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Many young adults across the country are booming back to their parents' homes. Whatever the reason for this, there are some ways to make the move easier for the parents and the children.

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Fine choice for board

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Bush, Salinas urge trade pact soon

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — President Bush and Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari, meeting privately at Camp David, ordered negotiators of a U.S.-Mexico free-trade pact to complete the controversial accord "as soon as possible," the White House said Saturday.

By expressing their "strong commitment" to the North American Free Trade Agreement, the two leaders appeared eager to demonstrate that election-year politics would not slow progress on the issue of trade between the two nations.

Effect on children - A7

Widespread concern about the potential impact of the proposed trade agreement on American jobs has raised doubts that it would be completed and sent to Congress for ratification before the 1992 presidential election.

In defending the proposed pact, the White House said that it would stimulate economic growth and create new employment opportunities on both sides of the border, including an estimated 44,000 to 64,000 new U.S. jobs over 10 years.

American labor leaders and some prominent Democrats have countered that a free-trade agreement with Mexico would result in the flight of American manufacturing jobs south of the border, where labor costs are lower and safety standards less stringent.

U.S. Trade Representative Carla A. Hills, while conceding that some politicians were "unilaterally opposed" to an accord, told reporters on Friday that she does not think the negotiations would become "a political football" in next year's presidential campaign.

In their first face-to-face meeting since

April 1991, Bush and Salinas also discussed the illegal narcotics trade, a subject that has fouled drug bust last month resulted in the shooting deaths of several Mexican federal officers.

Once completed and ratified, the free-trade pact would remove existing trade and tariff barriers between the United States and Mexico. The United States already has concluded such an agreement with Canada. The addition of Mexico to the North American free trade area would create a three-nation market with 360 million consumers and combined output of more than \$6 trillion.

Precarious perch

Game officials cast wary eye on range

By N.S. Nokkervet
Times-News writer

MOUNTAIN CITY, Nev. — State wildlife experts fear a proposed Air Force bombing range would ravage a herd of California bighorn sheep in the Owyhee River canyon lands of southwestern Idaho.

Trapping - B1

The proposed range is home to the nation's most robust herd of California bighorn sheep, a subspecies of Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep.

Gov. Cecil Andrus has offered a package of state and private land to the Air Force, which along with federal land would be included in a 150,000-acre bombing range in extreme southwestern Owyhee County. The Air Force is studying the governor's proposal.

For its part, the Air Force has proposed increasing air traffic over Owyhee County, including supersonic flight, in connection with its plans to expand operations at Mountain Home Air Force Base.

Fish and Game biologists earlier this month trapped for transplanting more than 100 wild sheep along the Owyhee canyon rims. But many fear the bombing range and greatly increased number of flights over the area would reduce the herd and eliminate the opportunity to trap.

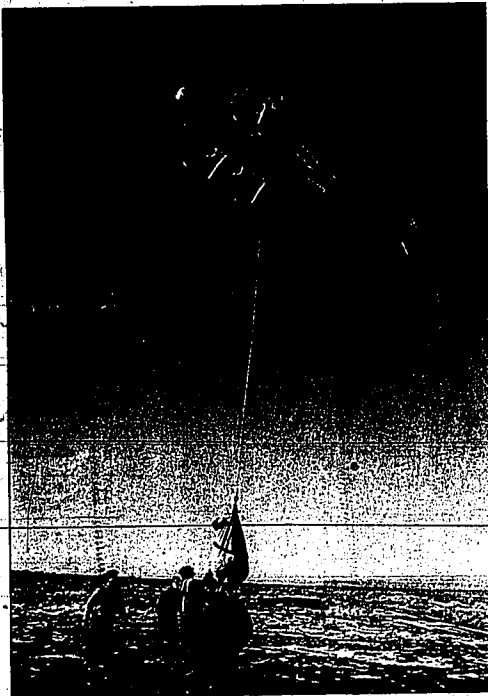
Already Fish and Game helicopters have had several near-misses with Air Force fighter jets practicing their deadly craft over the Owyhee desert.

The Owyhee sheep herd comprises 20 percent of the world's population of California bighorn sheep. It also is the only herd in the country healthy enough to provide transplant stock for other flocks.

The proposed bombing range stretches across an area known as the Dickshotter Ridge — from Battle Creek on the east to Deep Creek on the west, and from the Owyhee River's east fork in the south to Hurry Back Creek and the Big Springs Ranch in the north.

The Owyhee herd was started 28 years ago with a gift of 40 sheep from British Columbia. They have thrived in those remote, rugged canyons.

"Now we have 1,200 to 1,500 California bighorns," said Lloyd Oldenburg, who manages the sheep program in Fish and Game's wildlife bureau.



N.S. NOKKERVET/The Times-News

California bighorn sheep are trapped for transplanting on the Air Force's proposed Big Springs Training Range in southwestern Idaho. At top, a bighorn is checked out before being transplanted to North Dakota.

Fish and Game takes 40 to 60 animals from the Owyhee herd annually. Thinning the herd helps to maintain its vigor, said state wildlife veterinarian Dave Hunter.

When the size of the herd reaches the capacity of the habitat to support it, animals become more susceptible to disease.

Of the sheep captured this month, 15

went to the South Hills, where three previous transplants from the Owyhee herd already have established a sheep population.

About 40 of the animals went to the badlands in North Dakota in a trade for 400 wild turkeys. The rest went to Nevada.

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Satanism incidences questioned

By Phil Sahm
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Stories of organized satanists committing blood sacrifices, sexual abuse and murder represent hysteria, not fact, say several educators who have studied the issue.

