedom.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Cramped quarters, recurring annoyance will be corrected. You'll have more room for self-expression. Emphasis also on security, family relationships, completion of negotiations. Property is involved.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Attention centers around trips, visits, relative with grandiose ideas. Maintain your own balance and sense of finesse. Check details, locate source material. Individual who "makes trouble" is set back.

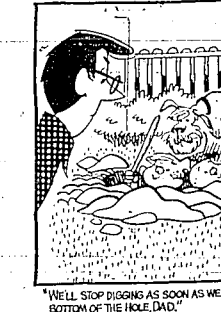
**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Special delivery commands attention. Focus on responsibility, pressure; intensified relationship. Money is available but time is required. Older relative enjoys providing counsel. Don't resent it!

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Moon sign emphasizes personality, color, sensuality. Judgment, intuition will be on target. You'll be sensitive to love relationship. You might be asking, "How far to go?" Libra involvement.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Dilemma is resolved if willing to "wait and see." If you rush, glassware is broken and so is promise. Message will be more dramatically clear. Moon position highlights secrets, clandestine arrangements.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Cycle highlights aspiration, friend's powers of persuasion. Powerful forces involved. If playing games with relationship, it's best to move on. You're dealing with serious situation. Involves money, love.

## DENNIS THE MENACE

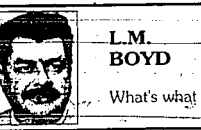


11-30 "WE'LL STOP DIGGING AS SOON AS WE GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THE HOLE, DAD."

## THE FAMILY CIRCUS



11-30 "I didn't eat my breakfast and now I have a head-ogg."



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## What's what?

**Barroom dialogue**  
What's the three-word phrase most often spoken in a cocktail lounge? No, not "Come here often!" A seasoned bartender says the answer may be obvious - only to somebody who works such premises. It's "on the rocks."

Certainly you can lift 100 pounds of weight. Or more. You do so every time you stand up.

Q. The U.S. Government in 1854 recognized to buy Cuba. So Cuba could be down. Why?  
A. Some government whisperer leaked the statehood plan; and the price went up.

Q. How long does a typical polar bear live?  
A. 25 years.

**LIARS**  
In England of old, many a sinful soul walked through Westminster Hall with straw sticking out of his shoes. It signalled he was a professional perjurer

who'd say anything under oath for coin. Such liars soon became recognized, so easy to discredit. A language scholar insists that's where we got the term "straw man." That it had nothing to do with straw-stuffed scarecrows.

Q. Isn't Hawaii the smallest state west of the Mississippi?  
A. Not if you count its water. Indiana is.

Q. I understand African bees don't sound like domestic bees...?  
A. They beat their wings faster, so buzz at a higher pitch.

**PASTIME**  
"Recreational driving" is reported by pollsters to be a preferred pastime of 43 percent of Americans. Surprised to hear it. Though it gave way to "recreational jogging" which then lost out to "recreational walking." Will recheck, and report further.

Your professor may not agree, but most professional writers think the best of all the word mechanics work in sports departments of newspapers.

Space show watchers say the five-year mission of the Starship Enterprise lasted three years.

Claim is people of Africa's Zaire speak more than 200 different languages.



# Duo solves treasure mystery 6 months too late to collect prize

NEW YORK (AP) — An FBI agent and a deputy prosecutor in Los Angeles were too late for the gold, but they get the glory.

They have solved the mystery of the \$500,000 Golden Horse treasure contest. Alone among the tens of thou-

sands who sought the buried treasure, they deduced that the Golden Horse was buried in Tennessee Pass, 10,400 feet above sea level, along the Continental Divide in Colorado. Nick Boone and Anthony Castaneda, who spent more than five years working separately on the puzzle, told The Associated Press on Tuesday they had solved the riddle and the people who ran the contest don't disagree.

"We have no comment about the site, but we will acknowledge and confirm that he's given us totally convincing proof that he found the exact location," Thomas Conlon, president of D.L. Blair, said after speaking to Boone, Blair, the national sales promotion company that oversaw the contest, has refused to divulge the solution.

Boone, 45, an FBI agent for 18 years, was the FBI's case agent for planning and security at the 1983 Olympic games.

"I know what it is to have a let-down after a long haul," Boone said. "Tom and I are looking to see if we can find another good contest."

Castaneda, 44, a prosecutor for 16 years, said he was not drawn to working puzzles before the Golden Horse challenge, "unless you count solving murders."

The puzzle was offered to the public in 1984 as a story titled "Treasure: In Search of the Golden Horse," which was released as a book, videotape and laser disc. The story contained arcane and complex clues to the puzzle.

buried somewhere in the United States. The horse was made of 2.2 pounds of pure gold and contained a key to a safe deposit box containing a 20-year annuity for \$25,000 a year.

The deadline passed with no claimant. As stipulated by the rules, the treasure was dug up and turned over to a charity — Big Brothers and Big Sisters of America — but the site was not revealed.

Many frustrated treasure hunters, who spent years, money and sweat on the puzzle clamored for the solution. Some maintained the contest was a fraud and that no trove was ever buried.

Conlon, Big Brothers and the authors of the story, bound by the contest rules, kept mum.

"I would love to have seen them retrieve this seven months ago, not

only for their benefit but ours, so we would not have had to endure six months of slander," Conlon said.

The partners won't reveal yet the step-by-step path that led them to Tennessee Pass. That will come in an article they are preparing for publication in the March issue of Treasure magazine.

"You really can't work from the site backward," Boone said, "because there's nothing that points to Colorado and Tennessee Pass. You have to solve the ciphers to find it."

Boone said the puzzle jelled on Nov. 1 and he and Castaneda flew to the pass two days later to dig up whatever evidence of the stash remained.

Amid snow, cold and gathering darkness, they missed the spot by 18 inches, Boone said.



AP Laserphoto

Nick Boone, right, and Anthony Castaneda pose in Colorado

## Grave marker will withstand earthquakes

TOKYO (AP) — A Stonemason has patented a tombstone designed to keep standing through severe earthquakes, saving high replacement costs in a country where elaborate, expensive markers reflect deep respect for ancestors.

My earthquake-proof tombstones can resist even a tremor as strong as the Great Kantō Earthquake," said Toshihiko Nagoya, 41.

The 1923 earthquake, estimated at 7.9 on the Richter scale, destroyed much of Tokyo, then a city of 2 million people, and killed 140,000. Tokyo's population is now 12 million.

The new tombstone uses stainless steel poles implanted in the center, and its parts are pressed together with Nagoya's special glue. He tested it with the help of Tokyo University's Seikology department.

## Police recover Warhol works

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands (AP) — Police recovered 81 Andy Warhol lithographs that had been stolen from a West German art gallery two months ago, police said Wednesday.

Seven persons were arrested, said police spokesman Kees Rameau. The suspects were not identified in line with Dutch judicial practice, but Rameau said they included two Britons and two Yugoslavs.

The lithographs were stolen from an art gallery near Bonn in September as part of a theft of artwork with an estimated value of \$3 million, Rameau said.

Fourteen of the lithographs were seized when a Dutch art dealer tried to sell them to two unidentified customers in an Amsterdam hotel, Rameau said.

The remaining 67 Warhols were found when the art dealer's house was raided. Also found were three handguns and a large amount of cash, Rameau said.

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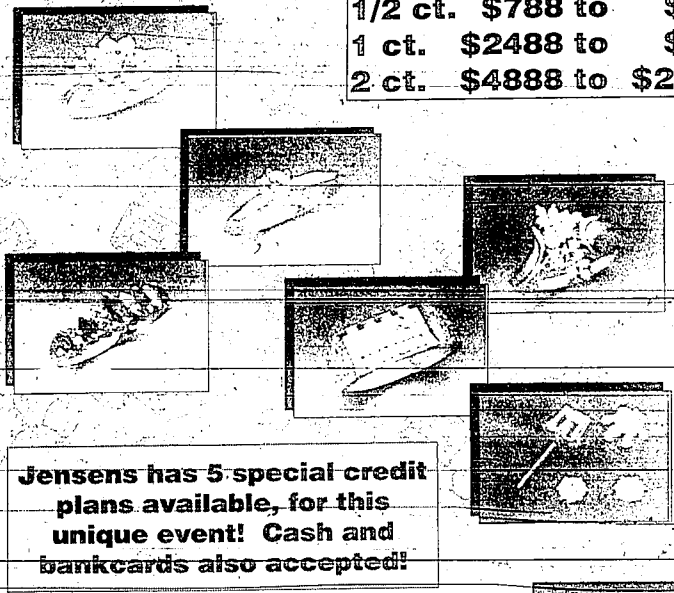
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**World**

# Gandhi bows to opposition win

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi resigned Wednesday, and for only the second time since independence in 1947 his Congress Party did not claim the right to form the next government. Opposition parties began trying to assemble a coalition.

Gandhi submitted his resignation to President Ramaswamy Venkataraman and said he was ready for the role of opposition leader.

"The people have given their verdict," he said in a televised speech Wednesday night. "In all humility, we respect the verdict."

"A new government will be formed. We extend to them our good wishes and offer them our constructive cooperation," said the 45-year-old former airline pilot, who won his own Parliament seat overwhelmingly for a third time.

Congress won more Parliament seats in last week's elections than any other party, but was far short of a



**RAJIV GANDHI**  
Remains in office as caretaker majority.

Venkataraman asked Gandhi to remain in office as caretaker prime

minister. The resignation cleared the way for the National Front alliance to form the next government for the world's most populous democracy.

The Congress Party has been out of office only once before since independence from Britain, for 29 months after losing the 1977 elections.

National Front leaders predicted Wednesday they would choose the next prime minister, but differences arose among the five parties.

A meeting was delayed until Thursday, then Friday, while legislators from the alliance tried to persuade its main leader, Vishwanath Prasad Singh, to take the job. Singh has reportedly said he does not want it.

"There will be trouble in the party if V.P. Singh is not elected prime minister," said Jaipal Reddy of Janata Dal, or People's Party, largest of the five parties in the National Front.

# Renowned gymnast flees to Hungary

BUDAPEST, Hungary (AP) — Romanian gymnast Nadia Comaneci, who spun and vaulted her way into sports history with scores of perfect 10s at the 1976 Olympics, has fled her homeland, Hungary's news agency reported Wednesday.

Comaneci, 25, told border guards she left her rigid Communist country "for the sake of freedom," the MTI news agency said.

Her whereabouts were not known. The agency initially reported she had applied for political asylum, but later said she had been granted a temporary residence permit, valid for three days.

At the age of 14, the solemn, 4-foot-11 Comaneci astounded the world with the first-ever perfect scores in gymnastics, winning three Olympic gold medals on the uneven bars, balance beam and overall competition at the Montreal games.

During a career that lasted until 1984, Comaneci won 21 gold medals in Olympic and other international competition. After ending her competitive career, she turned coach and referee and was a role model for Romanian youth.

Because of her achievements, Comaneci was made a Hero of Socialist Labor by President Nicolae Ceausescu, the hard-line Communist

leader who has refused to bend to the wave of reform sweeping the East bloc.

At one time she was linked romantically with Nicu Ceausescu, the president's son.

She reportedly lived a comparatively plush life in a country notorious for its chronic shortages of consumer goods, as well as for the Ceausescu brand of neo-Stalinism. About 25,000 Romanians have fled to Hungary in the past two years.

Despite the adulation of her countrymen and the rewards of her government, Comaneci often expressed dissatisfaction with the demands of her career.

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

# Stallings says glasnost could kill SIS

By The Associated Press

Rep. Richard Stallings, D-Idaho, says if the drive for democratic reform in the Communist world continues, it is unlikely that a lever-driven plutonium refinery will be built in Idaho.

"I would suspect that if world conditions continue to move as they are, if tensions are reduced, then SIS (the Special Isotope Separation project) will be very much in doubt," he said Wednesday.

Idaho hopes to land the Special Isotope Separation project for the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory. It would mean thousands of new jobs for the billion-dollar project. Environmentalists and others oppose it, saying the federal government should clean up the waste from other nuclear operations before starting new ones.

An aide to Sen. James McClure said the Republican has not given up on SIS, but acknowledges that questions about future defense spending have clouded the picture.

"Of course there is much to be cheering about with the changes in Eastern Europe," H.D. Palmer said. "But you don't base your deterrent capability on what if."

Congress approved funding for preliminary site work for SIS at the Idaho facility, but only if Energy Secretary James Watkins certified that there was a national defense need for the plutonium it would produce. McClure said at that time he was confident that Watkins would certify that need.

A report this week in the Washington Post, which Stallings said is disputed, quoted unidentified Energy Department officials as saying Watkins is reconsidering the SIS project and has no plans of certifying "any time soon" that the refinery is essential to national security.

Amid the democratic movements in Europe, President Bush earlier this month ordered a review of the nation's defense spending plans with an eye toward reductions. The Washington Post quoted one official as saying, "We are now looking at

weapons production scenarios that are half what we have long assumed."

"It is very difficult to get people to dedicate new money for bomb factories today," the official said.

Palmer maintained that the president's directive did not target any specific project like SIS and that a wide range of cost-cutting measures have come under review.

Stallings said Watkins will have to make some quick decisions whether site preparation work should start.

"If that story (in the Washington Post) is accurate, it sounds to me like he is having very serious doubts about even going with site preparation," he said.

"But he said Energy officials claim the story is not accurate."

"We don't know what to believe that this point. We are not getting particularly good information," he said.

Stallings said he has asked for a meeting with Watkins or top Energy officials as soon as possible, "hopefully before Christ-

mas or about the first of the year."

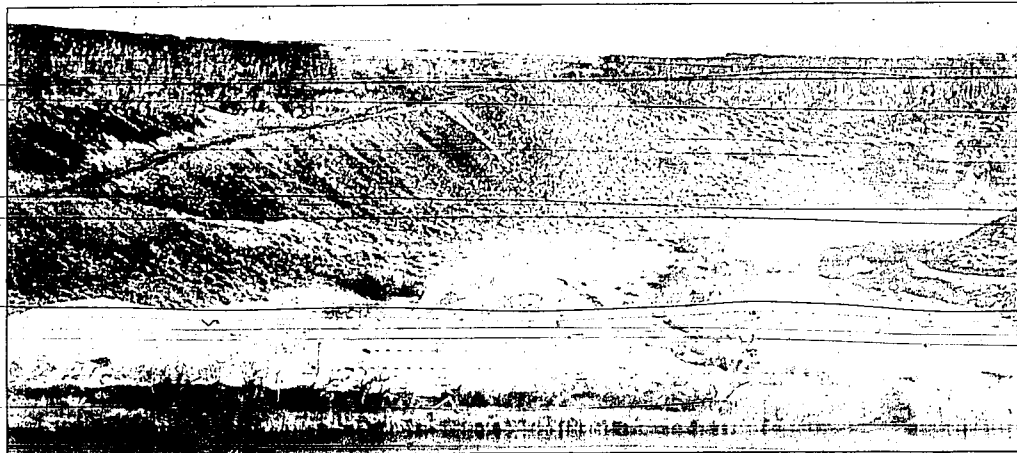
"We will sit down and try to find out where they are coming from," Stallings said.

"I have said all along that this thing (SIS) could only be justified on the basis of need. If this country does not need additional plutonium, then probably it ought not to be built," he said.

Stallings said as far as he can determine, the official statement from the Energy Department is that there is a need for the plutonium that SIS would produce.

"But I am sure they are looking at the 1991 budget and trying to find a few dollars here and there to cut," he said.

"If things continue to improve, I could very easily see a scenario in which they save the technology, we know it will work, but we are not going to fund it right now," Stallings said.



Local citizens and conservation groups have filed a notice of intent to file suit, alleging that Boise businessman Earl M. Hardy illegally filled wetlands in Blind Canyon

## Group maintains canyon wetlands illegally filled

By N. S. NOKKENTWIED

Times-News writer

**BUHL** — The government agency charged with protecting wetlands is not doing its job in Blind Canyon, a group of citizens alleges.

Four local residents, the Hagerman Valley Citizens Alert and the Idaho Conservation League have filed a notice of intent to file suit, alleging that Boise businessman Earl M. Hardy illegally filled wetlands in Blind Canyon.

The notice also names the Army Corps of Engineers, saying the agency hasn't enforced federal clean-water regulations.

Hardy referred comments to his attorney, Bill Ringert of Boise.

"Some of our assertions so far have not been entirely accurate," Ringert said.

G. Dean Hilliard, chief of the Corps of Engineers' regulatory branch, did not return phone calls Wednesday.

Blind Canyon is the outlet of Cedar Draw Creek into the Snake River near Buhl. The wetlands were filled as part of Hardy's construction of a trout hatchery near the canyon mouth, the notice alleges.

"We don't have any proof, but the indications are very strong," said Randall Morgan, who lives across the Snake River from Blind Canyon.

Through binoculars, Morgan has seen wet areas at the base of the canyon walls that have been cleared for construction by a bulldozer, he said. One area, about two acres, appears to have been a wetland and has remnants of cattails sticking up through the dozer tracks, he said.

