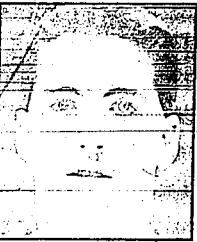


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Troops beam rock, rap, bad news to Noriega

The Associated Press

PANAMA CITY, Panama — U.S. soldiers on Wednesday blasted rock music and the latest Panama news bulletins at the Vatican embassy...

"He has been accused, justly accused, of homicides and narcotrafficking and very, very horrendous crimes," Endara said at a news conference...

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Romania running on holdover help

The Washington Post

BUCHAREST, Romania — Romania's provisional government has begun work with virtually the entire bureaucracy of the late dictator Nicolae Ceausescu...

to no special scrutiny. "What can we do? There is no question of vengeance. We have to get to work..."



Frigid fishing fine for them. For many, sub-freezing temperatures mean the end of the fishing season...

Seasonal downturn trims force at Norco

By CRAIG LINCOLN Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS —Norco Windows announced Wednesday that it will lay off about half of its workers at its Twin Falls plant because of a seasonal downturn in western residential construction...

called Trus Joist Corp., to build wood windows for new houses in the West. TJ International is a Boise-based building materials company...

Bloodiest year on record in half dozen big cities

Drugs behind murder boom

By The Associated Press

This was the bloodiest year on record in at least a half-dozen of America's big cities, and law enforcement officials are virtually unanimous in blaming drug wars for the violence...

rose in most of them. "A large amount of the increase has to do with the violence associated with the drug trade," said Hubert Williams, executive director of the Police Foundation...

Australian quake kills 7

The Associated Press

SYDNEY, Australia — A major earthquake which swept across the east coast on Thursday, demolishing homes and trapping people inside cars in the city of Newcastle...

Up to seven people were reported crushed to death and 100 injured. "It felt like there was someone under my bedroom floor who lifted the house," said one Newcastle resident...

Mistakes will now cost nuclear weapons plant operators

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Energy Department soon will set its decades-old practice of paying all bills, including environmental fines and other penalties, incurred by the companies that run nuclear weapons plants, officials said.

The department has come under attack by Congress recently for accepting liability for criminal penalties, fraudulent losses and other questionable costs of the plant contractors. Private companies run all 17 major nuclear weapons facilities.

plants. For example, Westinghouse Electric Corp., which holds contracts to run several of the plants, earned \$3.9 million in bonus fees from April through September for operating the Savannah River nuclear facility near Aiken, S.C.

While stressing that some details of the planned changes have not been worked out, Wakefield said "there are varying levels of concern" already among the contractors.

The department recently told Congress it was concerned that if the companies were forced to bear too much of the financial risk they would quit the weapons plants.

Wakefield said a formal proposal to amend the department's regulations to end the practice of reimbursing all contractor costs is scheduled to be announced next month, and that it could become official policy by late spring.

Bush vows to bring Noriega to trial

BEEVILLE, Texas (AP) — President Bush said Wednesday he is determined to bring to justice Manuel Antonio Noriega "for poisoning the children of the United States" with drugs, but he conceded that the Vatican's refusal to give up the deposed Panamanian dictator does "complicate things."

In a speech before a crowd of more than 800 at a barbecue dinner in Beeville, near one of his favorite South Texas hunting haunts, Bush drew loud applause both when he promised to press-to-bring-Noriega-to-trial and to avoid "hellicious cuts" in the defense budget.

"I am determined to bring him to

justice. We have to work with our friends in the Vatican. We have to certainly work with respect with the new Endara government in Panama," he said. "But I want to see this man who is under indictment brought to justice for poisoning the children of the United States of America" with drugs.

Earlier, at a news conference upon landing in Corpus Christi, Bush said he was putting "no time limit" on the quest to bring Noriega, now held up in the Vatican's embassy in Panama City, to trial in the United States. Noriega was indicted in Florida on federal drug trafficking charges in 1988.

In his dinner remarks, Bush called the U.S. military operation in Panama "a superb effort" and said it makes him determined to resist calls for deep cuts in defense spending.

"I believe we should keep a ready force that is able to defend American interests and American lives around the world," he said from a stage surrounded by bales of hay.

A banner read: "Bee County is Bush Quail County."

"We're still going down the road of trying to get him 'seated here,'" said Bush, starting a five-day hunting and fishing trip in his adopted home state of Texas.

Briefly

Officials want answers on oil prices

WASHINGTON (AP) — Elected officials from northeastern states are turning to Washington for answers to skyrocketing home heating oil prices.

Some New England legislators, prices Wednesday were at their highest levels ever and officials voiced suspicion that price and supply manipulation may have as much to do with the problem as the recent cold snap.

"The price for a gallon of home heating oil has risen from about 85 cents per gallon two weeks ago to as high as \$1.62 per gallon. As a record cold snap gripped the region, prices in New England were routinely jumping 5 cents per gallon per day and in one instance, the jump was 12 cents.

Fuel suppliers blame market forces for the price jumps.

BATESVILLE, Ark. (AP) — About 3,500 people were evacuated from a residential area Wednesday after a propane tank at a plant exploded, sending a large plume of smoke and fire into the sky, authorities said.

No injuries were reported at White-Rodgers Company when the tank exploded shortly before 3 p.m. CST. Workers were evacuated and people who live within a mile were ordered from their homes, said Dale Rust of the Independence County Office of Emergency Services.

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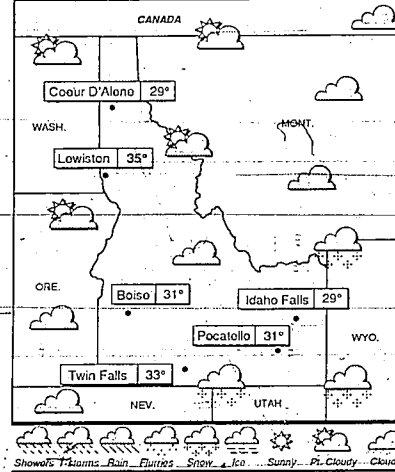
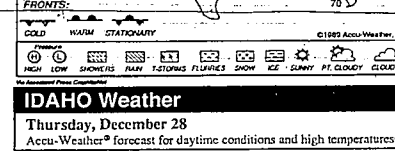
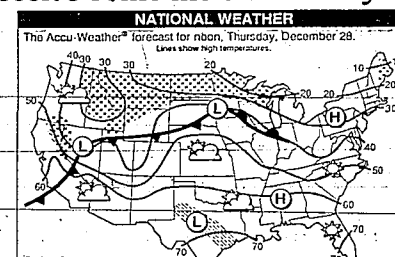
We could receive some moisture today

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding:
Cloudy today and night. Chance of brief freezing rain morning hours otherwise clear to snow today. Patchy night and morning fog. Highs in the lower to mid 30s. Lows 15 to 20. Light winds Thursday. Partly cloudy Friday. Patchy morning fog. Highs 30 to 35.

Camas Prairie and Wood River Valley:
Cloudy today and today night with chance of snow. Patchy night and morning valley fog. Highs in the mid 30s. Lows in the teens. Friday partly cloudy. Patchy morning valley fog. Highs 30 to 35.

Northern Utah and Nevada:
Utah — Low clouds and fog today with fog decreasing becoming mostly cloudy after afternoon. Considerable clouds later. Thursday afternoon and night with a light chance of snow. Highs in the lower to mid 30s. Lows near 20. Friday partly cloudy with breezy canyon winds. Highs in the mid 30s.

Nevada — Partly cloudy through Friday. Chance of showers on Thursday with snow level near 5,000 feet. High temperatures in the upper 30s to upper 40s. Lows in the teens to middle 20s.



Summary:
The National Weather Service in Boise said fog continues to plague western Idaho valleys.

A blanket of dense fog covered many of the valleys in western Idaho Wednesday morning, but most locations improved during the afternoon. The ridge of high pressure producing these stagnant conditions is moving slowly eastward, as a weak cold front pushes in from the west.

This front should bring some temporary improvement to the fog situation Thursday. Only scattered light rain and snow is expected with this system during the next 24 hours. Afterwards, it looks like the ridge of high pressure will redevelop for more stagnation problems by the weekend.

The temperatures around the state Wednesday afternoon were mainly in the 30s, except some 20s were reported in the foggy valleys. Burley and Lowell were the warm spots at 43 degrees.

The extended forecast for Southern Idaho — Saturday-through-Monday — calls for areas of valley fog and smoke. Highs in the 30s in the west portion, 25 to 35 in the east portion. Lows in the teens to mid 20s in the west portion, 5 to 20 in the east portion.

The warmest temperature in the state Wednesday was 43 degrees at Burley and Lowell, while Stanley reported the coldest at 4 degrees below zero.

Elsewhere in the nation Wednesday, the highest temperature was 77 degrees at McAllen, Texas. The lowest was 37 below zero at Watertown, N.Y.

Idaho road report
(AIP) — The state Department of Transportation Wednesday reported icy roads in northern and central Idaho.

Conditions:
U.S. 95 — Plummer-Coeur d'Alene, icy spots; fog; Coeur d'Alene-Canadian border, dry; Higgins-Whitebird Hill, dry; Grangeville-Moscow, icy spots; Weiser-New Meadows, icy spots; Marsing-Oregon line, icy spots.

U.S. 20 — Lewiston-Kooskia, dry; Kooskia-Lolo Pass, icy spots; Interstate 84 — Caldwell area-Hoise, icy spots; Boise area-Triah line, dry; Idaho 55 — Icy spots.

Idaho 21 — Boise-Idaho City, icy spots; fog; Idaho City-Lowman, icy spots; broken snow flow; Grandjean Junction-Stanley, icy spots.

U.S. 20 — Madras-Home-Ashton, dry; Lookout Pass, icy spots, broken snow flow.

U.S. 26 — Idaho Falls-Wyoming line, dry, icy spots; Blackfoot-Idre, dry.

Idaho 51 — Dry.

U.S. 93 — Nevada line-Arco, dry; Arco-Salmon, icy spots; Lost Trail Pass, icy spots; broken snow flow, snow flow.

Idaho 75 — Shoshone-Ketchum, dry; Galena Summit, icy spots.

Interstate 86 — Dry.

Interstate 15 — Dry.

U.S. 30 — Dry.

U.S. 91 — Dry.

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Correction

A number of Blaine County property owners who have found themselves prohibited from building on their property are upset about a class-action lawsuit filed last week, county Planning and Zoning Commission Chairman Hasting said.

The lawsuit claims the county's fee per home for fire protection is illegal. The county has stopped issuing building permits until the lawsuit is settled, Hasting said.

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Romania

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execute by firing squad Ceausescu and his wife, Elena. The secret trial of the couple, who were hated here for running Romania's economy into the ground as they presided over a regal and totalitarian communist system, was carried out on Monday. Videotapes of the trial and of the bullet-riddled bodies of the couple have been broadcast repeatedly on state television here.

Bogdan defended the secret trial and the execution, saying that it "adhered rigorously to existing law."

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Created by Ceausescu to defend his regime and which continued to fight for nearly four days after his leader was overthrown.

In Bucharest on Wednesday, gunfire appeared to have almost stopped. Romanian television reported that Securitate soldiers were surrendering in the capital and around the country. Bogdan had no information on the total number of Securitate who have surrendered.

Panama

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with pellet guns and mowed down tall grass outside the embassy compound. A Southern Command spokesman refused to say whether the actions might be for security or for harassment.

Noriega fled to the embassy on Sunday, five days after a U.S. invasion toppled his government and sent him into hiding. U.S. troops, armored cars and helicopters kept the embassy around the clock to ensure the toppled strongman doesn't escape or get sprung away.

The United States wants to capture Noriega and bring him to the United States to face drug trafficking charges filed in 1988.

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"There never was any act of the church saying, 'Henceforth, we no longer recognize sanctuary,' Morrissey said. But, he said, "Somebody who today was going to claim, 'I have a right to sanctuary' would have difficulty proving they have a right to it."

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turn him over 'to the Panamanians; turn him over to the United States or negotiate safe passage for him to a third country."

The first option, Panama, is complicated because the Panamanian constitution prohibits extradition of Panamanian citizens.

Panamanian attorney Lopez Guevara, a former foreign minister for many years, said that the United States requested extradition of Noriega, the Panamanian justice ministry "is obliged to try him" in Panamanian courts on any alleged criminal activities and may use evidence and witnesses produced by the United States to do so.

The second option, surrendering Noriega to U.S. officials, is politically problematic for the Vatican. "It would look like it's knuckling under to the United States and look like it's violating the principle of asylum which many people say has religious roots," Reisman said.

Newly installed Panamanian President Guillermo Endara on Monday appeared to rule out the third option, safe passage to a third country. "We have claims on Noriega," he said. Runkel said the United States would also oppose such a move.

Panama

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Gen. Maxwell Thurman, who commands U.S. forces in Central and South America, tried curbside diplomacy on Tuesday, posting himself outside the embassy to talk to the Vatican representative, Monsignor Sebastian Laboa.

Without an agreement, it would be nearly impossible for Noriega to get past the U.S. troops surrounding the Vatican mission. At the same time, U.S. troops can't go after Noriega because embassies are inviolable under international law.

Cuba and the Dominican Republic, where one of Noriega's daughters lives, have been mentioned as possible havens.

Also Wednesday, Panama's election commission certified that Endara won a May 7 election nullified by Noriega. The commission said tallies collected by Endara's coalition were enough to show his victory, giving him 62.5 percent of the vote. Endara was sworn in on Dec. 20, shortly after the U.S. invasion began.

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International law experts said there is a strong tradition of granting sanctuary in Latin America, where frequent changes in governments made asylum an important institution. But they said Latin American practice generally does not extend political asylum to those considered "common criminals" rather than political refugees.

Justice Department spokesman David R. Runkel said it would be wrong to grant asylum to Noriega. "Political asylum is recognized in cases of allegations of political oppression or religious persecution," Runkel said. "Noriega doesn't fit into either one of these categories. His fear is of prosecution in the United States."

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The legal experts said that if it does not grant him asylum, the Vatican appears to have three options in dealing with Noriega:

Norco

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that we have a much larger permanent staff than we currently do," he said.

Norco announced the opening of its Twin Falls plant amid fanfare in 1987, when the Magic Valley economy was struggling and unemployment was at a high level. The closure of the Tupperware plant in Jerome, which was employing 700 people.

The company said then that it planned to have 400 workers, which it calls associates, on board by the end of the year.

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Because a word was omitted, Monday's legislative preview story, misstated the amount of Idaho's budget surplus, which is estimated to reach \$100 million by the end of the fiscal year.

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Balcony scene as Romanian throngs denounced Ceausescu said everything

WASHINGTON — Maybe the image of Nicolae Ceausescu that will linger in the American mind — if indeed any does — will be that of his mortified flesh, the Romanian dictator left to the mercies of a cold pavement, bloody and saturnally disheveled, for one last photo opportunity.

But for me, the telling imagery had come the week before. It was the TV film of Ceausescu on the balcony of the palatial building, speaking confidently at first to what he took to be a properly controlled, cooked-up rally of support, and then letting his face betray, in sequence, bafflement, consternation and fury as he perceived what the crowd was chanting. It was, of course, as we now know, chanting "rat" and "death" and things like that.

The balcony scene with its changing crowd grumbles and corresponding changes of facial expression on the part of the self-described "Genius of the Carpathians" was cinematic, farcical, ludicrous — too much.

The man's handiwork was not funny. It was monstrous. But his public style was somehow out of "The Great Dictator," and you knew — or at least you hoped — that he would eventually receive cinematic justice, by which I don't so much mean the gory end as the humiliating last act on that balcony.

When we were in Bucharest everything seemed to have this odd, satirical film about a dictator quality to it. Our pace — the pace of all life — was to be speeded up or slowed down according to the mood and metabolism, the pleasure, the whim of the great man.

On a day when our interviewing group had spent five times as long as we were informed that we had been granted an opportunity to spend it on a lovely day trip to "see" Bulgaria. This had not been high on our list. In fact it had not been on our list at all. Nonetheless, we were duly shepherded into our cars, fitted out with a sizable police escort and sent off on a serenade of this striking indy-500-type dash down endless miles of narrow rural road, scattering country folk and farm animals in our path — at the end of which harrowing ride we were rewarded with the sight of an undistinguished bridge, a small grayish river and some nondescript woodland on the other side, which, we were told, was Bulgaria. Then we came back.

Meg Greenfield

Or, when things were not put on comical speedup, rendering speech into gibberish and normal walking as an early home-movie's preposterous forward trot, they could summarily be called to a halt. Our meeting with Ceausescu had been fixed for 4:30 one day, we were denied a request to set forth early, at around, say, 4:00, so as to be sure to be on time. We would start, we were instructed by our keepers, at 4:15, or was it 4:12?

Whatever it was, about a block from the palace our drivers suddenly detoured around a block and pulled up to a curb and stopped. Just stopped. No explanation. Our whole little minimitrocarade was parked. Hey, what's going on here?

We were informed that we had been about to commit the evidently unpardonable sin of arriving one whole minute early at the palace drive, so we would wait exactly one minute where we now were and then proceed to our 4:30 engagement.

The other large aspect of film fate about the scene was, as you might expect, the casting. Who found those people? There were no screen credits rolling by when we left, but there were indelible memories: One day we were taken out on a lateral visit to an official newspaper.

There was no evidence of a newspaper operation anywhere to be seen. To our persisting discomfort they kept referring to them as "comradely" fashion to us and them as "we journalists." A high point came when, having learned that I had something to do with our letters page, they waxed enthusiastic about the great social and political value of letters-to-the-editor. This, it turned out, was not that letters may vindicate, entertain, correct or simply start an argument, but rather that they were vehicles of complaint about the socialist derelictions of various workers, tenants, supervisors, etc., who, upon publication of the charges against them, would be given a fixed number of days to rectify their ways — or else.

In this not-very-cozy setting — I thought of the great initials in which Groucho had held forth as leader of Fredonia in whatever that movie was — Ceausescu complained of his treatment by the West. This was, to be sure, a period in which the

Romanian dictator had done and was doing the United States some good in its transactions abroad, especially with the Chinese, and had been constructively involved in Arab-Israeli affairs as well. He was defying Moscow on his own foreign policy and had earned the admiring sobriquet in the West of "maverick."

Why then, he wanted to know, was the U.S. Congress being so beastly about press him on these infernal human rights issues? There was noise at that time of taking away his most-favored-nation trade status.

We raised questions about his persecution of different religious and ethnic groups and his overall repression of dissent. He seemed (they always do) to consider it quite badly brought up of our little interviewing group to introduce these issues after all he had done for various American causes.

"You will not find here in Romania, the type of freedom that exists in the United States," he said at one point. "I have heard that a demonstration of former Nazis was permitted there, under the Constitution. We do not regard this kind of freedom as superior. ... we are not going to allow such freedoms here."

In fact, Ceausescu killed himself. He choked on his own arrogance, greed, and unimpeded ascent to what seemed and, for a while was, absolute power.

For Ceausescu, by the time he headed for the execution squad, had lost any capacity he might have had to see and hear what was really going on around him or to know what the prospects and the limits were. He was thus "protected" and, in reality, thereby utterly exposed to danger as these boxes almost invariably are.

Hiller's horrible inner circle, or part of it anyway, is recorded as having thought the allies would want a few of them to help set up the successor postwar government. They too could no longer see or reason or hear. Ceausescu's expression of belated, dawning comprehension of what the crowd was saying that day and his sudden whisking off the balcony and into oblivion was a perfect metaphor for a political ruler's downfall. That's where the movie really ended.

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Other views

Kremlin sees the usefulness of NATO

After years of hating the NATO alliance and trying to weaken it, the Kremlin now apparently sees NATO as a way of keeping Germany from attempting to capitalize on Soviet weakness.

American diplomats have pointed to the Warsaw Pact as a stabilizing influence as Eastern Europe undergoes what amounts to a democratic revolution. Shevardnadze has made a similar point regarding the American presence. The two Germans are not likely to go wobbling off on a disturbing political or military course if Soviet and American troops are still present in the heart of Europe.

Reducing those troops to more reasonable levels is now the work of the Soviet-American arms negotiators in Geneva. The job should be easier because the Soviets finally admit that the Americans are in Europe to keep the peace, not to start another war.

— Omaha World Herald

Weapons builders need to change

Officials at U.S. nuclear weapons plants say the knowing disregard for worker safety that prevailed 30 to 40 years ago would not occur today. Americans in general, and weapons plant workers in particular, can hope that's true. They may never feel completely confident it's true, though, given the evidence that weapons-production pressures have taken precedence over worker safety for virtually the entire history of U.S. nuclear weapons production.

Congress is in the process of providing funds for a new generation of nuclear weapons plants. So dramatic are the trends in superpower relations that even the most prudent observers rightly can ask how much production capacity is required. Some such capacity, however, will be required — if only to recycle old warheads to glean the materials for a much smaller deterrent force.

Given that need for a new generation of weapons plants, Congress must see to it that those new plants are operated safely. The means to that end, not yet achieved, is a management structure severing safety obligations from production responsibilities and making the latter subordinate to the former.

—The Spokane Chronicle

Panama gains greater than its losses

Panama may have lost a tinhorn dictator last week, but in the near future it will gain about \$375 million in assets and multi-millions more in back taxes from U.S. companies. Looks like a pretty good swap from here.

The United States cut off all military and economic aid to Panama in July 1987 in an attempt to force Manuel Noriega from power.

Further sanctions sharply restricted U.S. companies that do business in Panama, froze Panamanian assets held in the United States, held payments relating to operating the Panama Canal in escrow and forbade American companies from paying taxes and fees to the Noriega regime.

But those sanctions probably hurt the poor people of Panama more than Noriega.

—The Birmingham News

Noriega may yet get his ultimate justice from the world's most lawless elements

On Christmas Eve, Gen. Manuel A. Noriega quietly slipped into the Papal Nunciature in Panama City and asked for asylum. Almost immediately, the stock of the new government of Guillermo Endara went up and resistance to U.S. military forces declined.

Noriega undoubtedly will get the asylum, and the safe transit, he seeks.

Although some parties will protest, in the long run everyone — with the exception, perhaps, of Noriega — will breathe easier for it.

Here's why: The Roman Catholic Church can hardly turn away a downtrodden suppliant (even if he is a thug), especially since the papal nuncio has had dealings with Noriega in the past.

Further, to hand Noriega over to the United States might be interpreted as an endorsement of the U.S. military action, which the nuncio certainly would want to avoid.

More basically, the principle of sanctuary has a historical dimension for the church.

If the church turns Noriega over to the United States at Washington's request, that will jeopardize the principle for the future.

The loser next time around could be a Cardinal Mindszenty. After the ill-fated 1956 Hungarian uprising, Cardinal Josef Mindszenty, Roman Catholic prelate of Hungary, took refuge for 15 years in the U.S. Embassy in Budapest.

In the past Spain had offered Noriega a place to retire, but under very different circumstances.

Fred Woerner and William Ratliff

Today, it is more likely that Noriega will try to get into Cuba, a better place to live than Nicaragua, his other regional ally.

But despite long ties to the Havana government, there is no love lost between Noriega and Fidel Castro.

The Panamanian might just be one additional burden that the already beleaguered Castro doesn't need right now, or he might be welcomed as the latest symbol of Latin American resistance to Yankee imperialism.

The Endara government and most Panamanians want Noriega out of the country, not on trial in Panama City.

To try him in court there would bring up far too much dirt about far too many people still in Panama.

Further, Panama cannot legally honor a request to turn over Noriega since it has no extradition treaty with the United States.

It would be foolish to try to force Endara to go against Panamanian law, for that would strengthen the (untrue) case that the new president is just a creature of Washington.

Finally, for all the tough statements bringing Noriega to Florida to stand trial, it isn't all that clear that the United States wants — or should want — him here.

There is reason to doubt the strength of the two indictments against him. Through he undoubtedly was involved in drug dealing, the indictments were based on evidence from convicted drug dealers who were plea bargaining. The trials could be messy, even unsuccessful.

Were he to go on trial, his lawyers would demand a trial by jury, a documentation that could prove detrimental to U.S. security.

After all, Noriega worked for years with U.S. intelligence agencies and the military.

But Noriega has a problem with exile — the Medellín link.

Along as he was top dog in Panama, he was useful to them. Now that he is a nobody who knows far too much about the drug business, they would much prefer to have him in the ground.

Thus, sanctuary followed by asylum suggests that the immediate solution of the Noriega problem is at hand, and with it much improved prospects for an end to all fighting and the growth of the new Panamanian society.

Ultimate justice for Noriega, however, may be administered by the more lawless elements of the world.

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Letters Welcome

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

Letters/

Idaho's beauty sure worth saving

Let us not trample down the natural scenic beauty of Idaho. Let us not allow the Craters of the Moon to become a giant overnight trailer park, with associated cess pools, garbage and pollution.

Rest and comfort for weary tourists is readily available in our towns and cities.

Our natural scenic beauty should not become a bonanza for bureaucratic groups for enlarging their empires.

All of us and our statesmen should begin to do a little worrying about our huge national debt that hangs like a sword over our economy. Collapse of

our free enterprise economy would be catastrophic for the world.

Let us save a little bit of our pristine wide-open spaces for our own generations.

ALVIN HOLMES

Burley

Maybe we need a revolution

Read my lips — no new taxes. It'll reduce taxes for the rich people and put more on the poor people that can't afford to pay them.

The only things that the Republicans seem to be on are alcohol, cigarettes and gas.

I quit alcohol and cigarettes, but I won't quit driving. Look at the gas tax we are already paying. Where does it go? It sure doesn't go on the roads where it is supposed to.

Our national highways are a national disgrace. Let's have a revolution in the United States and get rid of the scandal-plagued politicians from the former President to the lowest and put it back like it was — the Constitution of the people, for the people, by the people. It's now of the politicians, by the politicians.

GEORGE HARDIN

Jerome

Maclubin Owens

proportionate use of force. The killing of an American serviceman, the abduction of another serviceman and his wife and the wounding of a Panamanian soldier by an American indicated that a spiral of violence had become a very real possibility, one that the president could not ignore. Have Americans so quickly forgotten Tehran?

The plan for the use of force itself appears to have been sound and well executed. Accordingly, the prospects for a favorable outcome in Panama are good. Military planners had determined that, based on a

realistic intelligence assessment, the exclusive use of special operations forces to take Noriega out faced a high probability of failure, with its attendant political costs.

Another option, the use of forces already stationed in Panama, was rejected as well. Insufficient force would have indicated a failure to learn from a past. A president who decides to use force owes it to the nation's servicemen and their families to use all that is necessary to prevail quickly. To his everlasting credit, President Bush did that.

Some Americans have come to believe that every justifiable force should be used — only if there is a guarantee that all goals can be accomplished almost immediately and

with little cost. Of course, the problem with war and war plans is that, as Karl von Clausewitz observed 150 years ago, an adversary is an entity that reacts.

Thus, even the best plans seldom survive first contact with the enemy. Gen. Colin L. Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, provided the president with no illusions. The operation, he made clear, would take time without the promise of immediate success. Nonetheless, the goals seem to have been largely achieved.

No one knows what the future holds for U.S. policy in Panama. Guerrilla warfare remains a distinct threat. The highest priority has to be given to shoring up the

legitimate government of President Endara. Once objectives are achieved, and once order is restored, U.S. forces will be phased out as quickly as security permits.

Every now and again a great power has to act like one. If it doesn't, it creates the possibility that what used to be called tinhorn dictators may come to believe that they are exempt from civilized behavior. When that happens, the world becomes a far more dangerous place.

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Every now and then, a great world power must act like one

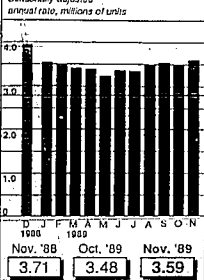
Of course we will never know whether a similar series of events could have occurred if U.S. forces had not intervened in Panama last week. We do know that second-guessing began almost immediately.

Some questioned the use of force on principle. Others who supported the goal of the invasion wondered whether the cost, both at home and abroad, might be too high to justify the use of force. Still others argued that the invasion actually made things worse with regard to the publicly stated goals of U.S. foreign policy.

Yet even in light of the current uncertainty, the U.S. action in Panama seems to have been a justifiable and even

Existing Home Sales

Seasonally adjusted annual rate, millions of units



Source: National Association of Realtors

Existing home sales at year's quickest pace

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sales of existing homes, spurred by a big jump in activity in the South, advanced 3.2 percent in November, climbing at their fastest pace in 11 months, a real-estate trade group reported Wednesday.

The National Association of Realtors said sales of existing single-family homes rose to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 3.59 million units last month, the best performance since sales reached a rate of 3.92 million units in December 1988.

The 3.2 percent October-to-November sales increase followed a 1.1 percent decline in October. It was the biggest percentage gain since a 4.5 percent rise in August.

Analysts credited declining mortgage rates for the upturn in sales activity. But they said that housing sales presented a mixed picture with some areas of the country such as the Northeast hurting because of a rapid run-up in prices in the past several years.

"Some large, high-cost markets have experienced some softening this year. However, many smaller, secondary cities are quite strong," said John Tuccillo, chief economist for the Realtors.

He said the disparity in sales between high-cost areas and more moderately priced markets should continue in 1990.

Tuccillo predicted that falling mortgage rates would continue to boost home sales in coming months. The national average for fixed-rate mortgages dipped to 9.69 percent last week, down from a high last March of 11.22 percent.

The median price for homes sold in November edged up 0.4 percent to \$93,000.

The West pulled ahead of the Northeast in November as the region with the highest priced homes, recording a median resale cost of \$150,200 last month. The Northeast was second with a median price of \$145,800, followed by the South at \$82,400 and the Midwest at \$70,900.

The median is the point at which half the homes sold for more and half for less.

Thornburgh will disband strike force

WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General Dick Thornburgh announced Wednesday he will proceed with plans to dismantle the Justice Department's organized crime strike force, following some congressional claims the move is unwarranted.

Starting Jan. 1, the 14 strike forces will be folded into 23 U.S. attorneys offices across the country, Thornburgh said in a statement.

"I am convinced that this new organizational structure will not only strengthen our efforts against traditional organized criminal families, but will enhance our efforts against new organized crime elements," Thornburgh said.

Additionally, Thornburgh said he would create an Organized Crime Council in Washington to oversee the federal government's attack on organized crime.

He defended the reorganization, which had been revealed previously, on the grounds that traditional organized crime run by Mafia families has changed, with the mob often working in tandem with Colombian drug cartels and others.

Moreover, organized crime is also operated by elements in the Asian community and gangs "such as the Craps and Bloods and the Jamaican posses."

Bush mulling 'tighter noose' around cartels

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush is considering a Pentagon proposal to launch "a virtual air and sea blockade" around Colombia aimed at halting narcotic shipments by drug cartels, 4 senior administration officials say.

The official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the plan was being formulated in cooperation with the Colombian government, and is not designed to impede the export of legal products.

"It's supposed to be a big-time operation," said the Pentagon official, who spoke on the condition of not being identified by name. "We want to make it impossible for any drugs to come out of there by air or sea."

The operation would involve positioning an aircraft carrier battle group and its accompanying air wing off the Caribbean coast of the South American country, the source said in a recent interview.

The Pentagon official stressed that there would be no question of U.S. military shooting down planes manned by suspected drug dealers.

"There are no plans to start blowing people out of the sky," the official said. "The role would be one of support, and focus on forming a much, much tighter noose."

The plan could be delayed because the U.S. military's attention has been diverted by the Panama invasion, the source added.