And they say southern Idaho fits the profile of places where rumors of satanism take hold: rural, mostly white with doses of fundamentalist religion.

"I don't think there is any doubt that there are people who practice satanic rites," said David Raskin, a University of Utah psychologist.

"The issue is: Are children and others being abused and sacrificed? As far as I know, there is no concrete evidence," he said.

A burned, mutilated infant — later dubbed "Baby X" — was found at the Minidoka County landfill in November 1989. That killing has not been solved, and its second anniversary was marked by an anti-racial abuse vigil in Rupert that drew people from throughout the Intermountain West.

"It's a lot more palatable to believe that a group of merciless satanists would kill a baby, rather than your average family in Idaho," said David Bromley, a sociologist at Virginia Commonwealth University.

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Magichords sing tonight

The third installment of Christmas in

City Park is scheduled for tonight. The Magichords will make the first of two scheduled appearances tonight at 5 p.m. at the bandshell. The next will be on Dec. 22.

Cookies and hot drinks will be available during the program for \$1.

Yeltsin predicts economy will get worse, then better

The Associated Press

A closer look - D8-7

MOSCOW — The new commonwealth replacing the Soviet Union will have to struggle through one more bad year before it can turn around the devastated economy, Russian President Boris Yeltsin was quoted as saying Saturday.

"I can promise Russians stabilization by the end of 1992," Yeltsin said. "In a year's time, we will stop falling."

Leaders who represent more than 90 percent of the Soviet population are moving to join Yeltsin's commonwealth.

President Mikhail S. Gorbachev had strenuously protested, but began to soften his position on Friday when five republics said they would join

the Slavic troika of Russia, Byelorussia and Ukraine in the commonwealth.

Gorbachev has talked of resigning, but was expected to stay on the job at least through this week for a visit by Secretary of State James A. Baker III. Baker also was to meet with Yeltsin in Washington on Saturday night.

In an interview to appear in this week's issue of Time magazine, Gorbachev expressed some anger at Baker. "Baker was overly hasty in saying the Soviet Union no longer exists. Things are in flux here. While we still trying to figure things out, the U.S. seems to know everything."

already! I don't think that's loyalty." In the interview, conducted Friday and released Saturday, Gorbachev gave no indication his resignation was imminent. He spoke of a future role in the commonwealth, but did not say what that role would be.

That could become clearer when the commonwealth leaders meet next Saturday to discuss Gorbachev's position and their new political structure.

Among the topics Gorbachev is expected to take up with Baker are the security of Soviet nuclear weapons and humanitarian needs.

The Soviet Union is heading into winter with severe food and fuel shortages, and U.S. officials are worried about the possibility of widespread unrest.

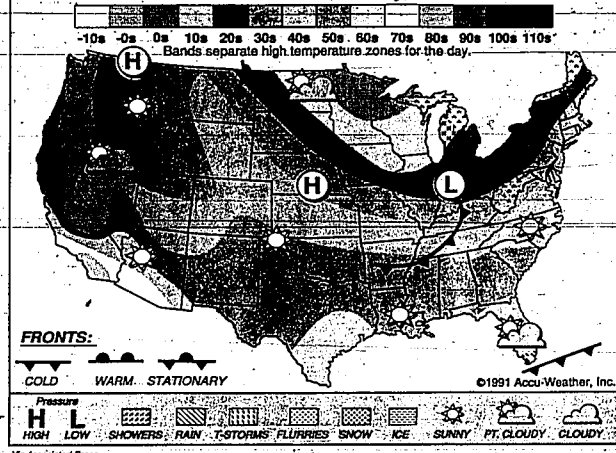


Ahmad Hallimov, a Liberal Democrat party official, speaks at a rally opposed to freeing price controls.

Weather

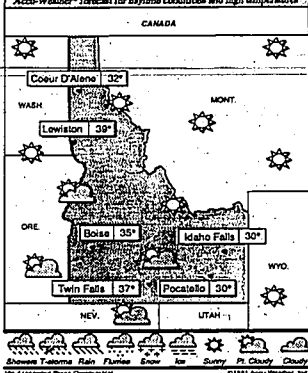
NATIONAL Weather

The Accu-Weather® forecast for noon, Sunday, Dec. 15.



IDAHO Weather

Sunday, Dec. 15
Accu-Weather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures



Temperatures

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Des Moines	33	23
Detroit	41	27	04
Honolulu	83	73	01
Houston	60	54	03
Indianapolis	39	31	03
Kansas City	38	28
Las Vegas	61	34
Los Angeles	80	52
Memphis	50	49
Miami Beach	82	75
Milwaukee	28	24	03
Minneapolis	14	10
New Orleans	65	56	46
New York	61	51	07
Oklahoma City	48	32
Omaha	37	23
Phoenix	72	44
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Forecasts

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding: Sunday and Monday clear. Areas of night and morning fog and haze. Light winds. Highs upper 30s. Lows 10-20.

Camas Prairie and Wood River Valley: Sunday and Monday areas of morning-fog otherwise sunny. Highs upper 20s to low 30s. Lows Sunday from -3 to 6 above. High Monday near 30.

Extended forecast: Southern Idaho — Increasing clouds Tuesday. A chance of rain or freezing rain Wednesday. A chance of rain Thursday with snow in the mountains. Highs mid 30s to mid 40s. Lows mid 20s to mid 30s west and single digits and teens east.

Northern Utah and Nevada — Sunday through Monday fair. Slowly increasing haze. Highs 35-40. Lows 15-20.