Section 404 of the federal Clean Water Act requires a permit from the Army Corps of Engineers to put fill in wetlands and streams. But nothing requiring a permit has been done in connection with Hardy's project, Ringert said.

Hardy does not have a permit, he said.

The corps told Hardy that operations three to five feet from the stream bank not involving any wetlands do not require a permit, Ringert said. Hardy did not intend to disturb or fill areas within three to five feet of the bank, he said.

"If there was a violation, it was rectified," Ringert said.

"The corps cited one violation in an area it said is a wetland, he said.

"It didn't seem like a wetland to me, but we'll probably comply with that anyway," Ringert said. "Neither Earl nor the corps see any need for a 404 permit in Blind Canyon," he said.

"In my opinion there is a substantial likelihood that wetlands of the stream are being filled or receiving discharges in violation of the Clean Water Act," said Jeff Fereday, attorney for the conservationists.

The notice is not the first time Hagerman Valley conservationists have assailed Hardy's project.

Another citizen action questioning the government's environmental assessments resulted in a temporary court order halting Hardy's proposal to divert water from nearby Box Canyon Creek for the Blind Canyon hatchery.

"We want the government, on this project and all projects, to do the job they're supposed to do," said Bill Chisholm of Buhl, one of the litigants.

The federal Clean Water Act permits citizens to file a notice of intent to file suit if they appear federal agencies are not enforcing the law and it appears there is violation, Fereday said.

The notice gives the agency 60 days to investigate the allegation of illegal fill, and time to take any appropriate action, he said.

"We don't know what the corps intends to do," Fereday said.

## United Way claims neutrality on issue of abortion support

By MICHELLE COLE

Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — Magic Valley's United Way is happy to channel donations to the Twin Falls Pregnancy Hotline and Crisis Center, but the local chapter doesn't want to appear to support or oppose abortion, officials said Wednesday.

"The United Way nationally hasn't taken a stand on this issue and we haven't taken a stand in the Magic Valley," said Dan Brizez, United Way's 1989 Magic Valley campaign director.

Brizez was responding to a comment made during a Tuesday night Right to Life chapter meeting. The overflow crowd was urged to direct United Way donations to the local pro-life counseling center.

That's correct — donors can do that, said Kathy Williams, Magic Valley United Way executive director.

Donors can also designate money for Planned Parenthood, the Heart Association or any organization that is not an official United Way member agency, Williams said.

Ordinarily, no United Way money would go to any of those organizations. But if a donor gives more than \$30, the United Way is willing to channel that money to any organization the donor chooses, Williams said.

The United Way keeps 3 percent to pay administrative costs.

Representatives from the counseling center have inquired about becoming a member agency, but no formal application has been filed, Williams said.

Before becoming a member agency, the counseling center would have to meet certain United Way requirements and be approved by the local allocations committee.

## Buhl alternative school lacks necessary funding

By MIKEL BENTON

Times-News correspondent

**BUHL** — The school district hopes to continue with its alternative school into a second semester, even though a source of funding has not yet been found.

The alternative school as of this week doesn't have the required enrollment necessary for state funding. Superintendent Eugene Pyles told the school board Tuesday. He said in early November he hoped enrollment would reach the required level — the equivalent of 15 students taking all four alternative classes offered.

The school actually has more than 15 students taking the classes but they aren't taking all four. High School Principal Jack Crispin said at the meeting.

Pyles said the district may receive some state funds by adding the alternative students onto the standard school enrollment list, which is allowed, but cautioned that that could be offset by an overall decrease in enrollment in the district.

Schools receive state money based on enrollment.

Running the alternative program for one year was estimated to cost \$30,000, but Pyles said that actual costs will be less than \$20,000. "We're not operating the full program that I had anticipated," he said.

Pyles is seeking funding through a Pillsbury-Greg Giant grant. The school is open this semester thanks to a \$25,000 donation from Pet Inc. and \$34,000 from a local corporation that wishes to remain anonymous.

Costs for the second semester are expected to be \$8,500.

The alternative school program is designed for students who have dropped out of school but now wish to earn their diplomas, who have had difficulty adjusting to the standard school atmosphere or who have found themselves at graduation a few credits short.

The board voted Tuesday to continue the program.

## New clinic on wheels to serve area veterans

By JENNIFER KAUTH

Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — While veterans centers have been set up across the nation to help Vietnam War vets deal with post-traumatic stress disorder, vets from earlier wars have been neglected, a social worker at a Boise veterans' hospital says.

And many Vietnam veterans have never received help because of the distance between their hometowns and the nearest Department of Veterans Affairs medical facility, explained Henry Parker, the program director for a new traveling clinic that will try to fix these shortcomings.

The Boise VA Medical Center has re-

### Twin Falls visit

The traveling clinic for veterans will be in Twin Falls at 10:30 a.m. Dec. 13 for a general meeting at the Disabled American Veterans Chapter 5 hall, 459 Shoup Ave.

The district spent \$1,052 last year for balls, caps and bases, and expects to spend another \$1,500 to \$2,000 within the next year or two for new uniforms.

The board is also reviewing fees at the high school and middle schools. "I got several complaints from parents in the fall that it was costing them 70 to 80 bucks to get their kids into a public school," Pyles said.

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# Idaho potato market stabilizes Democratic committee assignments change

BOISE (AP) — After slipping below the \$5 mark for the first time in eight months, the Idaho market for potatoes stabilized in October as producers harvested their second best crop ever.

The Agriculture Department said its preliminary estimate of average market prices for last month put the state's number one cash crop at \$4.55 a hundred pounds, unchanged from the price in September that dropped \$1.60 a hundredweight as the near-record harvest got into full swing.

At the same time, prices for dried beans and wheat rebounded from September declines after growers finished gathering in huge crops.

Idaho's 1989 potato crop was estimated at 10.24 billion pounds earlier this month, down just slightly from

the record harvest in 1988. But weather problems in other major producing states dampened nationwide production to buttress market prices.

Even with the fall drop in Idaho prices from a near record \$9.05 a hundred pounds in July, the mid-October price remained 50 cents higher than a year earlier.

Growers cashed in on the situation early in the summer by negotiating contract-price increases of around 11 percent with the state's major food processors.

Wheat prices moved back to within four cents of the \$4-a-bushel level last month after dropping to \$3.73 in September amid indications that significant portions of the northern Idaho crop were damaged by excessive September rains. Still, the overall

third largest on record in Idaho.

The second-largest dried bean crop ever harvested was commanding an average price of \$25.30 a hundredweight last month, up 40 cents from September when the seasonal harvest market decline broke a string of six months over \$30. Still, October was the second straight month that current average prices have run below year-earlier levels.

The cattle market was mixed although overall beef prices rose fractionally to just under \$64 a hundred pound. The price for steers and heifers was up nearly \$2 to \$68.70 a hundredweight, but calf prices fell over \$2 to \$84.70 a hundred pounds and cull prices were down \$1.30 to under \$47.

BOISE (AP) — A number of changes have been made in Democratic assignments to committees in the Idaho House of Representatives because Rep. — Tim Tuckey, D-Boise, has been appointed to the Idaho Senate.

House Speaker Tom Boyd said Wednesday that Rep. Ken Robison, D-Boise, will succeed Tuckey on the Legislature's Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee.

Robison will give up membership on the House Health and Welfare Committee, was appointed to the Environmental Affairs panel and will continue to serve on the Resources and Conservation Committee.

Rep. Al Johnson, D-Pocatello, was named to the Agricultural Affairs Committee succeeding Tuckey and will give up his seat on Environmental Affairs.

Rep. Mary Ellen Lloyd, D-Pocatello, was appointed to Health and Welfare and will give up seats on Environmental Affairs and Judiciary, Rules and Administration.

Boyd also said Rep. Deanna Vickers, D-Lewiston, has been named to a special legislative committee on health care, filling the vacancy created by Tuckey's resignation.

A successor to Tuckey in the House has not been appointed.

## Jones joins in criticism of DOE

POCATELLO (AP) — Idaho Attorney General Jim Jones has joined his counterparts from 15 other states in calling for "more teeth and specifics" in the Energy Department's plans to clean up contaminated federal nuclear weapons plants.

Jones told reporters on Wednesday that the plan proposed by Energy Secretary James Watkins to deal with environmental problems at DOE facilities "needs major revision in order to adequately address the environmental problems that have been discovered in recent years at DOE installations."

He credited Watkins with initiating the cleanup effort, but "there are a number of areas where the proposal must be strengthened to remedy existing waste problems. It is essential that it contain more definite standards and binding time tables."

"A stronger state role in the decision-making process should be spelled out in the plan, Jones said, and the department should support legislation giving states more authority to pursue violations of environmental law.

The plan should also deal with the interim storage of low-level radioactive

waste until the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant in New Mexico opens, he said.

"Without these kinds of specific provisions, the plan could end up being just another well-meaning document, gathering dust at DOE headquarters," Jones said.

The department's Idaho National Engineering Laboratory has been placed on the nation's priority list for cleanup because of toxic contamination — of — groundwater. — The government is also preparing to clean up radioactive waste routinely buried at INEL from 1952 to 1970.

## New judge Lodge will be sworn in

BOISE (AP) — Edward Lodge will be sworn in as a new U.S. District Court judge for Idaho on Dec. 15, but when he can assume full duties will depend on how fast the federal government can move in selecting someone to replace him as a bankruptcy judge.

District Court Clerk Jerry Clapp said Wednesday Judge Harold Ryan will preside at ceremonies at the federal building at 1:30 p.m. to install Lodge as a district judge. He succeeds Marion Callister, who has moved to semi-retired status as a senior judge.

Alfred Goodwin, presiding judge for the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, is expected to be among those attending the ceremony for Lodge. A reception to honor Lodge and his wife, Patti, is scheduled after the ceremony, Clapp said.

Clapp said three candidates for the bankruptcy appointment have been interviewed and will go through an FBI background check. The nomination will be made by the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals.

Clapp said he expected it will take about three months to get a new bankruptcy judge through the appointment process.

## Farmers fights attempted takeover

CHICAGO (AP) — A plan to sell Farmers Group Inc., the nation's third-largest auto insurer, as part of a hostile takeover bid for parent BAT Industries is questionable and should be subject to attorneys for Farmers told state insurance regulators Wednesday.

But Sir James Goldsmith, the Anglo-French financier whose Hoylake Investment Ltd. is mounting the bid, dismissed the argument as a desperate tactic in BAT management's "no-holds-barred takeover defense."

The Illinois Department of Insurance hearings that began Wednesday are to determine the suitability of Hoylake to become Farmers' parent through the proposed acquisition of BAT, the London-based tobacco, re-

tailing, paper and financial services concern.

Goldsmith's \$21.1 billion BAT takeover plan was suspended earlier this year to allow Hoylake to seek approval from U.S. state insurance commissioners to change Farmers' ownership.

Hoylake has vowed to sell off all of BAT's non-tobacco holdings under the buying plan. Farmers would be sold to French insurer Axa Midi Assurance for \$4.5 billion.

Los Angeles-based Farmers operates in Illinois and eight other states. Illinois is the first to begin review of the takeover bid to determine if it is in the best interest of insurance policyholders.


Goldsmith has attempted un-

successfully to block the reviews, arguing that state regulators have no constitutional right to pass judgment on a foreign buyout.

During Wednesday's hearing, attorneys for Hoylake argued that the question of the company's suitability to own or operate an insurance carrier is irrelevant because if the BAT takeover is successful, Hoylake plans to simultaneously sell Farmers to Axa Midi.

"Hoylake's consistent position is and has been that it has no wish to own and operate an insurance company in the United States — and Farmers in particular," Hoylake attorney Robert L. King said in opening statements before Seymour Sim-

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### Tax revenue shows Idaho's health

BOISE (AP) — Despite new indications that the national economy is slowing down, state tax collections in October are underscoring Idaho's current financial strength.

The gap between actual and anticipated tax collections last month was more than doubled from September, and the state analysts acknowledged that "economic strength in Idaho also continues to push revenues further beyond expectations."

A critical factor in the strength of the state economy was the surge in personal income tax collections, a key employment indicator and also responsible for nearly half of all general tax receipts. After lagging behind expected collections in July, August and September, personal income tax payments, mainly through payroll withholding, jumped \$1 million ahead of the Oct. 31 benchmark.

Strong personal income tax collections — were — primarily responsible for revenues exceeding expenditures by \$58 million in the last budget year, accounting for over two-thirds of that excess.

Corporate taxes were running \$5.4 million over projections at the end of October, and even though analysts remained concerned about certain components of that tax category, they conceded the situation points to "corporate income tax collections higher than the mid-summer forecast."

Sales tax receipts for October surpassed projections by another \$1.5 million, pushing the disparity between actual and anticipated collections for the first four months of the budget year to \$3.8 million.

### Northwest economy should beat slowdown

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho economy is on a roll and business leaders predicted it will thrive well into the next decade at the 13th annual Economic Outlook Forum.

"I don't think we'll be immune from a national slowdown, but I think the region will outperform the rest of the nation," said keynote speaker John Mitchell, senior vice president for U.S. Bancorp in Portland.

Mitchell joined more than 650 people Tuesday in the conference sponsored by the Boise Area Chamber of Commerce.

"It's an exciting time to be in the Northwest," said Jean Constock, a First Security commercial loan officer.

Bobbie Patterson, director of the Boise Convention and Visitor's Bureau, cited a 16 percent growth in the capital city's lodging industry with \$27.7 million spent on hotel and motel rooms in the 1989 fiscal year.

"Tourism is a hot industry," she said. "It's a great time to sell the city of Boise."

Idaho Agriculture Director Dick Rush noted the state's farmers earned \$2.5 billion for their crops in 1988, an increase of \$500 million over 1987. This year should be even better.

"In two years, farmers here pumped a billion dollars more into the state's economy," he said.

### Jones readies water export legislation

AMERICAN FALLS (AP) — Attorney General Jim Jones is preparing legislation to declare that before any water can be exported from the state, there must be "clear evidence" that it cannot be beneficially used in Idaho.

He said Wednesday he started working on the legislation because of concerns voiced by the Idaho Water Users Association.

"Federal court decisions have placed limitations on what a state can do to prevent export of its waters," he said, in remarks prepared for a meeting of the American Falls Rotary Club.

"Our bill seeks to provide maximum protection for Idaho water, while not running afoul of claims that it unlawfully restricts interstate commerce," he said.

Jones said he is seeking input from the association, legislators and the state Department of Water Resources before the proposal will be submitted to the 1990 Legislature.

"Although the state cannot absolutely prevent export of its waters, we do have leeway to place reasonable limitations on export," the attorney general said. "The limitations proposed in the draft legislation are tough but reasonable. They require thorough and critical scrutiny of any export request."

### Anderson warns of delay in tax reform issues

MOSCOW (AP) — If the legislature does not tackle tax reform soon, Idaho voters may gain take matters into their own hands, Associated Taxpayers of Idaho President Andrew "Andy" Anderson warns.

"But he is not optimistic lawmakers will make any significant changes in the upcoming session," Anderson spoke to the Latah County Property Owners' Association at Moscow Tuesday night.

"The legislature is going to be preoccupied this session with reapportionment and abortion. When you try to add tax reform, which is as volatile an abortion — as a result of the current economic situation, I'm not real optimistic they're going to get anything of value accomplished," he said.

If the leaders fail to take steps on tax reform, they may have that legislation taken away from them, Anderson said.

"Either the Legislature will reach a crisis point and respond, or we'll see some group come up with another initiative and attempt to put it on the ballot," he said.

### Reilly given state personnel position

BOISE (AP) — Emily McDermott of Pocatello resigned Wednesday from the Idaho Personnel Commission and Gov. Cecil Andrus appointed Rosie Reilly of Nampa to replace her.

The part-time panel acts as a personnel board for the state.

Reilly, 42, is an elementary school teacher and widow of Terry Reilly, a former state senator killed in an airplane crash in 1986 as he campaigned for the Democratic nomination for lieutenant governor.

### Court rejects complaint against law firm

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Supreme Court has dismissed a complaint filed by David Steed against a Pocatello law firm, alleging conflict of interest and violations of the Idaho Rules of Professional Conduct in federal bankruptcy proceedings.

In an order signed by Chief Justice Robert Bakes on Wednesday, the Supreme Court adopted the report of a special hearing officer against Steed's complaint, and dismissed the complaint.

Steed, a former Idaho Falls farm implement dealer, filed a formal complaint against the Pocatello law firm of Green, Service, Gasser and Kerl.

Steed, who lists his profession as business consultant and negotiator, alleged that attorneys in the firm were serving as trustees for bankruptcy court at the same time as the general were on retainers from secured creditors in bankruptcy proceedings, mainly banks and other lenders.

He alleged that was a violation of the IRPC, rule 1.7.

The Supreme Court appointed Richard A. Cummings to conduct the complaint, because a member of the Pocatello law firm, Ron Kerl, is chairman of the Idaho State Bar Commission's Professional Conduct Board, which normally hears such complaints about lawyer conduct.