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—Anonymous administration official

The source said the plan is part of the package of anti-drug proposals drafted by the Pentagon's CINCS — the regional and specified military commanders that make up the U.S. military's top field leadership — as requested by Defense Secretary Dick Cheney in September.

Their proposals, approved by Cheney, have been sent to the president, who has pledged to attend an international anti-drug summit in Colombia in February.

"The president may choose to alter it," the source said, referring to the Colombian venture.

The official said the maneuver targets Colombia "because that country is one of the major flow points (for drugs). We are proposing a virtual air and sea blockade."

The offensive could be mounted prior to Bush's anticipated meeting on Feb. 15 in Cartagena, Colombia, with its leaders and officials from Bolivia for a one-day summit on

the drug war, but the official refused to offer a possible start date for the action.

Cartagena, a port city 680 miles north of Bogota, is located in a Medellin cartel stronghold in a country ravaged by bombings and assassinations since Colombian President Virgilio Barco declared war on the drug traffickers three months ago.

Last week, Peru condemned the U.S. military intervention in Panama and canceled plans to participate in the summit as a protest.

Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said afterward that Bush still intends to go to Cartagena as a show of support for President Barco, despite the protest by Peru, the world's largest producer of cocaine.

The Navy will play the key role in the operation, the official said, because of its ability to put airborne warning and control planes, E-2C "Hawkeyes," in the air from carriers. Such planes, with saucer-like radar

equipment mounted on their frames, are able to keep tabs on drug smuggling suspects in planes or ships because they can track surface and air targets over a wide region.

"We have a great capability to find these things and track them," the official said.

Besides the surveillance aircraft, a carrier's air wing usually is also composed of groupings of various fighter, interceptor or attack aircraft, such as F-14s, FA18s, A-6Es or E-A6s.

The official said that while Congress had authorized \$450 million for DOD's use in fiscal year 1990 in support of the campaign against illegal drugs, most of the money for the Colombian and related Caribbean anti-drug operation would come from training funds.

But the source said "one weak link" in the massive operation could be the hand-off to Colombian authorities, who are expected to take up the enforcement role.

The official also noted that since the drug problem is so pervasive, and the drug lords so experienced, they will choose more land routes to move their illicit products.

"We are committed to trying this," the source said of the Pentagon's anti-drug plan. "It's going to involve a very sizeable increase in assets, and we hope to continue it until we are able to register some success... We know we have to make an effort."

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Reinaldo Perez reacts during services for his son, killed in Panama

New England buries 2 Panama casualties

By The Associated Press
A sailor and a soldier were buried Wednesday in New England, one week after they were killed in the U.S. invasion of Panama.

At St. Agnes Parish church in Arlington, Mass., about 550 family, friends, and members of a sympathetic public mourned Navy Lt. j.g. John Connors.

In Central Falls, R.I., some 300 mourners, including family, friends and political figures, filled Notre Dame Church for the funeral of Army Cpl. Ivan Perez, a native of Colombia who grew up in Rhode Island.

The 22-year-old Perez was killed in an ambush by forces loyal to Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega, the Army said. The Rev. Dennis Reardon told mourners that his death "shatters the superficial beauty of Christmas."

"This isn't the Christmas that any one of us planned," Reardon said. "We are grateful to him for the sacrifice he made. We value and appreciate all the honors and awards being given to him today."

Gov. Edward D. DiPrete and U.S. Sen. Claiborne Pell were among those at the ceremony.

Pell, D-R.I., chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, said he was "here to honor someone who

has fallen in the line of duty for his country, and to comfort his family." In Massachusetts, Connors' funeral was attended by Roman Catholic Cardinal Bernard Law, among others.

Connors, a 25-year-old Arlington native, had volunteered for service in Panama. He had joined the Navy in 1987 and served in the special unit known as the SEALs: Sea, Air and Land teams.

The youngest of five children, he received a bachelor's degree in chemical-engineering—from Worcester Polytechnic Institute in 1987.

"We celebrate a common loss and recognize a common grief," said the Rev. John McIntyre, one of Connors' teachers at Boston College High School. "We do not come here this morning to find anything like sense, because there is no sense."

Law picked up on the theme of the search for meaning in Connors' death.

"It is a senselessness," Law said. "The senselessness of sin, and sin works itself out in Romania and elsewhere."

Among the mourners was the new Panamanian ambassador to the United Nations, Eduardo Vallarino, who lives in the neighboring town of Belmont.

Cold bursts pipes, freezes waterways across South

By The Associated Press

Plumbers worked overtime across the South on Wednesday to repair thousands of water pipes that burst when they froze in record low temperatures, and frozen waterways are slowing shipping and devastating some commercial fishing.

Temperatures have eased since record lows late last week and during the Christmas holiday

weekend, with temperatures in the 40s and 50s Wednesday in Georgia.

Homeowners and plumbers in Houston were working as fast as they could to repair thousands of pipes broken during three days of record-setting lows.

Houston officials said that by midday Wednesday, water pressure in the city was up to 80 percent as leaks were gradually plugged.

In Jackson, Miss., Mayor Kane Ditto said it was impossible to say

when the city's water problems might be over.

Ditto said crews working to restore service to the remainder of 60,000 homes and businesses that had been without water were still finding new problems. He said there were 33 breaks in Jackson's 900 miles of water lines Wednesday morning, up from 10 the night before.

Non-essential federal, state, county and city government services

stopped off the job in Jackson.

The 50,000 residents of New Orleans' public housing projects have had little or no water. City officials said water pressure dropped below 32 degrees for almost 82 hours in New Orleans.

The Louisiana freeze, called the harshest of this century by meteorologists, sent temperatures below 32 degrees for almost 82 hours in New Orleans.

Agents find suspected mail bomb

GREENVILLE, Miss. (AP) — A parcel believed to contain a bomb and addressed to "the principal of the largest black school" prompted the evacuation of a federal building Wednesday, authorities and witnesses said.

U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents took the parcel to a remote area near the Mississippi River to blow it up and then examine the contents.

Also Wednesday, authorities in Charlotte, N.C., removed a package from the porch of state District Judge Bill Constaney's home and destroyed it, discovering it held only a doll, police said.

An X-ray had revealed electrical and mechanical connections, presumably inside the doll, officials said.

Authorities were investigating whether the incidents were related to a spate of mail or package bombs directed against judges, courts, attorneys and civil rights organizations in Alabama, Georgia, Florida and Maryland.

Three of those bombs exploded, killing a federal judge in a Birmingham, Ala., suburb Dec. 16 and a black civil rights attorney in Savannah, Ga., on Dec. 18. A Hagerstown, Md., judge was wounded in the third incident last week.

An FBI-led investigation has concentrated on possible racial motives for the killings in Georgia and Alabama.

The package found by a Greenville postal worker Wednesday morning didn't have a return address, authorities said.

Neither they nor Postal Service officials would say who the addressee was, but a postal worker who asked not to be identified told WABG-TV that the parcel had been-

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Briefly

Israel extends prisoner laws; clashes continue

JERUSALEM (AP) — Parliament on Wednesday extended for two years emergency regulations that allow the military to hold Palestinian prisoners from the occupied territories inside Israeli territory.

In the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, shops were closed by a general strike called by the Moslem fundamentalist movement Hamas, or Zeal. The strike was first ordered for Christmas but was delayed when Palestinian Christians objected.

Israeli troops shot and wounded four Palestinians in clashes with stone-throwing youths in the Gaza Strip. Arab hospital officials said.

At least 640 Palestinians have been killed by Israelis in the 2-year-old uprising against Israeli occupation. Forty-three Israelis also have died, and 162 Palestinians have been slain by fellow Arabs on suspicion of collaborating with Israel.

Egypt, Syria call truce; summit planned soon

DAMASCUS, Syria (AP) — Egypt and Syria have agreed to restore diplomatic relations after a 12-year rift caused by former Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's peace negotiations with Israel.

A summit between Presidents Hafez Assad of Syria and Hosni Mubarak of Egypt will take place in early January, the prime ministers of both countries announced. Syrian Prime Minister Mahmoud Zoubi said restoring ties "will open a new page in the history of our common destiny."

A statement released in Cairo and Damascus said: "The governments of the Syrian Arab Republic and the Arab Republic of Egypt have agreed to resume full diplomatic relations, effective Wednesday, Dec. 27, 1989."

U.N. pleads for food relief to aid Ethiopia

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — A U.N. agency appealed Wednesday for 700,000 tons of food to avert widespread starvation in northern Ethiopia where famine has killed millions of people.

The U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization said its estimate was based on a recent crop survey which found that serious drought had cut harvests by nearly 80 percent in Eritrea and 50 percent in Eritrea's southern neighbor, Tigré.

The FAO said there also would be food deficits in eastern Ethiopia and to a lesser extent in pockets of the southern and central regions.

Nicaragua prohibits supply plane from landing

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — The Nicaraguan government will not allow a U.S. plane carrying supplies for its embassy to land as scheduled next month, the official newspaper Barricada reported Wednesday.

Barricada, the organ of the ruling Sandinista Front, said the monthly flight that supplies the U.S. Embassy is scheduled to arrive Jan. 11.

Foreign Minister Miguel D'Escoto informed U.S. Secretary of State James A. Baker III on Tuesday night that the measure was taken because U.S. forces would not allow Nicaraguan planes to land in Panama and had surrounded the Nicaraguan Embassy in Panama City, Barricada said.

Aid: Gorbachev triggered Honecker fall

EAST BERLIN (AP) — Soviet Premier Mikhail S. Gorbachev's attempts in October to convince Erich Honecker to abandon Stalinism helped topple the East Germany leader, a former Honecker aide was quoted as saying Wednesday.

Gorbachev visited Honecker in East Berlin on Oct. 7-8 for celebrations marking East Germany's 40th anniversary of statehood. His visit came as a fledgling pro-democracy movement was growing in strength.

In an interview with the newspaper Junge Welt, former Parliament speaker Horst Sindermann said that Gorbachev tried to convince the Communist Party chief to pursue reform, and that Honecker resisted.

"The realization that Honecker must go was growing all the time. The last push came from Gorbachev's visit for the 40th anniversary," Sindermann was quoted as saying.

Wall proceeds aid E. German causes

EAST BERLIN (AP) — An East German company is taking over sale of pieces of the crumbling Berlin Wall, with the proceeds to be donated to humanitarian causes in East Germany, the official news agency ADN said Wednesday.

"Limex-Bau Export-Import Co. is taking over the sale of available original parts of the Berlin Wall," ADN said.

"Profits will be used solely for humanitarian purposes, such as health facilities," ADN said.

quoting the state-owned company's manager, Peter Pfannschmidt.

East German border troops will help secure parts of the wall made available for sale, ADN said.

Up to now, sale of parts of the wall had been left up to companies outside East Germany, the report said. It did not identify the firms.

Since the Berlin Wall was opened Nov. 9, hundreds of souvenir hunters have flocked to the western side of the barrier.

Sindermann's interview was the first insight into the power struggle that preceded Honecker's last days in office and the pivotal role played by Gorbachev's visit.

Honecker, a hard-liner who

ruled East Germany for 18 years, was ousted Oct. 18 and replaced by party leader by Egon Krenz.

Growing pressure from the pro-democracy movement and dissent in party ranks forced Krenz and

the entire Communist party leadership to step down Dec. 3. A new Communist-led reformist coalition took its place and has agreed with the pro-democracy opposition to hold free elections on May 6, 1990.

The 77-year-old Honecker and 11 of his former aides — including Sindermann — have been expelled from the party. Honecker has been placed under house arrest and he and other leaders are accused of profiting financially from their positions of power.

Gorbachev's visit came during a mass exodus of East Germans to the West. The official celebrations of East German statehood were marked by anti-government demonstrations, which included clashes between activists and security police.

Sindermann, one of Honecker's closest aides in the ruling Politburo, said differences between Honecker and other Politburo members had been growing for some time.

Afghans mark Soviet invasion anniversary

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Afghan refugees rallied in several Pakistani camps on Wednesday to mark the 10th anniversary of the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

Also Wednesday, Western diplomats in Islamabad said the latest reports indicate the Communist government, which the Red Army left behind in Afghanistan in February, has arrested more than 200 people in a recent coup plot.

Tens of thousands of Afghan guerrillas and their supporters burned effigies and listened to impassioned speeches at refugee camps around the Pakistani frontier city of Peshawar, where several U.S.-backed rebel groups are based.

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China: Officials, students meet; tough questions remain

BEIJING (AP) — Defiant students shouted out criticisms of Deng Xiaoping and his hand-picked successor Wednesday in a dialogue with a senior government official.

The Beijing University students, in a two-hour meeting with State Council spokesman Yuan Mu, also sought China's response to events in Romania and hissed when Yuan stressed that China won't veer from its socialist road.

Yuan's meeting with the students appeared timed to the overthrow of Romania's dictator Nicolae Ceausescu, which has rekindled sparks of student activism smothered by the June crackdown on the student-led pro-democracy movement.

At least three illegal posters have gone up at Beijing and Qinghua universities in recent days commenting on Romania's uprising, according to Chinese and Western sources. One poster said, "Learn from Romania."

Another, one of two at Beijing University, described Ceausescu as a "lost dog" who might try to flee to China, whose leaders had regarded him as a friend. All the posters were torn down swiftly by authorities.

It was one of the first open acts of opposition to the government on the campus since it was in the forefront of the crushed student movement.

A student who attended the meeting said about 300 students with tickets issued by official student associations were allowed to attend the meeting, and only university-approved student leaders could read questions submitted in advance.

Solidarity wants name change

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Solidarity lawmakers proposed constitutional amendments Wednesday that include restoring the country's name to the prewar "Republic of Poland," from the Communist-imposed "People's Republic of Poland."

Parliament convened Wednesday for a three-day session to consider sweeping economic legislation that was proposed earlier this month by the Solidarity-led government to transform the economy to a market system.

The government hopes by the end of the session that parliament will pass wide-ranging laws that aim to reduce the current 900 percent inflation rate, make the zloty a convertible currency and reform the bloated state sector.


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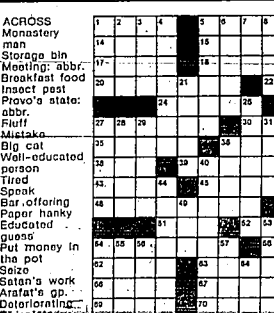
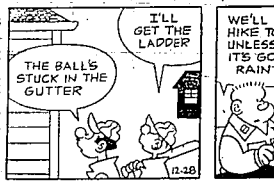
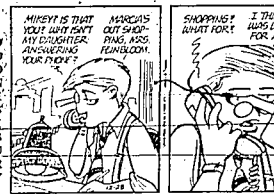


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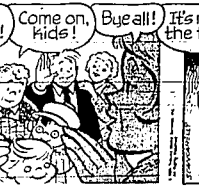
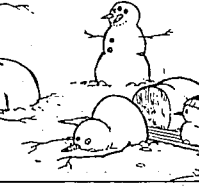
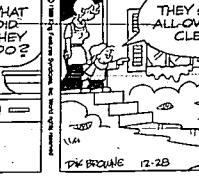
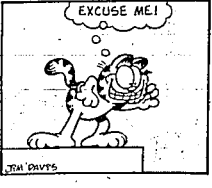
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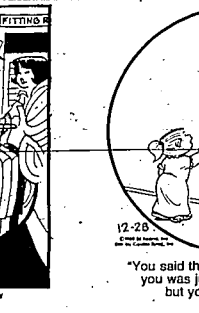
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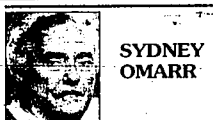
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IF DECEMBER 28 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are independent, creative, some claim you are arrogant. You are attractive, dynamic, prefer to work alone rather than join any group, club, committee. Father has had more influence than mother; right eye could be vulnerable to injury. Leo, Aquarius persons play important roles.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): New Moon occupies area of chat relating to career, prestige, achievement. Written communication represents credit, pass, possible elegant dining for two. This can be marvelous Thursday night out!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Emphasis on harmony, design, ability to be "in touch" with loved ones. You might be saying, "At last I know the real value of communication." Major domestic adjustment proves successful.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Scenario features mystery, intrigue, necessity for being discreet. Promise made to you approximately seven weeks ago could be fulfilled in dramatic fashion. Pisces, Virgo persons play roles.

CANCER (June 21-July 23): People take "new look" in connection with your requests, aspirations. Emphasis on contracts, commitments, marital status. Responsibility will be fulfilled, you'll meet deadline. Capricorn involved.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 23): New hope featured in connection with work, health, ability to locate "right person." Long-march prospects brighter, than originally anticipated. Scenario highlights romance, ability to reach wider audience.

LIBRA

(Aug. 23-Sept. 23): Intuitive intelligence featured. You'll know what to do almost automatically, without referring to "book of rules." Close relative, recently financially embarrassed, could make stunning comeback.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Answer to major query: Diversity! Scenario features calls, messages, unique invitation to social affair, reunion. Lunar position highlights relatives, trips, visits. You'll say, "Enough already!"

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Focus on resume, schedules, appointments. Details surface in connection with tax, license requirements. Answer to question: Money is involved. Item buried between lines in ledger is discovered.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Lunar position makes you "center of attention." Focus on personal magnetism, initiative, display of talent previously "hidden." Writing featured, along with art and design. Gemini represented.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Much that occurs is behind scenes, of clandestine nature. Spotlight on music, candy, flowers. Tendency towards self-indulgence. You'll receive gift of "adult beverage." Celebration. Gemini represented.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): People said it could not be done but you did it. You have right to feel, "I showed them!" Wish is fulfilled, ring of applause sounds in your ears. Emphasis on speculation, romance.

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What's what

On taking the Fifth
Every schoolboy knows crime czars plead the Fifth Amendment by declining to answer incriminating queries. But not every schoolboy knows this is a fairly recent victory. Ruled into play by the U.S. Supreme Court in 1950. Your old neighborhood crime czar was not permitted to pull that righteous rabbit out of his testimonial tans. Bang went the gavel Contempt!

Q. In cattle, what's the difference between a "herd" and a "drove"?
A. A drove is on the move.

An "eponym" is a word made of somebody's name. "Loganberry" from James Harvey Logan. Or "mackintosh" from Charles Macintosh. First U.S. chocolate factory opened at Dorchester, Mass., in 1776. It produced what's called "Baker's chocolate." Is that an eponym? Indeed. From the name of its financial backer, Dr. James Baker, who was not a baker but a physician.

You know the square dancers "do-si-do." It came from the French "dos-a-dos" meaning "back to back?"

Cattle rustling is up. So is hog stealing.

RED EYES
At night, a bear's eyes shine orange. A raccoon's, yellow. A bull frog's, green. An alligator's, red. An old woodsman on the Canadian line told me that years ago. He said, "Remember it, young fellow, when you wander off from camp after dark. If the eyes you see glow red, you've gone too far."

Q. How many slaves worked Mount Vernon when George Washington took it? How many did he add?
A. There were 18 when he took over. He pushed the number up to 200.

Elder statisticians who refuse to garage their cars and walk out that walking is about 15 times more dangerous than driving...

MIRROR, MIRROR
Numerous Japanese stopped everything by jumping under wheels of trains. Then authorities mirrored walls of five subway stations. So imminent dangers saw themselves eye to eye. The jumper statistics have dropped markedly.

AP reporter wounded in Romanian revolt recalls chaos, terror

EDITOR'S NOTE — One of the near-victims of the Romanian revolt against their hated longtime dictator was John Daniszewski, chief of the Warsaw Bureau of The Associated Press, who had gone to the Balkan nation to report the momentous events there. Here is his first-hand account, filed from his hospital bed in Belgrade, of the hellish situation in Romania and his brush with death.



JOHN DANISZEWSKI

Shot three times during revolt security troops, the dreaded Securitate in the squares.

By JOHN DANISZEWSKI
The Associated Press

Belgrade, Yugoslavia — The uprising against dictator Nicolae Ceausescu gave rise to fierce resistance by his secret police, turning Romania into a land of fear, suspicion and retribution.

I found it became a victim of that chaos Saturday night.

I was shot three times, narrowly escaping death. One bullet grazed my skull, and two more lodged in my left arm.

Thanks to some dedicated doctors in District Hospital No. 1 in Timisoara, and the friendly intervention of Yugoslav diplomats in the city, I survived and was evacuated — within two days — to Yugoslavia's capital, Belgrade.

It is hard to describe the mood of pure panic and paranoia that pervaded Timisoara, a petrochemical center in western Romania with about 350,000 inhabitants.

The events that led to Ceausescu's fall began a week before Christmas. Demonstrations to prevent a Protestant minister from being evicted swelled into anti-government protests. Lines of civilians were gunned down by state

in the days that followed.

Although I arrived at the border with no visa, the slightly drunken border guards wearing armbands in the national colors of red, blue and yellow let me in with little formality.

"American? You are with us," one guard whispered out of earshot of his superior.

"On the two-hour drive to Timisoara, we were repeatedly stopped by groups of peasants waving the Romanian flag — with the Communist emblem cut out of it.

"Ceausescu kaput! Ceausescu finto!" they shouted to the foreigners.

But once entering Timisoara, tension replaced jubilation. A siren wailed and young people on the street talked fearfully of an air raid.

Ceausescu's forces were going to bomb the city, they claimed.

So, with car lights off, fearing the bombs that never fell and avoiding the black silhouettes of tanks at many street corners, we began to look for the main hotel, where I thought "we would find other journalists.

Liuba and I ended up at the Hotel Timisoara, near the Opera Square.

Inside the darkened lobby, we were frisked by nervous young people carrying knives, clubs and sharpened sticks.

A young woman who spoke English gave me an account of the massacre.

Children peacefully praying the previous Sunday, Dec. 17, were moved down by automatic weapons, she said. When their mothers ran to them, they too were shot.

It was also in the lobby, less than an hour after arriving in town, that I met my first casualty.

French photographer Jean Langevant hobbled in holding his buddy's arm, a bullet hole in his leg.

Finally, a "machine" — a car — rolled up to the front door and Langevant was banded inside. Liuba and I decided to follow in our car.

Headlights still off, we raced through the deserted streets, afraid to stop. We screamed into the courtyard of District Hospital No. 2.

The photographer was taken to the operating room and we spent the night huddled in the doctors' lounge.

Doctors said they had been working with a constant stream of shooting victims since Dec. 17. They too were afraid, covering on the floor when the noise of gunfire came too close. Red tracers arched over the hospital roof.

It was a hairy night, but at last, by midmorning Saturday, the shooting had died down enough to go outside.

Saturday we spent trying to locate an outside phone line to tell the story.

In the evening, I returned to Hotel Timisoara, where we talked to the leader of the pro-democracy forces, headquartered there.

I asked them what kind of country they wanted. Democracy and free elections was the reply. "And the Ceausescus? Killing was too good for them, the group agreed. Maybe torture.

After a short drive around downtown, where the fighting had been the heaviest, all appeared quiet. I made one outside phone call and left the building.

Outside, the scene had suddenly changed. Gunfire erupted close by as soon as we left. Retreating to the car, we backed away in the opposite direction. Two Italian journalists

who had left the consulate with us followed in another car.

What followed was a nightmare of running with nowhere to hide. Fire returned in the strange city seemed to lead to another firefight. We tried to make our way back to the hotel, going in ever wider circles because of the fighting.

Finally, luck ran out. Driving into an intersection, somebody flashed a light on us and shouted in Romanian.

Before we could answer or get out of the car, I saw the flash of a gun and realized in an instant they were shooting at us.

Immediately, I felt something slam into my arm and what felt like warm water being poured on my head. My own blood.

For what seemed like an eternity, we screamed that we were journalists.

The men who came out of a bunker to us — some in uniform, some in civilian clothes — screamed at us and dragged us to them.

We were roughed up. One man came at me with a knife but stopped just before stabbing me. A soldier

kept a gun aimed at my head. I thought they were going to kill us.

My companion, Liuba, was not hit by the gunfire, but he was beaten. They took our money.

"Of the Italians, one was badly wounded in the chest, and the other unhurt.

Finally, to my relief, two ambulances arrived. The Italian photographer, Pasquale Modita, went first. Then me.

The ride to the hospital was mercifully brief, and for my second night in Romania, I was once again under the physicians' protection.

For the two nights and a day that I convalesced in the hospital, battle raged outside my window between the Romanian army and small, ruthless commando units loyal to Ceausescu.

I worried that the Securitate would win and murder us all.

But Christmas Day, about 36 hours after being shot, ambulances arranged by the Yugoslav government and The AP took me and Zvezko Scajan, a wounded reporter from Zagreb television, to Belgrade.

Florida police plea bargain with 'vampire' rapist fails

MELBOURNE, Fla. (AP) — A rapist who called himself a vampire and drank a victim's blood is suspected in at least six slayings as prosecutors are trying to build a murder case against him before he gets out of prison.

"I don't feel comfortable with him being in our community," State Attorney Norman Wolfinger said. "The only crime we've proven him of is reason enough."

Crutchley's former lawyer, Joe Mitchell, said he tried to work out a plea bargain in which Crutchley would have admitted to up to six murders and led investigators to the burial sites. But the talks broke down.

Wolfinger said Tuesday the formal negotiations broke down because the state could not produce solid evidence linking Crutchley to any deaths.

"There comes a point in the negotiations when the state has to show something," the prosecutor said. "If we had had anything to tie a charge to, we would have done it."

But we had nothing."

Crutchley, a former engineer, pleaded guilty in 1986 to raping a 19-year-old woman and was sentenced to 25 years in prison. Prosecutors agreed to drop several other charges, including robbing the woman of nearly half her blood.

With time off for good behavior, Crutchley could be out of prison by 1992.

Doctors said the woman, who had been kidnapped, would have died if she had not escaped through a window in a locked bathroom while Crutchley was at work. Crutchley blamed pornography for his obsession with bizarre sexual rituals.

Police said they have long suspected him in the deaths of at least six women in Brevard County — five victims whose bodies were discovered in 1985 and another woman who disappeared.

But Wolfinger said his strategy was "to get him in prison and continue the investigation of the homicide."

"We will continue to work these cases as hard as we can," he said.

Fender bender makes 1, breaks 1

POST FALLS (AP) — The fender bender that brought Timothy Johnson and Bob Myers together turned out well for Myers, but ruined Johnson's day.

Johnson and Myers were involved in a minor collision Christmas day in the parking lot of a convenience store where Myers and his wife, Myrna, had just bought five lottery tickets.

While her husband gave a statement to the investigating officer, Mrs. Myers scratched off a \$10,000 winner in the Idaho Lottery's "Mountains of Money"

game.

Johnson's luck was not so good. Post Falls police officer Scot Haug Jr. arrested Johnson on two outstanding misdemeanor warrants.

"It was a marvelous Christmas present," Myrna Myers said Tuesday.

"But it ruined everything when I saw him (Johnson) get handcuffed. After all, it was Christmas."

Johnson, 32, of Las Vegas, Nev., later posted \$842 bail and was released from the Kootenai County Jail, where he had been booked.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Waste drums at INEL rusted, did not leak

ARCO - Most waste drums uncovered in an Idaho National Engineering Laboratory experiment have rust holes, but no radioactive materials have leaked out, site officials say.

Workers at the INEL's Radioactive Waste Management Complex have retrieved eight drums from PAD A, an above-ground storage area. Six have rust holes up to 4 inches long. But even where the drums have corroded, their internal polyethylene bags have held the waste, said Buck Horton, an EG&G project engineer for the Pad A retrieval project.

The waste arrived in the 1970s from Rocky Flats Plant near Denver, was placed on the asphalt pad and covered with plywood and soil. Officials expected some corrosion, but not the rust holes, Horton said.

Wendell voters will decide supplemental levy Jan. 9

WENDELL - On Jan. 9, voters will decide on a \$98,000 supplemental levy to pay for new boiler, asbestos removal and roof repairs at the high school gymnasium.

The one-year levy would cost taxpayers about \$1.37 per \$1,000 of assessed market property value, Superintendent Larry Manly estimated. A new boiler is expected to cost \$47,700, plus the cost of some heating system repairs and alterations. Removal of asbestos-covered pipes will require the additional expense of specialized professionals. At the high school gymnasium, a leaking roof above the front foyer needs immediate repair to prevent further damage, Manly said.

School trustees said they decided against asking for additional needed funds because a higher levy might be defeated. The \$98,000 should just cover the district's emergency needs, they said.

Loose freight cars blocked Main Street in Hansen

HANSEN - Two Union Pacific freight cars rolled loose Tuesday night and blocked the northbound lane of Main Street.

Hansen Chief of Police Dan Kennedy noticed two grain cars rolling at 11 p.m. They rolled 75 to 100 yards down their tracks, he said, before coming to a rest and blocking half the road. Kennedy said he called the Union Pacific cars parked behind Red Grain & Bean Co.

Kennedy said he phoned Union Pacific and baby-sat the cars until a company representative arrived at 1 a.m. A Union Pacific spokesman said the cars were immediately rolled by one of the road. The train crew had left the brakes set, the spokesman said.

Magazine rates Idaho tax burden among the worst

BOISE - Money magazine has ranked Idaho fifth and Utah sixth in the nation in the worst tax burdens on a typical reader's family.

The magazine compared states according to the tax paid by a family of four with an income of \$61,372, which it said is the average household income of its readers.

It put state taxes paid by such a family in Idaho were \$3,744 and in Utah, \$3,717. Hawaii was ranked No. 1 with a tax burden of \$4,463, and Oregon followed at \$4,095.

New Hampshire had the least taxes, \$132, with Florida next best at \$164.

Income was figured as 70 percent from one spouse and 30 percent earned by the other.

Another alternative route found for power line link

BOISE - An environmental study for locating a power line has located another alternative route to link Idaho with the southwest.

Dames & Moore, the contractor preparing an environmental impact statement on the Southwest Intertie Project - or SWIP - has located another possible route through the Tule Valley area in the California mountains near the Utah-Nevada border.

The powerline will connect Idaho Power Co.'s Midpoint substation with the Intermountain Power Project in central Utah, and will allow the Idaho utility to sell surplus power to the southwest.

The alternative route would shorten the power line by 15 miles, but would cross a road with restricted air space. The Air Force air space designation would require the powerline to be less than 100 feet high, increasing the number of towers and construction costs.

Idahoans to testify on bomb range growth

By N. S. NOKKENTVED
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Two Idahoans will testify before a congressional committee Wednesday on military expansion on public lands.

"They're sending the country boy a long way from home," Three Creek rancher Randall Brewer said.

Brewer will represent cattle and sheep ranchers and the National Public Lands Council at his first appearance before Congress. Janet OCrowley, of Pieabo, a veteran of Congressional committee hearings, will represent the "Idaho Is Too Great To Bomb" coalition.

The House subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands headed by

Minnesota Democrat Bruce F. Vento will hear testimony on military expansion in Idaho and other states across the country.

The most hotly contested proposed expansions on public land are in Idaho, where the Air Force wants a piece of National Forest land, 900,000 acres, and in Montana, where it is seeking 2,000,000 acres.

In Utah and Nevada the Air Force and Navy are seeking more than half a million acres and in Mississippi the Air Force wants a piece of National Forest land.

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense Robert Stone, Forest Service Chief F. Dale Robertson, Bureau of Land Management head Cy Jamieson and a number of citizens will testify before Vento's committee.

OCrowley will talk about the feelings of the coalition's 30 environmental and

recreational groups, cattlemen and other interested parties, which represent a cross-section of Idaho.

She said the Air Force procedure during early stages in the proposed expansion of the Saylor Creek Bombing Range were illegal and improper.