Elko County — Variable high clouds Sunday and east Monday. Cloudy with a slight chance of showers extreme east and northwest late Monday. Snow level 5,500 to 6,000 feet. Highs from near 40 east to near 50 west. Lows tonight locally near 10 above east and otherwise in the teens to 20s.

Weather summary

A ridge of high pressure over the western states kept Idaho dry Saturday, the National Weather Service said.

A low well off the California coast sent some high clouds across southern Idaho. This pattern is expected to continue through Monday.

Satellite pictures revealed mostly clear skies across northern Idaho, mostly cloudy skies across the south. No rain was reported or detected by radar over or anywhere near Idaho Saturday. Except for some patches of fog in the higher mountain valleys.

The warmest temperature in the state Saturday was 42 degrees at Hagerman. Stanley reported the coldest at 8 degrees below zero.

Elsewhere in the nation Saturday, the highest temperature was 85 degrees at Daytona Beach, Melbourne and Vero Beach, Fla. The lowest was 28 degrees below zero at Alamogordo, Colo.

Wind, snow hits Great Lakes while Hawaii is drenched

High wind and snow blew across the Great Lakes region Saturday and a belt of rain extended from the South into New England. Torrential rain in Hawaii caused flooding that chased some people from their homes.

Dense fog hovered over some California valleys through midday.

An intense low pressure system crossing Upper Michigan produced high wind and snow squalls from Minnesota to New York state.

By late morning, 8.7 inches of snow had fallen at International Falls, Minn., and in Upper Michigan 4 inches had accumulated at Paradise, the National Weather Service reported.

Strong wind prevailed from the middle Mississippi Valley across the Ohio Valley and the Great Lakes region. Gusts hit 64 mph at Sewickley, Pa., outside Pittsburgh, 49 mph at Peoria, Ill., 47 mph at Cincinnati and above 45 mph in several areas in western Pennsylvania.

Early afternoon temperatures were only in the teens and

single digits from eastern North Dakota through Minnesota to western Upper Michigan. Rexev, Minn., had a reading of 6 below zero.

Strong northeasterly wind in the Upper Midwest produced early afternoon wind chill readings of 30 below zero at Duluth, Minn., and International Falls, Minn.

In Hawaii, dozens of homes and vehicles were damaged and at least one person was missing Saturday after major flooding on the east and north sides of the island of Kauai, officials reported.

Firefighters in Kapaa evacuated dozens of residents from flooded homes and took them to emergency shelters. Kuhio Highway, the main road around the island, was covered by water in several areas, isolating the east and north sides of the island.

As of 7 a.m. HST, 11 inches had fallen at Wailua, with 9.5 inches at Hanalei and 5 inches at Wainiha, the weather service said.

A storm warning was in effect into Sunday for northern Maine, with weather advisories in effect for northern New Hampshire and much of the rest of Maine.

Sheep

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But no one really knows the extent of effects Air Force operations and a bombing range in or near the sheep habitat would have on the herd.

"Unquestionably, hell, I don't know," said Dave Hunter, state wildlife veterinarian. "The bombing range will probably be a detriment, but how much is difficult to say."

"What we have to watch is making too many assumptions," he said. "Maybe it's not as critical as we think."

Some of the best sheep-habitat in California is in or near military operations areas, Hunter. Operations there apparently have not harmed the

area's desert bighorn sheep — a different subspecies than Idaho's California bighorns, he said.

In California, however, the sheep don't face the severe winters that the Idaho sheep do, Hunter said. "Winter is the big stress time on the animals."

If the sheep have stored enough energy reserves to last through the winter, they survive; if they burn up the energy before spring arrives, they die.

The increased stress from military operations may shorten the animals' energy reserves in severe winters. And the possibility of range fires from the use of flares as evasive measure by the jets could reduce the

available forage the sheep depend on to store up energy.

But many other things affect those reserves and how long they last: forage quality and quantity, weather patterns and severity, predation, livestock grazing, disease and population concentrations.

"Stress happens to animals every day," Hunter said.

Low-level flights cause some immediate stress in sheep, but no one knows the long-term effects of that stress, Hunter said. It may in fact be too subtle to measure.

"When you don't know what normal is, how do you know what abnormal is," Hunter said.

Satanism

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If satanists were killing and torturing on the scale that some people claim, there would be evidence of it, Raskin and Bromley say. But one investigation after another turned up no evidence or organized satanists and points to other causes, they say.

There are isolated incidents of sick

people doing things in the name of the devil, but Raskin said he doubts organized groups are operating on a large scale.

Therapists who believe people who claim to have survived satanic abuse need to "get in touch with reality," Raskin said. Some therapists seem to accept these claims at face value, he said. "These are the claims of disturbed individuals," he said.

Raskin said that therapists who help people remember these incidents, which often are said to have taken place many years before, plant suggestions in the patients' minds to help them deal with their illnesses. "They're using external forces to blame for their disorders," he said. "They're doing their patients a disservice and profiting greatly by it."

Claims of organized satanists committing these crimes are nothing more than hysteria based on ignorance, he said. "It's no different that the Salem witch hunts."

Bromley said blaming satanists for heinous crimes distracts people from the real problems of child abuse and violence in America. "Like blaming it on the bogeyman, he said."

"It's a way of saying I'm OK and you're OK. There's a bunch of satanists under the rug that are causing all the problems. ... About all you can do is have a vigil and band together and say whoever it is (who killed the baby) isn't part of our group."

Idaho road report

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Transportation Department reported icy spots or patches of snow on most highways Saturday night, but main routes were clear and dry.