On Oct. 23, Cummings advised the court that his research indicated that if Steed had a complaint, it should be to the federal bankruptcy court system.

"Regardless of whether this court views the respondents, (the lawyers) conduct being complained of with approval or with antipathy, the arbiter of its propriety appears to be the Federal Bankruptcy Court," Cummings said.


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### Warren scheduled to have 1st MX-launching train

CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) — America's first rail missile system should be running by 1992, when F.E. Warren Air Force Base in Wyoming is scheduled to have at least one MX-toting train operational, a base spokeswoman said Wednesday.

Maj. Kathleen McCollom added that under the current timetable, the full complement of trains carrying 50 of the nuclear weapons could be deployed throughout the nation as early as 1994.

F.E. Warren was designated by former President Ronald Reagan in late 1986 as the eventual operations center for MX rail garrisons scattered across the country. The base currently oversees 50 MX missiles deployed in underground silos in southeastern Wyoming.

Under the rail garrison plan, those 50 will be pulled from the silos and placed on 25 trains, each capable of toting two missiles. The trains are to be kept at the military sites and moved out onto civilian railroad tracks in times of crisis.

Each MX missile is 71 feet long, 92 inches in diameter and weighs 195,000 pounds. It can carry 10 independently targetable warheads — more than 6,000 miles.

Each train in a garrison would consist of at least two locomotives, two security cars, two missile launch cars, one launch control car, and one maintenance car. Air Force officials in the past have said that civilian locomotive engineers may be asked to pilot the trains and operate switching facilities.

McCollom said once the other six air bases have built their garrison missiles will be shipped from F.E. Warren to them for deployment. She said the multi-stage missiles probably would be dismantled and shipped partly by truck and partly by rail to the other bases.

"They don't move them all intact," she said. "They're too big to move them that way."

When it does come time to move the weapons, the Air Force probably won't announce exactly when or how they will be shipped, she said.

"I can't see any reason why we'd draw attention to it," said McCollom.

### Lawmaker calls for halt at Rocky Flats plant; governor disagrees

DENVER (AP) — Colorado Congressman David Skaggs called Wednesday for a temporary halt to plutonium processing at the Rocky Flats nuclear weapons plant until serious safety problems at the plant are corrected, but Gov. Roy Romer said he believed that the move was premature.

Skaggs said he made the request Nov. 16 in a letter to Energy Secretary James Watkins because of a new report indicating only luck has prevented a serious accident at the plant. The congressman, whose district includes Rocky Flats, announced his decision at a news conference Wednesday.

Romer at his own news conference later said "in my view, the plant must be safe to operate, and if it is not safe it must be shut down."

The plant is operated by Rockwell International, but EG&G Inc. has been named to take over Jan. 1. EG&G Idaho is the prime contractor at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory in eastern Idaho.

Until recently, radioactive waste from Rocky Flats was stored at INEL. But Gov. Cecil Andrus has refused to allow any more shipments into Idaho, and said Wednesday Skaggs' request will not change Idaho's position.

"I have seen the congressman's correspondence," Andrus said. "I have no way of knowing whether a shutdown at this time is necessary, that's for the state of Colorado and the Department of Energy to determine."

"But it doesn't change Idaho's overall position in this thing. We are through accepting waste from that facility," Andrus said.

He said he has some questions whether closing Rocky Flats would affect the United States' position in dealing with the Soviet Union or whether the rest of the world would look upon the move as a weakening of our defense.

"We're not going to accept any more waste and if they shut it down, it will alleviate one problem and create another," Andrus said.

After a visit by Watkins on Friday, Romer said, more information will be available on the plant's operation. He will meet with Watkins after the plant visit on Friday, the governor said.

The plant, located 16 miles northwest of Denver, is the only facility in the United States using plutonium to make triggers for nuclear bombs. It was the recent target of an FBI raid looking for evidence of environmental and safety violations.

Skaggs said he would like to see a shutdown, but wants plutonium operations temporarily suspended until the plant's post-safety problems are resolved.

He said that during the suspension it would be essential to keep the entire workforce in place to assist in improvements and to be ready for resumption of operations.

"It is very serious about the vital role Rocky Flats plays in our national defense. I also applaud and thank you for all that you have been doing to improve safety and environmental compliance at this nuclear weapons complex," Skaggs told Watkins.

"However, the recent report on criticality issues at Rocky Flats has raised new and serious safety questions about the plant's operation when considered together with the cumulative number of unresolved safety discrepancies identified in previous reports about production and safety practices at Rocky Flats," he continued.

### Mormon church helps Armenian quake victims

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Mormon Church is sending 10,000 pounds of powdered milk to the region of Armenia devastated by an earthquake last year.

The milk, from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints' welfare system, has been processed at the dairy complex at Wellpark Square. The church will truck the milk from Salt Lake City to Southern California, where it will be loaded along with goods from other organizations and relief agencies.

Officials say the milk shortage is related to European milk production restrictions in the wake of the 1986 accident at a nuclear plant in Chernobyl, Soviet Union.

The Dec. 15, 1988, earthquake claimed the lives of at least 25,000 Armenians and destroyed major portions of several cities in the Soviet republic that borders on Turkey and Iran.

Earlier this year, the Mormon Church, Utah, and a coalition of American and international financiers Armand Hammer, the first American to send aid to victims of the Chernobyl disaster, started another venture to help Armenians.

With funding from Huntsman, Hammer's assistance with Soviet officials, and craftsmen provided by the Mormon Church, the project will rebuild housing in Armenian quake-devastated areas beginning in spring 1990.

### Board punishes principal who raided account

SANDPOINT (AP) — A Bonner County school principal has been disciplined for taking a \$500 loan from a student activities account, Superintendent Ed Humble said.

"What happened should not have happened and we took appropriate disciplinary action," Humble said Tuesday in a letter to say what sanctions were imposed.

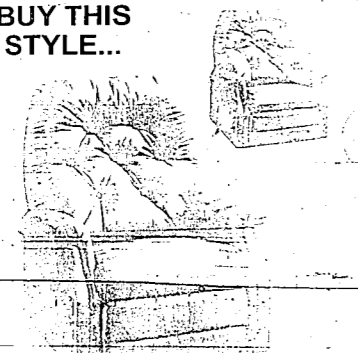

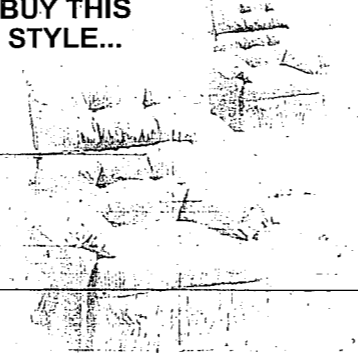
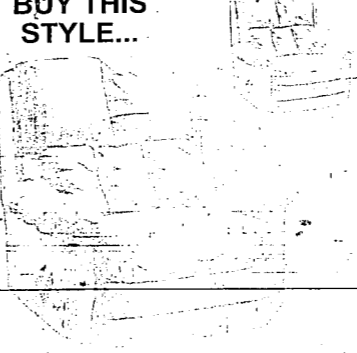
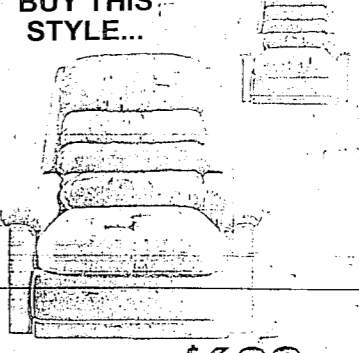
Money generated by student fund-raising events are placed in student activity accounts. Humble said he learned of the loan in the school district's annual audit report. The loan was for "non-school" purposes and has been repaid, he says.

An auditor's confidential letter to the school board Oct. 25 was released Tuesday with the names of the principal and the school blotted out. The school board has decided not to identify the principal.

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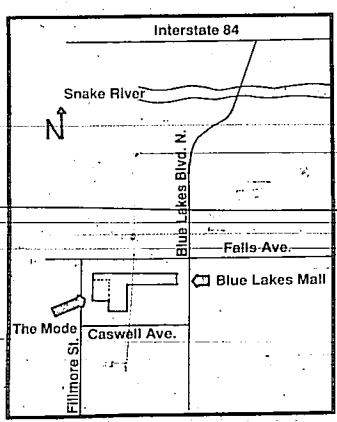
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# Lab assistant falling for student worries about propriety

**DEAR ABBY:** I am 29, single, a second-year graduate student who works full-time and also conducts a lab as a graduate assistant. I don't have much spare time, which doesn't matter since I don't know too many people (I just moved to Texas last year), but I like my job and working in the lab.



**Abigail VanBuren**  
Dear Abby

Lately, when I am away from the lab, I have found myself turning more and more to one of the undergraduates I work with there. (I'll call her "Terri.") She is probably 20 or 21, bright, pretty, and she seems to like me, not just as a teaching assistant but as a person. The feelings I am experiencing pose a problem for me.

As Terri's lab instructor, I am responsible for a portion of the grade she will receive in this class. I would never let my personal feelings affect how I graded any student, but do you think my integrity would be sacrificed if I asked her to dinner or a movie?

I really like Terri, and I'd like to think that there might be a chance for something more than a class-room relationship. I look forward to the days when I know she will be in my lab. But the nature of our existing relationship (teaching assistant-student) dictates that it will be a temporary one unless I make my feelings known: What should I do? (Please don't print my name.)

**DEAR HEART:** Some institutions of learning frown on faculty — which includes lab instructors — dating their students. If yours does, "Terri" is off limits. Otherwise, go ahead and ask her.

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I are the parents of three wonderful, healthy daughters, ages 10, 8 and 6. Following the birth of our third daughter, I had a hysterectomy, so all hope of having a son vanished — the same as though an 8-year-old boy was available for adoption.

When we met him, we were thrilled to see such a bright and attractive boy, and knew immediately that Todd (not his real name) would fit right into our family. After having Todd in our home for five months, we signed the papers and the adoption was finalized — and that's when the trouble began.

Todd started to have violent temper tantrums, screaming, throwing and breaking things, hitting the girls and defying all discipline. We immediately took him to a psychiatrist, who placed him in a very fine pri-

vate institution. After three months, Todd begged to come home, promising to "behave," so we brought him home. After five weeks, he started acting up again — lying, stealing, hitting the girls and making all our lives miserable. Abby, is there any way to abort adoption? We just can't handle this child.

— AN ERROR IN JUDGMENT

**DEAR ERROR:** It is regrettable that the behavior problems did not surface during the five-month trial period before the adoption became final. Perhaps an exception can be made in your case, but generally speaking, once an adoption has been finalized, there is no way to "abort" an adoption. Your legal obligation, as parents of your adopted child, is the same as though he were your biological child.

I suggest that you have Todd evaluated physically, mentally and emotionally. Don't trust to luck that he will not harm the girls or you. My heart goes out to you — and this obviously disturbed child. He may need to be institutionalized again.

**DEAR ABBY:** Occasionally I have clipped some inspirational pieces from your column. Now I want to give you one. Unfortunately, the author is unknown. I hope you think it is worth sharing with your readers.

— OLIVIA V.

**DEAR OLIVIA:** I do. And thank you for it. **THANK YOU FOR TODAY.** This is a beginning of a new day. I can waste it or use it for good. What I do today is important because

I am exchanging a day of my life for it. When tomorrow comes, this day will be gone forever — leaving in its place something I

have traded for it. I want it to be pain, not loss; grief, not evil. Success, not failure, in order that I shall not regret the price I paid for today.

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## Valley happenings

**ACS will hold drawing for playhouse**  
TWIN FALLS — The American Cancer Society is now offering chances for a playhouse to be given away in a drawing slated for Dec. 23 at the Magic Valley Mall. The playhouses, on display near Shop-Ko, was constructed with donated labor and materials from the community. Suggested donation for a chance at winning it is \$1. The winner need not be present, and the playhouse will be delivered before Christmas to any winter living in Magic Valley. Part of the proceeds from the drawing will be earmarked to help area children who have cancer.

**Booster club plans recycling drive**  
TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Christian Academy Booster Club will hold a recycling drive from 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. Friday in front of the school at 798 Escondido Dr. N. Donations of newspapers, aluminum cans and clean glass will help fund school projects.

**Pianist replaces band at festival**  
TWIN FALLS — Pianist Dennis McCracken will perform from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Friday at the Festival of Trees. He replaces the Twin Falls High School Jazz Band, which canceled its appearance.

**Catholic Women sponsor bazaar**  
JEROME — The Jerome Council of Catholic Women will sponsor a Christmas Bazaar and Craft

Day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the parish hall, 216 2nd Ave. E. There will be 76 craft tables, a food sale, "white elephants" and short-order lunches. Tables may still be rented at \$10 each. Anyone interested should call 324-4611.

**Seniors will hold Christmas bazaar**  
SHOSHONE — The Golden Years Senior Center will have its annual Christmas bazaar from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the center, 218 N. Bent St. There will be lunch, free coffee, a cooked food sale and a raffle at 3:30 p.m.

**Retirement dinner honors Robbins**  
TWIN FALLS — Friends and business associates of James "Pink" Robbins, Twin Falls County supervisor for the Farmers Home Administration, are invited to a no-host retirement dinner and roast in his honor at 7 p.m. Saturday at George K's Fine Foods, 1719 Kimberly Road. Robbins has served 20 years with the Department of Agriculture in Rupert, Boise, Terry, Shoshone, Jerome and Twin Falls. Anyone planning to attend should call Roni Atkins at 733-8891 or 734-7276 no later than Friday.

The Times-News welcomes news of community events. Send material to The Times-News, Valley Happenings, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Please submit news at least a week in advance and include a phone number where you can be reached.

## How to clean your kitchen range

By Reader's Digest

The range is one of the most-used appliances in your kitchen. Regular and careful cleaning will help it give you years of trouble-free service. Here's how to clean electric and gas ranges or separate ovens and cooktops.

**Cooktops**

- Always turn off a range and let it cool before cleaning it. But remember, it's easiest to wipe up cooking spills and splattered grease while the cooking surface is still warm.
- To avoid scratching exterior surfaces, never use harsh chemicals, oven cleaners, or abrasives; a mixture of mild dishwashing detergent and water is best. Use the same mixture to clean food from around and under the surface heating elements and burners.
- On an electric range, the heating elements usually clean themselves. If you spill on one, turn it off "High" to burn off the spill. If any charred

material remains, scrape it off with a plastic tool, not a metal one.

**Regular Gas and Electric Ovens**

- Wipe up spills as soon as possible. Otherwise, they will harden and become more baked on each time you use the oven.
- Commercial cleaners are effective for a heavily soiled electric or gas oven. Many of these cleaners are very caustic. Follow manufacturer's directions exactly; handle with care.
- Clean oven racks by placing them on an old bath towel in the bathtub and soaking them in a solution of ammonia and hot water.
- Self-Cleaning Ovens
- A self-cleaning oven has a special cleaning cycle that lasts about an hour-and-a-half. During the cycle, the oven temperature rises to nearly 900 degrees. This incinerates spills and splatters. When the cleaning cycle is finished and the oven cools, wipe up the light gray ash that remains with a damp cloth. Refer to the owner's manual for your model

and follow the instructions carefully.

- On some models you can put the reflector or burner bowls from the cooktop in the oven to clean them at the same time. However, never try to burn the charred food off pots and pans with the self-cleaning setting. The oven system cannot handle this.
- Wipe the frame and the part of the door liner that's outside the oven seal before starting the cleaning cycle.

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# Interior ready to renew crop water leases

WASHINGTON (AP) — Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan tentatively has decided to renew long-term water leases for irrigation in central California, but the Bush administration remains divided on how to ease environmental concerns over the leases, administration sources said Wednesday.

Objections from the White House prompted Lujan to delay announcement of the lease renewal plan on Tuesday, according to the sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity. A spokesman for the secretary disputed suggestions that the White House had blocked the decision, but acknowledged that the lease announcement was postponed.

"We wanted a unified administration position on this issue. If delaying the process a few days will help us reach that, it's that much the better," said Interior spokesman Steve Goldstein. He added, "The decision is the secretary's to make."

The renewal of the California water contracts, one of the thorniest water issues in the West, has devel-

oped into a major environmental test for the Bush administration, with critics of the 40-year leases arguing that they should not be renewed at current water supply levels and for such a lengthy duration.

According to administration sources, Lujan earlier this week decided to renew the leases without first requiring completion of a formal environmental review. Lujan's plan called for initiating an environmental assessment as part of the lease renewal plan, the sources said.

But the proposal ran into trouble in the White House after Michael Deland, chairman of the president's Council on Environmental Quality, objected to the "fine print" of the proposed environmental review, according to administration sources.

Deland reportedly maintained that the environmental review suggested by Lujan was meaningless because it would have had no effect on key provisions of the renewed water contracts, such as length of the lease or volume of water being supplied.

Deland raised the objections with White House Chief of Staff John Sununu, the sources said.

Goldstein, the Interior spokesman, denied that Lujan's proposal had been blocked by the White House. He said that while there were some concerns from the Council on Environmental Quality, the delay resulted from legal questions and technical wording raised by the Justice Department and the Office of Management and Budget.