The coalition opposes the size and location of the proposed expansion, supersonic flights by military jets, the proposed use of live ordnance and the expansion of restricted airspace use without a separate environmental impact statement, OCrowley said.

Brewer plans to address the subcommittee on size of the withdrawal, how much withdrawal of public land for military use overlap and more efficient use of existing military reservations; tratter

than destroying more public lands," he said.

The ranchers and organizations he represents are not anti-military, Brewer said, but question "whether this much land is called for at this time."

Brewer said the Air Force has not been honest with ranchers and people of Idaho. "Somewhere they need to just level," he said.

Brewer is looking forward to his trip to the capital, and hopes that Vento's committee can help iron out the problems a major expansion of the bombing range would create for the ranchers who rely on the land for their livelihood.

"I think he's going to be very sympathetic to our cause," Brewer said.

Coalition claims Peavey will fight Air Force plans

The Associated Press
and The Times-News

BOISE - State Sen. John Peavey, D-Careen, has agreed to sponsor a joint memorial in the 1990 Idaho Legislature aimed at stopping a proposed Air Force bombing range expansion, says a spokeswoman for the Idaho Is Too Great To Bomb coalition.

The coalition of 30 conservation and recreation groups, cattlemen and other interested parties is proposing the memorial, a message to Congress asking it

to reject any proposed public lands withdrawal necessary for expansion of the Saylor Creek bombing range.

"Peavey is a sheep rancher and a member of the Senate Resources and Environment Committee."

He was out of the state on vacation Wednesday and could not be reached for comment.

Janet OCrowley, of Pieabo, a spokeswoman for Idaho Is Too Great To Bomb, said the group will work to inform state lawmakers about forage, scenery and wildlife resources on the 2,300-square-mile

Braneau Plateau, where the Air Force wants to expand its electronic bombing range from 100,000 to about 1.5 million acres.

The Air Force contends the expansion is needed because of the planned transfer of 96 F-4 aircraft to Mountain Home Air Force Base from George Air Force Base in Southern California as part of the 1988 Base Realignment and Closure Act.

In a related matter, the Idaho Cattle Association and the Farm Bureau Federation are not members of the coalition as it reported in a news release last week.

"We're both surprised to see ourselves on the list," association Executive Vice President Gary Glenn said. "We attended the meeting on Saylor Creek. We get the impression that if you attend one of their meetings, you're included in their organization."

The association and the Farm Bureau said they could support the coalition's aims if it adopted a multiple-use doctrine.

Glenn said his organization is not opposed to any expansion, as some of the conservationist groups are.

Local sick children getting well

By JENNIFER KAUTH
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - With a little help from physicians and some generous neighbors, Santa Claus brought great Christmas presents to local children and teens with serious ailments.

Julie Arthur's, a 5-month-old Burley baby who needs a bone marrow transplant, has been made eligible for Medicaid, and fingers are crossed that a donor currently being tested will be a good match.

Julie's parents plan to fly her to the University of Minnesota Medical Center Friday for further testing. Doctors will know in 10 days whether the donor is suitable.

Jory May, an 11-year-old Twin Falls boy who recently received a new liver at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, was released from the hospital Wednesday, according to hospital spokesman Steve Bejcek.

He'll remain in Nebraska as an outpatient but is listed in good condition.

"He was back to normal," said Jeff May, Jory's 21-year-old brother. "He was just happy and said he felt really good when we talked on Christmas."

Victoria L. Bernier, a 19-year-old Twin Falls native who needs a new heart and lung, is doing "pretty fair," according to her father. She'll be going to California's Stanford University on Tuesday for an evaluation. She suffers from a rare lung disease called primary pulmonary hypertension severe.

Beideck said Amber Thacker, the Kimberly teen who needed a new liver, is still on the University of Nebraska's "wait" list - meaning she is doing well enough to be off the transplant list. The Thackers could not be reached Wednesday for comment.

For Kamey Mallea, a 14-year-old Jerome girl with cancer, the cold weather targeted her for a sinus infection, but her cancer is still in remission and her hair is beginning to grow back.

"That's a nice Christmas present for her," said her mother, Shelley Mallea. "That's something I couldn't buy for her."

At least a dozen degrees, all five youngsters have depended on public donations to make treatment possible. Fund-raising has gone well for some patients, but poorly for others.

About \$27,000 has been raised in less than four weeks for the Julie Arthur's Fund, said Vicki Stewart, a spokeswoman for the fund. Stewart said that Medicaid will pay for medical expenses retroactive to Dec. 1. She said the family incurred about \$100,000 in medical expenses before Dec. 1, and will not be covered by Medicaid.

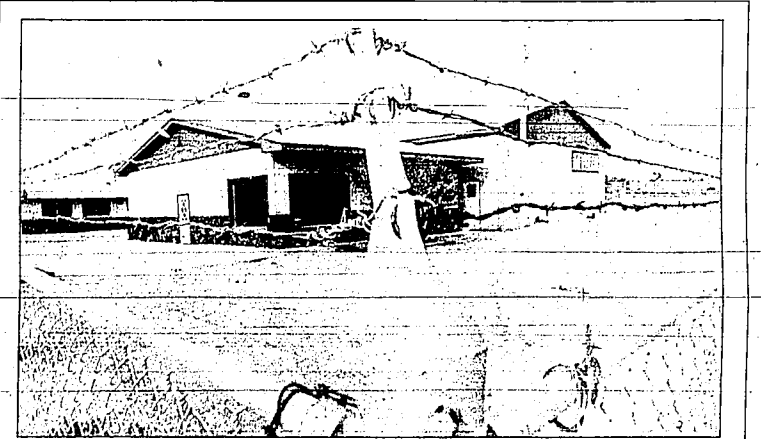
In February, the government will re-evaluate whether she should continue receiving Medicaid.

Although Dave Arthur, Julie's father, is a physician, the baby automatically qualified for Medicaid because she has a disability under Social Security insurance guidelines, Stewart said.

Talking in general terms, Linda Caballero of Health and Welfare said that in such instances, the medical record is reviewed, and if the person is seriously ill or disabled and not living at home, the patient is given a "presumptive disability determination."

Julie Arthur's had been at Salt Lake.

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Juvenile detention funding will get some attention in the legislature as counties scramble to find space for their prisoners in private facilities like this one near Jerome.

Legislators think work-release could aid prison overcrowding

By MICHELLE COLE
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Rather than continuing to rely on financially-strapped counties to house state convicts, two Magic Valley legislators say a work-release program may be a stop-gap solution to prison overcrowding.

Idaho has got to do something, said state Rep. Mack Neibaur, R-Paul, of the public. "But my understanding is that a great percentage of inmates are non-violent people," he said.

State Sen. Denton Darrington, R-Declo, said he also supports a work-release work camp for state prisoners.

"The NIMBY (not-in-my-back-yard) syndrome withstanding, I don't think it would be so hard to sell," Darrington said, especially if the state is selective about the prisoners allowed into the program.

When the Legislature convenes Jan. 8, Idaho's departments of Corrections and Law Enforcement will present lawmakers with a 1991 budget request topping \$48 million that includes space for 400 more inmates and 50 new law enforcement officers.

Faced with overflowing jails of their own and federal mandates requiring



juvenile offenders to be separated from adult inmates, counties will also come to the Capitol with their hands out.

Darrington, who is chairman of the Senate's Judiciary and Rules Committee, said one of his personal priorities this year will be to help fund some state funds down to Minidoka and Cassia counties for a regional jail.

The Cassia jail, the subject of an American Civil Liberties Union lawsuit, does not meet federal standards and the Minidoka jail has no legal facilities for holding juveniles.

The two counties are exploring the possibility of building a joint jail in Burley on the old junior high school site and remodeling the Minidoka jail as a juvenile facility. The counties currently send their juvenile prisoners to the detention center near Jerome.

Darrington said he'll try this session to see that other counties receive some

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Legislature to revisit tort reform

By MICHELLE COLE
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - It's not sexy. And it's pretty hard to explain to your neighbor in 20 seconds or less.

Composed of more than 70 Idaho corporations and professional associations, the coalition has spent the past few years working to put restrictions on awards in personal liability lawsuits.

"We've lost our sense of personal responsibility for our actions," Scott said. "Members of the Twin Falls' Rotary Club



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risks, she said.

If anything goes wrong, Americans sue, she said.

The tort reform movement was born out of that litigious mentality, which caused insurance premiums to skyrocket,

Scott said.

The movement, led by the insurance industry, was at its strongest in 1987, when legislatures nationwide took up the issue. That year, the Idaho Liability Reform Coalition was twice its present size and claimed it was Idaho's largest coalition ever assembled on behalf of proposed legislation.

The Idaho Legislature passed a reform package that year that put a number of restrictions on the amount a plaintiff could collect in a personal-injury lawsuit, including a \$100,000 cap on non-economic damages - such as pain and suffering.

Idaho's Trial Lawyers' Association fought against the reforms, and it continues to be the Liability Reform

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2 robbers make off with 100 pounds of gold in daring heist

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Two men posing as customers entered a shop in Los Angeles sprawling jewelry district Wednesday and pulled off one of the largest gold heists in city history.

They escaped with nearly \$1 million in gold dust, gold bars and gold chain while leaving two shop owners and five employees gagged and handcuffed, police said.

The raid, regarded as one of the most daring ever in the nation's second-largest jewelry district, was planned by two men in safari coats who apparently used briefcases to hide handguns and to make off with well over 100 pounds of loot, authorities said. Most

consisted of 24-carat gold used for the manufacture of jewelry chain.

No one was injured during the robbery at the Rupe Mine Jewelry Corp., a sixth-floor wholesaler and manufacturer.

However, the gunmen, who entered the store shortly after 8 a.m., repeatedly threatened to shoot their hostages before abandoning them, gagged and bound at the wrists and ankles, in a closed office, shaken employees said later.

Employees managed to summon help only after one of them pulled a telephone from a desk top and dialed the 911 emergency number by working her hands behind her back. They were able to sound the company's burglar alarm only after the suspects had fled by "calmly

walking past the security guards in the lobby," Los Angeles police said.

The theft was believed to be the largest in the jewelry district since a jewelry robber and shoot-out in which \$1.3 million in valuables was stolen. A suspect was later arrested in that case.

In 1980, an estimated \$2 million to \$4 million in gems and gold jewelry was taken in a case similar to Wednesday's, in which two gunmen bound, gagged and blindfolded wholesalers on the 13th-floor of the Pacific Jewelry Center.

Earlier this year, a pair of gunmen possibly abductees pulled off a smaller but similar robbery, escaping with about \$300,000 worth of valuables, police Lt. Robert Kurth, who was assigned the investigation, said. No

one has been arrested in that case. It was not known whether that case is related to Wednesday's robbery, he added.

Shop owner Khatich Djigardjian, 42, described one suspect as a thin man over 6 feet tall with blond hair. The other was short, bald and looked to be Asian or Middle-Eastern, he said.

Djigardjian, who described himself as the West Coast's largest manufacturer of gold jewelry chain, operates his company much like scores of others in the jewelry district, where high-rise buildings are crowded with manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers who do business worldwide.

The proprietor said he buys 24-carat gold, which he melts into 14-carat bars and ships to a factory in Juarez, Mexico, where the chain is made. It is then shipped to Los Angeles, where employees in a back

room of his shop polish it and prepare it for sale to street-level retailers.

When the two men showed up at the locked door of his company office on Wednesday, Djigardjian used a video monitor to observe them standing in the hallway, he said. Seeing their coats and briefcases, he assumed they were potential customers and pressed a button to electronically unlock the door and let them inside.

Djigardjian said he led the two men away from the reception area toward his own office, where there were chairs to sit and talk. But as he did so, the taller man approached from behind and put a gun to his neck.

"I felt on my neck a cold thing," the Russian Armenian immigrant recalled. "When I turned to my right, I see the gun. As he took my right hand, he said, 'Don't move ... I

we're going to blow your head off."

Although he was only a few feet from the burglar-alarm button on his wall and from a loaded .357-magnum revolver that he keeps in his desk, Djigardjian said he was unable to reach either one as the suspects handcuffed him and placed him, face-down on his office floor. Still at gunpoint, he was ordered to call his employees and the five employees out from the back work room, one at a time, and each, in turn, was also bound and placed on the floor.

The six-foot-high office safe had been opened by the store owner before the suspects entered.

After handcuffing all the employees, Djigardjian said, the robbers cleaned out the safe, leaving two \$100 bills and other paper currency that had been taped to the inside of the door as business mementoes.

Obituaries



Mary C. Barga

JEROME — Mary C. Barga, 72, of Jerome, died Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1989, at St. Benedict's Long Term Care Unit of an extended illness.

She was born March 15, 1917, in Russia. Ohio, the daughter of Emanuel and Ella Mangen Glott. She was raised and educated in the West. Ohio area. She moved to Jerome, Idaho, in 1937, where she married Wilfred L. Barga Sr. on April 15, 1937. They have resided in the Jerome area since.

She was active in the scouting program as a den mother. She was an active member of the Pleasant Plains Grange, the Pleasant Plains Women's Club and the local Good Sam Chapter. She was also a member of St. Jerome's Catholic Church in Jerome and was active in the Catholic Women's League.

Surviving are her husband of Jerome; five sons, Robert L. Barga of San Jose, Calif.; Donald N. Barga of Sunnyside, Calif.; James R. Barga of Boise; Paul J. Barga of Lacey, Wash.; and one daughter, Barga Jr. of Aurora, Colo.; one daughter, Mary Children of Jerome; six brothers, Paul, Valery, Francis, Lloyd, Richard and Joseph Gruff, all of Ohio; five sisters, Dorothy-Henrietta, Virginia, Mary-Florence Semidi and Marcy Hite, all of Ohio and Helen Ruts of New Jersey; and 11 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents.

A vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Friday at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at St. Jerome's Catholic Church, with the Rev. Keith M. Kuiper as celebrant. Burial will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery. Friends may call from 5 to 7 p.m. today at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel.

She was born April 15, 1906, in Gibson, Mo., the daughter of Howard and Eliza Glover Mountner, where she was raised and educated. She married William C. Jewell on July 5, 1924, in Farmington, Utah. They lived in Utah, Idaho, Wyoming and Nevada, while he was employed by the U.S. Forest Service. They later moved to Jerome, where they have since resided.

She was a past noble grand of the Rebekah Lodge and was a member of the LPTA Chapter.

Surviving are her husband of Jerome; three sons, William G. Jewell of Jerome; Glen Jewell of Kent, Wash.; and Donald Jewell of Pocatello; six daughters, Mary-Bonnie of Ganem; Evelyn Sabo of Great Falls, Mont.; Betty White and Donna White, both of Pocatello; Elaine Lee of Boise; and Patricia Allison of Fielding, Utah; one brother, Claude Mountner of Middle Utah; two sisters, Elaine Olson of Murray, Utah; and Ruth Steen of Payette; 46 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by many brothers and sisters, one grandson and one great-grandson.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Friday at the Jerome LDS Ward LDS Church, with Bishop Larry Palmer officiating. Burial will follow at the Jerome Cemetery. Friends may call one hour before the funeral at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Marquette R. Davls

TWIN FALLS — Marquette R. Davls, 87, of Malad, died Sunday, Dec. 24, 1989, in a local nursing home.

Surviving are one daughter, Ann Thompson of Jerome, one son, W. Tom Davls of Afon, Wis.; and one brother, Farel of Logan, Utah.

The funeral will be at noon today at the Malad LDS Fourth Ward Chapel. Friends may call before the funeral at the Benson Funeral Home, 132 W. 300 N., in Malad.

Mildred Buffington

TWIN FALLS — Mildred Buffington, 85, died of cancer at the St. Luke's Hospital, 25, 1989, at her home following an illness.

She was born May 24, 1904, in Davenport, Wash.

The memorial service will be at 2 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls. No viewing will take place. Cremation took place under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel. A complete obituary will follow at a later date.

Catheryn J. Tomes

OAKLEY — Catheryn Jane Tomes, 35, of Oakley, died Saturday, Dec. 23, 1989, at her home.

She was born May 26, 1954, in Burley, Idaho, the daughter of Lamar Robertson and Wanda Littlefield Thomas. She received her education in Burley, Rupert, and Los Angeles, Calif. She married Willie Tomes in Rupert.

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FLER — The graveside service for

LaLouise Haman, 90, of Filer, who died Sunday, will be at 11 a.m. today at the Filer I.O.O.F. Cemetery, with the Rev. Randall Davis officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

GOODING — The funeral for Bernice S.

Tuttle, 88, of Gooding, who died Sunday, will be at 11 a.m. today at Cemetery of Gooding Chapel. Burial will be at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding. Arrangements are under the direction of

Ray Thomas of Pain, Calif. She was preceded in death by her father and one brother.

The graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Friday at the Pleasant View Cemetery, with Bishop David Rieks officiating. Friends may call from 7:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. today at Life East Mortuary, 221 S. Main St., in Burley. There will be no viewing.

Gladys E. McWealthy

TWIN FALLS — Gladys E. McWealthy, 84, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Dec. 24, 1989, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

She was born March 3, 1905, in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, the daughter of David and Anna Morrison. She was raised and educated in Iowa; attended business college and worked for several years as a bookkeeper for Time Inc. in Chicago, Ill. She retired and moved to Twin Falls in 1972.

She was an active member of the Twin Falls Senior Citizens. Surviving are one daughter, Edith Frazer of Twin Falls; one brother, Walter Morrison of Marian, Iowa; two grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The memorial service will be at 3 p.m. Friday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls, with the Rev. David Moore officiating. Cremation took place under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel. The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to the Twin Falls Senior Citizens. Contributions may be left at Reynolds Funeral Chapel.

Easie J. Margets

GOODING — Easie Jane Roberts Margets, 86, of Orlando, Fla., and formerly of Gooding, died Sunday, Oct. 8, 1989, at the Orlando Regional Medical Center.

She was born Dec. 4, 1902, at Lick Branch in Harrison, Ark., the daughter of Elizabeth and Alvin Lutz Roberts. In 1909, she moved with her family to Gooding where she attended school. In 1924, she traveled to Orlando where she was employed in the law office of W.B. Crawford. She married Clauis J. Margets on Sept. 1, 1926. They lived in Windermere, until they moved to Orlando in 1982. They were married for 63 years.

Surviving are her husband of Orlando; two sisters, Cora Dunn and Mattie Gearhart, both of Boise; and one brother, Fred Roberts of Weiser. She was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers and two sisters.

The graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Glass-Lutz Cemetery in Gooding, with the Rev. Harold Hake officiating. Cremation was under the direction of the Baldwin-Fairchild Mortuary in Orlando. Local arrangements are under the direction of Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Lowell B. Sterling

RUPERT — Lowell Burdette Sterling, 86, of Rupert, died Sunday, Dec. 27, 1989, at the Burley Care Center.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Cunningham, 23, of Hildsburg, Calif., who died Monday, will be at 1 p.m. Friday at the Glass-Lutz Cemetery. The graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Jan. 2 at the view Cemetery. Local arrangements are under the direction of McCulloch's Funeral Home in Burley.

HANSEN — The memorial service for Nadine S. Froelich, 66, of Franzen, who died Saturday, will be at 4 p.m. Friday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls, with Bruce Thacker and Dr. Newell Morgan officiating. The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or to the American Cancer Society. Contributions may be left at White Mortuary. Cremation is under the direction of White Mortuary and Crematory.

FILER — The funeral for E. Elwood (Mac) McCauley, 72, of Veneta, Calif., and formerly of Filer, who died Dec. 23, will be at 11 a.m. today at the Rev. Tom Tuckert officiating. Inurnment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls, with music by the Filer Masonic Lodge No. 55. Friends may call from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday at White Mortuary. The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to the Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children or to the Filer United Methodist Church Memorial Fund. Contributions may be left at White Mortuary.

Police check fatal shooting of youth, 16

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — A 16-year-old Ogden boy has died of a gunshot wound to the head in what police say was apparently an accidental shooting.

Police found Damon Sanders in a bedroom of the apartment at 8:43 p.m. Tuesday. He had been shot once in the left side of the face from a close range.

Police chief Joe Murray said Sanders showed signs of a heartbeat and respiration when paramedics arrived, but attempts to keep him alive were unsuccessful.

Police Lt. Chuck Buzick said Sanders' own witnesses indicated the shooting was an accident.

According to a police report, Sanders and a 16-year-old boy were

in a friend's bedroom when a 17-year-old boy entered the room holding a British .303 bolt-action rifle. The boy handed the gun to Sanders, who looked at it and then gave it back.

Buzick said the older boy then pointed the gun at Sanders and pulled the trigger, apparently unaware there was a round in the chamber.

The report said the 17-year-old told police he checked the gun and thought he had unloaded it before handing it to Sanders.

The boy said he aimed the gun at Sanders to scare him and had no intention of shooting him. Officers said they found a magazine in the bedroom that had been removed

from the rifle.

The third boy told police he was looking at some posters on the wall when he heard the rifle go off. The third boy tried to get out of the room, but was unable to open the door, the report said. He then broke the door open and the 17-year-old called police.

The 17-year-old was quoted as saying he can't believe he just murdered my friend. He was advised of his rights and questioned before being released, the report said.

Detective Capt. Martin Balls said the shooting was being investigated as a criminal homicide, while the Weber County attorney will determine if it was accidental.

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R. Craig Fisher, Crystal Ortiz, Mary Jane Peterson, Patrick Pully and Mrs. Thuan Minh Trang and daughter, all of Twin Falls; and Mrs. Shad Flores of Gooding.

Birns — Sons to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Madsen of Jerome; and to Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Revr of Twin Falls; and a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. James Reynolds of Heyburn.

Dun-bergen of Twin Falls.

CASSIA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Admitted — Kyle Bodily, Esther Bowen, Carrie Clayton, Myrtle Fisher and Lutz Ramirez, all of Burley; Michelle Reynolds of Heyburn; Elaine White of Rupert; Tim Payton of Idaho Falls; and Whitney Keet of Hazelton.

Reber — Rosie Craney, Jessica Jolly, Wanda Jolly and Joseph Daley, all of Burley; Ruby Kalenky of Redford; Harold Wilson of Paulty; and Charles McKinney of Auna, Colo.

Birns — Daughters to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Clayton of Burley; and to Michelle Reynolds of Heyburn.

Sick

Continued from Page B1 City's Primary Children's Hospital since Nov. 11.

State Medicaid will cover marrow, kidney and some bone-cancer patients, said a health official. The family had no medical insurance.

The Jory May Fund has met its

goal, raising more than \$20,000 to pay for expenses not covered by insurance.

Little money, however, has come in for Victoria L. Bernier, mother of two young children. And her husband was recently laid off, said Marvin Coates, the ill teen-ager's

father.

Recent fund-raisers have added more than \$14,000 to the balance of the Kamey Mallica Fund. A spaghetti dinner pulled in about \$1,000, and a benefit dance and auction raised more than \$13,000, according to Kamey's mother.

Tort

Continued from Page B1 Coalition's chief nemesis as the coalition pushes for further restrictions.

Following Scott's speech, Twin

Falls attorney Robert Paine asked her whether insurance rates were lower after the 1987 legislation.

"No," Scott replied; after a second's hesitation. "We'd hope they would be."

But that hasn't discouraged the Liability Reform Coalition from pushing harder this year.

Among other reforms, Scott said her group will work to lift the 1992 sunset that would eliminate the cap on non-economic damages.

The coalition will also work to limit the liability of volunteers and board members of non-profit corporations.

Now a Boy Scout leader could be held personally liable if he took his troop on an outing in a bus and had an accident that wasn't his fault, Scott said.

Members of school boards and parent/teacher associations would also be protected under the new proposal.

Scott concedes her group may not prevail with every one of its proposals.

"There's a great deal of education to be done with the legislators themselves," she said.

Work

Continued from Page B1 financial help with their jail and juvenile detention problems as well.

"We badly need to show some good faith to the counties of this state," he said.

Darrington also plans to spend some time this session pushing a bill requiring mandatory sentencing for multiple or repeat child abusers.

"That way we get the true pedophiles," he said.

The Legislature ended last year's session by passing five pieces of a 17-piece child-abuse package. But Rep. Celia Gould, R-Buhl; and her House subcommittee aroused Gov. Cecil Andrus' ire for killing the cornerstone of that package — a mandatory one-year minimum sentence for child abusers.

Andrus vowed last spring that he will continue the push for tougher sentences on child abusers. Darrington said the governor and Attorney General Jim Jones are behind his proposal.

That might not be spoken with Darrington directly, Gould said she has no problems with Darrington's plan for mandatory sentences for multiple and repeat abusers either.

"Those are the people we want locked away," she said.

Gould said she expects the House Judiciary Committee will spend most of the upcoming session re-examining the child-abuse measure passed last year with no major child abuse legislation forthcoming.

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Young motorcyclist searching for witness to near-fatal wreck

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — There were no witnesses to the accident that left Jeff Young and the passenger on his motorcycle, Vince Caruso, badly injured when they collided with a van in Big Cottonwood Canyon 20 months ago. But Jeff is now anxious to meet another motorcyclist whose name begins with "K".

Both boys, seniors at Brighton High School at the time, were flown to Salt Lake hospitals after the accident on April 29, 1988.

"My son was not expected to live when he was picked up," said Arlo Young, Jeff's father. "His leg was so badly mangled that they said he would not be able to keep his leg."

Neither Young nor Caruso wore helmets, and both suffered head injuries. Neither had any memory of the accident.

The absence of a disinterested witness left several liability questions about the accident

unresolved during the time Young spent in a hospital bed recovering from brain surgery and several operations to save his right leg.

Insurance has covered most of the \$150,000 in medical expenses. Young's mangled Yamaha still sits in the yard at the side of the house. The lawyers said to keep it as long as there is still some question about liability.

One new reason the Youngs are interested in preserving evidence of the crash has to do with a man in his mid- to late 30s who tried selling his Honda 450 to clerk Mick Frisbey at the 7-Eleven at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon just two months ago.

Frisbey and Young grew up in the same neighborhood. Frisbey was aware of the accident and told the customer at the 7-Eleven he wasn't much interested in buying a motorcycle because of what had happened to his friend.

"I saw a scary accident two years ago," Frisbey quoted the customer as saying.

While he can't remember for sure, the man "had a 'K' name — Ken or Kent or Kenney."

"He said the sight was so sickening that he couldn't look," Frisbey recalled. But the man said he had a passenger on his motorcycle who had been a paramedic in the Marines, and that he had helped Vince at the scene before other help arrived.

If the man was telling the truth, there were two witnesses to the accident. And his story indicates the driver of the van that hit Jeff may have been at fault.

The stocky, rugged-looking man with dark hair and a mustache told Frisbey he'd moved out of his house recently and was living in the canyon for the time being. He didn't have a permanent address or a phone.

Community's residents worry postal change will cost dearly

MAYFIELD (AP) — An address change mandated by the U.S. Postal Service has Mayfield residents worried that their tiny ranching community's historic name will be obliterated in the name of efficiency.

After already requiring Mayfield addresses to bear an unusual code, the Postal Service now wants mail on up street addresses put on the mail for rural homes a half-mile apart in the rolling hills of northwestern Elmore County.

"That's where we're losing our identity — through the mail," said Rich Cornell, 52, who has ranched in Mayfield since 1960.

Long-time resident Carleen Lord said she fears that the Postal Service could eventually "give us a number and a road — and no more Mayfield."

Their families are among only nine who still live just east of the Ada County line on dirt roads about six miles north of Interstate 84, but which Mayfield lacks in population, it

more than makes up in history.

A stage stop was established in Mayfield during the Civil War era, the old Oregon Trail cuts through the heart of the area; an old community hall, still standing, was built in 1915 for dances and potluck suppers.

The name Mayfield itself dates back more than 100 years to when the first postmaster, John MacMillan, successfully petitioned postal authorities to change the settlement's name from Corder Station to that of his old home in Scotland.

The first affront to Mayfield inhabitants' sense of roots came about six years ago when the Postal Service began requiring them to list their addresses as HC-34, Boise, Idaho 83706.

HC-34 stands for Highway Contract 34, a reference to a rural mail delivery route that is contracted out for that area.

"That type of designation,

instituted nationally, enables the Postal Service to use automatic equipment instead of manual labor to sort the mail, said Dale Carpenter, logistics coordinator for the Boise Post Office.

"We're not out to force our will on the people and destroy their history," he said. "It's for the efficiency of the mail service."

The ranchers were allowed in a compromise to add the Mayfield name, as long as they also used HC-34.

But now a greater threat is being raised by creation of artificial street names and numbers with five digits.

They already have been imposed on the two Mayfield families in Ada County.

Many counties in Idaho have a grid of delineated street names and numbers for use by utility companies, emergency services and the post office to aid in locating residences.



Shrouded mountains
The Wasatch Front disappears behind a mountain of fog Tuesday in this view looking west from Salt Lake. There is fog in some areas, but temperatures throughout the West remain substantially higher than in parts of the Eastern U.S., where record cold has stretched from Maine to Florida.

US West proposes 3-year phase-out of some multi-party telephone lines

LEWISTON (AP) — Multi-party telephone lines will be a thing of the past in Lewiston, on the Camas Prairie and in the Clearwater Valley by 1993 if Idaho utility regulators accept a proposal from US West Communications.

The company has filed a proposal with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission to upgrade all its telephone service to one-party lines over the next three years.

The \$11 million proposal comes at the prompting of the PUC and calls for substantial rate increases for

customers involved. For instance, US West estimates rates for residential customers in Lewiston, who now have multi-party service would go up 46 percent to 58 percent.

But Donald Howell, deputy attorney general for the commission, said the suggested increases are not guaranteed.

"Since the company has requested a rate increase, it will be up to the (PUC) staff to determine whether the increase is necessary to upgrade," he said. "We're talking about a very time-consuming process that will probably include an audit of the company's books."

Howell said commissioners asked US West on Nov. 1 to look into providing one-party service in areas

where multi-party lines still exist for a number of reasons.

"Many aspects of economic development depend upon the availability of state-of-the-art telecommunications services, which can only be accessed through one-party lines," the commission said in an order opening an investigation of the request.

US West recently completed a similar upgrade in the southern part of the state. The commission is considering asking GTE, which serves much of the Palouse, to look into upgrading its multi-party lines in the state, and Contel of the West, which serves communities such as

Retrofitted dams would aid growth

BOISE (AP) — Idaho Power Co. is taking steps to handle the electrical load growth it estimates will run between 25 and 40 megawatts each year, company officials say.

But the Boise-based utility said its current power system and several developing projects will be sufficient until 1996 under Idaho's continuing strong growth.

The company's latest load forecast is based largely on economic growth in southern Idaho and eastern Oregon during a two-decade planning period. The forecast provides load estimates under three scenarios: Low growth translates to a 1.5 percent load hike annually; medium growth is 1.9 percent; and high growth is 2.3 percent.

Under the medium, or most likely, outcome, Idaho Power believes it can meet customer demands with conservation programs, improved system efficiency, seasonal energy exchanges with other utilities and retrofitting existing dams with hydroelectric plants, such as the Milner and Swan Falls dams on the Snake River.

If growth follows the fast track, the existing resources will be sufficient only until late 1996, assuming normal streamflows occur.

The utility will begin identifying the lowest priced and most acceptable energy resources.

3.5 quake hits California area

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (AP) — A small earthquake struck Wednesday seven miles northwest of here and there were no reports of damage or injury.

The 2.10 m quake measured 3.2 on the Richter scale of ground motion, said California Institute of Technology spokesman Hal Daily in Pasadena.