Road Conditions:

- U.S. 95 — Plummer-Canadian border, Winchester-Lewiston, Weiser-New Meadows, icy spots, broken snow floor; Riggins-Winchester, Lewiston-Hill-Moscow, Marsing-Oregon, dry.
- Idaho 21 — Boise-Lowman, Lowman-Banner Summit, icy spots, broken snow.
- U.S. 20 — Mountain Home-Ashton, dry with icy spots; Ashton-Montana line, icy spots, snow floor.
- U.S. 26 — Idaho Falls-Wyoming line, icy spots, broken snow floor; Blackfoot-Arco, dry.
- Idaho 51 — Icy spots.
- U.S. 93 — Nevada line-Arco, dry; Lost Trail Pass, broken snow floor.
- Idaho 75 — Shoshone-Ketchum, icy spots; Galletta Summit, snow floor.
- Interstate 86 — Dry.
- Interstate 15 — Utah line-Idaho Falls, dry; Idaho Falls-Dubois, icy spots, broken snow floor; Montida Pass, icy spots, broken snow floor.
- U.S. 30 — McCammon-Montpelier, dry; Montpelier-Wyoming line, dry.
- U.S. 91 — Dry.
- Idaho 28 — Icy spots, broken snow floor.

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Idaho lottery

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Nation

Carey basks in Teamsters spotlight

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Having topped the leadership of the Teamsters Union with a storybook reform campaign, union President-elect Ron Carey is basking in his first moments of national celebrity.

Carey's stunning grass-roots victory is being flatteringly compared to the unexpected outburst of reform that recently obliterated Soviet and Eastern European dictatorships.

But Carey and the thousands of weather-beaten Teamster idealists who spent the past two years plotting the overthrow of the union's oligarchy now face an even more difficult task: translating Carey's pit-bull charisma into nuts-and-bolts changes that will turn a sluggish and notorious union into an aggressive enter-prise.

For more than two decades, Carey has been a hero to an isolated group of Teamster reform activists, who found his altruistic, tough-minded leadership of a Long Island parcel-delivery local a refreshing contrast to a tradition in which national Teamster leaders enjoyed huge salaries, pensions and private planes while cutting deals with organized crime.

If Carey can spread his influence throughout the 615 locals in the 1.5-million-member union, he will lift the image and clout of a sagging labor movement that is desperate for a white knight. Failure will allow cynicism to recapture the Teamsters.



AP Wirephoto

Ron Carey, the newly elected president of the Teamsters Union, will now face the difficulties involved with implementing the reform he campaigned about.

John Climaco, a Cleveland labor lawyer who represented the late Teamster President Jackie Presser, said that members were simply "fed up with having their union called corrupt and racketeer-ridden and having a million-and-a-half people painted with a black brush. ... Carey effectively exploited that."

Added Tom Geoghegan, a Chicago union lawyer and author of a new book on unions' weaknesses: "Over the years, most people outside the

union have assumed that the kind of leadership that 'those people' want, that 'those people are different.' But once the membership had a chance to change things at the top, it did."

Although four of the union's six past international presidents have been indicted on charges of corruption — including Presser, who died while under indictment in 1988 — the large majority of the union's lo-

cals are considered untainted. In addition, scores of Teamster leaders with links to organized crime have been driven out of the union during the 2½ years it has been under federal oversight, a consequence of the 1989 agreement between prior Teamster executives and the Department of Justice which settled the racketeering lawsuit.

Carey's campaign promises include better health care benefits and pensions, an end to corruption and elimination of multiple salaries for union executives. He also pledged to make more aggressive contract demands, which made some trade organizations nervous in the wake of his upset victory.

Susan Jennik, a lawyer with the Association for Union Democracy, said that Carey's election "will help every union organize new members. Right now every organizer has to combat the image of the corrupt Teamster official."

Carey, who currently receives \$48,000 in salary plus another \$18,000 in expenses as president of Teamster Local 804, said that he will accept only \$175,000 of the \$225,000 he is to be paid as Teamster president. The union reformer, who voted for Republicans Richard M. Nixon and Gerald R. Ford for president in the 1970s, also said that he will break with Teamster tradition and endorse a Democrat for the presidency next year, but added he had not decided on which Democrat to support.

Vitamin C deficiency can lead to damage in sperm

WASHINGTON (AP) — Men with low levels of vitamin C are more apt to have genetically damaged sperm, researchers say in a study to be published Sunday.

Bruce Ames, leader of a vitamin C study at the University of California, Berkeley, said that an analysis of sperm from 24 men showed that of 15 with below normal levels of vitamin C, eight had high levels of genetically damaged sperm.

"We know that you get into trouble if your level of vitamin C drops below the recommended daily allowance," said Ames.

The level of damage found in the sperm would not affect fertility, Ames said, adding that much of the damage would be repaired naturally after conception.

But, said Ames, any genetic damage in the sperm increases the risk that these natural genetic repairs would fail and that a child conceived of that sperm will have a birth defect.

The scientist said antioxidants, which are products of metabolism, destroy chemical compounds within the genes. Vitamin C, or ascorbic acid, is a primary antioxidant, which is a nutrient that blocks the damage from oxidants.

The recommended daily allowance

for vitamin C set by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, is 60 milligrams. Ames said he believes this amount is only barely enough for most people and, for smokers, may be far below what is needed to maintain healthy chemicals in cigarette smoke, he said. destroy some benefits of vitamin C and, as a result, smokers need to consume more ascorbic acid to maintain the proper level of vitamin C.