Environmentalists have filed a lawsuit against the Interior Department, arguing federal environmental laws require a formal assessment of the environmental impact of such long-term leases before they are renewed. The Environmental Protection Agency also has argued no leases should be renewed until such an assessment is made, and the Council on Environmental Quality earlier this year sided with the EPA.

The leases, which are expected to expire over the next year, provide more than 1.5 million acre-feet of federal water annually to irrigation

districts across a broad expanse of central California.

Lujan decided in April to proceed with renewing one of the leases providing water to the Orange Cove Irrigation District in eastern San Joaquin Valley for 40 years without an environmental study.

That brought sharp criticism from environmentalists. Legislation was introduced in Congress that, if enacted, would block any further lease renewals unless an environmental impact study is performed. A federal judge in California warned that any lease renewals will be subject to his eventual decision on the lawsuit brought by the environmentalists.

The long-term irrigation leases are expiring at a time when California is struggling to develop new water distribution and water quality protection plans. Disputes over water have pitted Northern Californians against those in the southern part of the state, and urban users against farmers.

# Utahns divided on abortion notification

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The U.S. Supreme Court has taken up the issue of a teen-ager's right to have an abortion without informing her parents, and Utahns remain fiercely divided on the issue.

Utah is one of 31 states requiring women under age 18 to notify at least one parent if they plan to have an abortion, but does not ban the procedure if the parent opposes it.

It is also one of the few requiring a married woman of any age to notify her husband, even if the couple is separated.

LeeAnn Cheeley, president of the Salt Lake Christian Action Council, contends that "if schools have to have permission to give a teenager an aspirin, certainly parental notification should be re-

quired before a young girl can have an abortion."

While the Supreme Court ruling is not expected until July, Cheeley believes the justices will uphold parental-notification laws.

But Michele A. Parish-Pixier, executive director of the Utah chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, said a woman making the difficult decision to have an abortion should not be faced with the additional burden of notifying her parents or an estranged husband.

"If the U.S. Supreme Court rules against pro-choice, then it's not going to affect Utah," she said. "Our laws are already extremely tough and restrictive."



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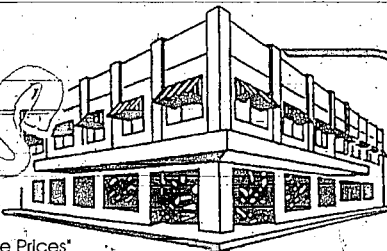
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## Be on alert for holiday frauds

It's the season to be wary. With the holiday buying season in full swing, cheats and pick-pockets are waiting for you. It's essential to go on the defensive when you're shopping — or when you're writing checks for charity.

Most businesses are at their best during the holidays, showing off the latest in consumer goods and beefing up services to customers eager to buy, says the Better Business Bureau of New York. And, if you're shopping in a store where you're not known, the BBB suggests several



Sylvia Porter

ways to keep your holidays happy and your blood pressure low.

- On large-ticket items, it's worth your time to compare prices of the same product in several stores. A small number of merchants may claim falsely that they offer greatly reduced prices.
- Don't be trapped by phony "going out of business" sales. Some shops use that as a come-on to lure customers. Ads and signs may say "last out of season" or "everything must go." Once inside, you'll discover that the merchandise "on sale" costs more than the same item at the regular price in other stores. Take time to call the BBB or your local consumer affairs department.

- "Bait and switch" seems come into their own in the holiday season. A "bait" item or offer is one that the merchant has no intention of selling. In some stores, products that are in demand will be in the window displays. When you ask about the product, the merchants attempt to "switch" you to more expensive merchandise by criticizing the sale item, by telling you it is unavailable, does not have a guarantee, or won't do the job you would expect of it. That should be your signal to walk out of the store.

- Learn to ask questions before making your purchase. Read and understand any contract or statement before you sign. It's a good practice to inspect thoroughly any merchandise before you buy it. If items are brought from a store room, inspect them before they are packed or wrapped.

- Get a written receipt for any purchase or service and ask for a complete written statement of extra charges, such as delivery fees. Read the warranties or guarantees in the store, not after you get home. Be sure you have a copy for your records.

- Mail or telephone buying has the advantage of convenience, the disadvantage that you can't inspect the merchandise before ordering. Year-end mail has grown heavier with catalogs this year than ever before. Direct mail selling is luring more busy people with attractive products pictured in full color. If you don't know the company by reputation or haven't done business with it before, check with the BBB before sending off your order.

- If ordering by telephone, don't give out your credit card number unless you have placed the call. It may save later grief if you ask if the item is in stock. If it is not, ask for the anticipated delivery date and decide if that's acceptable to you.

- Whether you're buying in a store or by mail or telephone, it's particularly wise to ask about the company's holiday refund or return policy. In New York state, the consumer has the legal right to know a merchant's refund, credit and exchange policy.

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## Playing credit cards right helps consumers

By VIVIAN MARINO  
 The Associated Press

Bargain-hunting consumers could do well this holiday season if they play their credit cards right, experts say.

Faced with less demand as a result of a weakening economy, card issuers are offering promotions such as pre-approved cards, sweepstakes, free-rides-to-shopping-areas and other premiums to spur card use during the critical buying season. In addition, some retailers are already offering deep discounts.

"The consumers have gained a big new edge," said Robert K. Heady, publisher of

Bank Rate Monitor, which tracks interest rates among major banks and thrifts nationwide. "But you've got to do your homework before you dash into the mall screaming, 'Charge!'"

Interest rates on credit cards and unsecured personal loans are up sharply from the holiday shopping season of a year ago, according to North Palm Beach, Fla.-based Bank Rate Monitor.

The average bank credit card, for example, carries a rate of 18.66 percent, compared with 14.15 percent a year ago. Personal loans average 17.11 percent, up from 16.44 percent in 1988, it said.

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## Tips to avoid fraud

By The Associated Press

Here are some tips to help avoid fraud or debt problems during the holiday shopping season, according to consumer groups.

- Get and your credit card number. Examples don't allow merchants to record your number when paying by check. Visa, Mastercard and American Express forbid a merchant from charging the credit card to cover the check if it bounces anyway.

- Destroy the copies from all your credit card transactions.

- Never lend your card to anyone.

- Leave the cards you don't expect to use at home.

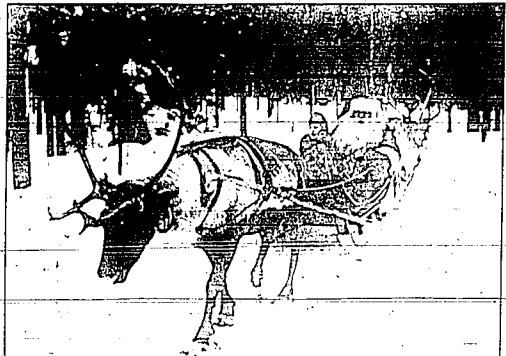
- Double-check your credit card bills to ensure all purchases are listed correctly and contact the credit card issuer immediately if there is an incorrect expense. Cardholders are liable for up to \$50 of unauthorized purchases before they report a card stolen or lost but they're not liable for purchases after a report is filed.

- Avoid impulse buying. Stick to a holiday gift budget to avoid going into debt with credit card charges you can't pay after the bill arrives.

- Use a lower-interest bank card in department stores if you carry a balance, because most retail cards have higher rates than bank cards. But if you can afford to pay off your accounts in full at the end of the month, store cards can be good deals because they carry no annual fees.

- Consider paying off your holiday debt with a personal loan, which may carry a lower interest rate than credit cards.

- Contact your creditors if you have trouble repaying bills. In many cases, creditors are willing to work out a suitable repayment plan. But if you run into problems, the National Foundation for Consumer Credit, a non-profit group based in Silver Spring, Md., can direct you to a counseling office in your area. The number is 1-800-388-CCCS.



Seasonal fun, such as a reindeer-drawn sleighride, will help make a happy holiday season as will shopping wisely, carefully and early

## BBB tips to help keep your Christmas happy

By the Better Business Bureau

Here it is another Christmas shopping season, the traditional time for mistakes and well-wishing, of good cheer and the spirit of giving.

The Better Business Bureau has been around for many Christmas shopping seasons, and we know from experience that not everyone you meet has only visions of sugar plums dancing in their heads. There are always a few who operate on the theory that it is far better to receive than to give, and they're out to get all they can at this time of year.

They, and the careless shopping habits of those who let their Christmas shopping wait until the last minute, are the biggest cause of complaints about this time of the year.

Here are a few BBB tips to help you get this Christmas happy.

- Try to do your shopping early. Not only will you find the best selections, but you'll avoid the crowds (especially if you shop mornings).

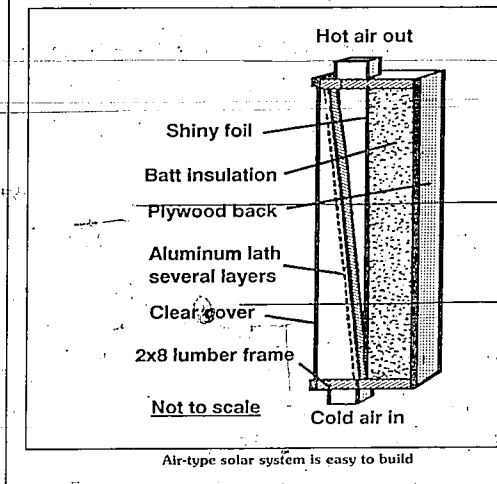
- Make sure you know the right sizes and colors before you begin. (Carry a list.) Check out the store's return and exchange policy before you buy there. Some stores still have a policy that all sales are final.

- If you make a deposit on a layaway, be sure you will complete the purchase; otherwise you may forfeit your deposit.

- And, most important of all, deal with the stores you know to be reliable and who will be around after Christmas to straighten out any problem you might encounter. At

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## Cut your utility bill



## Build a solar collector for less than \$100

I am on a very limited budget and I want to build an inexpensive solar system myself to help heat my home. Is it possible to build a reasonably-sized solar system for around \$100? R. H. A.

A. Using common building materials, you can easily build a large 4-foot-by-8-foot air-type solar collector yourself for less than \$100. On a bright sunny day, a solar collector of this size can produce a significant amount of heat and lower your heating bills.

The least expensive design uses the thermosyphoning principle. This means that the less-dense hot air naturally flows up and out the top duct while drawing cool room air in the bottom to be heated. To utilize thermosyphoning, the collector works best in a more vertical position.

You can spend a few more dollars for an inexpensive small electric blower. This should be capable of flowing about three cubic feet per minute (cfm) of air per each square foot of col-



James Dulle

lector area (about 100 cfm for a 4-by-8 collector). By using a small blower, you can double the heat output and you can fit the collector on a more solar-efficient angle.

This simple air-type collector is a shallow insulated wooden box with a clear glass or plastic cover. The sun shines on a special slanted metal collector panel and heats it. As room air circulates through and around the metal collector panel, it gets hot and flows in to your house.

A 4-foot-by-8-foot collector size is good for most building materials available in this size. You can make the frame with 2x8's. Cover the bottom of the frame with 1/2-inch plywood to form the open-top box.

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## After cleaning up her life, all she asked for was a rose

Minneapolis millionaire Percy Ross is internationally known for his philanthropic works and likes to encourage others to help solve problems for those in need. He has earned a fortune and a wealth of knowledge during his lifetime and is sure both before his death. His motto is: "He who gives while he lives... also knows where it goes."



Percy Ross

Dear Mr. Ross: Well, I'm sitting in a hospital room, dressed in a white uniform and caring for an elderly lady. I haven't always been a productive and caring woman. It's been three years since I walked a drug-ridden road, which tortured my two sons and almost killed me.

Back then, I can remember hearing about you and thinking I should write a sad story to get funds for drugs. That letter never got written, but tonight when I read your column I thought about what I needed. I can honestly say I don't need anything. Times get rough, especially financially, but no matter what or when, if I just apply myself, something always comes through.

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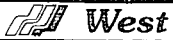
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# Interior ready to renew crop water leases

WASHINGTON (AP) — Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan tentatively has decided to renew long-term water leases for irrigation in central California, but the Bush administration remains divided on how to ease environmental concerns over the leases, administration sources said Wednesday.

Objections from the White House prompted Lujan to delay announcement of the lease renewal plan on Tuesday, according to the sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity. A spokesman for the secretary disputed suggestions that the White House had blocked the decision, but acknowledged that the lease announcement was postponed.

"We wanted a unified administration position on this issue. If delaying the process a few days will help us reach that, it's that much the better," said Interior spokesman Steve Goldstein. He added, "The decision is the secretary's to make."

The renewal of the California water contracts, one of the thorniest water issues in the West, has devel-

oped into a major environmental test for the Bush administration, with critics of the 40-year leases arguing that they should not be renewed at current water supply levels and for such a lengthy duration.

According to administration sources, Lujan earlier this week decided to renew the leases without first requiring completion of a formal environmental review. Lujan's plan called for initiating an environmental assessment as part of this lease renewal plan, the sources said.

But the proposal ran into trouble at the White House after Michael Deland, chairman of the president's Council on Environmental Quality, objected to the "final print" of the proposed environmental review, according to the administration sources.

Deland reportedly maintained that the environmental review suggested by Lujan was meaningless because it would have had no effect on key provisions of the renewed water contracts, such as length of the lease or volume of water being supplied.

Deland raised the objections with White House Chief of Staff John Sununu, the sources said.

Goldstein, the Interior spokesman, denied that Lujan's proposal had been blocked by the White House. He said that while there were some concerns from the Council on Environmental Quality, the delay resulted from legal questions and technical wording raised by the Justice Department and the Office of Management and Budget.

Environmentalists have filed a lawsuit against the Interior Department, arguing federal environmental laws require a formal assessment of the environmental impact of such long-term leases before they are renewed. The Environmental Protection Agency also has argued no leases should be renewed until such an assessment is made and the Council on Environmental Quality earlier this year sided with the EPA.

The leases, which are expected to expire over the next year, provide more than 1.5 million acre-feet of federal water annually to irrigation

districts across a broad expanse of central California.

Lujan decided in April to proceed with renewing one of the leases providing water to the Orange Cove Irrigation District in eastern San Joaquin Valley for 40 years without an environmental study.

That brought sharp criticism from environmentalists.

Legislation was introduced in Congress that, if enacted, would block any further lease renewals unless an environmental impact study is performed. A federal judge in California warned that any lease renewals will be subject to his eventual decision on the lawsuit brought by the environmentalists.

The long-term irrigation leases are expiring at a time when California is struggling to develop new water distribution and water quality protection plans. Disputes over water has pitted Northern Californians against those in the southern part of the state, and urban users against farmers.

# Utahns divided on abortion notification

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The U.S. Supreme Court has taken up the issue of a teenager's right to have an abortion without informing her parents, and Utahns remain fiercely divided on the issue.

Utah is one of 31 states requiring women under age 18 to notify at least one parent if they plan to have an abortion, but does not ban the procedure if the parent opposes it.

It is also one of the few requiring a married woman of any age to notify her husband, even if the couple is separated.

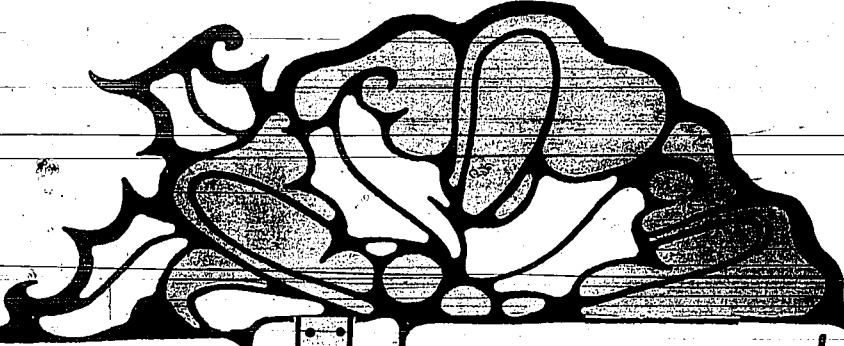
Lee Ann Cheele, president of the Salt Lake Christian Action Council, contends that "if schools have to have permission to give a teenager an aspirin, certainly parental notification should be re-

quired before a young girl can have an abortion."

While the Supreme Court ruling is not expected until July, Cheele believes the justices will uphold parental notification laws.

But Michele A. Parish-Pixier, executive director of the Utah chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, said a woman making the difficult decision to have an abortion should not be faced with the additional burden of notifying her parents or an estranged husband.

"If the U.S. Supreme Court rules against pro-choice, then it's not going to affect Utah," she said. "Our laws are already extremely tough and restrictive."



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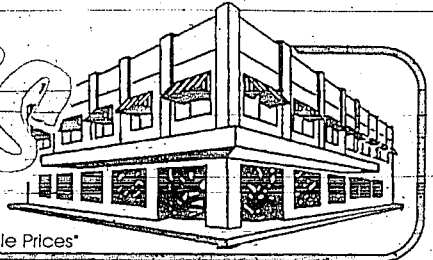
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## Be on alert for holiday frauds

It's the season to be wary. With the holiday buying season in full swing, cheats and pick-pockets are waiting for you. It's essential to go on the defense when you're shopping — or when you are writing checks for charity.