A dispatcher at the San Bernardino Police Department said she had received several calls from residents asking about the quake, but there were no reports of trouble.

An earthquake of 3.5 can cause slight damage in the local area.

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2 robbers make off with 100 pounds of gold in daring heist

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Two men posing as customers entered a shop in Los Angeles' sprawling jewelry district Wednesday and pulled off one of the largest gold heists in city history.

They escaped with nearly \$1 million in gold dust, gold bars and gold chain while leaving two shop owners and five employees gagged and handcuffed, police said.

The raid, regarded as one of the most daring ever in the nation's second-largest jewelry district, was orchestrated by two men in sport coats who apparently carried briefcases to hide handguns and to make off with well over 100 pounds of loot, authorities said. Most

consisted of 24-carat gold used for the manufacture of jewelry chain.

No one was injured during the robbery at the Kopa Mine Jewelry Corp., a sixth-floor wholesaler and manufacturer.

However, the gunmen, who entered the store shortly after 8 a.m., repeatedly threatened to shoot their hostages before abandoning them, gagged and bound at the scene and taken in a closed office, shaken employees said later.

Employees managed to summon help only after one of them pulled a telephone from a desk-top and dialed the 911 emergency number by working the hands behind their backs. They were able to sound the company's burglar alarm only after the suspects had fled by "calmly

walking past the security guards in the lobby," Los Angeles police said.

The theft was believed to be the largest in the jewelry district since a 1983 robbery and shootout in which \$1.3 million in valuables was stolen. A suspect was later arrested in that case.

In 1980, an estimated \$2 million to \$4 million in gems and gold jewelry was taken in a case similar to Wednesday's, in which two gunmen bound, gagged and blindfolded wholesalers on the 13th-floor of the Pacific Jewelry Center.

Earlier this year, a pair of gunmen posing as rabbin pulled off a smaller, but similar robbery, escaping with about \$300,000 worth of valuables, police Lt. Robert Kurth, who was assigned the investigation, said. No

one has been arrested in that case. It was not known whether that case is related to Wednesday's robbery, he added.

Shop owner Khatehik Djigardjian, 42, described one suspect as a thin man over 6 feet tall with blond hair. The other was short, bald and looked to be Asian or Middle-Eastern, he said.

Djigardjian, who described himself as the West Coast's largest manufacturer of gold jewelry chain, operates his company much like scores of others in the jewelry district, where high-rise buildings are crowded with manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers who do business worldwide.

The proprietor said he buys 24-carat gold, which he melts into 14-carat bars and ships to a factory in Juarez, Mexico, where the chain is made. The shipment went to Los Angeles, where employees in a back

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Mary C. Barga

JEROME — Mary C. Barga, 72, of Jerome, died Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1989, at St. Benedict's Long Term Care Unit of an extended illness.

She was born March 15, 1917, in Russia, Ohio, the daughter of Emanuel and Ella Mangen Groff. She was raised and educated in the New Weston, Ohio area. She moved to Jerome in 1937, where she married Wilfred L. Barga Sr. on April 16, 1937. They have resided in the Jerome area since.

She was active in the scouting program as a den mother. She was an active member of the Pleasant Plains Branch, the Pleasant Plains Women's Club and the local Good Sam Chapter. She was also a member of St. Jerome's Catholic Church in Jerome and was active in the Catholic Women's League.

Surviving are her husband of Jerome; five sons, Robert L. Barga of San Jose, Calif.; Donald N. Barga of Sunnysvale, Calif.; James R. Barga of Boise; Paul J. Barga of Lacey, Wash.; and Wilfred L. Barga Jr. of Aurora, Colo.; one daughter, Mary Childe's of Jerome; six brothers, Paul, Valery, Francis, Lloyd, Richard and Joseph Groff, all of Ohio; five sisters, "Dorothy Hennesstam," Virginia May, Florence Schmidt and Marjorie Linnell, all of Ohio and Helen Ross of New Jersey; and 11 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents.

A vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Friday at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at St. Jerome's Catholic Church, with the Rev. Keith M. Kuiper as celebrant. Burial will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery. Friends may call from 5 to 7 p.m. today at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel.

Minnie J. Jewell
Minnie J. Jewell, 89, of Jerome, died Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1989, at St. Benedict's Long Term Care Unit of an extended illness.

MALTA — The funeral for Harold D. Wight, 47, of Gilbert, Ariz., and formerly of Malta, who died Friday, will be at 11 a.m. today at the Malta LDS Chapel, with Bishop Alois J. Harper officiating. Burial will follow at the Valley Va Cemetery in Malta. Friends may call one hour before the funeral at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of the Payne Mortuary in Rupert.

JEROME — The funeral for Thelma M. Hogland, 73, of Jerome, who died Saturday, will be at 11 a.m. today at the church of Christ in Jerome, with Mr. Bronson Galt officiating. Burial will follow at the Jerome Cemetery. Friends may call one hour before the funeral at the church of Christ. Arrangements are under the direction of the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

FILER — The graveside service for Laura Louise Haman, 90, of Filer, who died Sunday, will be at 11 a.m. today at the Filer I.O.O.F. Cemetery, with the Rev. Randall Davis officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

GOODING — The funeral for Hennis S. Tuttle, 85, of Gooding, who died Sunday, will be at 11 a.m. today at Demary's Gooding Chapel. Burial will be at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding. Arrangements are under the direction of

Ray Thomas of Pomona, Calif. She was preceded in death by her father and one brother.
The graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Friday at the Pleasant View Cemetery, with Bishop David Richards officiating. Friends may call from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Friday at the graveside behind the church on Main St., in Burley. There will be no viewing.

Glady's E. McWealthy
TWIN FALLS — Gladys E. McWealthy, 84, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Dec. 24, 1989, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

She was born March 3, 1905, in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, the daughter of David and Anna Morrison. She was raised and educated in Iowa, attended business college and worked for several years as a bookkeeper for Time Inc. in Chicago, Ill. She retired and moved to Twin Falls in 1972.

She was an active member of the Twin Falls Senior Citizens.
Surviving are one daughter, Edith Frazer of Twin Falls; one brother, Walter Morrison of Marion, Iowa; two grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Friday at the Jerome Second Ward LDS Church, with Bishop Larry Palmer officiating. Burial will follow at the Jerome Cemetery. Friends may call one hour before the funeral at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Marguerite R. Davis
87, of Mohad, died Sunday, Dec. 24, 1989, in a local nursing home.

Surviving are one daughter, Ann Thompson of Jerome; one son, W. Tom Davis of Arion, Wyo.; and one brother, Emel of Logan, Utah.

The funeral will be at noon today at the Malad LDS Fourth Ward Chapel. Friends may call one hour before the funeral at the Benson-Horsley Funeral Home, 132 W. 300 N. in Malad.

Mildred Buffington
TWIN FALLS — Mildred Buffington, 85, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Dec. 25, 1989, after the following illness:
She was born May 24, 1904, in Davenport, Iowa.

The memorial service will be at 2 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls. No viewing will take place.

Catheryn J. Tones
BURLEY — Catheryn Jane Tones, 35, of Oakley, died Sunday, Dec. 25, 1989, at her home.

She was born May 26, 1954, in Burley, the daughter of Lamar Robertson and Wanda Littlefield Thomas. She received her education in Burley. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary in Rupert.

Surviving are mother of Kalispell, Idaho; two daughters, Sharon Knight of Burley; and Helen Hawkins of Kalispell, Mont.; and two brothers, Brent LaMar Thomas of Los Angeles, Calif.; and Tommie

BURLEY — The funeral for Agnes COFFY, 97, of Burley, who died Sunday, will be at 11 a.m. today at the Burley Second Ward LDS Chapel, 515 16th St. E., with Bishop Jack R. Holland officiating. Burial will be in the Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call one hour before the funeral at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of McCulloch's Funeral Home in Burley.

TWIN FALLS — The graveside service for Opal Elizabeth Stevens, 70, of Twin Falls, who died Sunday, will be at 2 p.m. today at the Twin Falls Cemetery, with Bishop Lawrence Vedor officiating. The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or to the charity of the donor's choice. Contributions may be left at White Mortuary. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

OAKLEY — The graveside service for Norris Blackenbush, 44, of Oakley, who died Saturday, will be at 3 p.m. today at the Oakley Cemetery, with Red Midgety officiating. Friends may call from 1 to 2:30 p.m. today to sign the registry at the Payne Mortuary, 321 W. Main St., in Burley. There will be no viewing.

BURLEY — The funeral for James Dean Cunningham, 23, of Healdsburg, Calif., who died Monday, will be at 1 p.m. Friday at the Healdsburg LDS Church. The graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Jan. 2 at the Valley Cemetery. Local arrangements are under the direction of McCulloch's Funeral Home in Burley.

HANSEN — The memorial service for Nadine S. Froehlich, 66, of Hansen, who died Saturday, will be at 4 p.m. Friday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls, with Bruce Thacker and Dr. Newell Morgan officiating. The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to the Kimberly Christian Church or to the American Cancer Society. Contributions may be left at White Mortuary. Cremation is under the direction of White Mortuary and Cemetery.

FILER — The funeral for E. Elwood (Mac) McAuley, 72, of Ventuzia, Calif., and formerly of Filer, who died Dec. 23, will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls, with the Rev. Tom Tucker officiating. Burial will follow at Sun Memorial Park in Twin Falls, with Masonic rites by the Filer Masonic Lodge No. 55. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at White Mortuary. The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to the Steiner's Hospital for Children or to the Filer United Methodist Church Memorial Fund. Contributions may be left at White Mortuary.

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OGDEN, Utah (AP) — A 16-year-old boy died of a fatal gunshot wound to the head in what police say was apparently an accidental shooting.

Police found Damon Sanders in a bedroom of the apartment at 8:43 p.m. Tuesday. He had been shot once in the left side of the face from close range.

Police Chief Joe Murray said Sanders showed signs of a heartbeat and respiration when paramedics arrived, but attempts to keep him alive were unsuccessful.

Police Lt. Chuck Buzick said Sanders was seen by witnesses indicated the shooting was an accident.

According to a police report, Sanders and a 16-year-old boy were in a friend's bedroom when a 17-year-old boy entered the room holding a British .303 bolt-action rifle. The boy handed the gun to Sanders, who looked at it and then

Buzick said the older boy then pointed the gun at Sanders and pulled the trigger, apparently unaware there was a round in the chamber.

The report said the 17-year-old told police he checked the gun and thought he had unloaded it before handing it to Sanders.

The boy said he aimed the gun at Sanders to scare him and had no intention of shooting him. Officers said they found a magazine in the bedroom that had been removed

from the rifle.
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The 17-year-old was quoted as saying, "I can't believe I just murdered my friend." He was advised of his rights and questioned before being released, the report said.

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Released

R. Craig Fidler, Crystal Ortiz, Mary Jane Peterson, Patrick Pudy and Mrs. Thuan Minh Trang and daughter, all of Twin Falls; and Mrs. Shad Flores of Gooding.

Births

Sons to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Madsen of Jerome; and to Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Resz of Twin Falls; and a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. James

Dunsberg, of Twin Falls.

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Kyle Boddy, Esther Bowen, Carrie Clayton, Myke Fisher and Luke Ramirez, all of Burley; Michelle Reynolds of Heyburn; Eric White of Rupert; Tim Payton of Oakley; and Whitney Kent of Hazelton.

Released

Ronnie Cannon, Jessica Joller, Wanda Jolley and Joseph Patey, all of Burley; Ryan Malarsky of Declo; Harold Wilson of Paul; and Charles McKinney of Aurora, Colo.

Births

Babies to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Clayton of Burley; and to Michelle Reynolds of Heyburn.

Funeral homes in Twin Falls: Payne Mortuary; and in Burley: McCulloch's Funeral Home; and in Jerome: Benson-Horsley Funeral Home.

Sick

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City's Primary Children's Hospital since Nov. 11.

State Medicaid will cover coma, kidney and some bone-marrow transplants, Caballero said. The family had no medical insurance.
"The Jory May Fund has met its

goal, raising more than \$20,000 to pay for expenses not covered by insurance.
"Little money, however, has come in for Victoria L. Bernier, mother of two young children. And her husband was recently laid off," said Marvin Coates, the 11-year-old's father.

Recent fund-raisers have added more than \$14,000 to the balance of the Kamey Mallea Fund. A spaghetti dinner pulled in about \$1,000, and a benefit dance and auction raised more than \$13,000, according to Kamey's mother.

Tort

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Coalition's chief nemesis as the coalition pushes for further restrictions.

Following Scott's speech, Twin Falls attorney Robert Paine asked her whether insurance rates were lower after the 1987 legislation.

"No," Scott replied, after a second's hesitation. "We'd hope they would be."

But that hasn't discouraged the Liability Reform Coalition from pushing harder this year.

Among other reforms, Scott said her group will work to lift the 1992 sunset that would eliminate the cap on non-economic damages.

The coalition will also work to limit the liability of volunteers and board members of non-profit corporations.

Now a Boy Scout leader could be held personally liable if he took his troop on an outing in a bus and had an accident that wasn't his fault, Scott said.

Members of school boards and parent/teacher associations would also be protected under the new proposals.

Scott concedes her group may not prevail with every one of its proposals.
"There's a great deal of education to be done with the legislators themselves," she said.

Work

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financial help with their jail and juvenile detention problems as well.
"We badly need to show some good faith to the counties of this state," he said.

Darrington also plans to spend some time this session pushing a bill requiring mandatory sentencing for multiple or repeat child abusers.

"I'd say we get the true pedophiles," he said.

The Legislature ended last year's session by passing five pieces of a 17-piece child-abuse package. But Rep. Celia Gould, R-Buhl, and her House subcommittee aroused Gov. Cecil Andrus' ire for killing the cornerstone of that package — a mandatory one-year minimum sentences for convicted abusers.

Andrus vowed last spring that he will continue the push for tougher sentences on child abusers.

Darrington said the governor and Attorney General Jim Jones are behind his proposal.

"Though she has not spoken with Darrington directly, Gould said she has no problems with Darrington's plan for mandatory sentences for multiple and repeat abusers either.

"Those are the people we want locked away," she said.

Gould said she expects the House Judiciary Committee will spend most of the upcoming session "fine-tuning" the child-abuse measures passed last year with no major child-abuse legislation forthcoming.

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Shrouded mountains

The Wasatch Front disappears behind a mountain of fog Tuesday in this view looking west from Salt Lake. There is fog in some areas, but temperatures

throughout the West remain substantially higher than in parts of the Eastern U.S., where record cold has stretched from Maine to Florida.

AP Laserphoto

US West proposes 3-year phase-out of some multi-party telephone lines

LEWISTON (AP) — Multi-party telephone lines will be a thing of the past in Lewiston, on the Camas Prairie and in the Clearwater Valley by 1993 if Idaho utility regulators accept a proposal from US West Communications.

The company has filed a proposal with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission to upgrade all its telephone service to one-party lines over the next three years.

The \$111 million proposal comes at the prompting of the PUC and calls for substantial rate increases for retrofitted dams would aid growth

customers involved. For instance, US West estimates rates for residential customers in Lewiston who now have multi-party service would go up 46 percent to 58 percent.

But Donald Howell, deputy attorney general for the commission, said the suggested increases are not guaranteed.

"Since the company has requested a rate increase, it will be up to the (PUC) staff to determine whether the increase is necessary to upgrade," he said. "We're talking about a very time-consuming process that will probably include an audit of the company's books."

Howell said commissioners asked US West on Nov. 1 to look into providing one-party service in areas

where multi-party lines still exist for a number of reasons.

"Many aspects of economic development depend upon the availability of state-of-the-art telecommunications services, which can only be accessed through one-party lines," the commission said in an order opening an investigation of the request.

US West recently completed a similar upgrade in the southern part of the state. The commission is considering asking GTE, which serves much of the Palouse, to look into upgrading its multi-party lines in the state, and Centel of the West, which serves communities such as McCall, is "very close" to providing total one-party service, the PUC said.

Young motorcyclist searching for witness to near-fatal wreck

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — There were no witnesses to the accident that left Jeff Young and the passenger on his motorcycle, Vince Caruso, badly injured when they collided with a van in Big Cottonwood Canyon 20 months ago.

But Jeff is now anxious to meet another motorcyclist whose name begins with "K."

Both boys, seniors at Brighton High School at the time, were flown to Salt Lake hospitals after the accident on April 29, 1988.

"My son was not expected to live when he was picked up," said Arlo Young, Jeff's father. "His leg was so badly mangled that they said he would not be able to keep his leg."

Neither Young nor Caruso wore helmets, and both suffered head injuries. Neither had any memory of the accident.

The absence of a disinterested witness left several liability questions about the accident

unsolved during the time Young spent in a hospital bed recovering from brain surgery and several operations to save his right leg.

Insurance has covered most of the \$150,000 in medical expenses. Young's mangled Yamaha still sits in the yard at the side of the house. The lawyers said to keep it as long as there is still some question about liability.

One new reason the Youngs are interested in preserving evidence of the crash has to do with a man in his mid- to late 30s who tried selling his Honda 450 to clerk Mick Frisbey at the 7-Eleven at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon just two months ago.

Frisbey and Young grew up in the same neighborhood. Frisbey was aware of the accident and told the customer at the 7-Eleven he wasn't much interested in buying a motorcycle because of what had happened to his friend.

"I saw a scary accident two years ago," Frisbey quoted the customer as saying.

While he can't remember for sure, the man "had a 'K' name — Ken or Kent or Kerney."

"He said the sight was so sickening that he couldn't look," Frisbey recalled. But the man said he had a passenger on his motorcycle who had been — paraded in the Marines, and that he had helped Vince at the scene before other help arrived.

If the man was telling the truth, there were two witnesses to the accident. And his story indicates the driver of the van that hit Jeff may have been at fault.

The stocky, rugged-looking man with dark hair and a mustache told Frisbey he'd moved out of his home recently and was living in the canyon for the time being. He didn't have a permanent address or a phone.

Community's residents worry postal change will cost dearly

MAYFIELD (AP) — An address change mandated by the U.S. Postal Service has Mayfield residents worried that their tiny ranching community's historic name will be obliterated in the name of efficiency.

After already requiring Mayfield addresses to bear an unusual code, the Postal Service now wants made-up street addresses put on the mail for rural homes a half-mile apart in the rolling hills of northwestern Elmore County.

"That's where we're losing our identity — through the mail," said Rich Cornell, 52, who has ranched in Mayfield since 1960.

Longtime resident Carleen Lord said she fears that the Postal Service could eventually "give us a number and a road — and no more Mayfield."

Their families are among only nine who still live just east of the Ada County line on dirt roads about six miles north of Interstate 84. But what Mayfield lacks in population; it

more than makes up in history.

A stage stop was established in Mayfield during the Civil War era; the old Oregon Trail cuts through the heart of the area; an old community hall, still standing, was built in 1915 for dances and potluck suppers.

The name Mayfield itself dates back more than 100 years to when the first postmaster, John MacMillan, successfully petitioned postal authorities to change the settlement's name from Corder Station to that of his old home in Scotland.

The first affront to Mayfield inhabitants' sense of roots came about six years ago when the Postal Service began requiring them to list their addresses as HC-34, Boise, Idaho 83706.

HC-34 stands for Highway Contract 34, a reference to a rural mail delivery route that is contracted out for that area.

That type of designation,

instigated nationally, enables the Postal Service to use automatic equipment instead of manual labor to sort the mail, said Dale Carpenter, logistics coordinator for the Boise Post Office.

"We're not out to force our will on the people and destroy their history," he said. "It's for the efficiency of the mail service."

The ranchers were allowed in a compromise to add the Mayfield name, as long as they also used HC-34.

But now a greater threat is being raised by creation of artificial street names and numbers with five digits.

They already have been imposed on the two Mayfield families in Ada County.

Many counties in Idaho have a grid of delineated street names and numbers for use by utility companies, emergency services and the post office to aid in locating residences.

Retrofitted dams would aid growth

BOISE (AP) — Idaho Power Co. is taking steps to handle the electrical load growth it estimates will run between 25 and 40 megawatts each year, company officials say.

But the Boise-based utility said its current power system and several developing projects will be sufficient only until 1996 under Idaho's continuing growth.

The company's latest load forecast is based largely on economic growth in southern Idaho and eastern Oregon during a two-decade planning period. The forecast provides load estimates under three scenarios: Low growth translates to a 1.5 percent load hike annually; medium growth is 1.9 percent; and high growth is 2.3 percent.

Under the medium, or most likely, outcome, Idaho Power believes it can meet customer demands with "conservation programs," improved system efficiency, seasonal energy exchanges with other utilities and retrofitting existing dams with hydroelectric plants, such as the Miller and Swan Falls dams on the Snake River.

If growth follows the fast track, the existing resources will be sufficient only until late 1996, assuming normal streamflows occur.

"The utility will begin identifying the lowest priced and most acceptable energy resources."

3.5 quake hits California area

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (AP) — A small earthquake struck Wednesday seven miles northwest of here and there were no reports of damage or injury.

The 2:10 p.m. quake measured 3.2 on the Richter scale of ground motion, said California Institute of Technology spokesman Hal Daily in Pasadena.

A dispatcher at the San Bernardino Police Department said she had received several calls from residents asking about the quake, but there were no reports of trouble.

An earthquake of 3.5 can cause slight damage in the local area.

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Valley life

Valley happenings

Right to Life group meeting slated

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Right to Life telephone tree will have an organizational meeting at 7:30 p.m. Friday at 696 Sunrise Blvd. N. Anyone interested in taking part or who needs more information should call 734-9121 or 734-9240.

Senior Citizen Center to hold dance

TWIN FALLS — A New Year's Eve Dance featuring entertainment by Cliff Hank is slated for 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Senior Citizen Center, 616 Eastland Drive. The cost will be \$2 per person.

Scouts will pick up used trees

TWIN FALLS — Boy Scout Troop 79 will offer a Christmas tree pickup service on New Year's Day. For a \$5 charge, the Scouts will buy your tree in your home and haul it away. Proceeds will be used to buy new equipment for the troop. To arrange for tree disposal, call 733-4917.

The Times-News welcomes news of community events. Send material to The Times-News Valley Happenings, PO 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.

Bus gives homeless a ticket out of the cold

The Baltimore Sun

BALTIMORE — The city transit bus has no number and follows a crazy route through Baltimore that few would choose to travel, but every night there are still one or two people who try to board it, prompting the driver to say:

"I'm sorry, but this is not a regular bus."

And the riders shout back: "You got that right."

This is the homeless shuttle, a cold-weather service started three years ago and run by Associated Catholic Charities in conjunction with the city. Seven days a week, the evening bus provides a unique, sometimes raucous trip through

Baltimore, picking up homeless people and taking them to emergency shelters.

On Monday night, with temperatures rapidly dropping toward single digits, the bus had standing room only before it even left its first stop. The riders were all male, ranging in age from 20 to 60, and determined not to spend another night on the streets.

(While the riders could rest assured that one of the city's approximately 1,500 beds would be theirs, many of Baltimore's homeless have no such assurance. As documented in a report released Thursday by Action for the Homeless, increasing numbers of homeless families have been turned away from shelters over the past six months.)

Inmate's debt to society will be paid

DEAR ABBY: I just read something in the Joliet Herald-News that I think should be aired in your column. A 23-year-old liberal arts student at the University of Iowa was sentenced to seven years in prison for distributing LSD. Abby, this guy made a fortune selling drugs. Furthermore, the judge ordered him to pay \$1,210 a month to pay for his prison stay! After he serves his prison term, he will be on supervised release for four years, for which he must pay \$91 a month.

I think this is a wonderful idea. Why should honorable, law-abiding citizens have to pay to feed and house these criminals — especially the ones who got rich selling drugs? I wonder what your other readers think of this. — E.S. IN JOLLET, Ill.

CSI to offer special courses

By The Times-News

An American government course and a cultural anthropology course will be offered through the College of Southern Idaho spring semester via television and independent study.

Students can carry three academic credits and students can register at the CSI Records Office in the Taylor Administration Building or at one of the outreach centers in Burley, Hailey or Wendell.

"Government by Consent" is designed to educate viewers on how government works, identify points of access and illustrate how people, individually and in groups, can make a difference in how government operates. Two lessons will be shown back-to-back from 4 to 5 p.m. Saturdays beginning Jan. 13. The course will be aired in the Magic Valley on KVID Channel 4 and in the Wood River Valley on KISU Channel 10. Lee Ann Powers will be the CSI instructor.

A television class in anthropology, "Faces of Culture," will also be conducted as an individualized course in



Abigail VanBuren Dear Abby.

amazed that judges didn't think of before, or have they? Readers?

DEAR ABBY: An unusual situation has caused hard feelings in our office and we would like your opinion of the following:

My friend and I purchased four choice tickets for a major upcoming sporting event as soon as the tickets went on sale. A lot of legwork and advance planning went into buying these tickets at \$100 each.

The sporting event will take place shortly, and the value of the tickets has quadrupled. We could easily get

\$400 apiece for those tickets. My friend and I plan to attend the event and sell the other two tickets, thus paying for our expenses and making a small profit.

Office cronies want to buy the two tickets for their original price — \$100 each. We insist on selling them for a price that we can easily get from others. We have not seen this topic discussed in your column and would appreciate your opinion.

—OFFICE FOLKS
DEAR FOLKS: Tell your office cronies that the early bird gets the worm, and they must be cuckoo to expect you to sell those tickets at your cost at this late date.

DEAR ABBY: Will you please do a service for all adoptive families? Inform newspaper editors that adoptive men are not fertile.

My wife and I were not fertile during the nick of seeing sentences for this one — from The New York Times, no less: "They tried for 10 years to have a child; it was not until after they adopted a baby boy that Mrs. Brand became pregnant."

There is no cause-and-effect here. The chances of conceiving a child are the same before and after adop-

tion. Implying that all one has to do is "relax" belittles the infertile couple's experience, and is an insult to them and their adopted child.

Imagine how adoptees must feel when they read that they were just a means to an end — a reproductive aid to bring about their parents' second child! Adoptive parents do not think that way, but journalists thoughtlessly perpetuate the myth that adopted children are second-best. And another thing: Could we all lighten up on phrases such as "adopt a whale," or "adopt a zoo animal"?

One last thing, Abby, and I'll have it off my chest. My son's "real mother" didn't give him up. His real mother ADOPTED him. The dear young woman who gave birth to him was able to be a mother to him, so SHE gave him up.

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Bannock checking cattle mutilation

POCATELLO (AP) — The Bannock County Sheriff's Department is investigating a cattle mutilation that apparently occurred Christmas Day.

A steer belonging to Harvey Galloway, Downey, was found behind a dirt pile Tuesday, Under Sheriff Lorin Nielson said. The animal's reproductive organs, anal tract, heart and navel had been "surgically removed," he said.

There were no traces of blood on the animal. Officers are investigating to see if the steer's blood had been removed, too.

This mutilation appears to be the most recent in a number of such occurrences, with several in the Bear Lake area. It fits the pattern of all the others, he said.

Gondola building supervisor fired

KELLOGG (AP) — The building superintendent on the upper terminal of the Kellogg gondola project has been fired, leaving employees wondering if the ski lift will get off the ground.

Tom Sainsbury was fired Friday without notice or explanation by the Van Roll Transport Co., building the gondola that would stretch from the town of Kellogg up to the Silver Mountain ski resort.

Project manager Mark Robertson confirmed Sainsbury had been terminated.

"Van Roll hires and fires people every day. It's not their policy to tell people why," he said. In October, Robertson replaced chief engineer Greg Cloward, who also was fired.

Eleven local men working for Van Roll under Sainsbury said they wonder how the upper terminal building will be completed.

"To my knowledge, nobody other than Tom has the expertise to keep this project going — at least among the people they've got here now," said Ken Nelson on the crew.

Boise firm to fight OSHA penalties

BOISE (AP) — A Boise construction company plans to contest some of the \$20,300 in citations issued against it this week by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

The federal agency said it found "willful, repeat, serious and other job safety violations" at Gillingham Inc.'s Eagle Road job site in Meridian.

President Larry Gillingham said Tuesday that the company believes some of the citations were issued in error in connection with work on the Eagle Road interchange of Interstate 84.

Gillingham acknowledged that some other violations occurred and his company intends to comply with those regulations. A meeting with OSHA officials was scheduled Friday, he said.

Interagency conflict could halt dam

BOISE (AP) — The apparent inability of two federal agencies to resolve their differences over a proposed dam near Weiser could doom the project to failure, Idaho Water Resources Director Keith Higginson says.

Higginson said the state has been "victimized" by the friction between the U.S. Corps of Engineers and the Bonneville Power Administration over how much power the Galloway Dam would produce on the Weiser River.

"The U.S. Corps of Engineers has announced they intend to wrap up their studies of the project, and to issue a technical report effectively ending their involvement," he said.

"We don't object to a technical report, but it will have little value if the Bonneville Power Administration continues to say the system power benefits analysis by the Corps is incorrect," he said.

School consolidation being probed

PLUMMER (AP) — Consolidation is being considered in the neighboring Panhandle school districts of Plummer and Worley, south of Coeur d'Alene on the Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation.

A public meeting is scheduled Jan. 4 in Plummer to discuss the proposal, which surfaced Dec. 6 when officials from both districts met with the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Board of Education.

Joy Puckett, clerk for the Plummer School District, said committees of volunteers were being formed in both communities to cover such consolidation issues as transportation and buildings, budget and finance, staff and curriculum, trustee zones and activities.

Budget director cites drug war cost

POCATELLO (AP) — President Bush's call to arms against drugs is costing Idaho money and may be at the root of some new budget problems, says the director of the state Legislative Budget Office.

"There is a new emphasis on an old problem — a large estate," said John Anderson. "It's created the feeling that we have to overcome the (drug) problem because of its impact on society and the cost to government at all levels."

Anderson, who has held his job since 1971, said the drug crackdown requires state agencies such as the departments of Health and Welfare, Corrections, and Law Enforcement to request more funding.

He predicted part of the state surplus will be used to fund one-time expenditures toward the drug crackdown. He also believes legislators will establish a state "rainy-day" fund during the 1990 session.

"Revenue surpluses are cyclical, and in the good times we must prepare for bad times," Anderson said. "I think it's an option that has a good chance of passing the Legislature."

Statistics recently released by the Budget Office show Idaho's surplus may be even larger than the \$100 million which has been projected for next summer.

Bannock prosecutor considering run against Jones

POCATELLO (AP) — Bannock County Prosecutor Larry EchoHawk has not formally announced his bid for Idaho attorney general, but he already has some complaints with Republican incumbent Jim Jones.

EchoHawk, a 41-year-old Democrat, accused Jones of using the office for political gain.

"I simply think Jim Jones has allowed himself to become too political in how he deals with the state's chief executive," Gov. Cecil Andrus, EchoHawk said. "He's been

more interested in how he can promote conflict instead of trying to figure out how they can work together."

The former state representative and Shoshone-Bannock tribal attorney has formed an exploratory committee and plans to decide whether to run by the end of February.

EchoHawk said his stint as prosecuting attorney, coupled with four years in the Idaho House, prove him capable of handling the state

job. Democratic State Chairman Conley Ward said EchoHawk's experience makes him a "terrific candidate" to compete against Jones.

The attorney general has been pegged as a possible contender for the U.S. Senate in 1990 should Sen. Jim McClure decide to step down. But EchoHawk said Jones' career decision has no bearing on his own.

"My decision will be based more upon what kind of support I receive from people around the state. If the support is there, I won't hesitate to

run against Jones," he said.