SEARS correction notice

The Sears advertising section in today's paper indicates two different times for Sears Sunday early opening.

The correct time for early opening is 10:00 a.m. Sunday, December 15th except in local areas where Sunday hours are prohibited.

We regret any inconvenience this confusion may have caused our customers.

Warren Commission counsel: Oliver Stone's 'JFK' a 'big lie'

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Oliver Stone's new movie "JFK," the story of a conspiracy in President Kennedy's assassination, is "a big lie that would make Adolf Hitler proud," said a top investigator for the Warren Commission.

David Belin said Stone deliberately overlooks evidence that Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone when he killed Kennedy and a Dallas policeman. "He didn't specifically say that Oliver Stone is an assassin where," Belin said. "I'm saying I would lay out the facts and let a jury decide whether this is artistic license or whether it is a prostitution of the assassination by deliberately telling lies."

Stone responded that Belin was a name-calling "frustrated prosecutor."

"In spite of his bitterness, I wish he had not talked in terms of Hitler and prostitutes. The American people would be better served by a discussion of issues raised by 'JFK,'" said Stone, who has directed "Platoon" and "The Doors."

Belin, a senior partner in one of Des Moines' largest law firms, previewed the film last week. The movie opens nationally Dec. 20.

He was one of two Warren Commission attorneys assigned to investigate who shot Kennedy and Officer J.D. Tippit on Nov. 22, 1963.

The commission — headed by Earl Warren, then chief justice of the U.S. Supreme Court — concluded Oswald committed both crimes. Two days later, Oswald was killed by Jack Ruby, who the commission said also acted on his own.

In the movie, Kevin Costner plays Jim Garrison, once a New Orleans district attorney who prosecuted a businessman on charges he conspired to kill Kennedy. After a two-year investigation and a 34-day trial, a jury took less than an hour to acquit the businessman.

Garrison maintains he was right, and Stone has said the government sabotaged the prosecution.

"The common denominator with all of the conspiracy movies, including 'JFK,' is that Ruby was the final act of the conspiracy. That's why they never show Postal Inspector Harry Holmes," Belin said.

Belin interviewed Holmes during the commission's investigation. Holmes said he showed up unexpectedly at the Dallas police station on the Sunday after Kennedy was killed. At the investigators' invitation, he spent about half an hour questioning Oswald. On his way to another cell after that interview, Oswald was shot by Ruby.

Minutes earlier, Ruby had been in a nearby Western Union office. A time stamp placed him there at 11:17 a.m.

"If Harry Holmes would have just continued on to church that morning, the interrogation session would have ended and Oswald would have been transferred long before Jack Ruby ever got to the Western Union office," Belin said. "Obviously if Jack Ruby had been part of the conspiracy, he would have been downtown at least a half-hour earlier."

Belin said conspiracy theorists dismiss Ruby's denial of a plot and the lie detector test he took. "JFK" and other conspiracy stories suggest that more than one gunman was involved. Kennedy was shot from the rear but his body jerked backwards.

Belin said pathologists believe the jerking was caused by an enormous neurological reaction, duplicated in tests on goats.

Further, he said, there was no evidence of a bullet from the front and no place for such a gunman to hide.

Evidence is conclusive that bullets from Oswald's gun were the only ones fired, he said.

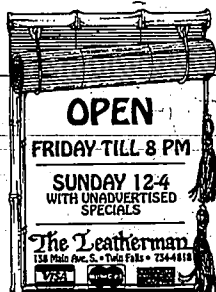
3 jazz artists named to hall

WASHINGTON (AP) — Three jazz greats — singer Betty Carter, pianist Dorothy Donegan and trumpeter Harry "Sweets" Edison — were named Saturday to the Jazz Hall of Fame of the National Endowment for the Arts.

Each of the 1991 winners of the NEA's American Jazz Masters Fellowship will receive a \$20,000, tax-paid cash award, which will be presented at a Jan. 10 concert in Miami featuring the Count Basie Orchestra.

"These gifted artists not only helped to write the history of jazz through their musical gifts but also contributed mightily to increasing America's understanding of this U.S.-born musical genre," NEA chairman John E. Frohnmayer said in a statement.

Previous winners in the jazz masters program, created in 1982, include Miles Davis, Dizzy Gillespie, Lionel Hampton and Count Basie. After an appearance at the Newport Jazz Festival, Carter, of Brooklyn, N.Y., was hailed as "one of the best pure jazz singers alive" in the tradition of Billie Holiday and Sarah Vaughan.



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Man charged after massacre threat

LIBERTY, Mo. (AP) — A man has been charged with misdemeanor assault for threatening to shoot as many people as he could in a discount store on Christmas Eve.

David O. Smith, 45, allegedly said he wanted to kill more than 22 people in an attack like the one that occurred at a Killeen, Texas, cafeteria in October. Clay County Prosecutor Michael Reardon said.

The Texas attack, in which a gunman killed 24 people including him-

self, stands as the nation's worst mass shooting.

A warrant for Smith's arrest, which carried the formal charge, was issued Wednesday because prosecutors "feel there is a reasonable likelihood the defendant would carry out his threat," Reardon said.

He was arrested Friday at a Wal-Mart store in Excelsior Springs, the store at which he allegedly promised to carry out his threat, said John McGovern, Excelsior Springs police

chief. Smith was seen by off-duty officers who were at the store because of the threat. He was unarmed and did not resist arrest, McGovern said.

He was being held in lieu of \$50,000 bail.

Smith allegedly stated the threat to a deputy at the jail on Nov. 22, when he was being released from custody in a child support case, Reardon said. Smith allegedly repeated the statement to a marshal in Mosby.