Most businesses are at their best during the holidays, showing off the latest in consumer goods and beefing up services to customers eager to buy, says the Better Business Bureau of New York. And if you're shopping in a store where you're not known, the BBB suggests several



Sylvia Porter

ways to keep your holidays happy and on budget pressure low.

On large-ticket items, it's worth your time to compare prices of the same product in several stores. A small number of merchants may claim false prices that they offer greatly reduced prices.

"Don't be trapped by phony 'going out of business' sales," says Sylvia Porter, a columnist on large-ticket items, "as they come on-line, customers. Ads and signs may say 'lost our lease' or 'everything must go.' Once inside, you'll discover that the merchandise 'on sale' costs more than the same item at the regular price in other stores. Take time to call the BBB or your local consumer affairs department.

"Bait and switch" seems common to their own in the holiday season. A "bait" item or offer is one that the merchant has no intention of selling. In some stores, products that are in demand will be in the window displays. When you ask about the product, the merchants attempt to "switch" you to more expensive merchandise by criticizing the sale item, by telling you it is unavailable, does not have a guarantee or won't do the job you would expect of it. That should be your signal to walk out of the store.

Learn to ask questions before making your purchase. Read and understand any contract or statement before you sign. It's a good practice to inspect thoroughly any merchandise before you buy it. If items are brought from a storeroom, inspect them before they are packed or wrapped.

Get a written receipt for any purchase or service and for a complete written statement of extra charges, such as delivery fees. Read the warranties or guarantees in the store, not after you get home. Be sure you have a copy for your records.

Mail or telephone buying has the advantage of convenience, the disadvantage that you can't inspect the merchandise before ordering. Year-end mail has grown heavier with catalogs this year than ever before. Direct mail selling is luring more busy people with attractive products pictured in full color. If you don't know the company by reputation or haven't done business with it before, check with the BBB before sending off your order.

If ordering by telephone, don't give out your credit card number unless you have placed the call. It may be a trap if you ask if the item is in stock. If it is not, ask for the anticipated delivery date and decide if that's acceptable to you.

Whether you're buying in a store or by mail or telephone, it's particularly wise to ask about the company's holiday refund or return policy. In New York state, the consumer has the legal right to know a merchant's refund, credit and exchange policy.

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## Playing credit cards right helps consumers

By VIVIAN MARINO  
 The Associated Press

Bargain-hunting consumers could do well this holiday season if they play their credit cards right, experts say.

Faced with less demand as a result of a weakening economy, card issuers are offering promotions such as pre-approved cards, sweepstakes, free rides to shopping areas and other premiums to spur card use during the critical buying season. In addition, some retailers are already offering deep discounts.

"The consumers have gained a big new edge," said Robert K. Heady, publisher of

Bank Rate Monitor, which tracks interest rates among major banks and thrifts nationwide. "But you've got to do your homework before you dash into the malls screaming, 'Charge!'"

Interest rates on credit cards and misused personal loans are up sharply from the holiday shopping season of a year ago, according to North Palm Beach, Fla.-based Bank Rate Monitor.

The average bank credit card, for example, carries a rate of 18.66 percent, compared with 18.15 percent a year ago. Personal loans average 17.11 percent, up from 16.44 percent in 1988, it said.

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## Tips to avoid fraud

By the Associated Press

Here are some tips to help avoid fraud or debt problems during the holiday shopping season, according to consumer groups.

Guard your credit card number. For example, don't allow merchants to record your number when paying by check. Visa, MasterCard and American Express forbid a merchant from charging the credit card to cover the check if the purchase is returned.

Destroy carbon copies from all your credit card transactions.

Never lend your card to anyone.

Leave the cards you don't expect to use at home.

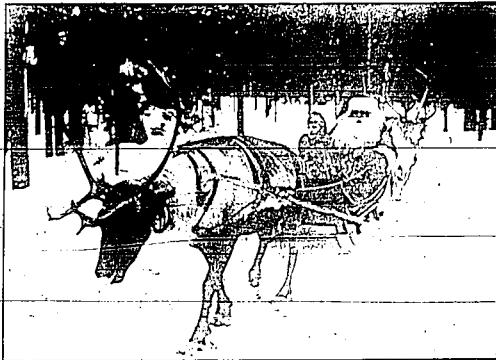
Double-check your credit card bills to ensure all purchases are listed correctly and contact the credit card issuer immediately if there's an incorrect expense. Cardholders are liable for up to \$50 of unauthorized purchases before they report a card stolen or lost but they're not liable for purchases after a report is filed.

Avoid impulse buying. Stick to a holiday gift budget to avoid going into debt with credit card charges you can't pay after the bill arrives.

Use a lower-interest bank card in department stores if you carry a balance, because most retail cards have higher rates than bank cards. But if you can afford to pay off your accounts in full at the end of the month, store cards can be good deals because they carry no annual fees.

Consider paying off your holiday debt with a personal loan, which may carry a lower interest rate than credit cards.

Contact your creditors if you have trouble repaying bills. In many cases, creditors are willing to work out a suitable repayment plan. But if you run into problems, the National Foundation for Consumer Credit, a non-profit group based in Silver Spring, Md., can direct you to a counseling office in your area. The number is 1-800-388-CCCS.



Seasonal fun, such as a reindeer-drawn sleighride, will help make a happy holiday season as will shopping wisely, carefully and early

## BBB tips to help keep your Christmas happy

By the Better Business Bureau

Here it is another Christmas shopping season, the traditional time for mistletoe and well-wishing of good cheer and the spirit of giving.

The Better Business Bureau has been around for many Christmas shopping seasons, and we know from experience that not everyone who meets has only visions of sugar plums dancing in their heads. There are always a few who operate on the theory that it is far better to receive than to give, and they're out to get all they can at this time of year.

They, and the careless shopping habits of those who let their Christmas shopping wait until the last minute, are the biggest cause of complaints about this time of the year.

Here are a few BBB tips to help you keep this Christmas happy.

Try to do your shopping early. Not only will you find the best selections, but you'll avoid the crowds (especially if you shop on mornings).

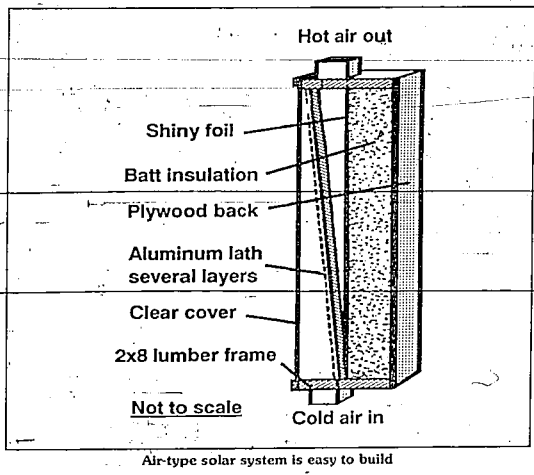
Make sure you know the right sizes and colors before you begin. (Carry a list.) Check out the store's refund and exchange policy before you buy. Some stores still have a policy that all sales are final.

If you make a deposit on a layaway, be sure you will complete the purchase otherwise you may be forced into a deposit.

And, most important of all, deal with the stores you know to be reliable and who will be around after Christmas to straighten out any problem you might encounter. At

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## Cut your utility bill



## Build a solar collector for less than \$100

Q. I am on a very limited budget and I want to build an inexpensive solar system myself to help heat my home. Is it possible to build a reasonably sized solar system for around \$100? R. H.



James Duley

A. Using common building materials, you can easily build a large 4-foot-by-8-foot air-type solar collector yourself for less than \$100. On a bright sunny day, a solar collector of this size can produce a significant amount of heat and lower your heating bills.

The least expensive design uses the thermosiphoning principle. This means that the less-dense hot air naturally flows up and out the top duct while drawing cool room air in the bottom to be heated. To utilize thermosiphoning, the collector works best in a more vertical position.

You can spend a few more dollars for an inexpensive small electric blower. This should be capable of flowing about three cubic feet per minute (cfm) of air per each square foot of col-

lector area (about 100 cfm for a 4-by-8 collector). By using a small blower, you can double the heat output and you can tilt the collector on a more solar-efficient angle.

This simple air-type collector is a shallow insulated wooden box with a clear glass of plastic cover. The sun shines in on a special slanted metal collector panel and heats it. As room air circulates through and around the metal collector panel, it gets hot and flows out into your house.

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## After cleaning up her life, all she asked for was a rose

Minneapolis millionaire Percy Ross is internationally known for his philanthropic efforts and likes to encourage others to help solve problems for those in need. He has earned a fortune and a wealth of knowledge during his lifetime and wants to share both with his death. His motto is: "He who gives while he lives... also knows where it goes."



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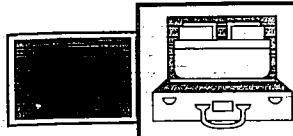
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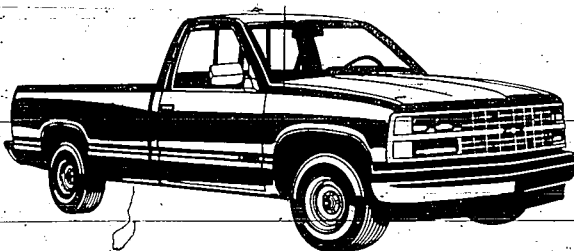


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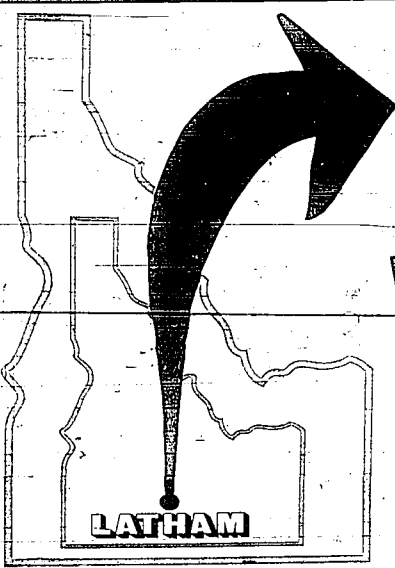
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Good morning. It's Thursday, November 30.

### Wednesday's scores

#### Basketball

##### N.B.A.

Boston 105, New Jersey 98  
Philadelphia 114, Cleveland 84  
Atlanta at Washington  
Minnesota 106, Miami 101  
Dallas 103, Utah 89  
Dallas 102, Charlotte 93  
Milwaukee at Los Angeles Clippers, late  
New York at Golden State, late

##### College

Syracuse 89, Cornell 66  
Duke 82, Cincinnati 67  
Michigan 76, Grambling St. 70  
Arkansas 102, South Alabama 90  
Oklahoma 121, UNLV International 103  
Cincinnati 26, Montana 20

##### Prep girls

Boys River 29, Hansen 22

#### Sports slate

##### Today

**PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL:**  
Kimberly at Bluff, 8 p.m.  
Wood River at Woodville, 8 p.m.  
Dale at Elgin, 8 p.m.  
Ulita at Otwell Ferry, 8 p.m.  
Gooding at Jerome, 8 p.m.  
Shoshone at Hart River, Media, 8 p.m.  
Rushmore Sun Valley Community School at Carey, 7 p.m.  
Richfield at Camas County, 8 p.m.

**PREP BOYS BASKETBALL:**  
Twin Falls at Miniro, Hooper, 8 p.m.  
Gooding State at Torch, 8 p.m.

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL:**  
Idaho at Kansas, Allen Fieldhouse, Lawrence, Kan., 8:30 p.m. MST.

## Briefly

### Jardine leads Utah over Boise State

LOGAN, Utah (AP) — Rich Jardine scored 14 points and Randy Funk added 13 to lead Utah State to a 54-45 nonconference victory over Boise State Tuesday night.

The USU Angles (1-0) of the Big West used an 11-2 run with 5:49 left in the first half to take a 23-10 lead, with Funk scoring four points.

Boise State (1-2) of the Big Sky had 12 turnovers in the first half as USU took a 22-19 lead at intermission.

Boise State's Tanaka Beard and Pete Eisenrich scored five points each in the first 10 minutes of the second half as the Broncos pulled within 39-34.

Boise State pulled to within 45-41 on an Eisenrich jumper with 5:18 left, but Funk tipped in two missed layups to increase the lead to 49-41.

### Buhl School Board votes to let baseball contract die

The Times-News

**BUHL** — The Buhl school board voted Tuesday not to renew its cooperative baseball contract with other towns, deciding instead to establish its own program.

Gene Clemens told the board 29 people have already expressed interest in the team. "The interest appears to be growing on the verge of being a very successful program for us."

Buhl's three-year contract with Filer and Castleford recently expired.

Although students from all three schools were involved in the baseball program, not all schools were helping with expenses, Trustee Armand Eckert said.

"We asked them a year or two ago to help financially and they elected not to," Eckert said. The district spent \$1,052 last year for balls, caps and bases, and expects to spend another \$1,500 to \$2,000 within the next year or two for new uniforms.

### Sports Quote

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They were yelling, 'Come on, Cowboys!' It was nasty.

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— Dallas guard Rolando Blackman, on the crowd during the Mavericks' 117-70 loss to Seattle

# Northside Conference

By STEVE CRUMP  
Times-News sports editor

No Northside Conference boys' basketball team has won a state Class A-4 championship since Camas County did so in 1974, but the 1988-89 edition of the Musers demonstrated the league is once again capable of making a run at it.

Camas finished fourth in last year's state A-4 tourney, beating two ranked teams in the process. It was the best showing by a Northside team since Bliss finished second to Kendrick at state in 1985. And this year, it's just possible that Camas or Dietrich could come a step closer to a state title.

If so, the Musers will have to do so without their formidable front line of Kit Barron and Ben Rast, since graduated, and the Blue Devils will have to make up for the loss of Kelly Jennings' 14 points a game.

The Northside will be a six-team league on the varsity level this year, with Gooding State fielding a varsity team for the first time in three years—Ketchikan-Sun Valley Community School, which had a varsity entrant last year, will play strictly a junior varsity schedule this season.

### Dietrich

Perron will continue Gene Paul's basic approach to basketball this fall—outshoot the opponent. The Blue Devils, 16-6 last season, averaged 62 points a game last year — the best in the league — but had trouble with Camas and Richfield, big physical teams that blocked the Devils off the boards.

Dietrich won't have much more size this year — sophomore center Cole Greenfield, at 6 feet, 2 inches, is the biggest. Sorensen, a 6-1 junior forward who averaged 16 points and five rebounds last season after averaging 14 points and four boards as a freshman, will have to take Jennings' place sweeping the glass. Jennings averaged almost 10 boards a game last season, which was absolutely critical to the success of the Devils' up-tempo offense.

Dietrich's biggest strength will be its experience. Sorensen is a three-year starter, as are 6-0 junior forward Verlon Southwick (10 ppg, 4 rpg) and 5-11 senior forward Robert Hinchman (8 ppg, 4 rpg). Acey Shaw, a 5-8 sophomore, stepped into the point guard position as a freshman and proved he's capable of running the floor.

But as always at Dietrich, there isn't a lot of depth. Even though Jennings was the only player lost to graduation, the Blue Devils' bench will be thin, with Greenfield and 5-11 sophomore forward David Korom the best of the newcomers.

### Camas County

For second-year David Shirts, the emphasis this winter will shift from rebounding to defense.

"Quickness should be our biggest strength," said Shirts, who debuted last season with an 18 to record and Camas' first state tournament appearance of the 1980s. "Defensively, we should be fairly tough."

Eddie Harness, a 6-2 junior forward who averaged in double figures last season, returns along with 6-2 senior forward Andy Frustenson, who was a part-time starter last year. Those two, along with newcomer Clint Wolf, a 6-2 senior center, will have to try to take up the rebounding slack from Rast, Barron and 6-5 forward Ryan Barnes, who departed after his sophomore season. Harness, a strong outside shooter who with Barron and guard Tim Yore did the bulk of the Musers' scoring last season, will also have increased responsibilities with the offense.

Defensively, letterman guard Jerry Dillard will step into Yore's point guard spot. "He didn't start last year, but he will return with valuable experience and leadership," said Shirts.

Dillard will be joined in the backcourt by Tyler Ballard, a 6-1 junior, and Rob Tupper, a 5-10 junior. All three have good quickness.

"Our weaknesses this year will be little varsity experience and very little depth," said Shirts.

The other newcomer will be Eric Stewart, a 6-0 senior forward, who moved up from the junior varsity.

### Carey

John Cenarrusa, a 6-0 senior guard, proved himself a big-time shooter in the tradition of Tim Tungey and Brad Tungey during his sophomore and junior seasons, but the Panthers' real strength this year may be the balance of their offense.

"We have quickness, ballhandling skills and above-average shooting," said fifth-year coach Lee Cook, whose ballclub went 0-20 last season. "We have above-average shooting ability."