EchoHawk currently is chairman of the Idaho Job Training Council and the Idaho Commission for Children and Youth. He was appointed to both by Andrus.

The Pawnee tribal member said he hopes attorney general would be a positive role model for Indian youth.

"I think that Indian people need to see that through a good education and hard work that America does provide an opportunity for people to succeed," he said.

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Counties may get help soon

POCATELLO (AP) — Gov. Cecil Andrus says he will go more than halfway to make the upcoming legislative session productive, even in an election year.

"A number of legislative leaders from both sides of the political aisle have indicated that they look forward to a productive session, devoid of partisan battles," Andrus said Wednesday.

"I share that desire and will go more than halfway to ensure we have a session that will deal effectively with the major issues that will be before us."

But several matters, such as funding for education, state control over abortion rights, and environmental regulations, promise to spark hot debate among the lawmakers. All 126 and Andrus are up for reelection.

The governor will give his State of the State message to the Legislature on Jan. 8 and his budget message will follow Jan. 10.

Marc Johnson, spokesman for Andrus, said the governor will outline some "fairly specific" recommendations the Legislature ought to address.

"He will make some very specific legislative proposals," he said.

Island Park rescue will be show subject

ISLAND PARK (AP) — The rescue of a critically injured snowmobiler by three Island Park men near the Montana border will be featured on a CBS television show to be filmed in January.

The members of the Island Park Quick Response Unit — Ed Brashier, Mick Blackburn and Bobbie Killmer — will re-enact the March, 1989 rescue of a Colorado man for a segment of "Rescue 911."

William Stallner is the host. Film crews are slated to arrive in Island Park Jan. 7 for a day of interviews with the three. Producers use actual participants whenever possible in filming segments about real-life rescues, although actors are employed if necessary.

Brashier anticipated the film may be made on Rea's Pass, about 12 miles off U.S. Highway 20. It is a popular snowmobile trail that crosses the Idaho-Montana border.

The victim, whose name was not released, was snowmobiling with a guided tour out of West Yellowstone, Brashier said. The man apparently lost control of his machine, ran into a tree and struck his head. The guide-fixture in the group summoned the Island Park QRU for help.

The three men transported the man to the main highway on a special rescue sled pulled by snowmobile, before he was taken to Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center in Idaho Falls.

Brashier said the victim was bleeding from his eyes, ears and mouth when the volunteers arrived. He "struck the tree so hard, spinal fluid was even seeping from his mouth," he said.

Brashier said he is embarrassed by all the attention, but agreed to the shooting to draw attention to the importance of QRU's.

"I have no idea how they even found out about it," he said. "We were just doing a job, but it will be interesting to find out who informed them."

Bomb does damage to Mormon chapel

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) — A bomb exploded early Wednesday at a Mormon chapel in Quilpué, a city 98 miles northwest of here, causing damage but no injuries, police reported.

Police said signs condemning the United States invasion of Panama were written on the walls of the small temple by the unidentified attackers.

The signs read "Yankies, out of Panama" and "No more intervention in Panama."

The blast shortly after midnight destroyed the main door and shattered windows of the chapel. It was the fourth bomb attack against Mormon chapels in Chile in recent days. Similar explosions damaged chapels in Santiago and two provincial cities on Christmas eve.

No one has claimed responsibility for any of the attacks.

Ice a possible factor in Washington plane crash which killed 6

PASCO, Wash. (AP) — The possibility that ice may have contributed to the crash of a commuter plane that killed all six people aboard was raised Wednesday as federal investigators began their investigation.

Craig Belmondo, president of the United Express commuter airline, raised the icing issue of a news

conference but said it was "much too early to speculate" on the cause of Tuesday night's accident.

United Express Flight 2415 crashed into a sagbrush field short of a Tri-City Airport runway and burst into flames.

Fire officials found ice at the wreckage scene but Belmondo said it had not been determined whether

the ice came from the British Aerospace Jetstream 31, a 19-passenger turboprop.

United Express has deicing equipment at Yakima but it was not immediately known whether it was used on the plane prior to its departure for Pasco, a flight of about 80 miles which usually takes about 30 minutes.

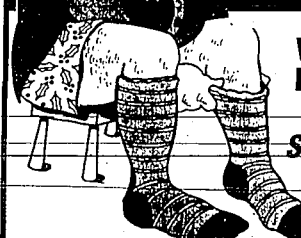
Visibility at the time of the 11:30 p.m. MST crash was seven miles and winds were calm, said Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Dave Duff at Seattle, 180 miles northwest of Pasco.

"Weather was never a factor," he said.

Killed were the two crew members, Capt. Barry 'Will'

Roberts, 38, the pilot, and First Officer Doug Melroe, 25, the copilot, both of Kennewick; and passengers Kim Shewmaker, of Richland, also a United Express pilot; Rey Resendez, of Duncanville, Texas; W. Kingry, a man from Denver; and a sixth man whose name was not immediately released.

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Potatoes CHICAGO (AP) - USDA - Idaho potato markets (ID) shipping potatoes to NY 1/1 variety in 100...

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Western grain PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) - Bids at 12:00 p.m. EST Wednesday for grain and feedstuffs for shipment by rail...

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Valley grains What wheat and soybean prices were for the week ending Dec. 24, 1999, are listed below.

Chicago grain CHICAGO (AP) - Futures trading on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

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Sugar futures NEW YORK (AP) - Sugar futures trading on the New York Cotton Exchange Wednesday.

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Creativity could be key to selling your home

The housing market is depressed in many parts of the nation, many homeowners who are ready to sell have learned with dismay. Homes purchased in the booming '80s, when prices appreciated as much as 20 or 30 percent a year, may actually have lost value.

Several factors account for the problem, according to the Mortgage Bankers Association and the National Association of Home Builders:

- Home prices rose too high in some regions.
- There is a glut of available housing in the regions that now are experiencing an economic downturn.



Sylvia Porter

- The savings and loan crisis threatens to increase greatly the available housing stock on the market, again chiefly in depressed areas such as the Northeast or South Central states.

- A high down payment usually is required — typically 20 percent of the purchase price, according to a Harvard-MIT study. More than four-fifths of those in the 25-to-34-year-old bracket — a critical homebuying group — can't afford the down payment, even though they can make the monthly mortgage payments.

What are buyers and sellers to do?

1. Be much more flexible and imaginative in negotiating the deal, real estate agents and brokers from several states in the Northeast, South, Midwest and West told me. Various strategies can be employed to bring about successful, though unorthodox, deals.

2. Use warranty payment. A popular selling tool is the existing-home warranty. For a small amount, generally under \$500, a homeowner can provide what amounts to a year's service contract for heating, air-conditioning and other major systems in the home. The National Home Warranty Association says such a warranty results in homes selling much faster and for a better price. The buyer, though, would be well-advised to look closely at the warranty to determine whether it covers the most worrisome items in a home being considered. Often, a warranty sounds better than it actually is.

New home warranties are another matter. Wise the appliances and utility systems in your new home are covered by their individual guarantees, you will want additional assurance that the roof won't leak and the basement won't fill with water.

3. Check on lease options. Often, if a home has been on the market for some time, both the seller and buyer might consider this route, with a portion of each month's rent applying toward the down payment. In the event the option is exercised. This allows a buyer to build what amounts to equity in a home he or she does not yet own. It may be possible to negotiate a deal under which the lessee does restoration and repair work in the home, with the owner's supervision and with the value of the improvements applying to the purchase price.

4. Note pre-foreclosure purchases. Lenders do not like to engage in costly, expensive foreclosure proceedings. It sometimes is possible, especially in areas where the market is weak, to arrange to

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California's new anti-smog proposals call for ultra-clean cars by 2000

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Unprecedented anti-smog proposals introduced call for automakers and fuel industries to produce super-clean cars for California by the year 2000, a goal some earmarkers call impossible.

Southern California air quality officials view the proposed state regulations, designed to reduce statewide auto emissions by as much as two-thirds, as a crucial part in their efforts to meet federal clean air standards by the year 2007.

California motorists would be the first in the nation able to switch to low-polluting cars under the plan, which was formally unveiled at a meeting of the California Air Resources Board.

All fuel sources, including new gasolines, methanol, compressed natural gas, propane, ethanol and electricity, would be permitted as long as vehicles meet stricter emissions standards, officials said.

"The record is not calling for the standards, seeks to stretch to new lengths its longtime campaign to force automakers and fuel companies to advance their anti-pollution technology.

"In the past we have regulated the car industry and the fuel industry," board spokesman Bill Sessa said Thursday. "This is really an effort to regulate them at the same time. It will require an uncommon amount of cooperation between car and fuel makers and other energy suppliers to reach the goals we are targeting."

No action was taken during the hearing, held at the downtown state office building, as the board begins gathering reaction from various groups, including the Western States Petroleum Association, Pacific Gas & Electric, Southern California Gas Co. and Ford and General Motors and others.

The board will review the draft proposal, which was formulated by staff after consultation workshops with the auto and fuel industries, Sessa said.

A final draft of the pollution-cutting plan was expected by July, with a board vote possible in September. The proposal calls for oil and auto companies to join forces to develop new engines and fuels that produce fewer contaminating emissions.

The plan also calls for about 10 percent of all new cars sold in California each year between 1994 and 1996 to be cleaner-fuel models.

In 1997, one-quarter of new cars would have to operate on the cleaner fuels. The quota would increase to half of cars sold in 1998, and to 98 percent in 2000.

Automakers have complained that cars using methanol cost hundreds of dollars more to operate than those using gasoline.

"There are many ways to meet the standards; through a

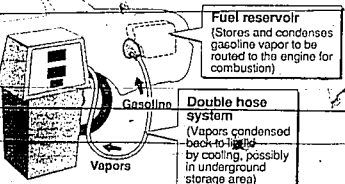
A driver's guide to auto emissions

Where a car releases air pollutants

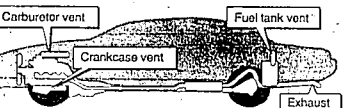
Properly tuned cars burn cleanly without serious emissions. In an out-of-tune car, the timing and air/fuel ratio may be off, increasing emissions. As cars age, cylinders wear so that pistons don't fit as well as they should. As the pistons go up and down, they may drag oil into the cylinder, where it doesn't belong. The oil burns poorly, producing sooty, blue exhaust.

At the pump

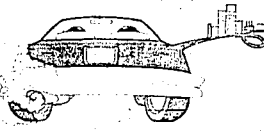
A few ounces of gasoline escape as vapor every time you fill up the car. Some experts say the amount of hydrocarbon isn't enough to worry about; others are asking for devices to recapture the evaporated gasoline.



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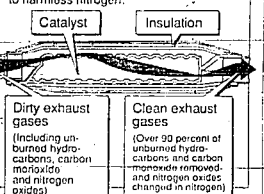


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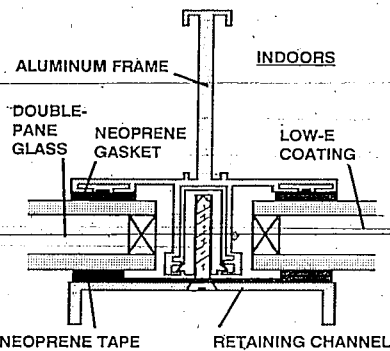
Catalytic converters

Catalytic converters help reduce the pollutants emitted from a car's engine by combining carbon monoxide and unburned hydrocarbons with oxygen to form carbon dioxide and water vapor. Cars equipped with this device use fuel that is free of lead and phosphorus, both of which can cause the catalyst to become inactive. Catalytic converters were first introduced in 1975 cars to meet federal emissions standards. Today's 3-way catalytic converters also convert nitrogen oxides to harmless nitrogen.



KRTM Intergovernmental ROSS-FLANIGAN, MARTHA THEARY Schwartz said cleaner-fuel cars could be introduced to state consumers in 1994 or 1995. But he said the auto industry needs at least until 1997 to meet any automotive fuels such as methanol or natural gas, Sessa said. Sessa, however, said the deadlines were reasonable.

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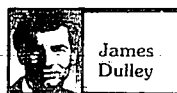
New greenhouses are easy to build

Q. I plan to add a sunspace (greenhouse) kit to my house myself. I want it for living space, but I would also like it to help heat my house. What types of designs and features should I consider in a sunspace kit?

—S.B.

A. Some of the new sunspace kits are very energy efficient and you should be able to easily build and attach one to your house yourself. With proper design, it should add some heat to your house on sunny winter days. One can also significantly add to the resale value of your house.

Generally, a vertical wall kit on the south-facing side of your sunspace is better than a slanted wall. Winter heat gain is not significantly reduced with a vertical wall because the sun is lower in the sky. In the summer with the sun higher in the sky, the vertical glazing reflects more of the sun's



James Dullely

heat. A solid opaque roof also helps control overheating.

There is a new inexpensive do-it-yourself convertible kit. It uses clear double-pane plastic panels that you replace with screens in the summer. Therefore, you can convert the sunspace into a cool screened porch.

The highest efficiency types of glass are low-E double pane or heat mirror. The heat mirror glass has a thin heat-loss-blocking film stretched in between the two glass pane. The low-E coating is on the film. This provides an insulation value of R-4 as compared to regular thermal

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Thanks a million

Christmas is a time for hope, not practicality

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

Dear Mr. Ross: I'm not sure how much you need to know about a person's situation to grant help — I've never written you. I have four children ages 7, 6, 4 and 3. Their father abandoned us two years ago and has never sent a penny for support.

When my two youngest can go to school, maybe I can learn a skill myself to get a good job. But for now I must live on Aid to Families with Dependent Children — it's the only way I can support all of us.

This year has been hard, even harder than last year, when I was married to write you for help. The kids grew out of their clothes so quickly. Rather than pay my utilities, I took that money and shopped at thrift stores for clothes. I fear after the first



Percy Ross

of the year, my electricity and phone will be shut off — but that's not why I'm writing.

All I want is to see my kids' faces light up on Christmas morning when they see that Santa has remembered them. I need money to get a tree and naturally to buy each of my kids a couple of presents. It might be asking a lot, but could you also include a little extra for food? I'd love to make us all a big Christmas dinner of turkey with all the trimmings — something we didn't have at Thanksgiving.

I hope you think I'm not greedy in asking for \$500 — it's just that giving my kids a decent Christmas this year might give us hope that life will get better. At least for one day. I can look at four glowing, happy faces filled with contentment. From the bottom of this mother's aching

heart — please help me, Mr. Ross, in making this Christmas special for my kids — they're all I have in this cold world.

— Mrs. C.B., Anywhere, U.S.A.

Dear Reader: I've received hundreds of letters this year similar to the one from Mrs. "B.," which explains why I list her from "Anywhere, U.S.A." It's been this way each Christmas since I started this column nearly seven years ago.

Approaching these requests with a sense of practicality, I began sending many families modest checks for the holidays, accompanied with my advice on how to spend the money. It did not include buying a Christmas tree and brightly colored wrapped packages to put beneath it.

Instead, I suggested that they pay past due utility bills and stock their cupboards with canned goods.

Rather than spend one day — Christmas Day — looking at ornamental symbolism to supposedly capture the spirit of this holiday, I figured, why not gain peace of mind knowing the utilities were paid and the security of having a cupboard full of food to last the next month?

So, after dispensing checks with this advice for the better part of a month, I coincided myself among those doing their part to fulfill "goodwill toward men." That was up until a couple of weeks ago, when I had a change of heart. Seems I had lost sight of what the holiday season is all about.

Christmas parallels the word "hope": Hope that a better tomorrow exists for us and our children; hope that disease, poverty and war will subside; hope that our lives beyond this world will be, indeed, eternal bliss.

This hope is needed by all and even more so by those who feel their last shred of hope has slipped through the cracks of their drabby, poorly insulated homes, unable to afford their heating bills.

So what advice do I send with my holiday checks now? Buy that Christmas tree and a set of lights and garland and ornaments and whatever else to trim it. And, yes, buy the kids those gifts and wrap them in brightly colored packages with big bows. And, skip the canned goods — buy that turkey with all the trimmings and have a holiday feast fit for a king.

That's how my message to Mrs. "B." reads, as does every other check I have sent within the last couple of weeks, because it dawned on me that having one day filled with the "holiday spirit" is worth more than a year's paid utility bill.

Let all of us demand that this spirit of hope and forgiveness in our hearts stays alive throughout the year. Christmas is more than just one day, it's an attitude that should prevail everyday of the year. Be it Dec. 25 or June 25, if we live each day as though it were Christmas Day, wasn't this be a better world for all?

Ho! Ho! Ho! From this Jewish Santa who just might buy himself a holiday tree for the first time this year, Merry Christmas to all and to all a Happy New Year!

You may write to Percy Ross c/o The Times-News, P.O. Box 35000, Minneapolis, Minn. 55435. Include a telephone number if you wish. All letters sent to Mr. Ross are read. Only a few are answered in this column, although others may be acknowledged privately.

Vacation plans cause for concern

Q: I am questioning a vacation certificate from out of state. How can I make sure it's a good offer? A: Persons who have received vacation certificate offers are advised to:

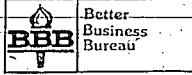
- Find out just what the package contains: Room? Transportation? When? Where?
- Ask exactly how much money must be put down, whether the deposit is refundable and how you obtain a refund. Are you responsible for any other charges?
- Get the name of the hotel and personally call ahead and confirm the reservations. Request written verification.
- Determine the value of any bonus coupons offered. Must you buy one if something before you can get another one free? Are "free" meals and gambling discounts available at reasonable hours in places that are not "out of the way"?
- How close are your hotel accommodations from the main attractions of the resort community?

• Do not give any company a check, cash or a credit card number until you are satisfied that the vacation offer is legitimate and you wish to precommit.

• If you take a tour arranged through a local travel agency, be sure to ask the above questions.

• If you attend a land sales presentation, obtain the Property Report (often required by federal law) read it and be sure you understand it before signing anything.

Q: How can I find out about working overseas? A: Anyone considering using a company for assistance in finding overseas employment should find out exactly what services the company will provide. Is the



company offering a list of companies that do business overseas, listings of job openings or actual job placement? Are lists that include employment opportunities current and up to date? Find out from the company what percentage of users get the job they desire, and get this information in writing. No employment firm can really make a guarantee of employment, and one should understand the company's refund policy in case a job is not found. Make sure oral promises are confirmed in writing. Determine from your state's Department of Labor or Office of the Attorney General if the company is required to be licensed. If it is, find out if it is properly registered.

Consumers may find names and addresses of overseas employers, from other sources such as from reference books, commonly available in libraries. They should also contact the nearest consulate of the country where they wish to work to determine the country's regulations and policies concerning the employment of foreigners.

Bob is the World Headquarters for several companies, so why not start inquiring locally?

"Consumer Watch" is a readers' service column. General interest questions will be answered here. Others will be answered by mail. Send questions to: BBB, 1333 W. Jefferson St. Boise, Idaho 83702.

Tax deferred annuity not a pension plan

Q: I am in my early 40s and plan on leaving my current job shortly. I know that when I leave my current employer, I will be forced to transfer the funds in my 401(k) tax deferred savings plan. Can you please tell me if it would be better to put these funds in an individual retirement account or in the pension plan offered by my new employer?

Carla Lazzareschi

well as investment opportunities not normally available to individual investors. However, when you turn your account over to the pension plan of your new employer, you may not like that. After considering these issues, only you can decide what strategy is best for you.

Q: If my husband dies before me, may I switch over to his Social Security account and receive benefits as his widow? I am 67 and have been collecting benefits on my own account since age 62.

A: Yes, because you are already over age 65, when your husband dies you may automatically switch to receiving benefits as his widow. You will receive 100 percent of what he has been receiving. You are entitled to make this switch regardless of whether you had been receiving benefits before turning 65 either as a spouse or on your own account.

been receiving. The exact amount of these benefits would be based on your age at the time of his death.

Can we start all over on the answer to a recent question on the same subject? As you may recall, the questioner wondered why she should be required to begin repaying in full her second trust deed on Dec. 5, just nine days after receiving the loan proceeds. We responded that mortgage interest payments are typically made in advance and that she was preparing for the month of December.

I spoke too hastily. While some lenders are switching to prepaid mortgage interest, we received numerous calls from members of the escrow, real estate and lending industries saying that our questioner was probably the victim of a mistake made by her lender. In fact, these people said, in the vast majority of real estate loans, interest payments are made for the prior month, not the month of the payment due.

Here's how a typical loan repayment schedule would work. Let's say you are getting a \$100,000

loan and the funds are being delivered to you on the 20th of December. Interest on the \$100,000 for the remainder of December would be deducted from the loan proceeds, but you would be required to repay the full \$100,000. Now, your first payment on the loan would not be due until Feb. 1, and it would cover January interest. So, although we can't be 100 percent sure, it is probable that our questioner should not have been required to make a mortgage payment until Jan. 5, and that the request for a payment on Dec. 5 was an error. Says Susan Heidenreich, a financial reporting manager at Downey Savings and Loan: "Everything points to the fact that the lender made a mistake and the lender should know any better. It happens more often than you would think."

Carla Lazzareschi cannot answer letters individually, but will respond to general financial questions of coloring interest. Please do not telephone. Write to: Your Money, Business Section, Los Angeles Times, Times Mirror Square, Los Angeles, Calif. 90053.

IRS, banking industry, in tussle over IRAs

The Washington Post
WASHINGTON — The Internal Revenue Service has turned down the heat on a dispute that has been simmering among the Labor Department, the banking industry and holders of individual retirement accounts.

At issue has been a Labor Department advisory opinion issued last summer concluding that if an IRA holder receives some extra services or benefits from a bank, he or she has an IRA account there, that is a "prohibited transaction" under federal pension law.

This appeared to mean that a person who gets, say, free checking from a bank for keeping an IRA there could lose all the tax benefits associated with the IRA and be sub-

ject to early withdrawal penalties as well.

The American Bankers Association (ABA), calling the Labor Department letter "a misguided technical interpretation of the law," asked the department to exempt banking services of this sort from the pension law's request that no such benefits be given.

Now the IRS, which would have to enforce any tax consequences of Labor Department rulings, says it won't do anything until the issue is resolved at Labor.

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"Since banks have some \$104 billion in IRA and Keogh plan deposits, the letter is of major importance to the banks and to a large number of account holders.

"We are very pleased," an ABA spokesman said, "that the service is taking a strong position for the banking industry."

Bankers are concerned not only because of the volume of deposits involved but because the Labor let-

ter would strike at the heart of the type of "relationship banking" that the IRS is trying hard to foster.

The bankers' goal is to establish a relationship within which a bank cuts or waives certain fees and provides extra services for the customer who brings a substantial amount of business to the bank.

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Both the ABA and individual bankers took the IRS's action as a favorable omen of future Labor Department action.

"Since IRS ruled favorably with Labor Department agreement, it seems the IRS is in a very favorable position to act positively when it gets around to setting this, said the ABA spokesman.

There were a few restrictions in the IRS announcement, but the ABA

spokesman called them "routine" and indicated that most banks and their customers would not be affected by them.

Among them are requirements that any special services that an IRA customer gets must be available to other bank customers, and that the services must not result in a reduced yield on the IRA.

Jaguar unveils super-fast car

LONDON (AP) — Jaguar PLC says it will start producing a limited edition of a \$576,000 car that can attain speeds more than 200 mph.

Chairman Sir John Egan said Thursday that the car, the XJ220, is as exciting as Jaguar's D-type, which was introduced in the 1950s.

The concept model was first revealed at the International Motor Show last year, and consumer interest was strong, Egan said.

Fifty engineers were already working on the project, he said. The car will be available in left-hand and right-hand drive.

"After this we might look at another model, but super cars could follow if there is a demand," he said. He added that more than 200 new jobs would be created when production started at a new factory in western England.

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Let's Talk Real Estate with Jane George

EVALUATING ENERGY NEEDS
When a person moves into a new home, it is a good idea to contact the GEM State Utility company in evaluating the home's heating and cooling systems.

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Credit card companies eyeing health care as next frontier

Newspay
For years, Jennifer Leigh taught the dark stains on her teeth, caused by antibiotics she took as a child. But until recently, she couldn't afford to do anything about them.

Leigh, an Elmhurst, N.Y., resident who is starting modeling school this month and works as a bartender, responded to a TV commercial for low-cost cosmetic dentistry that promised help with financing.

Now she is having her teeth laminated with porcelain at Complete Cosmetic Dental Care, a large Manhattan practice, and charging it on a special dental credit card called Dent-A-Med. She's not concerned about the 19.5 percent interest charge; what matters is that she can afford the monthly payments.

"Who's going to dish out \$5,000?" said Leigh, who is paying \$140 a month, over two years, for the work done so far.

American consumers are consummate credit card users, charging purchases as various as hamburgers, airline tickets and new wardrobes. Now, with medical bills coming away \$160 billion a year from our collective pocketbooks — the amount not paid by private or government-insurance — credit card companies are eyeing the doctor's office and other health care providers as the next great credit card frontier.

Patients such as Leigh are whipping out credit cards in small, but growing, numbers, from the major credit

cards to specialized medical and dental cards, for the privilege to pay over time. In some cases, they are actually earning annual rates as high as 21 percent for access to credit that might otherwise be denied them and the opportunity to pay in small chunks.

Experts cite several favorable trends for the business. Health care costs are continuing to rise at double-digit rates. Patients are picking up more of the costs themselves, as employers increase co-payments and deductibles and insurers restrict, and sometimes reject, reimbursement. More doctors, tired of being in the collection business, are demanding up-front payments from patients.

With the costs of running a practice on the rise, many doctors are happy to take credit cards, knowing they won't have to deal with bounced checks or carry receivables on their books for months on end.

And in dentistry, particularly, where many procedures are elective and insurance coverage is often non-existent, many patients never return to have recommended work done.

"Except for fear, finances are always the reason," said Dr. Leonard Goldstein, a New York dentist who accepts three major credit cards, as well as two specialty cards — Dencharge and Optix, a new, card-made available in New York City — for dental services, such as fees and service charges, which average around 5 percent, because it saves his office postage, billing and collection costs.

down payment. Owner financing requires that you completely educated about the prospects for the housing market in your region. More than one owner provided a mortgage that resulted in a default, only to discover that home values had dropped and there was no hope of recovering the difference. While the borrowers is responsible for the difference, collecting it can be difficult.

Sylvia Porter writes on matters of interest to consumers. Her column appears in The Times-News every Thursday.

Porter

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take over the payments on a home. 5. Find out about mortgage insurance. You may be able to get or assume an existing FHA or VA mortgage, or in some cases, you may be able to get private mortgage insurance which will reduce the size of the down payment.

You also may be able to contract for the deed of the home. In this situation, you make payments over a specified period, which are installment toward the down payments. Once the payments are made you

have the right to buy the home at a price negotiated at the time the contract was arranged. While this system offers a way to sell — or buy — a home that has stagnated on the market, it is vulnerable to abuse, and the contract should be carefully negotiated by skilled real estate lawyers for both parties.

6. Note owner financing. Too, if a sale contract is arrived at that seems satisfactory in every other respect, you may consider becoming the lender of last resort. This may involve a higher than market interest rate, but be more flexible on the

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glass at R-19. Double-pane clear plastics are also good and shatter-proof.

You can get special thermostatically-controlled fans. These switch on automatically when the sun gets warm enough to help heat the rest of your house. In the summer, you can redirect the fans to vent the warm air outdoors when it gets too hot in your sunspace. For convenience, select a kit that includes different efficiency accessories to fit its design.

You can write to me for LITJIFY BILLS UPDATE No. 123 showing a list of manufacturers of energy-efficient sunspace kits, types of glass and frame materials that offers; manufacturers of energy-efficient accessories for sunspaces; and information on the convertible sunspace/porch kit. Please include \$1 and a self-addressed business-sized envelope.

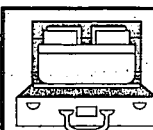
Q: I don't understand why it is important to insulate a floor above a crawl space or basement or insulate under a slab? It seems like a waste of money because heat flows up, not down.

A: Heat flows equally in all directions — up, down, and horizontal. You feel more heat above a hot object because hot air is less dense and rises. In addition to reducing the heat loss through a floor, insulation keeps the floor materials warmer and you feel warmer. Nothing makes you feel cooler than cold feet. When you feel chilly, you often turn up the thermostat, which increases your monthly utility bills.

"Cut Your Utility Bill" appears in The Times-News every Thursday. Please address questions to James Dulley, The Times-News, 6006 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45244.

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CORRESPONDENTS

Needed: One to cover Glenn Ferry area and one for Eden, Hazelton and Murrough area... Correspondent to cover... Correspondent to cover... Correspondent to cover...

Selected Offers-Real Estate-Rentals

007-054

Homes For Sale

CLASSIFIED YOUR REAL ESTATE MARKET

The Times-News CLASSIFIEDS 733-0626

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ANNOUNCEMENTS RENTALS

- 001 Florists
002 Lost & Found
003 Social Notices
004 Kids Corner
005 Memorial Notices
006 Personals

SELECTED OFFERS

- 007 Jobs of Interest
008 Sales People
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010 Child Care Services
011 Babysitters Wanted
016 Employment Wanted
017 Business Opportunities
018 Income Properties
020 Money Wanted
021 Investments
025 Real Estate For Sale

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

- 029 Open Houses
030 Homes For Sale
031 Out of Town Homes
032 Built/Fixer Homes
033 Kitchen/Bathrooms Homes
034 Vacation Property
035 Mobile Homes For Sale

007-Jobs of Interest

MANAGER TRAINEE
Handwritten advertisement for a manager trainee position, detailing requirements and contact information.

007-Jobs of Interest

Handwritten advertisement for a job opportunity, mentioning 'TECHNICAL WANTED' and 'ATTENTION READERS'.

007-Jobs of Interest

Handwritten advertisement for a job opportunity, mentioning 'THE WINDBREAK' and 'Year-round help'.

007-Jobs of Interest

Handwritten advertisement for a job opportunity, mentioning 'RN's or LPN's' and 'NEEDED IMMEDIATELY'.

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Handwritten advertisement for a job opportunity, mentioning 'Professional Services' and 'AMERICAN Personnel & Temporary'.

Classified Line Ad Deadlines:
5:00 pm Monday through Friday for next day's publication
12:00 Noon Saturday for Sunday's and Monday's publication

Classified Display Ad Deadlines:
3 business days prior to publication. Call a Times-News Advertising Sales Rep. for more info.

Classified Private Party Rates*
See order form for our standard rates
Classified-Specials:
Guaranteed Ads - regular 7 day rates, pay for 1 week, 2nd week free.

Additional line ad details:
Student Discount - 1/2 off all rates
Memorial Notices - 12 lines, \$5, 1 day
Free Ads - lost & found, items to give away, 3 lines, 3 days - Wanted to Buy, up to 30 days per insertion

Additional line ad details:
Add \$1.00 for each ad, 5 lines or less or \$2 for each ad, 6 lines or more that runs Sunday, to be included in our Penny-Saver.
Get details on specials by calling a Times-News classified advisor.

Please check your ad the first day it appears. In case of error, report it to the Classified Dept. to receive an adjustment.
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010 Employment Wanted

Handwritten advertisement for employment, mentioning 'Housekeeping, dependable, reliable service, laundry'.

017 Business Opportunities

Handwritten advertisement for business opportunities, mentioning 'ATTENTION READERS' and 'If you have had problems with any products or services'.

018 Income Property

Handwritten advertisement for income property, mentioning '2-4 bedrooms, plus adjoining 2 1/2 bath house'.