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Democratic candidates assail Bush on economy, health care

LAKE-BUENA-VISTA, Fla. (AP) — Four Democratic candidates for president attacked the Bush administration Saturday for mishandling the economy and ignoring Americans' need for health care.

"It's time to take the government back from the special interests and the privileged few and make it work for us for a change," Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin told 2,300 state convention delegates who gathered at a Walt Disney World hotel.

Harkin, a former Massachusetts Sen. Paul Tsongas, Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton and Nebraska Sen. Bob Kerrey addressed the delegates Saturday, as they campaigned for Sunday's Florida straw ballot. They planned more intimate one-on-one meetings later.

Virginia Gov. Douglas Wilder and former California Gov. Jerry Brown planned to skip the event.

The four also said Louisiana's David Duke, a former Ku Klux Klansman who is running for the Republican presidential nomination, is a product of the past, hidden racial divisiveness of GOP politics.

'America First' means whatever presidential candidates want it to

WASHINGTON (AP) — "America First" is the new shorthand for presidential candidates trying to exploit domestic discontent. But it's a slippery phrase that can mean almost anything a politician chooses.

For Republican commentator Patrick Buchanan, "America First" is a conservative retort to President Bush's avid internationalism, a modern-day echo of the isolationists of a half-century ago.

But for Democratic Gov. L. Douglas Wilder of Virginia, it's a slap at Bush's alleged neglect of domestic concerns — and it has little to do with America's role on the world stage.

Bush's self-professed fascination with foreign affairs has encouraged challengers in both parties to question his commitment to his own country.

Three of them are using explicit America First slogans — Buchanan, Wilder and former Ku Klux Klansman David Duke, running as an unimpeachable Republican.

Duke promotes an America First world policy — that would require Japan and Europe to mount their



Harkin

"Any president who would divide this country into racial and ethnic groups should not be re-elected," said Tsongas.

The straw poll, scheduled the same day as the first nationally televised debate of the six Democratic candidates, is the final scorecard test of strength in the 1992 campaign. The vote is set for Sunday morning, with NBC-TV anchorman Tom Brokaw moderating the debate that night.

Democratic National Committee Chairman Ron Brown said he opposed the straw poll of party insiders even though the state convention would generate "enthusiasm" for the campaign in Florida, the fourth-largest state.

"I don't like beauty contests. I don't like straw polls," Brown said.

Even though the ballot is non-binding, the victor gets an early boost in fund-raising and momen-

tum since the vote comes well before the Feb. 18 New Hampshire primary, said Sen. Bob Graham, D-Fla.

Florida's presidential primary is set for "Super Tuesday" on March 10, when 12 states will hold their primaries.

All four candidates hammered away at President Bush and former President Reagan for what they said was promotion of a greedy, me-first decade in the 1980s that eschewed long-term investment for the fast buck. Clinton said the Republicans were more concerned with image than substance.

"When there is a national recession — a thousand points of light leaves a lot of darkness," Clinton said. "That is not funny. It is tragic."

Harkin, who has a fiery stump style that brought strong response from the delegates, said Democrats should not try to become so centrist that they are identical to the GOP.

He told the delegates to remember the confidence of Roosevelt, the toughness of Truman and the vision of Kennedy.

what's happening to other countries.

Bush, a Navy pilot during World War II, carries unsettling memories of the America Firsters and a firm view of a superpower's responsibility.

"I don't want to see this country go back to America First and to protection that will shrink markets and throw people out of work," the president said last week. "We need to stand together against that call ... to stay within ourselves."

Historians say the new incarnation of the America First movement lacks the intellectual muscle and credibility of the original. The premise, however, evidently still appeals to some Americans. "If it didn't, the Democrats would not be talking in these terms," said Kazin.

The Democratic presidential candidates are calling for increased investment in America and cuts in foreign aid, particularly military aid to Japan and Germany. Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin also has suggested protectionist measures to safeguard American jobs.

"The last four years we've heard one message from the White House — get what you want and forget everybody else," Harkin said.

Kerrey echoed the other three candidates in calling for universal access to health care, a message successfully used in the recent Pennsylvania Senate race, by Democrat Harris Wofford to defeat former At-

torney General Dick Thornburgh.

Florida Democratic analysts and officials say Clinton and Harkin have done the most work for the straw poll and should have the edge. Clinton is a Southerner with support among key state politicians and Harkin's backbone is labor, which makes up a quarter of the convention delegates.

There is also an effort to write in the name of New York Gov. Mario Cuomo, but its aim is to send a signal, not to win.

Tsongas, who spoke to a half-full meeting hall when he addressed the delegates, figures to finish fourth in the straw poll. Aides say he attended the convention to build support for Florida's March 10 primary.

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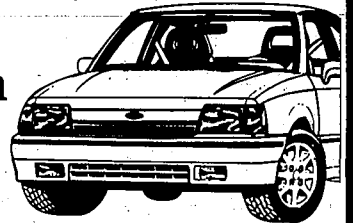
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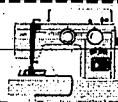
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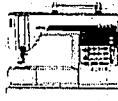
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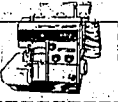
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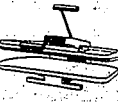
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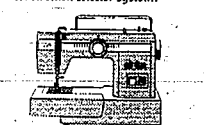
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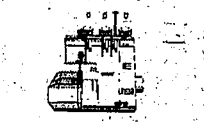
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Federal prosecutors prepare to rest case against Noriega

Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel

MIAMI — After testimony by 44 witnesses spanning three months, federal prosecutors are preparing to rest their case against Manuel Antonio Noriega.