Cenarrusa (8 ppg, 9 rpg) is the only returning starter, but Justin Bingham (a 5-10 junior), Darin Parke (a 5-10 junior) and Shannon Mecham (a 5-10 sophomore) all are played on the varsity last year, all are quick and all can shoot.

But like the MBA Golden State Warriors, the Panthers will be a team of five guards. Sophomore Don Roberts is the biggest at 6-1; he'll play center. Other newcomers are Trinty Patterson, a 5-8 junior; Jason Peck, a 5-10 sophomore; Chris Pyrah, a 6-0 sophomore and Josh Shetter, a 5-10 sophomore.

"We have a lot of inexperience on the varsity, and we lack height," said Cook. "But we have a great attitude."

### Bliss

The Jensen's, Shawn and Shane, bring 14 points and seven rebounds between them back the Bliss this fall. Trouble is the Millers, Justin and Jeff, took 25 points and 16 rebounds with them when they



John Cenarrusa of Carey

graduated. "It will be hard to replace those points and those rebounds," said Jerry Couch, the dean of Northside Conference coaches in his 15th season. "I think we are pretty quick and our ballhandling and shooting have improved, but we are awfully short. We are not going to outshoot anyone."

Shawn Jensen, a 5-9 senior forward, averaged eight points and three rebounds last season and Shane Jensen, a 5-9 senior forward, averaged six points and four boards on last year's 6-13 team. They are the only two returning starters, but David Taylor, a 6-0 senior center (3.0 ppg, 2 rpg) and Todd Victor, a 5-8 senior guard

(2.0 ppg), both saw considerable playing time last year.

The bench is short as well, consisting of Gene Brown, a 6-0 junior center, Brian Pulse, a 5-8 junior guard, and Shawn Wood, a 5-7 sophomore guard.

"With only seven full-time varsity players, depth will be a problem," said Couch.

### Richfield

Laine King, Spence King and Casey Riley combined for nearly 30 points a game and bulk of Richfield's rebounds on last

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## All-Northside picks by the Times-News

<b>Forward:</b> Eddie Harness, Jr., Camas County	<b>Defensive player of the year:</b> Jerry Dillard, Camas County
<b>Forward:</b> Craig Sorensen, Jr., Dietrich	<b>Top rebounder:</b> Craig Sorensen, Dietrich
<b>Center:</b> Lance Limbuecker, St. Richfield	<b>Game of the year:</b> Dietrich at Camas County, Jan. 16
<b>Guard:</b> Shannon Mecham, So. Carey	<b>Couch of the year:</b> David Shirts, Camas County
<b>Guard:</b> Robby Appel, Jr., Richfield	<b>Newcomer of the year:</b> Shannon Mecham, Carey

## Young Jaguar team hoping to repeat last year's record

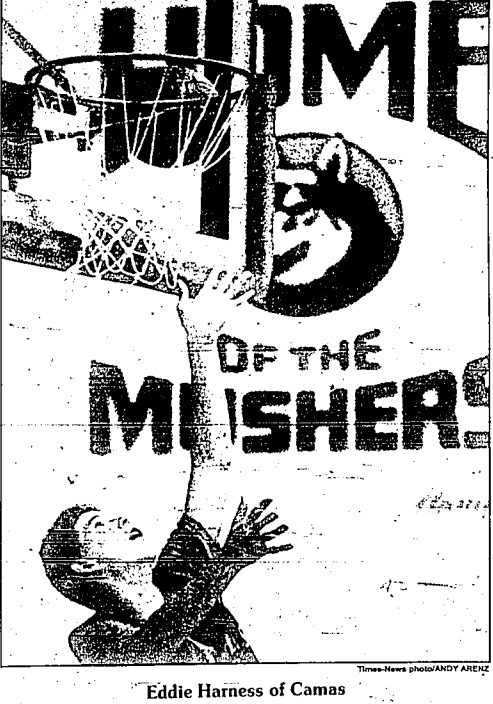
The Times-News

**JACKPOT** — Jackpot High School's boys' basketball program celebrated its fifth season with its first winning record last season, and Chris Klekas and his troops are hoping to match it this year.

"Our quickness and hustle will be our strengths," said Klekas, who started the Jackpot High boys' program in 1985 and has coached it ever since. "We also have three starters back from last year. Two of them are sophomores, but they are good. We have experience, but then again we don't because we are young."

The only senior is DeLano Brown, a 5-foot, 10-inch forward who averaged 15 points and six rebounds last season. The other two returning starters are Aureliano Ruiz, a 5-2 sophomore point guard (13 ppg) and sophomore center Shannon Mendive, a 5-11 center (6 ppg, 4 rpg). "We're a very small team," said Klekas. "We have one person 6-foot and the rest are smaller. Also, we are young with only one senior, one junior and the rest sophomores and freshmen."

The best of the youngsters are Rosario Martinez, a 5-5 sophomore guard; J. Lynn Beiergaard, a 6-0 junior forward; Jose Perez, a 5-4 sophomore guard; Monty Torero, a 5-3 freshman guard; Adam Hull, a 5-10 freshman forward. Jackpot competes in Division I of the Nevada B League, where Klekas predicts Owyhee, Parucka and Wells will be the powers this year.



Eddie Harness of Camas

Times-News photo/ANDY ARENZ

# Sports

## Briefly

### Baseball negotiators recess talks for while

**NEW YORK (AP)**—Negotiators for baseball's Players Association and the 26 major league clubs met for 3½ hours Wednesday, the second day of talks for a new collective-bargaining agreement.

The two sides, who opened negotiations Tuesday, recessed the talks to Dec. 12, when they will resume, in Los Angeles.

The current agreement expires at midnight Dec. 31 and the owners have said they may lock out the players if a new deal is not reached by either the start of spring training or the start of the season.

"It was nothing monumental," said Chuck O'Connor, acting general counsel of the owners' Player Relations Committee. "It was just a general discussion of issues, outlining of positions."

**Players reap record harvest of World Series money**

**NEW YORK (AP)**—A full share for the World Series champion Oakland Athletics was worth a record \$14,252.11 and a share on the losing San Francisco Giants was worth \$108,664.88, the commissioner's office said Wednesday.

The players' pool from the playoffs was \$12,140,808.77, up from the previous record of \$11,969,881 set last year. The players' pool comes from the first four games of the playoffs and the first four games of the World Series.

### WBA says Tyson must meet Holyfield by June 12

**MARACAY, Venezuela (AP)**—The World Boxing Association announced Wednesday that heavyweight champion Mike Tyson has until June 12 to defend his title against Evander Holyfield.

The WBA also gave Puerto Rican lightweight champion Edwin Rosario until next March to fight Asumu Nelson of Ghana. Under WBA statutes, the deadline for the Rosario-Nelson bout was Nov. 9.

The Tyson-Holyfield match also is past deadline, but Tyson has signed a contract to fight James Douglas, ranked fourth by the WBA, on Feb. 12 in Tokyo.

Last week, during the WBA convention in Philadelphia, Holyfield's manager filed a complaint against Tyson for the delay in the fight. But the WBA granted the special permission requested by Don King, promoter for the Tyson-Douglas fight, and extended the deadline.

# Leonard, Duran will fight 3rd time

By KEN PETERS AP Sports Writer

**"Uno Mas."** Is it one more? Or one too many?

As the decade opened, Sugar Ray Leonard and Roberto Duran staged a memorable show in Montreal, with Duran taking a 15-round decision that remains to this day Leonard's lone loss.

Five months later, on Nov. 25, 1980, Leonard avenged the defeat, winning by TKO in New Orleans when the beaten Duran quit in the eighth round, uttering "No mas, No mas." — no more.

Afterward, Duran, who claimed he quit because of stomach cramps, announced his retirement, saying, "I've gotten tired of the sport and I feel it's time for me to retire."

Leonard retired two years later after having surgery to repair a detached retina in his left eye.

"He made his first comeback in 1984, then immediately retired again, saying after an unimpressive ninth-round knockout of Kevin Howard, "There's no sense fooling myself. That's it."

As the decade closes, Leonard, 33, and Duran, 38, meet again, with their Dec. 7 bout at the new Mirage hotel in Las Vegas dubbed "Uno Mas."

Duran says he's fighting for retribution; Leonard says he's always wanted the "rub-

ber match."

There's also the matter of a guaranteed \$12.6 million — \$35,000 a minute if the bout goes its scheduled 12 rounds — for Leonard, and \$7.6 million for Duran.

At a press conference Wednesday, the fighters seemed intense, but less than completely inspired as they shared the head table.

"This is a fight I take very seriously," said Leonard, who had indicated after his last fight, a 12-round draw with Thomas Hearns on June 12, that he didn't completely have his heart in that match.

But he said of the third meeting with Duran: "This is very important; it could possibly be my last fight ... the one they'll remember. My last fight (against Hearns) was not that impressive. I think it wasn't and I'm my own biggest critic."

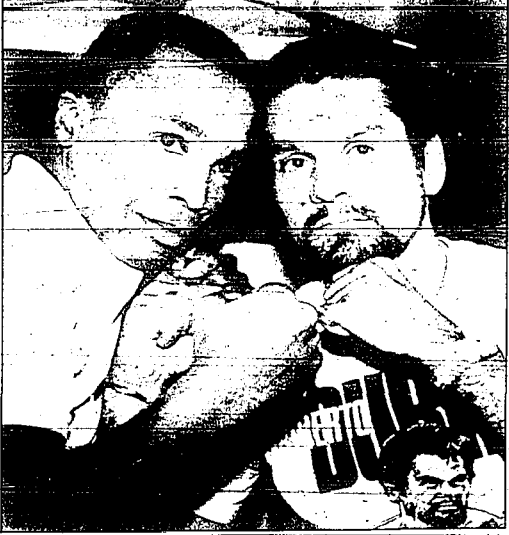
Pressed about retirement, Leonard said he wasn't sure when he would quit again.

Duran said he had waited a long time for his third chance at Leonard.

"This fight is very important to me. I've waited for nine years," he said.

The two fighters are considerably older, of course, than they were for their first meetings, and they also will be heavier as they vie for the Leonard's World Boxing Council super middleweight title.

Duran fought at 147 pounds in 1980 and will have a 162-pound limit this time.



Sugar Ray Leonard, left, and Roberto Duran pose at news conference

# Bruins face pressure from Minico tonight

By LARRY HOVEY Times-News writer

**RUPERT** — Whether Twin Falls can handle pressure will be one question answered tonight and whether Minico can overcome its lack of height will be another.

That's the way the season-opener between the two arch-rivals, slated for 8 p.m. in Rupert, shapes up. Minico, with no one over 6-2, will be looking at three 6-foot, 4-inch Bruins.

In a schedule change, Twin Falls returns home Friday night to entertain Vallivue instead of Boise High School as previously announced.

Twin Falls, which hasn't responded well to full-court pressure the past couple of years, will be getting a number of guards tested.

New Minico Coach Terry Johnson says his game plan every time out will be 90-foot basketball. The Spartans would have a little quickness edge on the Bruins.

"It is surprising for two teams just 45 miles apart, but we really don't know much

about Minico's personnel," says Twin Falls coach John Astorquia, starting his 13th year. "We know that (Travis) Schow would be their top player. He's a solid 6-1 athlete who works hard at rebounding and does a good job there. We suspect he will have to pick up their scoring."

The other Spartans will be off last year's junior team.

"We don't know their personnel and we don't know their philosophies yet," Astorquia continues. "We suspect that Coach Johnson will continue with many of the things that (last year's coach Craig) Dexter did. We expect them to press more, and because of height maybe zone a little more. And certainly, we expect them to be looking for the break."

Vallivue shows up on the Bruin schedule because Boise High, originally scheduled, received an invitation to play in the Great Alaskan High School Shootout.

"Chuck White (former University of Idaho star) called Boise and told them they have everything paid for 11 players from airplane tickets to meals and lodging."

Astorquia said. "They asked if we would release them from our contract if they could find an opponent to replace them. Vallivue had only 18 games scheduled and agreed to step in."

"What we know about Vallivue is exactly what we happened to see at the state A-1 and A-2 tournament last year. They have a 6-8 center who is pretty decent. But I don't remember anyone after that," the coach said.

Twin Falls will have three veterans starting in Chris Smith, Jason Astorquia and Eric Smith, all 6-4 seniors.

"Chris is looking the best in the early going. He's really improved and is a solid 195-pounds under the boards now. Jason is shooting well and has improved his driving. We hope that ability will alleviate the pressure and allow us to do some of the things we want to. Eric has improved a lot but still is a little inconsistent."

"The most pleasant improvement for us has been senior John Horner. His defense and competitiveness are real pluses for us. Casey Teske will be our other starting

guard. Casey is learning to keep himself from ricocheting around the floor. When he's under control, he's been performing well," the coach said.

Inside help will be coming from 6-2 senior Bryce Armstrong and 6-2 transfer Devin Olson.

"Bryce is shooting very well. Olson is still learning the system but he hits the boards hard."

Two juniors will stay with the varsity, 5-10 Riley Boyd and 5-9 Brandon Eller.

"The main thing about this team is we can play better defense than we have for a long time," the coach said.

After this weekend's openers, the Bruins will have Poacetto, Borah and Highland in succession.

"That gives us a look at all but one of the Region III teams before Christmas and we pick up Barley on Jan. 3," the coach said.

"There's no doubt that Poacetto would have to be the pre-season pick. But the region is sending two to state (in the ISU Dubby Holt Dome) and we think we have a good shot at one of them."

# CSI faces tough Maryland, Florida squads in tourney

By LARRY HOVEY Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — "No matter where I go — Kiwanis, Rotary, on the street — people are asking me when are you going to play someone? Well, we're playing someone," says College of Southern Idaho Coach Fred Trenkle.

And those "someones" are 14th-ranked Hagerstown, Md., Friday and probably the most improved junior college team in the country, Central Florida, on Saturday in the highlights of the annual K and T Steel Tournament. Walla Walla, Wash., Community College, debuting under former CSI assistant Coach Steve Irons, will take on Central Florida at 7 p.m. Friday and Hagerstown at the same time Saturday. Both CSI games will start at 9 p.m.

Additionally, Coach Ben Stroud and his women Golde Eagles will be entertaining three teams in their first annual women's invi-

national. Montana Tech, a four-year-NAIA school, will join with Columbia Basin Junior College, Pasco, Wash., and the Northwest Nazarene College Crusaders in that one-day schedule will have Montana Tech and NNC meeting at 3 p.m. and CSI taking on Columbia Basin at 5 p.m. NNC and Columbia Basin lead off the second day at 3 p.m. with CSI taking on Montana Tech in the windup.

"People just don't seem to realize that it is very difficult and very expensive to bring teams in here. They can find very good competition much closer to home," Trenkle pointed out. "They also don't understand that a team that has a possibility of being nationally ranked doesn't like to jeopardize that by going into the hometown of the third-ranked team."

"So to all the people who have spent all these years asking when are you going to play to play someone? I'm challenging them to put their support where their mouth

is and get out to fill our gymnasium and support the Golden Eagles," Trenkle concluded.

"We have spent more money that we can take in (season passes are honored) bringing these teams here and I just want to see if all these people really want to see us play."

"Actually, I would think it would be very difficult for us to win both. This team is a long way from where we want it to be from the aspects of defensive intensity and focus on the game. Usually by this time we have it and if we get it, this will be a very strong team, capable of playing with anyone in the country. But both Florida and Hagerstown have the combination of excellent outside people and big, strong experienced inside folks. That's where they can really hurt us," Trenkle said.

Friday night's game is a replay of last year's national tournament opener, which CSI, leading by 18 points with 13 minutes to play, lost by a point in the final four.

Although Hagerstown started four fresh-

that day, it is returning only three players off the entire squad.

"That point guard who gave us fits with that jumper off the baseline, they didn't invite him back. They say they have better people this year," Trenkle said, shaking his head.

One who is back is 6-5 guard Dexter Boney who is averaging over 32 points per game with a high of 41 this far. He had 34 against the Eagles in Hutchinson. Also back is 6-9, 215-pound post Wes Cormish and 6-4 Lamont Dale.

Hagerstown splits the point guard position between a pair of 5-9 freshmen, Jason Niblett and Terry Lancaster, with Lancaster usually getting the starting call.

The big addition outside is 6-3 Keith Wood "who everyone tells me is like Boney, a big talent and averaging about 20 a game."

Inside with Cormish are 6-8, 245-pound freshman Don Butler, 6-7, 240-pound Matt Birrell, and 6-6 Michael Brewer, a

200-pounder.

"You don't hang them around inside," Trenkle pointed out.

What does Hagerstown do best?

"Everyone I've talked to has told me don't try to run with them. Slow it down. It's your only chance," Trenkle says. "But we aren't going to change our game."

"One thing that may help is that they will not have played a game since Nov. 19 and they might be a little rusty," Trenkle said. "But this is a very talented team."

"They've already won the Anderson, S.C. tourney, and their own. They lost to Pittsburgh-Allegany 106-102."

"Trenkle scoffed at suggestions of "revengé motivation" for this one.