021 Investments

Handwritten advertisement for investments, mentioning 'BUYING... Real Estate, and Deeds of Trust'.

025 Instruction

Handwritten advertisement for instruction, mentioning 'Acting classes taught by Brian McConkey'.

030 Homes For Sale

Handwritten advertisement for homes for sale, mentioning 'All 1 level 4+plex unit, excel cond, lots of extras'.

SIT BY THE FIRE!

Handwritten advertisement for a home, mentioning '2 1/2 baths, family room, fireplace, and part basement'.

014 Childcare Services

Handwritten advertisement for childcare services, mentioning 'Babysitting in my home, 10 hrs. in 1 hr. week'.

016 Employment/Wanted

Handwritten advertisement for employment/wanted, mentioning 'Seeking long-term employment for role Division, 20+ years exp'.

045 Mobile Homes
1974 Silvercrest 24 x 60, great heat, AC, dock, storage & carport, excellent. Lazy J, \$36,500 or best of all. Call 734-4959 even.

OVERSTOCKED!
60 in stock Seven double, heavy 14 wheels, eight 12 wheels, two 10 wheels, 10 travel trailers, 3 motor homes.

10% down approved credit. We trade for cars, snow machines, boats, lawn, farm machinery or most anything of value to help you with your down payment.

Brockman's Mobile Homes

Hwy 93 & Interstate 84 734-3167...324-4203

Rentals

051 Unfurnished Houses
1 bedroom, appliances, carpet, new, \$500. Call 733-4796.

2 bedroom, 2 bath, new carpet, large yard, \$275 per month. Call 733-5724 evenings.

2 bedroom with open office or den, sun deck, nice yard, washer and dryer hook-up, dishwasher, range, cutting, swimming pool, \$275 per month. No pets. 733-4472.

3 bedroom 1 bath, 498 Highway 93, \$340. 833-2229.

3 bedroom, 1 bath, fireplace. No pets. \$350 per month + \$150 deposit. Call 734-4455.

3 bedroom home in Buhi, gas heat, W/D hook-up, washer, sewer & sanitation furnished. \$270 plus dep, no pets, roll required. 326-4730 days, 326-4740 even.

4 bed, 2 bath in Jerome, \$350 + dep. 326-4419.

A120. Beautifully remodeled 2 bed home with detached back yard, \$350. 734-5585.

Three M Property Mgmt. 3 bedroom house in Twin Falls. Available January 1. Call 326-4764 evenings.

038 Acreage & Lots
2.50x150' lots in South Park. Owner will finance, payment cheaper than rent. 733-0586.

5 private acres, pasture or home site, trees, 5 shares water. SW of Jerome, \$16,200. Call 733-0051.

Get an angle on the camera equipment you've always wanted. Rent classified. Call 733-0626.

044 Vacation Property
Timelinks. 1 week in Salt Lake City, excellent location, week flexible with bonus price. Available. Call 733-6854.

045 Mobile Homes
10x55, \$2600. Owner will finance. 734-9586.

WINTER SPECIAL
Idaho's largest dealer will not be undersold on any new available, well equipped 1990 Malibu 3 bedroom, 2 bath only \$27,900 delivered and set up.

BOISE HOME CENTER
4th & Chinden 326-3741

CLASSIFIED WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?

Perhaps....
Illustration of a truck with 'The Times-News Classifieds' on the side.

Pay Schedule

Table with 2 columns: Number of Days, Charge per line. Rows include 1-3 days, 4-7 days, 8-15 days, 16-30 days.

For each Sunday insertion, add \$.11 if ad is 5 or less lines; add \$.22 if ad is 6 or more lines.

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052 Furnished Apts. & Duplexes
Small, 1 bedroom furnished apartment, water and central heat, \$150 a month with \$100 deposit. Call 734-6234, lower mortgage.

054 Unfurnished Apts. & Duplexes
1 & 2 bedroom apts. QUIET LUXURY. LG walk in closets, AC, Lawn, walk appliances, 1724 Addison, 733-0729. Apt 304, manager 734-1192.

2 bedroom apt in 17th/19th building, \$275 per month, \$75 cleaning deposit. All utilities paid. Located at 249 Park St. Call 734-6977.

3 bedroom 2 bath, appliances furnished, washer & dryer, central heat, carpeted, carpet, water, gas, water, central heat, \$435/mo. 733-8779.

AAA CLEAN 3 bedroom, 1 bath, water, central heat, gas, central air conditioning. Call 733-3569.

Attractive 1 & 2 bedroom apts, w/appl, DW, nice yard, central air conditioning, furnished appliances, available immediately. EHO Wendenon 516-6244.

1724 Addison E 733-0729. Cozy 2 bed apt, all major appliances included, low price. Home Rentals Property Mgt 734-7291.

Studio & 1 bedroom, includes hot water, sanitation, yard, central air conditioning, Colonial Appliances, 2034th St-NW 733-8653.

THE FALLS APARTMENTS

1 and 2 bedrooms. Family size community. 734-6600. PM 5:15.

Very nice 2 bedroom, new location, appliances, furnished. Call 734-8128.

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If you are unable to call or come by the Times-News office, simply clip and mail this order form to our classified department so that we can get your ad started without delay.
Please print clearly with dark pencil or pen (including blank spaces) per line.
Please pay according to rate schedule which is printed below.

Please run my ad in classification # for days. (Print one character per space please, including blank spaces.)

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Bill me (Magic Valley area only)
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Bill my VISA or Master Charge (Circle one)
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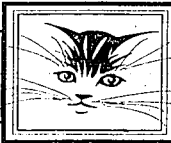
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All electric 2 bdrm duplex, wood stove, garage, fenced yard. \$290. 638 Eastland, Call 733-1149.

055 Roommates Wanted

M/F to share nice home. 734-8311 after 5 pm.

057 Rental Mobile Homes

12 x 66 all electric, 2 bdrm 1 bath, stove & ref, \$240 deposit, no pets. Skyline Park, Call 733-6607.

058 Office & Business Rental

For sale or lease: office building, 705 Filmore, TF, Call 801-572-3426 exts.

059 TRY THE LYWOOD

For prime retail/office space. We have several new available. 733-2992.

060 Warehouse & Storage Rental

MAGIC VALLEY STORAGE Near MV Mall 736-0053.

063 Wanted to Rent

Responsible adult looking to rent small shop approx 30' x 30' or two-car garage. Call 734-0093 or 324-4800.

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Free: chess pictures, Washington school, 1967's.

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Tandy 1000 winner 8 dot matrix printer, Deskmate & light sensitive software. All one, manuals & packaging. Dick's Joy Disk. Everything you need! Like new, \$1700 value for \$700. 733-6569.

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THE ACES ON BRIDGE BOBBY WOLFF

"Knowledge is power, if you know it about the right person." - Ethel W. Mumford.

It's a rare situation when one can gamble on making a slam after the opponents have opened the bidding. But there are advantages. Knowing where the cards are will cut down on the number of losing fineses.

This hand was dealt at the last European Championships, with very few pairs reaching the aggressive slam. In the women's series, not only did Bettina Kalkerp and Kirsten Steen-Moller of Denmark reach it, but Kalkerp scored the needed 12 tricks by using the information supplied by West's skinny opening bid.

South won her spade ace and cashed the heart ace, West dropping the king. The false-card didn't deter South - she knew where the outstanding high cards were. The spade king came next, and a spade was ruffed in dummy. Three rounds of clubs came next, with West discarding, since she would have no safe exit if she ruffed. No matter - Kalkerp continued with a low trump to West's queen and claimed her slam when West was forced to concede a free finesse in diamonds or offer a ruff and discard in spades.

Kalkerp never even considered the possibility of a diamond finesse. Why take a finesse that you know is bound to lose?

Bridge bidding table with North and South hands and dealer West.

Vulnerable: East-West Dealer: West The bidding: West North East South

BID WITH THE ACES South holds: Q 1 8 7 6 4 K Q K 7 2 9 6

ANSWER: Three diamonds over clubs to further describe this minimum opening.

Send bridge questions to The Aces, P.O. Box 2363, Dallas, Texas 75221, with self-addressed, stamped envelope for reply.

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070 Wanted To Buy

BUYING: scrap gold jewelry, diamonds, sterling silver-ware, pocket watches, silver dollars, coin collectors, etc.

Wanted: 1957 or 1958 Chevy convertible in any condition.

Wanted: 710 EVL Echo chihuahua, any condition.

WANTED: Concrete drill, skid loader, Bobcat Shepherd puppy, pit car, and dairy. Call 734-7896.

Wanted: Oranges, any equipment or necessities, anything in a box. Call 734-5163.

Wanted: IBM display unit TEXTPACK II, responsible.

Wanted: long-haired gray roan horse, call 734-7896.

Wanted: RAMBLER American car parts 733-7626.

Wanted: Reyon furniture, reasonably priced, prefer natural finish 423-5435.

Wanted: responsible priced load of milk 837-7896.

Wanted: set of 6 holo-Chery 434 Rally wheels. Call 825-5249.

Wanted to buy: D-G grey bulldozer. Call 734-8371.

Wanted: trail tractor in good shape. 15-11. 734-5163.

Wanted: used steel main line 10' or longer 324-8704.

Wanted: vehicle editor for 65 hundred pound load, low-mile on standard pickup truck with 2 bat. 734-6611 or 898-2365.

Want to buy 1955 custom, mile wheel line with big wheels. Call 733-0990.

Want to buy 300 Homelite chain saw. Call 734-2749.

Want to buy: camper shell, 60" wide by 90" long, cab heater. Call 323-5374.

072 Antiques

2nd Victorian antique Chocor Ann chairs, \$140 each. Call 837-6194.

Hoopler, secretary, china cabinet & dresser, each 50% off. 734-2986 exts.

073 Musical Instruments

Baldwin piano, \$800. Call 734-8922 or 324-4999.

Cana choir organ w/summit rhythm Leslie speakers and bench, excellent condition. Call 342-2262, Jerome.

Reconditioned pianos, upright, player, grand, terms available. Call 734-7961.

Used trumpet, like new, \$150. 423-4854 evenings.

076 Office Equipment

Used copiers & FAX machines guaranteed as new. 733-6389 ask for Gabriel.

076 Office Equipment

Executive desk & chair, 2 side chairs, bookcase, 2-drawer file cabinet, 4 topical plant. local office set-up. \$325. Call 734-8992.

For sale: Savin 840 copy machine & telephone answering machine. Call after 8:30 pm. 537-0293.

The Communications Mentor 612 Key Telephone System. System can accommodate 6 lines and 12 phones. System includes: 1 KSU, 1 Signaling and 1 Many features. \$850. Call Jeff at 487-2545.

077 Home Entertainment

New entertainment center, \$69.95.

Cain's Clearance Center 733-7111.

RENT A NEW TV! Own a new television by renting. No credit check - 204 Mann Ave North, Boise - 733-7111.

079 Appliances

20" Wastehinge range, Harvest gold, \$125. Whirlpool washer: \$125. Both ex-cold cond. delivery included. Inl. \$75. Call 734-0670.

GUARANTEED! The lowest prices in Idaho. Call on all new and used appliances in stock. (including Whirlpool, Kelvinator, Lilton & Holport) 100% finan. avail. with no payments in loan, charges until Feb. on all Whirlpool appliances. (C.A.C.) IDAHO ELECTRIC CO., 318 So. Lincoln, Jerome 834-4431, 726-0021. (Solo prices & terms end Dec. 31, 1989).

New Kelvinator freezer, 21 cu. ft., \$499.95.

Cain's Clearance Center 733-7111.

Used refrigerator, \$199.95 or rent on \$6/week.

Cain's Clearance Center 733-7111.

081 Furniture & Carpets

Carpets: Approximately 32 yards of vaquero green with plaid, 10' x 12', 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" and small hat, \$60. Approximately 11 yards of nylon blue shag with pad, \$25. All in good condition. 543-6575.

Cream colored kitchen table, set, 6 chairs, with blue upholstery. Call 733-0602.

Headboards from \$19.95.

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Now drop local desk, \$199.95.

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Now highboy 5 drawer chest drawers \$99.95.

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Now highboy china hutch, \$49.95.

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Now night stands from \$29.95.

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Used queen cot, sleeper, futon, \$249.95 or rent on \$6/week.

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081 Furniture & Carpets

Furniture and appliances for sale. Call 734-2001.

082 Building Materials

4 All Steel Buildings. Factory year old close outs. Last chance \$24,319. Last sale thousands. 30250, 40275, 50100, 60100. Brand new, call deliver. Sale good thru Dec. 31. (260) 733-3031.

Lumber & Paint Paint supplies West End Sales Co. Call 543-6455.

Pools, rough lumber, rough beams, call 324-1151.

RED CEDAR, siding, lumber wall covering. D-P Lumber 324-8120. EvenWeekends.

084 Tools

Foley-Bolsaw: saw & tool sharpening equip. almost new equipment. 543-4048.

086 Firewood

Firewood, \$95 split or \$75 in the round, delivered. Call 734-2749.

Firewood by the cord or by the ton. Dry firelog pole pine-Evansville, 324-3114.

TREE REMOVAL/CHAINSAW WORK. 734-4776.

090 Pools & Appliances

AKC Akita puppies, good personalities. Weekends or evenings, call 324-1151.

AKC Boxer pups, brown & white, tails & dew claws docked. Champion bloodlines. Call 734-8462.

AKC Mini Schnauzers, 12 weeks, shots, eyes cropped, champion pedigree. Call 208-232-4191, evenings.

AKC Mini Schnauzer, photo. Thompson. 352-4666.

AKC Shih-Tzu, 6 weeks old, \$200-300. Call 352-4466.

Board your little ones with us over the holidays. Happy Holidays! Stafford Vet-Med-Clinic, 734-7979.

CAT FOOD

32 ounce Cat Maintenance 20lbs. \$21.49.

Globe Seed & Feed Co. Twin Falls, ID.

Chinese Shar Poi puppies. 801-782-2011 or 734-7726.

COMING SOON!

ELECTRIC HEATER - 300 watt bulb - \$29.99 each.

Globe Seed and Feed Co. Twin Falls, ID.

For sale: 2 AKC Silky Terrier, female puppies. \$250. Call 734-4163.

Golden Retriever AKC, 8 weeks, with shots, \$100. Good looking, great dispositions and excellent hunters. Call 837-4815 evenings.

Parkette & Cocklepie Locally raised, 253 7th Ave-penn East or call 733-6954.

Purebred English Setter pups for sale! Will be ready Dec. 12, \$100 each. Call 537-6616 after 6pm.

Registered, miniature German Shepherd puppies, 4 females, 2 males. 543-4476.

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Kids outgrown their still good, usable toys and things? Sell them by using The Times-News Classifieds. Not only will you jack up your cash supply the easy way, but you will also make some other kids very happy!

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090-140

- 090 Pels & Supplies**
Sawhorse chains, \$25 each. Will deliver. Call Jackie Pet 702-255-2305.
- DOG FOOD**
Scientific Diet Maintenance 40 lbs., \$26.95
Cibbo Squad & Feed Co. Twin Falls ID
- Yellow Lab puppies, 9 wks/first shots, \$100.00. Call 734-1727. \$250.00. Call 734-1727.
- Farmers Market**
- 097 Hay, Grain & Feed**
1000 ton of straw in big square bales, will sell any amount. Call 356-8052.
- 1100 big Hoxton straw bales, clean, Coor's barley straw, \$25 per ton. Loading and/or trucking available. Call Grant Jennings 788-4967 or Dale Ewerton 788-3776. Only minor evens.
- 2nd cut of 2nd cutting hay and oat hay, \$65 a ton, 324-3919 after 5:30 pm.
- 2nd crop alfalfa approx 15 tons, no rain, \$1000. Call 825-5685 evenings.
- 310 ton 1st, 2nd & 3rd. Call 733-1488.
- 400 ton dairy hay; also straw, deliver Jerome area. Call 324-5167.
- 50-ton grain corn—19-15% moisture, \$5.50/cwt. deliver. Call 542-8789.
- Alfalfa hay, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 500 tons. Call 366-2233.
- Check custom farming help? Need our Service Director, published daily in Times-News Classifieds.
- 099 Farms For Rent**
Wanted: Cash or share crop rent, 40-160 acres in Buhy Flair area. Call 543-4004 after 6 pm.
- 102 Cattle**
1-45 day old Holstein heifer calves. Call 324-8559.
- 70 head Holstein spenglers, calves in Feb. 543-8789.
- 8 brood heifers, 10 brood cows, Hereford/Angus cross. Call 733-8842.
- Custom head trimmings, (dairy). Call 733-8795.
- 103 Dairy Equipment**
Chorebay milk releaser large flocculation tank, 1000 gal. with controls—complete \$550-4920.
- Del G Heronbone stalls, w/ gates & feed pans, 8 gutt. for grades, 3 60-day used 5 units. \$2000. 543-4300.
- Have Dairies Available 1000-700 cow. Call Marva, 324-5441.
- Landmark Realty
- 104 Horses**
8 year old bay Quarterhorse mare, 5 year old registered Morgan breeding, 5500 each. Call 543-3048.
- 9 yr. old all around ranch horse, 5 yr old corner 7 yr old black, 7-year-old. All 4 types of HORSES bought and sold. We buy kept horses. Call 733-6055. cash only. 733-6055.
- Want to buy all kinds of horses. Also, good saddle horses for sale or trade. 408-6282. 436-8565
- 105 Horse Equipment**
1978 Hay 2-horse trailer, fully enclosed, excellent condition. Call 543-4048.
- Complete year end close-out on all 1000's & 900 lbs. Farm Equipment in stock. Horse and cattle trailers for \$2950 and up.
- DICK DEY**
Oldsmobile-Buick-Iezuzu 324-8721.
- Kiefer bulk C & B and Cicks J horse and stock trailers. We trade, w/ finance. Farms Exchange, 1200 E. Twin Falls, Idaho. 733-3961.
- 106 Swine**
Winner pigs \$95. 536-2776.
- 112 Irrigation**
Steel pipe new and used. Rocky Mountain Industries, Jerome. 324-2142.
- 2500 ft. 3 in aluminum main line, 50 hp pump & motor, 40 hp turbine motor (robotic). Call 324-8727.
- 113 GATED PIPE**
New and used
Underground pipe
Concrete fabricator
AMOTH IRRIGATION AND SUPPLIES
1 mile west of Twin Falls, 543-4777.
- Wanted: used steel main line 10" or larger. 324-8794.
- 114 Farm Implements**
1982 2590 Case tractor for sale. Call for appointment 678-0208.
- Wanted: used 3 pt. or pull-type disk, JD 55 trail mower, or any brand trail hang-on or 3 pt. disk mower, 8 pt. 1 bottom plow, post-hole digger, small loader, old Farm-hydrolic, PTO pump and reservoir, small Ford, Massey Ferguson, Case or IH tractor with or without front loader, Super M IH tractor, old road grader, cult. blade, 2 approximately 1955 Dodge or Ford 4 wheel drive, dual 1 ton truck with big engine or small drive. Call 324-5858.
- We buy, sell, trade, and re-build New Holland baler wagons. Call 423-4552.
- WE REBUILD Hydraulic**
Pumps & AUGUST'S AUTO SUPPLY, 305 Shoshone Street South, Twin.

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1990 RANGER 3 4X2
• 2.3L EFI engine • Full ladder frame • 5-speed transmission • Cargo box light • Trip odometer • Double wall construction • I-Beam suspension • Gas filled shocks • Temperature, oil pressure & ammeter gauges • Power brakes • Rear anti-lock brakes • MUCH MORE

1990 ESCORT PONY
• 1.9 L EFI engine • Front wheel drive • 5 speed manual transmission • Electronic AM radio w/lock • Cloth seats • 4 wheel independent suspension • Power brakes • P175/70R14 radial tires • MUCH MORE

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R.R. DISCOUNT... **\$1694**
NOW ONLY... **\$12,477**

1990 FORD TAURUS 4 DOOR SEDAN
Equipped With: • Cloth split bench seat • Power steering • Power brakes • 3.0 EFI V-6 engine • AM/FM stereo cassette w/lock radio • Speed control • Air Conditioning • Air bag supplemental restraint system • Automatic overdrive transmission

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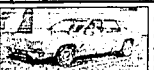
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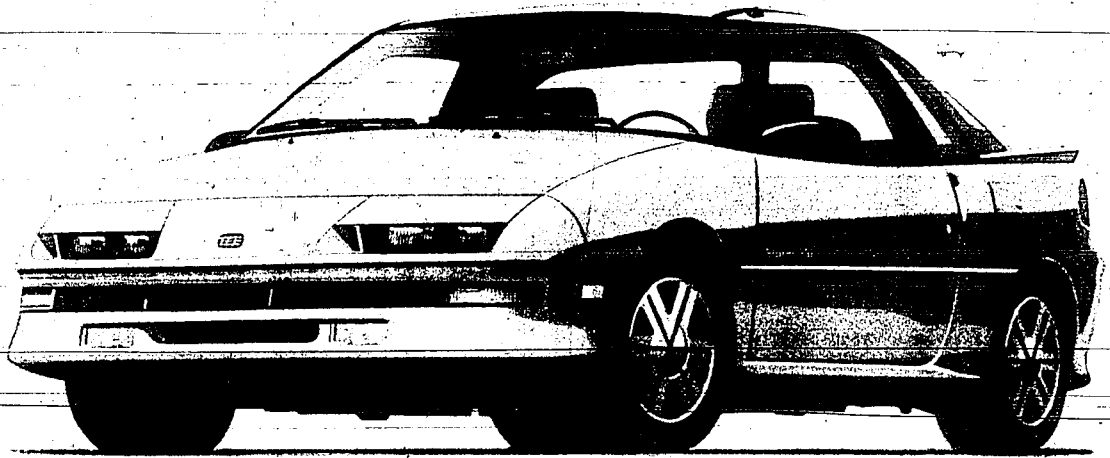


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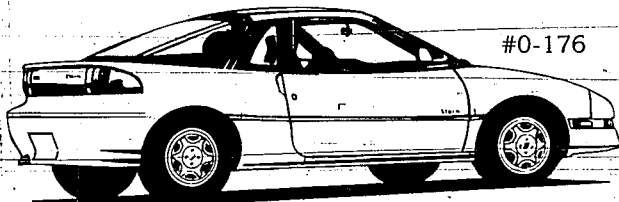
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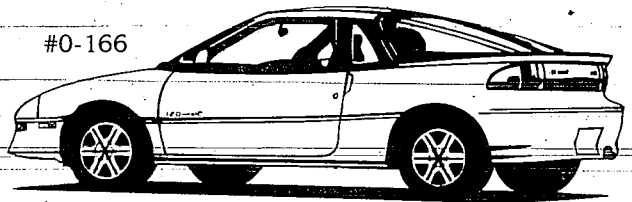
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MORNING LINE

Good morning. It's Thursday, December 28.

Wednesday's scores

Basketball

Prep girls'

Oakley Holiday Tournament:
Jerome 46, Oakley 40
Elko-Nev. 61, Valley 41

College

N. Carolina 81, Florida 72
S. Carolina 66, Boston 62
Oregon 51, 60, Boston 41
Indiana 75, Wichita 54
Texas A&M 64, Joplin, Mo. 61
Georgia Tech 69, Morehead St. 67
Pittsburgh 97, Oklahoma St. 81
Arizona 73, Clemson 71
West Virginia 68, Boston College 64
Florida 20, New Orleans 14
La Salle 74, Ohio St. 62
Villanova 75, Clemson 71
New Mexico 82, East Carolina 61
Oklahoma 102, James Madison 100
Texas Tech 90, North Alabama 66
Southern 11, Dayton 100
Missouri 71, Memphis 52
North Carolina 121, Kentucky 110
Purdue 105, Brockley Col. 64
St. John's 77, Howard U. 65

NBA

San Antonio 107, Washington 97
Indiana 108, Orlando 101
Detroit 91, Cleveland 82
Los Angeles 107, Houston 101
Dallas 114, Atlanta 101
Philadelphia 91, Seattle, late
Boston at Sacramento, late

Sportslate

Today

PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL
Football at Burley, 8 p.m.
Oakley Holiday Tournament, Oakley:
Elko, Nev., vs. Jerome, 6 p.m. (championship)
Oakley vs. Valley, 6:30 p.m. (consolation)

Sports on TV

6 p.m. — Channel 13, College football: All-American
10 p.m. — Channel 13, College basketball: Texas Star
Classic championship game, Lanes TBA.

Briefly

Elko, Jerome make Oakley tourney finals

The Times News

OAKLEY — Elko, Nev., and Jerome battled their way into the finals of the Oakley Holiday girls' basketball tournament here Wednesday night.

Elko jumped out to a 16-point half-time lead and went on to beat Valley's Vikings 61-41 while Jerome pulled away in the closing minutes to turn back host Oakley 45-40.

In tonight's closing round, Oakley and Valley will meet at 6:30 p.m. for the consolation title while Elko and Jerome play for the championship at 8 p.m.

Elko simply had too much firepower for Valley, particularly in the opening half when the Indians built up a 32-16 lead. That expanded to 20 points by the end of the third period and stayed there until the end.

Oakley, with Jennifer Hardy getting 18 points, led Jerome after the first quarter 14-12 but the Tigers held sway by margin amounts the rest of the way.

Jerome took advantage of a two and one-half minute scoring lapse by Oakley to build an eight-point lead midway through the third quarter but the Hornets fumbled back to within one at the buzzer.

Elko 61, Valley 41
Elko — 12-24 31-45
Valley — 6-10 20-41
Elko — Jerome 2, Detmer 14, Cogan 4, Dunning 8, Lingo 10, Olsen 2, Hovey 10, Simpson 1, Turner 9, Powers 2, Totals 20-15 25-61
Jerome — Detmer 7, Distingay 4, Morris 6, Kohler 11, Clark 6, Schwanz 2, Jones 2, Totals 15-33 12-41

Jerome 45, Oakley 40
Jerome — 12-24 31-45
Oakley — 6-10 20-41
Jerome — Peterson 10, Dunning 3, Thompson 9, Olsen 2, Morris 10, Clark 6, Hovey 10, Simpson 1, Turner 9, Powers 2, Totals 15-33 12-41

SportsQuote

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Before we were behind the 8-ball. Now I guess the pool table's on top of us.

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— Brian King, Boise State senior guard, on the fact that the Broncos have just eight healthy varsity players remaining after the departure of starting point guard Rafael Peterson.

Buhl's Wilson grows into big-time basketball

By LARRY HOVEY
Times-News writer



Kyle Wilson has helped the Eagles rise above their opponents

TWIN FALLS — When you're a better student than basketball player early in your collegiate career, the logical alternative is re-shirting. But when you're a good student at a community college that is designed for two years and advancement, the problem is finding classes.

Buhl High School graduate Kyle Wilson is putting together too many credits to transfer to a four-year school — but that's no problem because he's built himself into a basketball player who will be getting a good choice of four-year schools and the attending education.

It doesn't surprise Wilson that he always did well in the classroom. It kind of did that his basketball was found wanting a little at one point.

Wilson, a 6-foot, 6-inch sharpshooter, had good success as a Buhl Indian and before. As a youngster he excelled in the old Elks Hoop Shoot, which is merely shooting free throws. He did well enough from the line that as a 12-year-old he advanced all the way to the national finals and finished eighth at Indianapolis.

Points were never a problem for him, playing inside where he usually could turn around at will and shoot his soft jumper over a shorter defender.

And there were plenty of people around to tell him he was going places in the game. But unlike many other Magic Valley hoopsters with the apparent talent to play on a national junior college level, Wilson wanted to come to the College of Southern Idaho.

"When I was going to high school I came over here to all the games. I could get it," he said. "I always thought it would be great to play for CSI."

And so when Coach Fred Trenkle gave him the opportunity, Wilson felt he was ready.

It was surprising to his new advisers of his first greeting by the CSI team. "I felt I could move in, develop during the preseason and be ready to play when the season started. Coach gave me my choice of whether to redshirt or not. We took it through the preseason but I could see I wasn't developing rapidly enough. I decided to take

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Prosecutor blames intoxicated driver for Martin's death

The Associated Press

PORT CRANE, N.Y. — A blood alcohol test on the man blamed for the traffic accident in which former New York Yankee manager Billy Martin died shows he was legally intoxicated, a prosecutor said Wednesday.

Kevin Guyette, who prosecutes felony drunken-driving cases in the Broome County district attorney's office, said the test on William Reedy supports the charge that Reedy was drunk Christmas evening when he drove Martin's pickup truck off the road near Martin's rural home.

Guyette refused to say what Reedy's blood alcohol level was, but he said Reedy was charged under the state law that says a person is intoxicated when his blood alcohol level is at least 0.1 percent.

The charge is a misdemeanor that carries a maximum penalty of a year in jail and a \$1,000 fine. Reedy, who remained listed in fair condition Wednesday at University Hospital in Syracuse, faces arraignment Jan. 4.

Jon S. Blechman, Reedy's Binghamton lawyer, was not in his office and could not be located for comment, his secretary said.

The 53-year-old Reedy, of Detroit, told a sheriff's deputy that he and Martin, 61, had been out shopping and had stopped for a drink at a Binghamton bar, whose name he did not know, before the accident.

Broome County Sheriff Anthony Ruffo said his investigators had not discovered which bar it was, but said it would not have much bearing on the case.

Pittsburgh is happy to return to Houston

By The Associated Press

Ten years ago, the annual message for the Houston Oilers was that the road to the Super Bowl ran through Pittsburgh. Now, the Steelers, who've been at the dead end of that path for four years, are happy to have it detour through Houston.

Pittsburgh, returning to postseason action for the first time since 1984, plays the Oilers in the AFC wild card game after the Los Angeles Rams play the Eagles in the NFC wild card showdown as the NFL playoffs get underway Sunday.

For the Oilers, it is a chance to get even. Twice in the Bum Phillips regime, Houston, armed with the Super Bowl trap, marched into Pittsburgh for AFC championship games and lost both times, 24-5 in 1978 and 27-13 the next year. Now it is the Oilers' turn to sit at home and have the Steelers come to them.

• See NFL on Page D2

BYU's Detmer on way to becoming prolific passer

By RAY PARILLO
Knight-Ridder News Service

SAN DIEGO — Just when a bevy of college football recruiters, complete with their plastic-coated smiles and high-pressure pitches, was about to queue up at Ty Detmer's doorstep to begin the wooing process three years ago, the kid from San Antonio slipped out the back way and decided he would do the recruiting.

So Detmer hopped into the family wagon with his father and high school coach, Sonny, made the long journey to Provo, Utah, and introduced himself to Brigham Young coach LaVell Edwards.

"I think," Detmer recalled with a laugh, "I kind of caught

him by surprise."

The introduction was hardly necessary. Even though Detmer had yet to enter his senior year of high school at the time, nearly every college coach worth his clipboard was aware of the young man who was filling the Texas sky with precision passes.

Detmer told Edwards he was interested in playing for BYU. Edwards, who at the time was plotting his search for the next great BYU quarterback, stopped plotting. Edwards rolled out the welcome mat. Detmer immediately made a commitment to attend the school, and he whetted Edwards' appetite by going on to be named the Texas player of

the year as a senior.

"Ty just showed up and said, 'I'd like to play here,'" said Norm Chow, BYU's quarterbacks coach. "I think he committed to LaVell before we committed to him. It sure was a surprise."

Certainly, there have been no regrets on either side.

Detmer, a 6-foot-175-pound redshirt sophomore who will be the focal point of Penn State's defense when the Cougars (10-2) and the Nittany Lions (7-3-1) meet in Friday's Holiday Bowl at Jack Murphy Stadium, already is well on his way to becoming perhaps the most prolific passer in college football history.