The action could come as early as Monday.

Prosecutors hope they are leaving the 12-member jury with a vivid image of the deposed leader of Panama; that of a man eager to accept millions in bribes to allow the Medellín cocaine cartel to operate unhindered in Panama from 1981 to 1986.

In one of the highest-priority prosecutions ever undertaken in the United States, the government has pulled out all the stops. Prosecutors are seeking not only to convince the jury of Noriega's guilt beyond a reasonable doubt, but to block efforts by Noriega and his defense team to raise issues



Noriega

potentially embarrassing the Reagan and Bush administrations. Noriega has branded his 1988 indictment on drug-trafficking and racketeering charges as a political vendetta by U.S. officials. He has hinted that he may use the international spotlight shining on the trial to strike back at Washington. But it remains unclear exactly what tack defense attorney Frank Rubino will take when he presents his opening argument this week. He has hinted that he will call as witnesses several of the major figures in the Iran-Contra scandal, including retired Marine Lt. Col. Oliver North.

But that avenue may be severely

limited in light of extensive pre-trial rulings by U.S. District Judge William Hoever, who declared most of the Iran-Contra affair irrelevant to the Noriega case. Meanwhile, defense investigators are scrambling to try to obtain statements from former Noriega aides in Panama to dispute powerful testimony offered by the government from former drug traffickers who have characterized Noriega as a corrupt and greedy manipulator.

In an unprecedented effort, prosecutors seemed at times to have searched the nation's prisons to find anyone with an incriminating story to tell about Noriega.

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SEC traces funds, hopes for recovery of \$65 million

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Federal securities regulators investigating alleged investment fund fraud said Saturday they have traced \$65 million in missing money invested by Iowa communities, and predicted the funds would be recovered.

In a related matter, the Iowa official who blew the whistle after discovering discrepancies at Institutional Treasury Management of Irvine, Calif., was fired from her job as a deputy state treasurer.

The Securities and Exchange Commission is trying to untangle \$1.2 billion in accounts held by ITM. The investment company managed the funds for municipalities and savings institutions in 13 states.

In addition to the missing Iowa money, the SEC has alleged about \$10.4 million in overcharges. Company accounts and the assets of its owner have been frozen by a federal court pending the fraud investigation.

"I can confirm we traced the money. I will not confirm where it went," said Elaine Cacheris, acting regional administrator of the SEC's Los Angeles office.

"It will be recovered," she said in a telephone interview.

The money is part of frozen funds being handled by a receivership attorney. When investors might regain control of their money remained uncertain.

Joan Fitzpatrick Bolin, 45, a former SEC lawyer who told her old agency something was amiss at ITM, was fired Friday for gross insubordination.

Her boss, Iowa Treasurer Michael Fitzgerald, said Bolin wrongfully accused a superior of unethical behavior and that she was "totally upsetting the functions of this office."

"It had absolutely nothing to do with the Iowa Trust," he said. Bolin disagreed.

"I believe it absolutely had to do with it," she said.

She said she made enemies through her attempts to bring in outside experts as state finance advisers and her lobbying for tighter controls over municipal investing.

The Iowa Trust Fund, a pool of surplus cash of 87 Iowa counties, communities and public agencies, has \$106 million invested with ITM.

The SEC alleges ITM and its owner, Steven D. Wymer, 43, of Newport Beach, Calif., withdrew two-thirds of that money and funneled it into other accounts. It also alleges overcharges to the Iowa Trust by \$6 million and investment Trust of Colorado.

The SEC complaint alleges ITM made hundreds of unauthorized transactions and shifted money from account to account to cover losses on those deals.

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Police chief blasts mayor in proposal

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Police Chief Daryl Gates called Tom Bradley "a lousy mayor" and had planned to run for mayor himself after the 1984 Summer Olympics, according to a proposal for his autobiography.

Based on the proposal, excerpts of which were published Saturday by the Los Angeles Times, the autobiography was purchased by Bantam Books.

Gates has said he intends to resign next year. The 13-year chief came under fire from Bradley and civil rights groups following the March 3 videotaped beating of a black motorist by white police officers.

Food stamp program mistakes, fraud cost taxpayers \$1 billion

WASHINGTON (AP) — Mistakes, checks lost in the mail and fraud in the food stamp program cost taxpayers \$1 billion last year, Agriculture Department documents reveal. Just \$84 million of that was recovered, say officials at USDA's Food and Nutrition Service.

Agency documents also show the administrative costs of running the massive federal food program doubled during the 1980s, at a time when participation in the program declined. Since 1990, participation has increased, and a record 23.76 million Americans received help buying groceries in September.

The mistakes and fraud in 1990, when combined with the administrative costs, meant that taxpayers were spending 25 cents for every \$1 in food stamp benefits, according to USDA records obtained by The Associated Press.

A year earlier, the cost to taxpayers was 28 cents on the dollar, according

to an analysis of the USDA figures, obtained through the Freedom of Information Act.

The documents show that while the number of people receiving food stamps actually fell from 22.4 million in 1981 to 20 million in 1990, state and federal administrative costs doubled, from \$1.12 billion in 1981 to nearly \$2.5 billion in 1990.

The value of benefits also increased sharply, from \$10.6 billion in 1981 to \$14 billion in 1990 and an estimated \$17.3 billion in 1991. Benefits paid in 1989 totaled \$11.7 billion, while operating costs and overpayments were about \$3.3 billion.