"We only have three players back and I'll guarantee you the other nine don't particularly care that Hagerstown beat us last year because they weren't here. Hagerstown has



World Cup action Alberto Tomba of Italy hits the first run of the World Cup slalom at Waterville Valley, N.H., Wednesday. World Cup action continues today.



Lewis boycotted this year's championships in the hometown of Houston because of "ideological differences" with TAC, the national governing body for the sport.

# Lewis at center of Goodwill dispute

**WASHINGTON (AP)**—Carl Lewis said Wednesday he would not "bully my way" into the 1990 Goodwill Games, despite a ruling that excludes those who don't compete in next year's national outdoor championships.

The rule was passed by the International Competition Committee of The Athletics Congress: The Goodwill Games are in Seattle July 20-Aug. 5.

"If they want me to be there, I'll be there. If not, I won't be there," said Lewis, a six-time Olympic medalist.

Lewis boycotted this year's championships in the hometown of Houston because of "ideological differences" with TAC, the national governing body for the sport.

He said he did not plan to compete in the 1990 national championships; to be held in California in June, because he would not be prepared to run Friday July 7.

The Lewis-led boycott, which caused several other top athletes to skip the championships, was the main reason for the committee's action. The absence of Lewis and the others was part of the reason the Houston Sports Foundation, financial supporters of the meet, lost \$24,000.

International Competition Committee chairman John Champlin, a coach at Wash-

ington State, said exceptions could be made if an athlete is injured or unable to compete in the championships.

"Then our executive committee would discuss it and make a ruling," he said.

The Goodwill Games are being put together by Ted Turner and will be telecast on his Turner Broadcasting System. Lewis has been doing publicity for the event.

He denied a published report quoting him as saying, "It's Ted. Turner's millions against TAC—TBS gets what it wants."

"My contract with Turner has nothing to do with me competing," Lewis said. "That's not in the contract."

"If I go to the Goodwill Games, it will be

because TAC wants me and Turner wants me, not because I force my way in. It won't be me ..."

"They say I'm always trying to bully my way in. That's wrong. I don't do that."

The Goodwill Games format called for eight competitors in each event, including two from the United States, two from the Soviet Union and four of the top-ranked eight in the world. Under that plan, even if Lewis did not compete in the national championships, he could have filled one of the wild-card spots.

Lewis said he planned to take off from competition for the first half of next year to help promote his book.

# Martin suspended, to miss key game

MOSCOW (AP) — Starting forward Clifford Martin was suspended for disciplinary reasons and will miss Idaho's game against No. 4 Kansas on Thursday, Coach Kermit Davis said.

Davis said Martin, a transfer from College of Southern Idaho, "didn't handle his punishment like he should have" after he was ordered to do extra running for arriving 10 minutes late to last Friday's practice.

"He made a small situation into a big

deal," Davis said.

Martin had stormed out of a preseason practice after a disagreement with Davis and Davis said a decision on Martin's future with the team will be made after the Kansas game.

The 6-foot-9 Martin scored 16 points and had nine rebounds in Idaho's only official game, a victory over Simon Fraser, an NAIA school from British Columbia.





# Seahawks wondering about 'the great Boz'

SEATTLE (AP) — Ever wonder what happened to "The Boz," that \$11 million linebacker from Oklahoma? The Seattle Seahawks do.

The Seahawks, who won a lottery to take Bosworth in the June 1987 supplemental draft, fear they may have seen the last of him.

"I don't know, I can't answer that," Seahawks President Tom Flores said when asked whether Bosworth would ever play again. "Right now it looks a little tenuous."

Bosworth's third NFL season in which he is being paid \$600,000 — is symbolic of the Seahawks' demise from AFC West champions to a 4-8, non-playoff team.

"I'll know right now, and the only thing that we can go on, is that the right shoulder was a similar injury to the left and the rehabilitation is similar," Flores said.

"Hopefully, the right one will be able to come back like the left one did. Then we'll have to re-evaluate it at that time. But right now we don't know."

Bosworth's third season with the Seahawks consisted of two games and a dozen tackles before he was forced out by a sore shoulder. That's \$41,666 per tackle.

A year ago he missed seven games, including the Seahawks' playoff game, because of an injured left shoulder, which required arthroscopic surgery.

His right shoulder didn't require surgery.

Except for his rookie season, he

has been a virtual one-armed tackler.

"The man who was supposed to make a dramatic impact on the Seattle defense has become invisible, remembered more for his hairdo and his deodorant commercials than his tackling."

His most memorable on-field performance was when he hit Bo Jackson at the 1-yard line in a Monday night matchup with the Los Angeles Raiders. Bo beat the Boz and scored the touchdown.

His pro career has consisted of 24 games and 175 tackles.

Coach Chuck Knox, danced at the team's headquarters in Kirkland and Jugged then-General Manager Mike McCormack after the Seahawks got the right to pick Bosworth. Visions of a blond Dick Butkus danced in his head.

The Seahawks signed Bosworth to a 10-year, \$11 million contract.

The NFL Players Association said the first five years were guaranteed.

There have been no Dick Butkus results.

Flores was coaching the Raiders when Bosworth arrived in Seattle, but he doesn't second-guess McCormack for Knox for wanting Bosworth.

All 28 NFL teams wanted the 6-foot-2, 236-pounder from Irving, Texas, who was selected as the nation's outstanding collegiate linebacker in 1985 and 1986.

"It's a sad situation because here's a player who was a marquee player and everybody had him at the top of their list as a great player and a can't

miss," Flores said. "Whoever was pulled out of that line during that draft would have taken him."

"There's no team in the league that I heard that would have passed because he was that kind of an impact player. The fact that he hasn't turned out to be yet is sad."

Flores also said he felt badly for Bosworth.

"I feel badly for all of us because we haven't had the benefit of his great talent, and he is disappointed and down because he hasn't been able to play. The fans have never seen the real one."

Bosworth has been on injured reserve since Week 2. He is never seen on the practice field and is seldom seen at the Seahawks headquarters.

He avoids the Seattle media and has seldom granted interviews.

Flores said Bosworth's absence is by design.

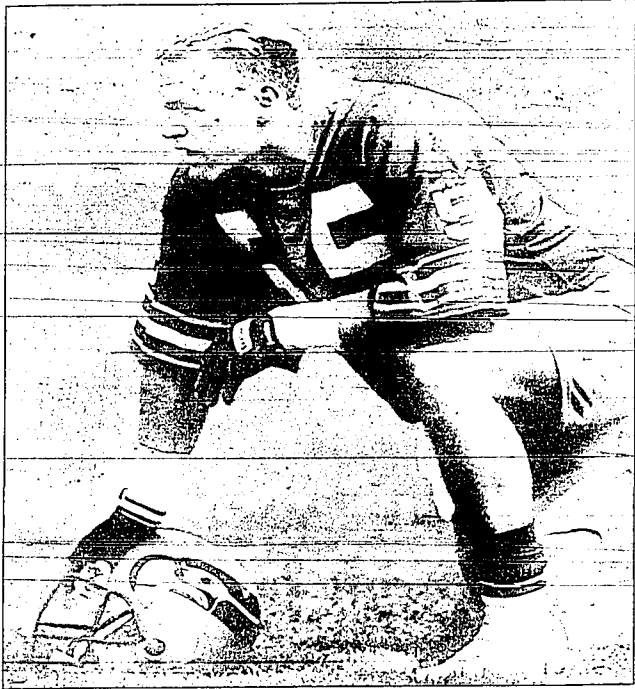
"He gets a little bit more notoriety and his presence will cause unjust and undue and unfair articles," he explained. "So why put him through it and why put us through it?"

Flores said Bosworth is working out "at a local facility" under the supervision of Seahawks head trainer Jim Whitted.

Bosworth is lifting "very light" weights for his right shoulder.

The Seahawks will pay heavily if Bosworth can't play again.

According to the players association, he is guaranteed \$600,000 next season and \$700,000 in 1991.



Linebacker Brian Bosworth of the Seattle Seahawks takes a break during mini-camp

# Linebacker Rankin helps propel Montana Grizzlies to NCAA berth

BOISE (AP) — Montana has advanced to the second round of the NCAA Division I-AA national football championship, and linebacker Mike Rankin has played a major role in the Grizzlies' success this season.

Rankin on Wednesday was named to the Big Sky all conference defensive football team.

It's the third straight selection for Rankin, a 240-pound senior from Edmonds, Wash., and he's the 19th player in the history of the league to be named all conference first team three years.

Teammates free safety Tim Hauk and punter Judy Farmer both made all conference for the second straight year, along with two Boise State players, end Erik Kellogg and outside linebacker Kermy Kusch.

Both Hauk and Helgeson were unanimous picks by the coaches, who were not allowed to vote for their own players.

Also named first team on defense were Dan Edwards of Montana, Neil Hulbert of Nevada-Reno, Mike Zeller of Idaho and Mike Sanfratello of Northern Arizona as the down linemen.

Idaho's Roger Cecil was the other



Mont., was the anchor for a Montana defense that allowed just 212 points during the 1989 regular season.

He was the league's most valuable defensive player last season and led the Grizzlies this year with 129, tackles and seven pass interceptions.

Helgeson, a junior from Boise, had 62 tackles, including 17 1/2 quarterback sacks and eight other tackles for losses.

Farmer, a senior from Libby, Mont., who doubles as a running back on offense, averaged 41.76 on 46 punts.

Kusch, a junior from Pendleton, Ore., had 91 total tackles; this season along with six pass deflections and one interception.

Other down linemen are Montana's Edwards, a senior from Stead, Wash.; Zeller, a senior, from Seattle and juniors Hulbert of Reno and Sanfratello of NAU, from Scottsdale, Ariz.

Joining Kusch at outside linebacker was Cecil, a junior from Tacoma, Northern Arizona's Jordan, a senior from Las Vegas, is the other inside linebacker.

Rounding out the secondary were Idaho's Oliver, a junior from Spokane; Jackson, a senior from Los

Angeles and Eastern's Schultz, a sophomore from Yakima, Wash.

**Second Team Defense**

Down linemen: Anthony Whitten, Jon McPherson and Aaron Hansen, Eastern Washington; end Wadner, Montana State. Outside linebackers: Rob Hatch, Montana State; Galen Layton, Montana. Inside linebackers: Mark D'Agostino, Montana State; John Rust, Idaho. Secondary: Mike Babl, Weber State; Marcus Bowen, Montana; Brian Smith, Idaho; Jed Shurtak, NAU. Punter: Brent Chukhuyk, Weber.

**Honorable Mention Defense**

Down linemen: Ivor Filiga and Brice Givens, Idaho State; Mychal Keers, Montana State; Mark Drabos, Reno. Outside linebackers: Tiffi O'Connor, Boise; Ken Lowry, Idaho State; Mike McGowan, Montana. Inside linebackers: Scott Russell, Boise; D.J. Sigurdson, Eastern Washington; Tony Manu, Idaho State; Bryan Tripp, Montana; C.D. Beck, Weber. Secondary: Frank Robinson, Boise; Darrin Jackson, Northern Arizona; Austin Peters, Weber; Punter: Joe Carrasco, Idaho; Duffy Daugherty, Idaho State; Mickey Penafior, Northern Arizona.

# Senior baseball league plans expansion in West

PHOENIX (AP) — The Senior Professional Baseball Association, which launched play this year with eight teams in Florida, plans to expand into Arizona and California, the league president said.

"It's up in the air as to when I don't think it's up in the air as to whether," league president Rick Horrow said Tuesday.

"This is a really neat opportunity," he said. "I personally think Arizona is a golden opportunity, and I've prevailed on these owners to expand as quickly as they can. A key will be if the corporate investors and political and business interests are there."

The league's teams began a 72-game schedule three weeks ago. Teams are based in St. Petersburg, Orlando, Winter Haven, Bradenton, West Palm Beach, Fort Myers, Pompano Beach and St. Lucie.

Team owners have voted to authorize Horrow to take expansion applications, and Horrow said the league envisions creation of a western division in Arizona and

Southern California.

Several of the teams could be in the Phoenix area, with Tucson and Yuma also possible, he said. Palm Springs and other cities in southern California also would be considered.

While the league got off to a slow start in attendance, and cable TV ratings, Horrow said the owners were prepared for first-year losses and expect to turn a profit after a couple of years because the league has three-year commitments in television, merchandising and licensing rights.

"The league is healthy and growing. Our projections are on target," said Horrow.

Horrow said one key to the success of franchises in the Phoenix area would be having them in communities and facilities where they can generate a loyal fan base.

"The answer is to have fewer rather than more teams in the Phoenix area," he said.

"Any of the existing spring training facilities is acceptable or could be acceptable," he said.

# Landry voices criticism of Johnson's path for Dallas Cowboys, concern for Aikman

GREENVILLE, S.C. (AP) — Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson may have chosen the wrong path for his team, predecessor Tom Landry says, and the Cowboys are in danger of wasting quarterback Troy Aikman's career.

The Cowboys, who won only three games last year under Landry, are 1-11 with four games left in the regular season as Johnson embarks upon a rebuilding program accentuating youth.

Landry, who was in Greenville on behalf of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, said "only time will tell

whether they're on the right road or not."

"Everybody has their own thoughts," Landry said. But he said he would not follow the route Johnson is taking "because I believe a great deal in experience."

"I would have tried to blend the experience with new people as you try to rebuild," he said.

"Landry was the only coach the Cowboys had in their first 29 years before being fired by new owner Jerry Jones, who hired Johnson from the University of Miami.

"The problem they're having is they're starting over again, getting rid of Herschel Walker and a number of older players," he said. "Now they've got a complete rebuilding program to do before they come back again."

"I think Dallas has a great opportunity with their quarterback, Troy Aikman, whom I believe can be a very outstanding football player."

"But the whole question that'll come is can the other parts of the

team be built strong enough fast enough that will let him take advantage of his talents," he said.

Landry also said he felt his firing — and the dismissal of team President Tex Schramm — were handled poorly.

"It just destroyed the P.R. of the new owners and the new organization staff handling it the way they did," he said.

"They could have handled it very easily. Tex and I were not informed of the change until the day before it was consummated, and the papers had it all week."

# Boise inquires into minor league football

BOISE (AP) — A local businessman has contacted the Minor League Football System about the possibility of bringing a franchise to the Boise area, the system's president says.

President Ed Watkins said the initial inquiry from a man he declined to identify came Tuesday morning and further contacts were expected.

"The gentleman wanted to contact a few people, including the mayor, and he would get back to us," Watkins said.

A spokesman for Mayor Dirk Kempthorne said the office had yet to be notified of any proposal.

The system completed its inaugural season this month with 11 teams scattered across the country. Two new franchises have already been added, and Watkins said there are plans to add up to eight more teams for the new season that begins in

July.

"Boise is an ideal place for our league to expand," he said. "We think a franchise would become a big part of the Boise community, and at the same time it would be a nice attraction for our other West Coast teams."

The system currently has teams in Seattle; Hayward, Calif.; San Jose, Calif.; Pueblo, Colo., and Colorado Springs, Colo. Watkins said eventually the league will break down into two divisions — one in the East and the other in the West.

League owners will be meeting over the next two months on the system's future, and Watkins said the Boise proposal would be discussed in early January. The schedule for the 1990 season will be set in late January.

Watkins estimated it would take up to \$100,000 to start a franchise and between \$150,000 and \$200,000 a year in expenses.

# Marino questionable; Secules ready for shot at NFL game start

MIAMI (AP) — Dan Marino is listed as questionable but backup Scott Secules can be listed as comfortable about the possibility of making his first NFL start on Sunday at Kansas City.

"I'll be ready," Secules said Wednesday.

"You always want to play. Being a backup, you have to learn to have the patience and wait your turn, and you don't know when your turn is going to come."

Marino bruised his right shoulder in last Sunday's loss to Pittsburgh.

The Dolphins' star also has been bothered by injuries to his right elbow and left ribs, and he has missed most workouts for the past 10 days.

"I'm a little banged up," Marino said. "I probably won't be able to practice until later in the week, and maybe not even then."

"I'll probably wait and see what happens later in the week as far as playing in the game," he said.

Marino hasn't missed a start because of an injury since 1983, so

Miami's backup quarterbacks have seen little action in recent years.

Secules, a second-year pro, has thrown 33 passes in three NFL games.

"I'm not going to get my hopes up to start and then get shot down because Dan's feeling better," Secules said.

"Obviously, everybody wants Dan to play, and I think that's the best thing for this team."

Secules saw his most extensive action in Sunday's 34-14 loss to the

Steaders.

He replaced the ailing Marino in the third quarter and completed only seven of 19 passes for 94 yards, with two interceptions.

"I pressed a little bit and tried to make too much happen, and made some bad decisions and hurried some throws," Secules said.

"There were some blown opportunities."

Coach Don Shufz said Secules missed some passes but also made

some good throws.

"His big problem is lack of playing time," Shufz said.

Secules, 25, was with the Dallas Cowboys last year as a rookie but did not play in a preseason or regular-season game.

The Dolphins acquired him in August for an undisclosed draft choice.