AP/Lapshphoto

Ty Detmer evades defenders in a November game

Many sports injuries hurt mind more than body

By MARK KREIDLER
Copley News Service

It was Larry Czonka, the bruising former Miami Dolphins fullback, who on the eve of a complicated knee operation in 1976 found words to articulate the nature of an athlete's fear.

"All his life," Czonka said, "a football player always has people around him — the teammates, coaches, front-office people ... But when something like this happens, all of sudden you're all alone. When they roll you into the operating room, you're all alone."

The American public historically has been generous with its sports heroes, readily forgiving their excesses: of temper, of arrogance, of drugs and alcohol, of wealth. But there is no place for fear.

Fearlessness, after all, is the soul of professional athletics. Phil Smith, the former NBA guard and two-time All-Star, remembers feeling so confident "that sometimes I'd just run up a guy's chest and dunk on him."

"It's a boldness and a cockiness that says, 'Hey, I'm going to the hoop, and if you guys cut me off I've still got something for you,'" Smith said. "It

might be a left-handed flip shot, but you knew it was going to go in."

That's how confident you are before the injury.

Before the fall, pitchers throw effortlessly, comfortably ignorant of the physical insult they deal their arms with each delivery. Running backs and skiers and soccer stars and tennis heat cut and slaps, certain that their hardened knees somehow will sustain them.

Basketball players deploy their legs and feet and ankles almost as propulsion to lift-off, trusting in the capacity of their limbs to absorb the tremendous forces of impact, to regenerate.

They are acts of faith, all of them. And so what is there to do when faith is shaken?

In 1978, Smith was in the fifth year of a dream career. He was a star for the Golden State Warriors, averaging almost 20 points a game, as he'd done in each of three previous seasons.

The Washington Bullets were in Oakland one evening, just another game on a long schedule. Smith had the ball near the baseline, a Bullets de-

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Scores and Stats

Bowling

Bowladrome scores

TWO FALLS — Bowladrome bowling scores for the week of Dec. 10:

Marty's high series	225
John Lerner	219
Jim DeVine	218
Bob Lerner Jr.	217
Tom Lerner	216
Rich Byar	215
Yoshihiro	214
Bob Lerner	213
Tom Lerner	212
Bob Lerner	211
Tom Lerner	210
John Lerner	209
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Wise Flowers — Jerry Rice, Dan Francisco; Starling Bruce, Green Day.
 Two Falls — Keith Jackson, Philadelphia; Tackles — Anthony Moore, Cincinnati; Jim Lecher, Washington; Tom Newberry, Los Angeles; Bruce Matthews, Houston.
 Garysburg — Robert Gibson, Chicago; Quattrone — Joe Montana, San Francisco; Running Back — Christian O'Neil, Kansas City; Dan Baker, Detroit.
 Ends — Chris Cleveland, Minnesota; Reggie White, Philadelphia.
 Tight Ends — Michael Bean, Cleveland; Defensive Tackles — Keith Martin, Minnesota; Linebackers — Tim Harjo, Green Day; Defensive Tackle — New York Giants.
 Inside Linebackers — Mike D'Antoni, Chicago; Matt Mackberger, Houston.
 Defensive Backs — Eric Allen, Philadelphia; Albert Lewis, Kansas City; Dan Baker, Cincinnati; Ronnie Lou, San Francisco.
 Specialists
 Punter — Sean Landeta, New York Giants; Placekicker — Mike Coker, San Francisco; Kick Returner — Rod Woodson, Pittsburgh.

College scores

Wednesday's College Basketball Scores

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EAST			
Princeton	75	Duquesne	64
Duke	77	North Carolina	72
Virginia Tech	73	Wake Forest	68
Georgia Tech	71	Florida State	66
North Carolina	70	Duke	65
Virginia Tech	69	Wake Forest	64
Georgia Tech	68	Florida State	63
North Carolina	67	Duke	62
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Georgia Tech	8	Florida State	3
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Georgia Tech	5	Florida State	0

NBA standings

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EASTERN CONFERENCE			
Philadelphia	31	W	100
Washington	29	W	98
Atlanta	27	W	96
Charlotte	25	W	94
Orlando	23	W	92
Indiana	21	W	90
Chicago	19	W	88
Detroit	17	W	86
Cleveland	15	W	84
Pittsburgh	13	W	82
San Antonio	11	W	80
Phoenix	9	W	78
Memphis	7	W	76
Portland	5	W	74
Utah	3	W	72
Los Angeles	1	W	70
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Air Force sends its running attack at Mississippi's soft spot

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP)—Air Force coach Fisher DeBerry sounds cautious as he sends the nation's No. 3 running attack on Thursday night's Liberty Bowl against a Mississippi defense that was last in the Southeastern Conference.

"Mississippi is really playing well and they are coming off a victory over Mississippi State that really has to give them confidence," DeBerry said Wednesday.

"Their defense plays very hard

and they've had plenty of time to get ready for us," said DeBerry, whose Falcons met Mississippi at 6 p.m. MST.

The Rebels (7-4) may have had time to prepare for the Air Force's wishbone, but they surrendered 403 rushing yards to Arkansas State and 370 rushing yards to Arkansas, the only two true option teams they played this season.

For the season, Mississippi gave up 408 yards of game, including 206

yards a game on the ground.

Still, DeBerry says it will take a total team effort for his Falcons (8-3-1), who rushed for 356 yards a game, to capture their fifth bowl victory of the 1980s.

"Our kids have made a tremendous commitment to this game," DeBerry said.

Quarterback Dee Dawis, who became the sixth player in NCAA history to both pass and rush for 1,000 yards in the same season,

keys the potent Air Force ground game, but DeBerry says the Falcons' victory hopes lie with their defense.

Alabama has been our offensive catalyst, but the defense has been our key to success," the Air Force coach said.

Linebackers Brian Hill and Terry Walker, the Western Athletic Conference member Falcons' top tacklers, will find themselves looking for ways to nullify a two-pronged Rebel attack.

Mississippi quarterback John Darnell set a school record by passing for 2,326 yards this season as he hit 167 of 301 pass attempts and had 11 touchdowns.

Darnell's favorite targets are Willie Green, 41 catches for 816 yards and three touchdowns, and Pat Coleman, 32 receptions for 595 yards and five touchdowns.

For good measure, the Rebels

throw in a pair of quick running backs in Randy Baldwin, 107 carries for 642 yards and nine touchdowns, and Ed Thiippen, 80 carries for 327 yards and five touchdowns.

The Rebel defense will rally around linebacker Tony "Gator" Bennett, who was credited with 77 stops this season, including 11 tackles for loss.

















"Nobody has really stopped Air Force. We just hope to slow Downey down," Bennett said.

Mississippi defensive coordinator Robert Henry says the basic concept of stopping the Falcons' triple option is simple. It's putting the concept into motion that is hard.

Henry said, on paper, you commit nine players to stop the run and hope the other two can avoid giving up a big play to the pass.

"Your corners are basically left out there isolated because the strong

1989 College Bowl Match-Ups

 Bowl games already played: California Bowl Doc. 9 Independence Bowl Doc. 16 Alpha Bowl Doc. 25	 Copper Bowl North Carolina St. vs. Arizona Sunday, Dec. 31, 8 p.m. (TBS) Tucson, Ariz.
 All-American Bowl Duke vs. Texas Tech Thursday, Dec. 28, 8 p.m. (ESPN) Birmingham, Ala.	 Hall of Fame Bowl Auburn vs. Ohio St. Monday, Jan. 1, 1 p.m. (NBC) Tampa, Fla.
 Liberty Bowl Air Force vs. Mississippi Thursday, Dec. 28, 8 p.m. (Rivoyom) Memphis, Tenn.	 Florida Citrus Bowl Virginia vs. Illinois Monday, Jan. 1, 1:30 p.m. (ABC) Orlando, Fla.
 Holiday Bowl Penn St. vs. Brigham Young Friday, Dec. 29, 8 p.m. (ESPN) San Diego, Calif.	 Cotton Bowl Arkansas vs. Tennessee Monday, Jan. 1, 4:30 p.m. (CBS) Dallas, Texas
 John Hancock Bowl Pittsburgh vs. Texas A&M Saturday, Dec. 30, 2:30 p.m. (CBS) El Paso, Texas	 Fiesta Bowl Nebraska vs. Florida St. Monday, Jan. 1, 4:30 p.m. (NBC) Tempe, Ariz.
 Freedom Bowl Washington vs. Florida Saturday, Dec. 30, 2 p.m. (NBC) Anahem, Calif.	 Rose Bowl Michigan vs. Southern Cal. Monday, Jan. 1, 5 p.m. (ABC) Pasadena, Calif.
 Poach Bowl Georgia vs. Syracuse Saturday, Dec. 30, 2:30 p.m. (ABC) Atlanta, Ga.	 Sugar Bowl Alabama vs. Miami Monday, Jan. 1, 7:30 p.m. (ABC) New Orleans, La.
 Gator Bowl West Virginia vs. Clemson Saturday, Dec. 30, 8 p.m. (ESPN) Jacksonville, Fla.	 Orange Bowl Notre Dame vs. Colorado Monday, Jan. 1, 8 p.m. (NBC) Miami, Fla.

Duke makes 1st bowl in 20 years tonight to clash with Texas Tech

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP)—When in high school, John Howell nicknamed himself "Hollywood" because he wanted to be a star.

The Duke linebacker said he can shine Thursday if he and the Blue Devils' defense can shut down Texas Tech running back James Gray in the All-American Bowl tonight.

Howell said Gray, the nation's fifth-leading rusher, has quick moves and great cutback ability. "It will be a defensive showdown for Duke," Howell said.

After missing over a year of college with a knee injury, Howell had 45 tackles over the next five games. And he credits Spurrier with putting some fierceness into the Blue Devils' defense.

"We believe we can win the close games," Howell said. "We don't panic when we're down."

The 20th-ranked Blue Devils (8-3) are making their first bowl appearance in 20 years, while the Red Raiders (8-3) are ranked 24th and return to postseason after a two-year absence.

Kickoff time is 6 p.m. MST. ESPN, Channel 13 in the Magic Valley, will broadcast it live.

Gray, who ran for 1,509 yards this season, said he expects a game with plenty of points. "We're confident we can stay with them in a scoring game," Gray said. "We have confidence in each other that we can get the job done."

"This is a chance to show what we can do. We're from a little country

town, Lubbock, and we'd like to have more recognition and a better shot at hurt doing that than in Birmingham."

Gray said the Blue Devils presents problems "because they bring nine players at you. It sometimes seems like 12."

Texas Tech defensive end Tom Mathiasmier, a walk-on who became an all-Southwest Conference player, said the Duke offense is no pushover, either.

"You can't concentrate on one area too much," he said. "They've got a good offensive line and they've done a good job."

"But when a play needs to be made, we can make it. Besides, I'm glad James Gray's not running for them but is running for us."

Tennessee's bowl game could depend on Webb

Dallas Morning News

IRVING, Texas — This much the Tennessee Vols know about their mysterious freshman tailback, Chuck Webb: He will be at full speed for the Cotton Bowl Classic on Monday against Arkansas. In Tuesday's practice at Texas Stadium, Webb had no problems with the sprained left ankle that kept him out of the regular season finale against Vanderbilt.

The Vols are better with Webb than without him. In five games as the starter, the 5-10, 197-pounder averaged 168.0 yards rushing, and Tennessee produced at least 30 points every game. Without Webb against Vanderbilt, the Vols rushed for only 172 yards and labored to a 17-10 victory.

"Little D" Hodges Jr. who weighed only 24 ounces when born prematurely, Webb did not attend the Vanderbilt game so he could spend more time with "Little D."

Webb's detached style breeds constant rumors of unhappiness at Tennessee and an impending transfer to Ohio State in his home state. The rumblings started when he was red-shirted last year, when the Vols followed six consecutive losses with five consecutive victories. Webb insists "it hurt not playing, but it hurt more having a losing season."

"We're a different offense with him in there," Tennessee coach Johnny Mizers said. "He's an exceptional talent. Webb can make more things happen than most backs."

From the understanding of sports writers, Webb is the tailback. He is a quiet figure who guards his privacy and churms out contradictions.

Webb shows few signs of emotion, but he cherishes his 22-month-old nephew, Derrick Allen.

Webb announced plans to take the starting position from Reggie Cobb before this season. When Cobb was dismissed from the team upon failing a drug test before the sixth game, Webb was downcast.

He avoids public discussions but is articulate with his found opinions. Tennessee coaches praise his virtues, but Webb was arrested in May on charges of forging a teammate's signature on a living-allowance check. Webb's penalty was 100 hours of community service and more distrust of the public.

"It was a regular student, it would have been; He made a mistake," Webb said. "I'm young. I'm entitled to mistakes. I'm not perfect. That's the way I'm going to look at it."

Penn State's Thomas gets his night in the sun

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Two years later than expected, tailback Blair Thomas will start in a bowl game for Penn State.

Thomas, who missed the 1987 Citrus Bowl against Clemson with a severe knee injury, leads the 18th-ranked Nittany Lions (7-3-1) against No. 19 Brigham Young (10-2) in the Holiday Bowl on Friday night.

"I'm really excited about this game," Thomas said. "I can't change the past. I can't say that two years ago I had the opportunity to play and didn't. I look at this like any new game and try to do my best against the team we're playing."

Thomas finished the regular season in 1987 with a 214-yard rushing effort against Notre Dame. But three weeks before the Citrus Bowl, he suffered a torn anterior cruciate knee ligament. The injury also caused him to miss the 1988 season.

"I always knew I'd be able to come back and

play," Thomas said. "It was a matter of showing everybody else, I knew I'd be able to come out and do the things I did this year."

Thomas rushed for 3,341 yards in 1989, the fourth-best total ever by a Penn State running back. He had eight 100-yard games, including six straight to end the regular season. Both accomplishments tied Nittany Lion records.

He has 3,300 rushing and 4,512 all-purpose yards, both second to Curt Warner on Penn State's all-time list.

"Blair Thomas is the best running back I've ever had play for me," said Joe Paterno, Penn State's head coach for 24 years. "Blair is a great back. He's a complete football player."

Thomas will be running against a vulnerable BYU defense. The Cougars, champions of the Western Athletic Conference, have allowed of 26.6 points a game. BYU has had trouble against the

run, allowing 169.5 yards per game in the passing-oriented WAC.

Blair Thomas is an excellent runner," BYU linebacker Bob Davis said. "All Penn State tries to do is push you back. The reason Blair Thomas is such an excellent running back is those holes they make for him. If he doesn't get those holes, we'll stop him."

There has been little stopping of Thomas late in the season. He averaged 29.8 carries for 140.2 yards the last five games.

Paterno said he used Thomas less earlier in the season. The senior running back averaged 19 carries for 106.7 yards over the first six games.

"I wasn't carrying off a shell as much early in the season," Thomas said. "Coach thought I needed to work in slowly, but I always felt as though I was ready. I worked all summer long this season."

Wilson said he wasn't driven by fear of losing his position, just his own will to succeed. "I already had goals set," said Wilson, who used the spring to make up for his lost time in the fall.

"It was the No. 1 tailback coming in, and the only one I could lose it was by my mistake," Wilson said. "In my mind I never had any doubt; I'm Wilson had been through the same

Nebraska takes long-shot title hopes to Fiesta Bowl

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — If sixth-ranked Nebraska has any say in it, Monday's Fiesta Bowl will be the No. 5 Florida State may decide college football's national champion again.

The Fiesta, played at 74,000-seat Sun Devil Stadium in suburban Tempe, held the title between Miami and Penn State and the 1988 battle for No. 1 between Notre Dame and West Virginia.

This year, bowl officials feel they still have one of the best New Year's Day matchups with Nebraska (10-1) and Florida State (9-2).

"And although some insist the national crown will be settled 3,000 miles away in the Jan. 1 Orange Bowl between top-ranked Colorado (1-0) and Notre Dame (1-1), the Cornhuskers were talking title in news conferences here Wednesday.

team feels it still has something to prove. We don't feel we've been beaten this year. If we had one or two calls go the other way against Colorado, we'd be undefeated right now."

Glaser said save clips "right in front of the refs" during long timeouts. Nebraska coaches were not called and both set up touchdowns for the Buffaloes' 27-21 victory Nov. 4 at Boulder.

"It was a really tough loss for us. It seems all of our losses over the years have been like that. Something like that kills us and the game slips away," Glaser said. "But we felt about four spots in the poll after losing to Colorado. I don't see how we can be ranked where we are right now. We should be at least one or two spots higher."

"I think we're a little underrated. Not many people know about us or how good we are. We've gotten lost in the shuffle. But this team knows what to do. We want to go out and win and show what kind of team we really are."

Nebraska is 0-3 in Fiesta, losing 31-28 to Florida State in 1988, and hasn't won a post-season game overall since beating Louisiana State 30-15 in the 1987 Sugar Bowl.

"Some of this class has never won a bowl game," Glaser said.

Virginia tailback is no stranger to adversity

The Orlando Sentinel

—ORLANDO, Fla. — Virginia running back Marcus Wilson is a survivor.

Here's a guy who has had just about every reason in the world to throw up his hands, toss in his cleats and head to the locker room permanently.

To begin with, he wasn't exactly what you'd call a naturally gifted runner. His best time in the 40-yard dash out of high school was 4.7 seconds.

He got to Virginia — which is playing Illinois in the Florida Citrus Bowl Jan. 1, anyway as a safety — and was battling for a starting job his freshman year when his appendix

burst. So much for Year 1; at least his eligibility was salvaged by a medical redshirt.

Finally, his second freshman year, things began to go his way. He switched to running back and led the team in rushing with 692 yards and set a couple of freshman records — most carries (34) and most touchdowns (2) in a single game.

Wilson's luck didn't hold out long, though. Last year he sustained two knee injuries — same injury, different knees. He tore cartilage first in his right knee then the left, the second taking him out for the rest of the season. Even so, playing in only six games, Wilson led the Cavaliers in rushing with 429 yards.

But Virginia was planning for its

future and snagged one of the nation's top recruits, Terry Kirby, Parade's high school player of the year and USA Today's top offensive player.

With doubts expecting him to be replaced this fall, Wilson came back from the injury in the spring with a vengeance.

Wilson said he wasn't driven by fear of losing his position, just his own will to succeed. "I already had goals set," said Wilson, who used the spring to make up for his lost time in the fall.

"It was the No. 1 tailback coming in, and the only one I could lose it was by my mistake," Wilson said. "In my mind I never had any doubt; I'm Wilson had been through the same

thing a year earlier when Virginia had recruited Nikki Fisher. Though not quite so well-known, Fisher was still another highly touted running back Wilson had remained the top rusher, and he figured he would again, too.

"It seemed I was always overcoming adversity," Wilson said.

He actually managed to come back a step quicker than he'd ever been. Before the injury, he ran a high 4.5; he came back at 4.4 in the spring. And come fall, Kirby didn't approach the pace Wilson set on game days as Wilson rushed for 1,098 yards on 223 carries.

"I always thought I was capable of having a season like this, but something always came up to set me back," Wilson said.

Miami to face Alabama in America's party town

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — What do the kids from Miami and the country boys from Alabama do on their first trip to America's favorite party town?

Some thing as everyone else — go to Bourbon Street and take a walk on the wild side.

"We've kept warning us to be careful, to stay away from the riff raff," Miami's Mike Sullivan, originally from Chicago, said. "But I kind of went looking for riff raff. I wanted to see it."

"Oh, yeah," he said. "Particularly

in this one window in the French Quarter."

Sugar Bowl week in New Orleans brings out all sorts: Not quite Mardi Gras, but close enough.

Miami's Russell Maryland, another Chicago native, liked what he saw, too.

"It was a lot wilder than I expected," he said Wednesday. "Especially all of those strip joints."

"But it was a little cold. Maybe that's why not too many people were dressing in the way they were. I'd heard it was so. Maybe later on we'll see some stranger types."

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How about some steelhead in Rock Creek?

Since this is the season for giving, it dawned on us that there is a very apt holiday gift that could bring a lot of joy, amusement and education to Magic Valley fishermen.

And since it requires someone else to provide the gift, we have no hesitation in broaching the matter.



Larry Hovey

It is the thought here that the Idaho Fish and Game Department could put some of these "surplus" steelhead that are part of this year's overly abundant run in Rock Creek.

You know, like they have been doing for the past several years in the Boise River as it ambles very close to the governor's office and other seats of power.

This year the department broadened its scope and put a couple hundred in the Payette River. Not all of them are recovered, of course, but those few hundred steelhead provide a lot of entertainment for a lot of anglers in the Treasure Valley.

Now we have more than the obvious reason for suggesting Rock Creek as a planting site.

We find the idea of anadromous fishing in Rock Creek a little more alluring than the harvest feature. And we think it might do well to point out some of the more significant things about this poor little stream that has been abused by Twin Falls county and city residents for its entire civilized history.

One very major point is highlighting an ongoing multi-agency and private sector battle that actually has returned Rock Creek to a point of offering a recreation diversion that southsiders seldom see.

With the federal government putting in most of the bucks, but private landowners cooperating with siltation ponds and "management" changes plus thousands of hours of individual and group therapy, Rock Creek at this time of year practically gleams.

Next time you roll over one of the several bridges or landfill crossings of the Rock Creek in the Twin Falls area, take a good

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Warm-water interest on rise

Idaho anglers prefer varieties, higher limits

By LARRY HOVEY
Times-News writer

JEROME—An increasing interest in warm-water fisheries is the most noticeable change in the third survey of Idaho fishermen conducted by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

Carl Nellis, Region 4 supervisor, noted that the interest in warm-water species had increased from 7 percent to 23 percent of the total respondents to a 10-year, statewide department survey.

"While there was an increase in warm-water interest throughout the state, ours (Region 4) was the largest in the state," Nellis said.

Nellis said he was aware that 23 percent was far from a majority but he noted "this is the third time we've conducted this survey and this is by far the biggest change we've seen in any category."

Nellis said there probably were many reasons for the increase, including an influx of fishermen from the flatlands, where warm-water species are about all that are available.

He noted that the success of the well-eye transplants into a major trophy fishery at Salmon Falls Reservoir had to weigh heavily on local thinking as well.

"But I think a very major point is that over the years the trout limits have declined very drastically in the state. Many years ago, the daily trout limit was seven pounds and one fish. That has been continually pared down to things like no more than six trout and no more than two over 16 inches," he pointed out. "This has directed more attention toward the warm-water species because in most cases there are no limits."

Nellis said another point was that warm-water fishing generally lends itself to family type outings and this is



A Boise River angler lands a steelhead in Idaho's capital city

further substantiated by the large number of women who now purchase a fishing license every year.

"Maybe," said Nellis with a big smile that harkened back to his Kansas upbringing, "Idahoans are learning that

warm-water species are better eating."

But there was some conflict in this warm-water fishery popularity and the point that the vast majority of Idahoans prefer to fish streams and flowing water against reservoir or lake fishing.

Dioxin levels in Columbia River fish at safe levels

The Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore.—More research needs to be done to determine the public health danger posed by dioxin in fish from the Columbia and Willamette rivers, but for the short-term most people can safely eat them, the state Health Division said Tuesday.

The only people who should limit their intake of fish are those who consume carp,

crayfish, sturgeon or catfish from the rivers on a daily basis, the division said.

Two recent studies found extremely low levels of dioxin contamination in several fish species. The Environmental Protection Agency said the dioxin likely came from eight pulp mills on the Columbia, Willamette and Snake rivers.

Although the studies came up with similar results, their methods were different. And the authors reached opposing conclusions.

An EPA study based on samples taken last March from the Columbia between "Wallula" Wash, and the mouth said that low dioxin levels in fish pose a significant health risk. A Northwest Pulp and Paper Association study in August in the same area said the fish are safe to eat.

Dr. Larry Foster, Oregon state epidemiologist, said the studies weren't invalid, just incomplete.

He plans to look at more studies before offering any long-term advice on eating the fish. He said Oregon, Washington and the EPA will complete those studies in several months.

Foster's goal is to reconcile the studies and collect other information on dioxin from wide-spread sources. He will decide how much dioxin consumption might pose an unacceptable risk. Then the Oregon Health

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Briefly

Idaho Fish and Game to plan for turkey hunt

The Times-News

BOISE—The Idaho Fish and Game Commission is expected to adopt turkey hunting regulations for the 1990 spring season at its monthly meeting here next month.

The session will meet at 10 a.m. Jan. 15 at Fish and Game state offices at 600 South Walnut.

Seasons, regulations and controlled hunt permit numbers also will be set for moose, mountain goat and bighorn sheep.

A public meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Jan. 15 with the commission winding up the meeting the following morning.

General requests for information about agenda items may be made to the department at 334-3711.

1990-91 fishing regulations currently available in stores

BOISE—Two-year fishing regulations for 1990-1991 along with spring 1990 steelhead regulations should be available at most license vendors now.

The regulations brochure outlines fishing seasons, fish size and possession limits and license information as well as general and special regulations.

It includes maps of includes maps of Idaho's six fishing areas. To aid anglers in identification, the brochure also features color illustrations of the major game fish species in the state.

Outdoor program features exchange effort, trapping

BOISE—The January showing of Outdoor Idaho will be televised on Idaho's public television network at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 6.

The Magic Valley outlet is Boise station KAIT-TV, cable channel 11. The Idaho Trappers Association who recently helped department biologists jive-trap pine marten to exchange for turkeys from other states.

A recent bighorn sheep tripping project in Owyhee County allowed the camera crew to get airborn for some unusual viewing.

The status of mountain quail, subject of the 1990 Idaho upland bird stamp, is reviewed.

Outdoor Idaho will be repeated Jan. 8 at 11 p.m.

W. Yellowstone residents will feed park elk again

The Associated Press

WEST YELLOWSTONE—Residents in the West Yellowstone area say they plan to feed starving Yellowstone National Park elk again this winter, despite objections from the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks and the U.S. Forest Service.

"They submit the emergency feeding is not an ideal situation but said it would continue until there is a long-range solution to improving the winter habitat."

Concerned citizens met with state game officials earlier this week and agreed to work toward a solution that would encourage the elk to migrate to better winter range in the Upper Madison Valley.

Regional game manager John Cada said he and biologist Kurt All would meet with residents in early January to begin work on a new management plan.

Meanwhile, Ralph Meyer, chief forester of the Hebgen Lake Ranger District, said he would not allow elk feeding on national forest land this winter. The forest has tolerated the illegal practice in the past, he said.

Hebgen Lake resident Roland Whitman said he has fed elk that come into the Hebgen Basin from north of the lake and Yellowstone Park for 60 years, sometimes with hay provided by the fish and game department but usually with hay bought with public donations.

He said he will continue to feed elk if they appear to need a liberal but he supported efforts to find a different solution.

Whitman said elk that years ago

used to migrate to the Madison River have been "trapped" in the area by Hebgen Dam, and the earthquake-caused Quake Lake, which make it more difficult for the animals to move into the Madison Valley.

He also said hunting seasons scheduled at the beginning of elk migration periods compound the problem by discouraging the elk from moving far from the park.

Cada said feeding elk interferes with the natural selection process, increases calf mortality, destroys elk forage and spreads diseases when too many animals are concentrated in feeding areas. He said the state agency could team with residents who use knowledge about the area's elk to find a plan that would help elk move to land with good winter forage.

Hunters said they support a hunting season scheduled after elk have migrated farther from the park so they do not have to play "cat and mouse" games with elk that run back inside the park for protection.

Cada said it could take several years to study the elk in the Hebgen Basin and make a plan that would use hunting seasons and winter range acquisition to entice elk to winter range.

Residents fed around 400 elk last winter.

Whitman said he fed around 200 animals in six locations near Hebgen Lake, including three in the national forest.

He objected to the Forest Service's decision to forbid feeding on public land, saying it would force the elk to concentrate more on private land, and thereby increase the possibility that elk could spread diseases to each other.



Mitch Sanchotena of Idaho Salmon and Steelhead Unlimited, left, and Si Whitman of the Nez Perce Tribal Council consider sites at a recent hearing in Twin Falls.

Nez Perce plan could mean big increase in Idaho salmon

By JIM KRUNICICH
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS—What would happen if an additional million salmon smolts were released in Idaho streams?

"Si Whitman, who conducts fisheries resource management for the Nez Perce Tribal Council, proposes developing a central hatchery and 14 satellite hatcheries to produce 1 million smolts for tribal and non-tribal consumption."

Whitman's concept of "low-cost, low-technol-

ogy" hatcheries entails a central hatchery to rear the smolts to the point they can be sent to the smaller hatcheries and held for eventual release into various watersheds across the state.

Whitman suggests supplemental wells being drilled at each satellite hatchery to maintain cooler water temperatures. The cooler water will lessen threat of disease and the disease factor will be further reduced by dispersing the smolts into widely separated locations.

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Physical assault on game wardens increasing nationwide

By ROLLA WILLIAMS
Copley News Service

There's no more lonesome feeling than the one enveloping a warden when, on the darkest of nights, deep in the woods, on roads that aren't drawn on maps, he accords the poachers, armed to the eyebrows with rifles and packing knives on their hips.

Will they resist arrest? Are they on drugs? A deer poacher in Idaho, who considered himself a throwback to the mountain men of the untamed West, gunned

down two wardens in a similar situation a few years ago. There were 103 physical assaults on game and wildlife officers reported in the United States last year.

"It's a lonely feeling," said warden Alan Naek, who patrols an area in Southern California.

Naek's domain comprises 980 square miles. He's involved, at the moment, with archery and duck hunters, in checking out quail and bandtail pigeon shooters, riding herd on a pheasant club and checking four big lakes in the area as well as smaller

ponds.

"The thing that's bad is you're on your own in a dangerous situation," said Naek, who has never been assaulted. "You can't call for backup at 3 a.m. and expect somebody to suddenly appear to help. It'd take hours to reach you, if they could find you."

Things have improved a bit recently. Now Naek has a partner who rides with him. This guy is sharp; you can't hide quail, dove, duck, pheasant, deer and lobster from him. He is strong, active and alert with a baleful eye to intimidate lawbreakers.

Naek's partner is a 5-year-old dog, a Belgian Malinois named Rocky. He is a sort of compact German shepherd with a shorter nose than his breed and three fewer vertebrae. Rocky does not come cheap. He cost \$2,600, a bargain price, Naek said.

Rocky still is in training, spending eight hours a month in a police department's canine school learning the fine points of off-catch protection and suspect evidence detection. Naek takes the course, too. Dog trainers will tell you that humans are more difficult to train than their dogs.

N. Idahoans worried about proposed development on Priest Lake

COOLIN (AP) — Bonner County residents are embroiled in a debate over a proposed housing development on Priest Lake, one of northern Idaho's premier getaways.

The 1,500-acre proposal — a mixture of 95 homes, a 30-room lodge, condo units, nine-hole golf course and maintenance on the lake's east shore — faces stiff opposition from Panhandle residents who want to preserve the lake's lack-luster character.

Priest Lake, a slender body of water that measures 24 miles long, is considered the cleanest and most pristine of North Idaho's major lakes. Residents say its water quality is so pure that one can still drink directly from it.

Critics are attacking Spokane developer Don Barbieri's "Huckleberry at Priest Lake" proposal by raising planning and environmental concerns. Ultimately, Bonner County officials say, the project's success or failure will shape the future of Priest Lake.

"The decision on this project will set the tone for future development of Priest Lake," Lorin Morgan, Bonner County's planning director, said.

"It comes down to a question of maintaining rural character and a quality environment," said Bill Egloff, spokesman for the Selkirk-Priest Basin Association, a conservation group.

"People come to Priest Lake because it's relatively undisturbed. They don't come here because it has five 18-hole golf courses and a dozen resort hotels. There's plenty of places like that elsewhere."

But David Bell, Barbieri's project leader, touts the development as low-key and environmentally sound.

"There's a strong family interest in making sure that what happens up here is done right," Bell said.

Morgan said Barbieri's plan has ignited more fireworks than any development proposal he can remember in his 28-year planning career.

It's phenomenal. I've never seen anything like it."

Earlier this year, Barbieri won approval to build his "Sandy Shores" development, a scattering of 35 lake-front homes on the east shore of Priest Lake.

But the new proposal requires a zone change from rural to recreational before it can proceed. After hours of public testimony, the Bonner County Planning and Zoning Commission voted 3-2 to advance the proposal to the Bonner County commissioners.

Yet another public hearing on the issue is set for Jan. 9.

If the commissioners approve the zone change, Barbieri has another major hurdle to clear — a conditional use permit.

A final decision on the project is not expected until next summer.

Barbieri's interest in Huckleberry Bay dates back to his childhood. His family had made frequent trips to their cabin on the east shore — a few hundred feet from the bay — since the 1950s.

"Don developed a tremendous love for the area," Bell said. David Bell, president of the Huckleberry Bay Co. and vice president of Goodale and Barbieri, Inc., a regional development firm.

Barbieri's early attachment to the area later fostered a firm commitment to frame a development on the lake in with the area's backcountry setting.

In February 1988, Barbieri purchased the Huckleberry Bay property from Diamond International, Diamond, which sought to build a large resort development on the east shore, secured the property in a hotly con-

tested land swap with the state Land Board in May, 1985.

Then Diamond shocked critics with a huge development proposal: 7,000 dwelling units, a large resort hotel, ski resort and more.

"It was totally unrealistic and inappropriate," Bell said.

Initially, Barbieri discussed forming a partnership with Diamond International in an attempt to scale-down the development, Bell said. Little progress was made, said Diamond, resulting in the dismal end of succeeding, sold the land to Barbieri.

"Our underlying goal is to build a high-quality, family-oriented development in keeping with the lake," Bell said.

Local areas offer limited winter sports

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Downhill skiing is available at Pomreille and Sun Valley ski areas in the Sawtooth National Forest.

However, reports a base of 20 inches at the lodge and 26 on top with some bare spots showing. Sun Valley reports College, Blue Grouse, Flying Squirrel and Warm



Springs runs open.

The third fork of Rock Creek in the Twin Falls Ranger District offers an excellent opportunity for hiking.

Conditions can change rapidly. The Ketchum ranger district maintains a 24-hour record winter snow and avalanche phone. Forest visitors desiring current information may call 622-8027.

limited cross-country skiing is available in the Burley Ranger District and the Sawtooth National Recreation Area. Buteback and Galena cross country areas report 29 and 15 kilometers, respectively, of groomed trails available.

Snowmobiling opportunities are fairly limited on the forest. The Banner Summit area in the Boise National Forest, up Idaho Highway 21 from Stanley, is reported to offer necessary areas for snowmobiling.

Winter hiking is beginning to be a popular activity throughout the forest. Most of the south-facing slopes are free of snow and many people are out hiking.



Editor's note: Exploits is an occasional feature that will appear periodically in the Times-News in which readers describe trophy fish or game they have taken in the Magic Valley or its environs. Contributions are welcome, but they must be accompanied by a photo of the fish or animals that can be reproduced in a newspaper (color photos generally cannot be reproduced satisfactorily in a newspaper in black and white).

TWIN FALLS — One of Magic Valley's longest-planned hunting careers got off to a remarkable start this fall, punctuated by the more remarkable comment from Twin Falls seventh grader Andy Heyer, "I won't feel bad if I don't get anything next year."

Andy, you see, put together a string of major personal accomplishments that ran from earning his new 30.06 with straight A's in school to collecting a bull elk, antelope and two-point mule deer with a total of three shots. And then his dad, Lex Heyer, taught the youngster how to field dress and then cut and wrap the meat as well.



Exploits

For the past several years, Andy chaffed as he shared some hunting expeditions with his father and grandfather, Russ Heyer. He didn't turn 12 until last January, meaning he wasn't eligible under Idaho law to go afield with a firearm until this fall.

But things started falling into place for him when he drew for elk in Unit 49, deer on Unit 54 and antelope in the Little Wood River drainage.

With his background, he was ready for his first major adventure — and it fell on Oct. 4 on the Wood River with about 10 inches of snow on the ground.

The hunter's first and was attended by some excellent outdoor ethics.

Lex and Andy were hunting a ridge and spotted a bull and cow across the canyon. They decided to try a stalk, not knowing that a herd of five bulls was close to them.

Hunting mate Bart Adrian, who only had a cow permit, however, had seen two bulls on the same ridge the Heyers were walking and he pushed his way double time to alert

the Heyers.

"We topped the ridge and there were the five bulls. Andy and I got set up pretty solid for the shot but just as we were ready, somebody below took a shot. We both had snap shots. I knew I missed mine but Andy felt he'd hit his. So we went down there and Andy went to the tree where he'd set his bull. Sure enough, there was blood on the snow," said Lex Heyer.

"We topped another little rise and there lay this bull dead. The hunter who shot up the hill was coming up and I thought 'oh, oh, there could be a problem here' (about who shot the bull). But the guy came up, took a look and said 'nope, that's not the one I was shooting at.' We thought it was amazing," the elder Heyer concluded.

"It was probably the hardest shot (of the three fall trophies) because it was the farthest away," said Andy.

He said the antelope probably was the easiest, a stationary target at about 100 yards. The deer was estimated 80 yards away at impact.

The elk and deer were dispatched with shoulder and antelope taking the final bullet in the neck.

Actually, Andy will admit that he didn't have straight A's in the challenge for the gun.

"The deal was I was to try for straight A's but would allow me one B per quarter. I got a B-plus the first quarter and then straight A's," he reported.

Andy hasn't moved his desires for rarer trophies, like moose or bighorns, and says he completely understands that an encore of his next season may take a lifetime to accomplish.

"I think we'll just be putting in for deer, antelope and elk again," he said and then fully manifested his hunting maturity by adding "I won't feel bad if I don't get anything next year. I'll want to but I won't feel bad if I don't."

Columbia

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Division will issue a long-term health advisory.

He added that seven carp-eaters might not be at risk. Eleven others were highest in some carp samples. He said not enough samples were taken to issue a health advisory. One study found extremely minute

amounts of dioxin in some salmon and steelhead.

Said Jacob Jensen, a spokesman for the Environmental Protection Agency, said the agency advises sports fishermen who regularly catch bottom fish such as sturgeon or carp to avoid eating them. They feed on food in river sediment, where the dioxin tends to

collect. For migratory fish such as salmon or steelhead trout, the risk is far less.

"Don't fish near anyplace that has been shown to have heavy concentrations of dioxin in the sediments, like pulp mills," he added.

The pulp mills create low levels of dioxin as an unwanted byproduct of chlorine bleaching processes. Dioxin is the most potent cancer-causing chemical ever tested in animals. Foster said dioxin is suspected of causing cancer in humans, but scientists don't know for sure.

The EPA study did not sample enough fish to determine potential health risks, he said. Moreover, the EPA group up the whole fish in a blender. It measured parts that most people don't eat, such as the head.

The Northwest Pulp and Paper Association looked at a much larger number of fish, but analyzed only the muscle. A lot of people cook fish steaks with skin and fat on them, Foster said.

"The industry removed fat that could carry some dioxin with it into the meat," he said.

enough to withstand brooding. For years, few if any eaglets hatched.

"Use of DDT was canceled in 1972..." by the Environmental Protection Agency. That one single factor is largely responsible for the eagles' recovery," James said by telephone from his Minneapolis office.

No one knows for sure how close the nation's symbol came to extinction. But an Audubon Society survey done in the early 1960s came up with 417 breeding pairs in the lower 48 states.

"Breeding pairs is the best index as to the status of the population, that plus productivity," James said.

In 1963, productivity had dropped to .58 eaglets per active pair per year, James said.

"We knew we had problems. The accepted standard for a maintenance level was one bird per active pair," he said. By 1981 the productivity index was up to 1.04 and remains above one.

Eagles have a reproductive life of 10 to 15 years.

In the 48 states, the birds' strongholds are around the western Great Lakes, Chesapeake Bay, the Pacific Northwest, Maine and Florida, James said.

on whether to take the bird off the endangered species list and change its status to threatened or take some other action, James said. "We're leaving the door wide open" to comments from the public and conservation groups.

The unanswered question in the eagle's recovery is the role of "hacking," or rearing captive birds and releasing them into the wild.

Nearly 1,000 bald eagles have been reared in hatchery programs evidenced by the return to the hacking site by eagles released there and those birds producing young.

"We've only seen a handful of birds that have done that," he said, in part because it is five to seven years after release before a bird is mature and return to raise their own broods.

Salmon

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Ground work for the Nez Perce hatcheries has included studies of water temperatures and volumes by drilling two wells at each site and controlling the volume and temperature of one well against the other.

Water pH and other factors that affect quality also have been evaluated.

The proposed site for the central hatchery is on the Clearwater River near Cherry Lane Bridge.

Three Creek between Riggins and Whitebird on the Salmon River, Lolo Creek, between Orofino and Kamah and the south fork of the Clearwater

River are three of the proposed sites for satellite hatcheries.

"ISSU (Idaho Steelhead and Salmon Unlimited) has reviewed the proposal of the Nez Perce and is supportive of the concept," says Mitch Santhotena, the organization's executive secretary. "But we are working with the Nez Perce and Idaho Department of Fish and Game to optimize sport fishing opportunities on surplus adults."

Whitman currently is communicating with the department in regard to the proposal.

secure these private holdings if and when they become available.

For right now, however, we'd like to direct your attention to just one little piece of Rock Creek and its canyon that is in public ownership — that portion that runs west from the Singing Bridge on Shoshone Creek to roughly the western edge of the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

As a golfer and former hunter, you can assure you that portion of the canyon very probably has housed the greatest pheasant population densities in Twin Falls County maybe in the Magic Valley since the major winter kill-off in the middle of the 1980s. Also qualify.

A solid population of German brown trout has taken hold and the boys who love to fish "Neotullum Creek" have been taking some pretty good trophies out of the stretch. Additionally, there has been a good rebound in the rainbow trout fishery and this, probably more than anything else, attests to the grand success of the cooperative cleanup of Rock Creek.

it offers broad flatlands that would lend themselves to picnicking and other recreational development.

The one thing such development would assure is that never again would the public allow the creek to become the raw sewage-type conduit it once was.

And we think the artificial steelhead introductions play by the department for Magic Valley and anadromous fishermen. They get very short shrift in most instances where public input is sought for management decisions.

Usually, those public meetings are scheduled for Idaho Falls, Boise and Lewiston. Maybe Riggins. Seldom any time in Magic Valley, although one would have to guess that this area, particularly the Wood River Valley, has as large a percentage of anadromous fishermen as any population segment in the state.

And, we are informed, that under the new management policies of the department's fisheries arm, that such "instant enhancement" fishing projects are not only condoned but actively sought.

Therefore, we formally submit

Florida has 439 known nesting pairs, to 390 for Minnesota and 109 for Maine, James said.

Because of their recovery, the Fish and Wildlife Service has prepared a notice of intent to change the animal's status which is to be published in the Federal Register, probably in January.

The notice says the service had set specific goals for the bird's recovery and in four of the five regions the goals have been met. The exception is the Southeast.

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Steelhead

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look at the stream. By comparison to what you saw 15 years ago, it absolutely sparkles. Compared to what it was 20 years ago, it is paradise.

These Creek between Riggins and Whitebird on the Salmon River, Lolo Creek, between Orofino and Kamah and the south fork of the Clearwater

There are those who will tell you that up this high, the majority of all anadromous fish runs were full chinook and they basically were main-river spawners, sticking mostly to the gravelled Snake River streambed. We prefer to be a little more poetic in our assessment.

However, the project could vividly show just what was lost in the name of the Idaho asset and electricity in the way of main stem and tributary anadromous fish habitat from Oxbow Dam to Salmon Falls. We think there is a little better idea of size in the wild today.

Thirdly, we think it high time that local people get into the understanding of just what that little old Rock Creek and its canyon offer the public. There is always some reservation in suggesting things since the minute something is opened up to people, it loses its natural integrity and deterioration — in the form of litter, graffiti, etc. — sets in.

A very large portion of the stream is out of bounds through private holdings abutting the water's edge. But a fair portion remains in public ownership. And we would support any move by any public agency to

secure these private holdings if and when they become available.

For right now, however, we'd like to direct your attention to just one little piece of Rock Creek and its canyon that is in public ownership — that portion that runs west from the Singing Bridge on Shoshone Creek to roughly the western edge of the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

As a golfer and former hunter, you can assure you that portion of the canyon very probably has housed the greatest pheasant population densities in Twin Falls County maybe in the Magic Valley since the major winter kill-off in the middle of the 1980s. Also qualify.

A solid population of German brown trout has taken hold and the boys who love to fish "Neotullum Creek" have been taking some pretty good trophies out of the stretch. Additionally, there has been a good rebound in the rainbow trout fishery and this, probably more than anything else, attests to the grand success of the cooperative cleanup of Rock Creek.

Although the canyon is being taken over by a Russian olive invasion,

it offers broad flatlands that would lend themselves to picnicking and other recreational development.

The one thing such development would assure is that never again would the public allow the creek to become the raw sewage-type conduit it once was.

And we think the artificial steelhead introductions play by the department for Magic Valley and anadromous fishermen. They get very short shrift in most instances where public input is sought for management decisions.

Usually, those public meetings are scheduled for Idaho Falls, Boise and Lewiston. Maybe Riggins. Seldom any time in Magic Valley, although one would have to guess that this area, particularly the Wood River Valley, has as large a percentage of anadromous fishermen as any population segment in the state.

And, we are informed, that under the new management policies of the department's fisheries arm, that such "instant enhancement" fishing projects are not only condoned but actively sought.

Therefore, we formally submit

enough to withstand brooding. For years, few if any eaglets hatched.

"Use of DDT was canceled in 1972..." by the Environmental Protection Agency. That one single factor is largely responsible for the eagles' recovery," James said by telephone from his Minneapolis office.

No one knows for sure how close the nation's symbol came to extinction. But an Audubon Society survey done in the early 1960s came up with 417 breeding pairs in the lower 48 states.

"Breeding pairs is the best index as to the status of the population, that plus productivity," James said.

In 1963, productivity had dropped to .58 eaglets per active pair per year, James said.

"We knew we had problems. The accepted standard for a maintenance level was one bird per active pair," he said. By 1981 the productivity index was up to 1.04 and remains above one.

Eagles have a reproductive life of 10 to 15 years.

In the 48 states, the birds' strongholds are around the western Great Lakes, Chesapeake Bay, the Pacific Northwest, Maine and Florida, James said.

Florida has 439 known nesting pairs, to 390 for Minnesota and 109 for Maine, James said.

Because of their recovery, the Fish and Wildlife Service has prepared a notice of intent to change the animal's status which is to be published in the Federal Register, probably in January.

The notice says the service had set specific goals for the bird's recovery and in four of the five regions the goals have been met. The exception is the Southeast.

"We have not taken a position,"

on whether to take the bird off the endangered species list and change its status to threatened or take some other action, James said. "We're leaving the door wide open" to comments from the public and conservation groups.

The unanswered question in the eagle's recovery is the role of "hacking," or rearing captive birds and releasing them into the wild.

Nearly 1,000 bald eagles have been reared in hatchery programs evidenced by the return to the hacking site by eagles released there and those birds producing young.

"We've only seen a handful of birds that have done that," he said, in part because it is five to seven years after release before a bird is mature and return to raise their own broods.

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Endangered tortoise puts end to 3 California off-road races

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Three desert motor races have been declared extinct, a victory for environmentalists in the battle to save the desert tortoise. The annual Barstow-to-Las Vegas motorcycle race, the Johnson Valley-to-Parker, Ariz., race and SCORE's Parker 400, for all types of off-road vehicles, will be denied operating permits indefinitely, said Ed Hastey, state director for the federal Bureau of Land Management.

"More ravens kill tortoises than off-road vehicles," retorted Ken Boyd, president of District 37 of the American Motorcycle Association, which oversees the popular Barstow-to-Las Vegas run. "But you can't control ravens. It's easier to dictate to people."

The tortoise was added to the nation's endangered species list as an emergency measure on Aug. 4. Its status will be reviewed next April.

"We've been holding this race for 16 years and we've complied with every regulation of federal, state, county and Indian tribe," said Dike Houligan, spokesman for SCORE.

He said the organization will still stage the race but limit it to Arizona. The owner of a Yamaha Suzuki dealership in Beaumont, said he has ridden motorcycles in the California desert since 1949, and believes many riders won't stop because of BLM rulings. "People who really love this sort of thing, and they are going to go out and do it

anyway," he said. The Barstow-to-Las Vegas race was the most popular among off-road enthusiasts and became the most bitterly fought of the three. The race over the years has been battled in court by the Sierra Club, the Wilderness Society, and other groups that claim it damaged the environment.

The race, first run in 1967 with thousands of participants, was put on hold by the BLM for seven years in 1975. It was reinstated under guidelines that limited participants to 1,200.

In recent years, the Barstow-Las Vegas has ended at the Nevada border, although the name remained. More than 1,100 participants rode this year.

Some runnings of the Thanksgiving race have seen such activist groups as Earth First! claim responsibility for mistaking courses and laying down tree spikes.

BLM spokeswoman Barbara Maxfield said there were problems despite controls, including route monitors, marked tourist burrows and having participants sign a statement of understanding about the endangered status of the tortoises.

"We did find at least two burrows adjacent to the course that were crushed," she said. Sierra Club observers claimed they also saw riders leaving designated areas, and widening corridors that should have been narrow passages. "As of this date, not one single tortoise has been injured or killed," Boyd insisted.

But as an endangered species, the tortoise's delicate environment also falls under protection.

The tortoise's future became critical over the summer, when the animals began dying of a mysterious respiratory ailment. Its survival rate already is threatened by urban sprawl and traditional enemies such as ravens that peck at its young.

Motorcyclists say their way of life is being threatened, such as communal gatherings of families at favorite spots for weekends.

Ms. Maxfield pointed out Tuesday that about 100 desert races were not affected by Monday's decision. Motorcyclists interviewed said they believed it was only a matter of time.

"Don't close down the land," said Allen Barber, 22, of Palmdale. "Most of it has been used for desert riding for years. You really can't get there by foot, so why not let motorcyclists enjoy it?"

The wear on terrain is precisely the problem, argued Sierra Club official Elden Lughes.

"The desert is not there for everyone to destroy," he said. Steve Kassanyi, race director for SCORE International, sponsor of the Parker 400, called the decision unfair and said it will be challenged. "The ruling is bad news for Barstow, 100 miles northeast of Los Angeles."

Attendance is an estimated 4,000 to 5,000 spectators for the race, in addition to riders and support teams. The ruling is bad news for Barstow, 100 miles northeast of Los Angeles. Attendance is an estimated 4,000 to 5,000 spectators for the race, in addition to riders and support teams. The ruling is bad news for Barstow, 100 miles northeast of Los Angeles.



Bighorn sheep are trapped and netted during relocation efforts

40 bighorn get new Idaho home

BOISE — Up to 40 bighorn sheep will move to a new Idaho home in early January.

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game will transplant Rocky Mountain bighorns from Whiskey Basin, Wyo., to the Granitic Creek area of Hells Canyon during the first week of the year.

Granitic Creek was a release site in 1975 and 1976 and the new bighorn sheep will supplement existing populations.

With the aid of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department, Idaho personnel will trap the sheep on Jan. 3. Between 25 and 30 people will capture the sheep by baiting them into a trapping area and topping a net.

The bighorns will be moved in transport boxes to Hells Canyon Dam, then flown by helicopter to Granitic Creek for release.

The bighorn transplant is a cost-share project between Idaho and Wyoming. Idaho pays the trapping costs of approximately \$100 per sheep while Wyoming provides the

sheep. Wyoming has furnished Idaho with bighorns for release south of Mount Burah near Mackay, in the Little Lost River drainage north of Howe and in the Craig Mountain area near Lewiston.

Funding to trap and move the sheep comes from the Idaho Fish and Game budget, the Foundation for North American Wild Sheep and a portion of the money raised by a FNAWS bighorn sheep tag auction. The Foundation has auctioned an Idaho bighorn tag annually since 1988.

Bush approves international wetlands preservation agreement

By The Associated Press

President Bush has signed a landmark piece of legislation for protection and preservation of the nation's wetlands.

The North American Wetlands Conservation Act puts the United States government behind the first American Wetland Management Plan.

"On the international front, it's one of the most important pieces of conservation legislation that's come along in years and years," said Matthew B. Connolly Jr., executive vice president of Ducks Unlimited.

The North American Wetland Management Plan is a 15-year, \$1.5 billion

agreement between the United States, Canada and Mexico designed to restore the continent's waterfowl populations through conservation of 6 million acres of key breeding, migration and wintering habitat, which now is being destroyed at the rate of 450,000 acres per year.

This has been multiplied by the droughts of the '80s, which deprived ducks of key breeding sites and soil populations of some species to record lows.

"The most important thing (about the bill) is that the two key branches of government that should be are now behind" waterfowl conservation," Connolly said from DU's Washington, D.C., headquarters.

Introduced by Senate Majority Leader

George A. Mitchell, D-Maine, supported by key House members and endorsed by Bush, the bill was passed in one session of Congress — a rarity for conservation legislation.

The bill does two things: — It sets up a nine-member North American Wetlands Conservation Council which will evaluate wetland projects according to criteria set up in the law, and list them in order of priority for funding.

— Provides an annual federal appropriation of \$15 million, plus the investment of non-obligated Pittman-Robertson funds and monies from migratory birds fines and forfeitures to cover funding. That money may be spent in the United

States, Canada or Mexico, a major breakthrough since previous law prohibited spending federal money on habitat projects in other nations.

The money would total at least \$30 million per year, or at least \$300 million, said Connolly, whose group has pledged \$300 million of its own to the plan.

The government of Canada, Canadian provinces, individual states in the United States and other private sources are expected to come up with the balance of the \$1.5 billion.

"Now there's a process by which to implement the plan and there are the beginning of adequate tools to get the job done," Connolly said.

The most urgent needs, Connolly said, are in the prairies of the North Central United States, the central valley of California and the lower Mississippi Valley.

"These are the most immediately jeopardized," he said.

The key to success, he said, is to do more than just go out and buy land.

"We must work with agricultural interests and other activities that make major impacts on land," he said. "We need to come up with incentives and innovative ways of giving people tax breaks, show how they can do conservation easements, but maintain their property ownership. If they manage the land in ways that are more responsible, they should be rewarded for that."

Public comment ends on owl regulations

By The Associated Press

Documents claiming the northern spotted owl can survive without old growth forests were filed by logging advocates Wednesday, the last day for public comments on whether to list the bird as a threatened species.

"The data we have gathered does not support listing at this time," James Sweeney, manager of wildlife ecology for the American Forest Resource Alliance, said at a news conference in Washington, D.C.

In Portland, Ore., the Oregon Lands Coalition filed a 500-page position paper demanding the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service withdraw its proposal to list the owl as threatened.

"Comments on spotted owls are being discovered throughout the Northwest in greater numbers than ever anticipated," said John Kunzman of Sweet Home, chairman of Communities for a Great Oregon, one of the coalition's members. "The more the experts look, the more owls they find."

More than 20,000 comments have come in from around the nation in response to the Fish and Wildlife Service's proposal to list the spotted owl as a threatened species, said agency spokeswoman Cynthia Barry in Portland.

The Fish and Wildlife Service last June proposed listing the spotted owl as threatened because so much of its old growth forest habitat had been lost to logging. The proposal reversed a December 1988 decision against protection for the owl.

If the owl is listed as a threatened species, the recovery plan developed by the Fish and Wildlife Service could include more stringent limits on logging in the old growth forests where the owls nest and hunt. The trees, more than 250 years old, also produce the best timber.

Timber-hungry mills have begun bidding "corner brackets" for Douglas fir that was set up a lawsuit on behalf of the owl, but is now released by the intervention of Congress through the Northwest timber compromise.

The large amount of interest in the bird prompted the agency to extend the public comment period from the original deadline of Sept. 21.

The agency has estimated 1,500 breeding pairs and an undetermined number of single birds range from British Columbia to Northern California, with 90 percent of the birds' habitat on federal land.

Comments are being assembled in Sacramento, Calif., and the agency will go over all of them before issuing a decision June 23, said Barry.

The Fish and Wildlife Service is bound by the Endangered Species Act to take only biological factors into consideration in its decision, not economic factors.

Environmentalists maintain that 50 million old growth forest has been logged already that the owl's survival depends on being listed as a threatened species.

"Neither the Forest Service nor the Bureau of Land Management has protected sufficient amounts of suitable habitat to ensure the long-term survival of the northern spotted owl," The



Some say the northern spotted owl survives in greater numbers than previously believed.

Wilderness Society said in comments released last week.

The Wilderness Society dismissed sightings of spotted owls in second growth forests as inconsequential.

"These accounts, which have not been published in any scientific journals, have little relevance to the plight of the owl over most of its range," said David Wilcove, senior ecologist for The Wilderness Society.

"They represent, in other words, a special case with little relevance to other areas," he said. "There is simply no evidence that the northern spotted owl can persist in the intensively managed even-aged stands of Douglas fir that

are replacing the old growth forests on federal, state and private lands in Washington, Oregon and inland California."

Wilcove added that if logging of old growth stands on national forests continues at the present rate of 5,700 acres a year, within three years there will be virtually no large unfragmented stands suitable for owl habitat.

Sweeney of the American Forest Resource Alliance said the highest density of spotted owls ever observed in a study came this year in a second-growth stand of trees 30 to 80 years old in Northern California.

Rare bat stalls lake project in Indiana

FISHHOOK, Ill. (AP) — A \$6 million lake project was derailed after state officials discovered the site harbored roosts for the endangered Indiana bat.

The state called a halt to the recreation project after the discovery of 39 Indiana bat roosts at the 800-acre lake site, officials said Wednesday.

Previously only three trees in the United States were known to serve as roosts for the winged mammals in the summer, when they give birth.

"This project would have a devastating impact on this species of owl," said Jim Garner, manager of the Illinois Department of Conservation's endangered and threatened species conservation program.

Garner said Wednesday that 12 roosting sites, or trees, would have been lost if the lake was built.

The Indiana bat, very similar to the common "little brown bat," feeds strictly on insects, Garner said.

Male Indiana bats summer in a variety of eastern U.S. locales, he said.

But the females roost each year in only a few spots.

Indiana bats return each year to the same nest as long as it remains undisturbed, he said, and anywhere

from a dozen to a hundred bats will roost in a single tree.

"They have a tendency to roost in trees which have bark that flakes away and they climb up and roost underneath the bark and have their babies. It's one of their most unique characteristics."

Seven caves — in Indiana, Missouri and Kentucky — provide winter shelter for 90 percent of the estimated 350,000 surviving Indiana bats, officials have determined.

Each cave is federally protected against private or public development.

Concerns about the Indiana bat also were cited during federal consideration of sites proposed in Illinois, Michigan and Tennessee for the multibillion-dollar superconducting super collider project, eventually awarded to Texas.

Garner and his staff pinpointed the roosts near the proposed lake project in western Illinois by stringing nets across Fishhook Creek to catch the bats as they flew upstream. Each bat was fitted with a miniature radio transmitter that led scientists back to their roosts.

The lake project would have expanded Sloan Springs State Park by 2,000 acres and created an 800-acre lake.

Salmon eggs should survive virus

CORVALLIS, Ore. (AP) — Salmon eggs from fish contaminated with a deadly virus should survive if handled properly, according to Oregon State University researchers.

Scott LaPatra, a fish pathologist, said the infectious hematopoietic necrosis virus attacks the blood-forming tissues of the fish. The disease has killed an estimated 5 million juvenile salmon and steelhead trout at hatcheries in Oregon, Alaska, Idaho and Washington during the decade.

The IHN virus also prompted fishery managers to destroy 11 million fish eggs in the 1980s, LaPatra said.

However, LaPatra said tests conducted at four Oregon hatcheries since 1984 indicate that eggs treated with a disinfectant or cleaned with virus-free water immediately after fertilization have produced healthy juvenile fish.

The results have led scientists to conclude the disease is transmitted primarily through the water supply, he said.

Still, LaPatra said the only stocks being kept in production are fish that will not be transferred out of their native watershed. "We're being cautious," he said.

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Nation of Oman works to replace nearly extinct desert antelope

JIDDAT AL HARASIS, Oman (AP) — There was no fanfare for the 10th anniversary of a project to save a rare desert antelope bred from extinction, but tribesmen who watch the herds say proudly, "The oryx have come back."

Herds of white oryx are once again roaming the stony plateau of central Oman just 17 years after the last free-ranging Oryx leucorox were hunted and killed in 1972 by a foreign raiding party that officials won't identify.

The decline in the numbers of oryx was becoming apparent 10

years before that, however, and a group of international conservation organizations banded together to preserve the species. Three animals were captured in 1962 in Arabia and joined others already in captivity. A world herd was formed for breeding at the Phoenix Zoo in Arizona, with the objective of eventual reintroduction.

New animals continue to come from the United States. The latest arrivals in January, from the San Diego zoo, were descendants of oryx captured in Arabia.

Jiddat al Harasis, 250 miles

southwest of Muscat, was chosen because it provided an environment in which oryx were once known to thrive. Its vegetation, fed by sea-blown mists, provides the diversity of nourishment the oryx need. In addition, the conservation-minded Harasis tribe volunteered to act as wardens.

Over the years, the project has taken zoo-bred animals from both the United States and the Shaumari Wildlife Reserve in Jordan.

Their initial introduction starts inside an enclosure at the base camp of the 10-year-old White

Oryx Project, where they become accustomed to the climate and vegetation of the Jiddat and to each other.

"They develop a linear dominance hierarchy in which each animal knows its place in the herd and how to interact with the others," said the government's conservation adviser, Ralph Daly. "Once this phase has been realized the gates are opened and the animals begin to explore, together, the larger desert."

Seventy-two oryx have been released into the wild — 40 males

and 32 females. They are tracked by solar-powered radio collars in addition to the keen eyes of the 28 Harasis rangers who report on their conditions.

Oryx can live up to 20 years. In good years, females calve an average of once a year. Newborns weigh about 12 pounds; adults are 130 to 175 pounds. The white oryx can survive the harsh desert conditions because they can go for long periods of time without drinking water, surviving on dew and mist. Their color helps keep them cool and virtually invisible

against the desert background. And their strong legs and large hooves let them range widely.

Here in the Jiddat, where the oryx graze over 1,000 square miles, they are known to have traveled 46 miles in 12 hours at night and go 11 months without drinking water.

"They seem to have settled in well," Daly said. "We are delighted with the way in which the project is proceeding. It's gone very well indeed. Rains in March and June this year have provided especially good grazing."

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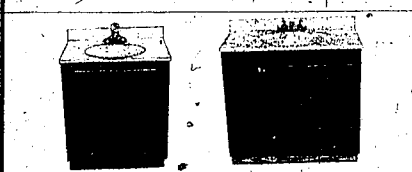
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