Secules is accustomed to a backup role; at Virginia he spent three seasons behind Dan Majkowski, now with the Green Bay Packers.

"You have to really be comfortable in the backup role — and I think I am comfortable — so you don't press and you don't keep asking yourself, 'Why am I not playing?'" Secules said.

He has split practice time 50-50 this week with veteran Cliff Stuchlik, the Dolphins' No. 3 quarterback.

"It gets me a lot more work in practice, and at this point in my career, every turn really helps," Secules said. "I learn something new every day."



# Interagency tracking system would monitor unprotected grizzlies

By SANDY SHORE  
The Associated Press

LAKEWOOD, Colo. The U.S. grizzly bear population would be monitored through an interagency tracking system if the species were removed from federal protection, a wildlife official said Tuesday.

The system would rely on credible sources such as national park and forest service rangers to report grizzly bear sightings, said Dr. Chris Servheen, grizzly bear recovery coordinator at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

If the population dropped below a pre-determined minimum sighting level, the federal agency would conduct a review to determine ways to increase the population or to recom-

mend relisting the species as threatened, he told participants at the interagency Grizzly Bear Committee meeting here.

"I think it's biologically credible," Servheen said of the plan. "It seems to be a reasonable way to proceed."

Grizzly bears, a threatened species in the lower-48 United States, are protected under the federal Endangered Species Act.

Earlier this year, the IGBC appointed a subcommittee to develop an outline of how the population in the northern Continental Divide ecosystem would be managed if the grizzlies were removed from the list.

Servheen said the "delisting" plan is in the discussion stages, and it will be at least a year before it will be proposed formally.

The request would be followed by a series of public hearings, and another review process, he said.

If it were approved for that ecosystem, the agencies then would repeat the process for other ecosystems, such as Yellowstone National Park, he said.

The IGBC, which is responsible for coordinating grizzly bear management in Montana, Wyoming, Idaho and Washington, was scheduled to continue its two-day annual meeting Wednesday. Servheen estimates there are between 700 and 900 grizzlies in the area.

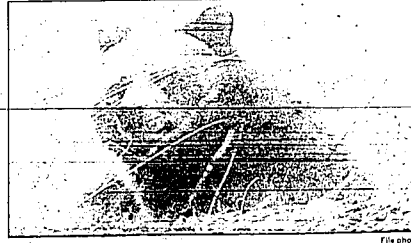
The northern Continental Divide ecosystem covers 2,700 square miles, including Glacier National Park in Montana.

wildlife officials would monitor the bears by keeping track of the number of female bears with cubs seen annually, the distribution of females with young throughout the ecosystem and the annual number of bear deaths caused by humans.

Servheen said the proposal is based on sightings of a minimum number of female bears over a three-year reporting period, which would indicate a sufficient number of adult female bears to reproduce within the ecosystem.

Inside the park, the minimum number of female bears over a three-year reporting period, which would indicate a sufficient number of adult female bears to reproduce within the ecosystem.

In 1989, there were an average of 14 sightings each inside and outside



A new interagency program would track grizzlies

## Hovercraft

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appeared with a life jacket in hand.

"Do you want to take one of the Seats for a ride?"  
Even controlled, my smile was obvious. Carlyle suggested that I whisk around the beach until comfortable with the handling characteristics of the Seat. After several passes and additional instruction, I pointed the craft toward the Snake River at full throttle.

As anticipated, the Seat was a thrill. Racing across the water at 35 mph on a cushion of air, I stayed in the center of the river before attempting my first turn. Swinging

wide, my initial maneuver was acceptable, but not nearly as precise as those I'd witnessed as a passenger. I turned and headed to the decays for some additional advice.

Carlyle explained my error. "In the smaller Seat, think of turning just as if you were driving a motorcycle. Move the handle bars and lean into the turn."

Gliding above the surface of the Snake River, I followed Carlyle's instructions.

The craft responded immediately and gracefully but to an sharp turn.

Next, I decided to hover across the surface of the river on to mud flats

and beaches. The Seat made the transition without any hitches.

Besides providing hunting opportunities, hovercrafts have additional outdoor applications.

Weeds and muck that plug intakes in outboard engines are of no consequence with hovercrafts since they ride on a cushion of air and are suspended above the water's surface.

This feature makes the Seat an ideal fishing craft in weedy and mucky waters.

Ice fishermen who frequently spend their time on large lakes might also consider the Seat.

It eliminates long, cold walks and

driving heavy vehicles over questionable ice.

Durability is a question that must be addressed.

The bottom of the Seat has two metal runners to prevent abrasion from rocks or other objects.

Hulls are constructed from high impact ABS plastic and are injection foam-filled for flotation.

Engines are similar to those used on ultralight aircraft. Engines (skiffs) are made from neoprene-coated nylon.

Except for the 67 horsepower model, the average driver can expect to travel 100 miles on six gallons of

gas.

Seat costs varies from \$3,995 to \$12,500, depending mostly on length and engine options selected.

The craft is mobile and easily operated.

Few obstacles matter. Hunters and fishermen should find many practical applications for these hovering craft.

## Schoth

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waders and a good one can be had for \$100 to \$170. If he has a tube outfit, get him a fish bag, a net holder, a tubette holder, a new set of fins, a good net or a patch kit for his waders.

These items are available from a low of \$4 to high of \$50 and are essential, fun and wear out periodically.

It is sometimes hard to buy a fishing rod for an angler. He or she is as choosy as when they decided to get married.

If you think how much time the fisherman spends with his rod and how much with his sweetheart — unless they both fish — it is about equal.

The nice thing about fishing rods is they are nearly all flexible. The trick is to get where he buys tackle and tell them what kind of fishing the angler does. Don't buy a spin fisherman a fly rod unless he has expressed the desire. Don't buy a fly fisherman a spin rod or a casting rod unless you want to induce hysteria.

Remember, a gift certificate is a safe way to punt. The range of prices is incredible.

Graphite is the preferred material, though some very good spin rods are still available in fiberglass. Spin rods, casting rods, trolling rods can be had from \$15 to \$80 in fiberglass, from \$30 to \$300 in graphite with a good quality product in the \$10 to \$100 range.

Fly rods tend to be a little higher but entry level rods can be had for \$50. The name brand and state of the art rods will range from a low of \$90 to about \$400. There are complete spinning outfits for under \$40 and good fly fishing beginning outfits under \$125 — that is rod, reel and line.

Don't forget that all this angling paraphernalia needs to be carried, toted, stored or kept out of the sight of impressionable children. A simple plastic fly box or lure can be had for under \$3. It is a very special present from a youngster to give a dad or brother or a fishing mom. Other kids can buy a small fly assortment or lures that begin at \$1 and up to \$5. Tackle boxes need replaced — you can't

get rid of the smell, mom — only a new one will. Gear bags are as diverse as tackle boxes and can be had at a variety of prices. The list goes on and one but one is very special and fits most budgets.

It says like no other that you understand your angler and you really do care, that you don't mind that he fishes because it gives him so much fun, relaxation and pleasure.

You need his birthdate, his driver's license number and \$11 for a simple piece of paper — the best gift, his license to do what he loves.

Warren Schoth operates a fishing fly business in Wendell.

to learn and hone the basic skills of a new weapon.

David Hocklander is a teacher and athletic director at Gooding High School.

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## Hocklander

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of an archery club? The skills of shooting a shotgun can be both learned and practiced at a local club. I can promise from experience that all these people will be more than willing to help a rookie get started in their sport.

Do not be afraid to ask questions. When you are learning there is no such thing as a dumb question. Be specific and write down information for future reference.

The acquisition of the weapon is now necessary so that hands-on learning and practice can begin.

Take this step slowly and carefully; a little knowledge is a dangerous thing. Limit the initial purchase to the basics and keep the investment low. Once some hours of practice have been logged your ideas of what you want or prefer will most likely change.

Buying a used weapon is a less expensive way to get started. As

personal experience tells you exactly what you want, a new and more expensive model may later become a sound investment.

Barroving is another way to postpone purchasing until you know for sure if you like this new weapon and if so what design you prefer. For example, many dedicated bowhunters have several bows and may want to be willing to lend one to a beginner.

Once you have your hands on the new weapon familiarize yourself with its function and care. Study and learn proper technique. This means going back to the club and the individuals who helped get you started.

There is a right and a wrong-way to do most everything and it is much easier to learn the right way first than to have to unlearn bad techniques.

Last comes hours of dedicated practice. Anyone who takes to the field without a working skill of a weapon is an irresponsible sportsman. Practice should first center on

the basic skills needed to operate the weapon and then move to hunting skills in field situations.

Many club sports offer a field hunting simulation to test the skill of their members. The shotguns have trap, skeet, and sporting clays to tune their skills. The bowhunters offer 3-D shoots in the field. Hunt gun advocates have metal animals in a variety of sizes to sharpen the eye. The crucial point is that enough

practice takes place, before a game hunt is attempted, to insure that a responsible hunt will follow.

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# Hunters must unite to save their sport from animal zealots

By ANGUS PHILLIPS  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — I see where anti-hunters struck in suburban Montgomery County, Md., again last weekend, "yelling and screaming and doing whatever they could to harass hunters," according to a state wildlife officer. Fourteen protesters were arrested in this, the third episode of its sort in the Washington area this fall.

To most hunters, certainly those under whose deer stands the shooters gathered at McKee Beshers Wildlife Management Area on Saturday, it's bad news.

But the zealots at Fund for Animals and People for Ethical Treatment of Animals may be doing the hunting community a favor, if they force it out of its shell to defend itself.

The simmering dispute prompted David G. Davis of Arlington, Va., to write in a letter to me: "I am particularly worried that there does not seem to be a

responsible organization that can speak for the mainstream of America's hunters."

"On one side, traditional organizations like the National Wildlife Federation have become increasingly gentrified to the point that they are now rather timid on hunting matters. ... On the other, the National Rifle Association, to which I belonged as a boy, has become almost totally identified with the right-wing fringe through its obsession with gun control. ... What we need in this country is a national hunters organization, championing the rights and needs of hunters and supporting wildlife and habitat conservation."

"Perhaps I'm unique in being a politically moderate, white-collar hunter," wrote Davis, "but I doubt it."

So do I, but sometimes it's a struggle to remember that two of our

last three presidents have testified on hunting, as do many judges, doctors, lawyers, writers, congressmen and big-time businessmen.

Now the sport they love is under siege. One well-placed source at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service reckoned recently that if a referendum calling for a total hunting ban were placed on state ballots across the nation, "several states would approve them."

Yet no one responds with an authoritative voice for the hunters. When PETA and FFA members chain themselves to the fence at Mason Neck National Wildlife Refuge to protest an archery hunt there, Yale-educated Wayne Pacelle does the talking.

Who speaks for the other side? Some poor guy on his day off, angry, frustrated and unprepared. Talk about a mismatch!

Who are the doctors, lawyers and congressmen?

The answer is, elsewhere. They hunt for pleasure, not hassles, and the toney hunting groups they

belong to — Ducks Unlimited, Quail Unlimited, the Ruffed Grouse Society, the National Wild Turkey Federation — are social and conservation-oriented, not political.

The word from this corner is, they'd better get political if they want a sport to enjoy in the 21st century.

The opposition is formidable and well financed. It doesn't have to be that way. Hunter groups and government agencies that oversee the sport have much to commend them.

They're deeply involved in protecting and restoring habitat; they raise and spend hundreds of millions of dollars in public and private money to preserve game and non-game species and the places they thrive.

Nor must hunters wear a badge of dishonor. Ed Zern, the glasses-outdoors humorist from Searsdale, N.Y., says

in Austria and Switzerland, hunters are all but revered. But much housecleaning needs to be done to reach that plateau here, which requires strong leadership. Will anyone rise?

Jack Lorenz of the Quail, Wildfowl League of America says: "Sometimes it takes a guy to hit you upside the head with a two-by-four to get you going."

He said a group of 25 or 30 congressmen has formed a "sportsman's caucus," although there's no word yet on its mission.

Also a new North American Sportsman's Alliance includes representatives of the Walton League, the Safari Club, Ducks Unlimited, Quail Unlimited, the

Wild Turkey Federation and other hunting-oriented outfits. But so far it has no financing.


What hunters need from one of these groups, or any other respectable group that emerges, is a voice, a spokesman to speak knowledgeably and passionately of the strengths, talents and aspirations of the hunting community.

This voice must be willing to give as well as take, to recognize that the appearance of an extra few swans on the East Coast doesn't necessarily mandate a swan hunt, to offer real data on such controversial issues as the alleged cruelty of bowhunting for deer, and to stand up for the rights of hunters.

## Analysis

### Sun Valley Ski Area scheduled to open Friday

By The Times-News



Area range from a 7-inch accumulation at North Fork and Prairie Creek to 14 inches on top of Galena Summit. Galena Lodge has nine inches. The lodge will open for the season on Dec. 1.

The Twin Falls Ranger District reports 10 inches of snow at Diamondfield Jack winter sports area in the South Hills.

Snow depths in the Christmas tree-cutting area of the Raft River Division of the Burley district range from two to seven inches.

The Fairfield district reports 10-inch accumulation at Soldier Mountain. Personal-use permits for cutting Christmas trees are now available at most Sawtooth District offices.

Access to many cutting areas is restricted to snowmachines, skis or snowshoes.

Maps and other information about cutting areas and restrictions are available at any Sawtooth office during regular office hours Monday through Friday.

The Twin Falls Ranger District will sell Christmas tree permits on-site only Saturday and Sunday and again Dec. 9-10 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Forest Service personnel will be available at the Diamondfield Jack winter sports area during these hours to direct cutters to the site.

Permits are \$2 for up to an 8-foot tree. Larger trees cost an additional 50 cents per foot.

### Utah bison herd growing in size

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The buffalo herd roaming Antelope Island has grown in number and the condition of the animals is excellent, Utah State Parks officials say.

The buffalo were counted and checked during the third annual Antelope Island buffalo roundup Nov. 4.

Personnel from the Division of Parks and Recreation and the Division of Wildlife Resources, along with 33 riders and volunteers from Utah State University rounded up 417 buffalo. Approximately 40 were not captured.

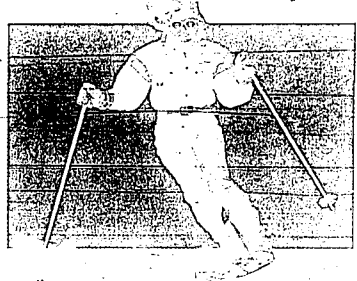
Based on the roundup, the total number of buffalo living on the island was estimated at 457. Last year, 417 buffalo were rounded up, the State Parks agency said in a news release.

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# Fish & Game wants to move district headquarters near Nampa

NAMPA (AP) — Canyon County will be the site of a new Idaho Fish and Game Department regional headquarters if the Idaho-Legislature approves.

The agency wants to move the Region 3 headquarters from a site along Chinden Blvd. in Garden City to a new site at the state fish hatchery south of Nampa.

Plans also call for construction of three ponds for wildlife habitat and public fishing. Fish and Game recently purchased 60 acres northeast of the hatchery.

Grant Christensen, Fish and Game engineering chief, said if the



Legislature approves, the agency wants to build a \$650,000 regional headquarters facility.

Once the building is complete, the department would move administrative and enforcement offices and about 25 employees from the Garden City site.

The Garden City office is in a remodeled warehouse.

The location also houses storage, carpentry and mechanical shops and a laboratory.

Christensen said moving to the new site will provide room for expansion.

Fish and Game plans to sell the frontage to the Chinden property for about \$300,000.

The money would be spent on the new Canyon County office.

"The current (Garden City) site is poor place. It's down in a hole..." While the access is bad, it makes a great warehouse," he said.

Stacy Gebhard, Region 3 supervisor, said the new office will

**"The current site is a poor place. It's down in a hole..."**

— Grant Christensen

provide additional services to the Canyon County area, including selling licenses and tags and providing information.

"Right now, we are somewhat duplicating services with our state office," Gebhard said. "By moving

this station somewhere else, we could provide a new service to a different locality without losing service in the Boise area."

While Ada County residents may oppose the proposed move, Christensen said the state headquarters in Boise can offer the same services.

"We would not be cutting services in Boise," he said.

The relocation and construction of a new regional office depend on legislative approval.

Christensen said the agency plans to develop three ponds on the 60-acre site with about \$200,000 from


other sources, including funds from the Bureau of Reclamation.

The ponds, which would be built at a lower elevation than the hatchery, will help the facility control its water circulation.

"This will allow us better control over our water and should reduce the potential for disease," Christensen said.


The area also will be developed to include natural marshy habitat that would also attract waterfowl and upland birds.

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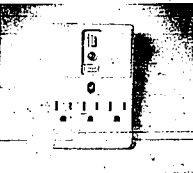
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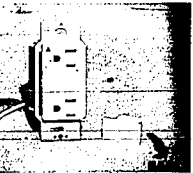
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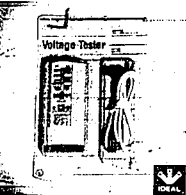
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