USDA documents indicate that \$1 billion was lost to mistakes or overpayments in both 1990 and in 1981. The figure for 1991 was not available.

The department and anti-hunger activists say the increase in administrative costs is due to inflation, salary increases, and frequent changes ordered by Congress.

The program costs more, said one activist, because the number of poor Americans has increased. And they say some mistakes are inevitable in a program that serves millions.

But an official of the National Taxpayers Union called the figures shocking.

"What's astonishing — is that for every dollar spent by a food stamp recipient, 28 cents was spent on administrative costs or on recipients that shouldn't be getting the benefits, or who are getting too much," said David Keating, executive vice president of the non-partisan group, which advocates cuts in government spending.

Anti-hunger activists say that since some of the overpayments can be recovered, they should not be included in the total. Also, they say, some food stamp recipients received less than they were entitled to and that partially offsets the \$1 billion in projected overpayments.

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World

Trade pact may hurt Mexican children

The Baltimore Sun

REYNOSA, Mexico — Mariana Garrocho Zuniga is 13 and the proud wearer of Delco badge No. 58491. She earns 67 cents an hour at the Delmora plant of Delco, the General Motors subsidiary.

Barely 5 feet tall and weighing about 98 pounds, Mariana does not seem strong enough to work a 48-hour week making dashboard components for Cadillacs. Under Mexican labor law she shouldn't be working at all. The legal working age is 16.

Saturday President Bush met with President Carlos Salinas de Gortari to discuss the free trade pact being negotiated between the United States, Canada and Mexico which could have a marked effect on Mariana and millions of Mexican child workers.

Bush and other trade proponents say that the agreement will bring prosperity to Mexico which, in turn, will benefit children like Mariana who could have stayed in school if her parents made a decent wage.

But some people fear that the trade agreement will lead to increased exploitation of children like Mariana.

Mariana's case is among six child labor law violations found at three leading American companies, which either hired underage children or worked them beyond what the law allows.

Besides General Motors, the other companies are the Zenith Electronics Corporation of Glenview, Ill., the largest American television manufacturer, and the Duro Bag Manufacturing Company of Ludlow, Ky., the nation's No. 1 maker of shopping bags. All are strong backers of the trade agreement.

While those who support the trade pact predict that it will provide financially strapped Mexico the wherewithal to enforce its labor and environmental laws, those concerned about child labor practices fear that hundreds of American companies will follow the lead of U.S. companies along the border who have already taken advantage of Mexico's low wages, weak unions and lax enforcement of labor laws.

Of the six youngsters interviewed

for this article, two were underage girls — Mariana at General Motors and another 13-year-old girl at the Duro company plant in nearby Rio Bravo.

One youngster worked an illegal shift of 16½ hours. The other three also were working illegally long shifts.

Most of the children working here are reluctant to be interviewed for fear of losing their jobs, as Mariana did after a reporter inquired about her case.

Since the early 1980s, millions of Mexican families have found their lives uprooted as the nation's economy collapsed under the weight of depressed oil prices, a huge foreign debt, triple-digit inflation and disastrous farm policies.

According to the Mexican Center for Children's Rights, 400,000 children quit mandatory primary school last year; most to seek work to help their struggling families. The number is expected to swell to 6.6 million by 1995.

There was no other option but to work," says Mariana, the diminutive General Motors employee, whose baby still has some baby fat.

After graduating from the sixth grade last June, Mariana said that she needed to help support her struggling family.

And so she defied her grandmother and lied about her age to meet the minimum age of 16 at the Delmora plant. She loved the company and the job.

Like many youngsters, she hated school. Her fondest hope was to save enough money to become a beautician.

Those hopes were dashed Dec. 5 when executives at the Delmora plant found a weeping Mariana to resign after it was disclosed that her true age was 13 and not 16 as she claimed.

Her weekly take-home pay of \$33 provided nearly half the income for her grandmother, two brothers and a sister.

Mariana was born in a rural area near the town of Panuco, in Veracruz state, where her family had lived for generations as farmers and small businessmen.

But though the family had struggled to keep things together, it soon became apparent that the situation was hopeless. Already Mariana's father had left home to find work. Her mother had died giving birth to her younger sister, Alejandrina.

The family was held together by Antonia Baltazar, Mariana's tough 67-year-old grandmother who decided to lead her four grandchildren to Reynosa, a Mexican city that had what few Mexican towns could offer — jobs.

For example, Zenith employs about 8,000 people, the Delco plant about 4,000 and the Duro plant about 900. Most of the workers are women between the ages of 16 and 22.

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Businesses try to clean up Tijuana

Orange County Register

TIJUANA, Mexico — A lot of folks here are tired of hearing about the town's dark side. "La leyenda negra," they call it. Black legend.

Vice, drugs, alcohol — people don't want to hear it, said Julian Souza, director of Mexitiana, a \$24 million mini-theme park featuring Mexican dance and elaborate models of Mayan pyramids.

Souza and others want to clean up Avenida Revolution, a popular excursion, run off the drunken American teen-agers and bring in a more sedate tourist crowd — couples and families.

Teen-agers "bring little money and they only come to drink," Tijuana Mayor Carlos Manzanera said. "They aren't leaving us anything."

Oscar Castro, director of Cielos, an upbeat monthly business magazine, calls the young tourists "chatarra." Scrap iron, junk.

To try to draw an older, more affluent crowd, a group of investors turned an old nightclub along Avenida Revolution into an upscale restaurant-bar called Bananas-Ranas.

"We want to get away from giving away tequila and getting people drunk," manager Armando Baylon said.

His club opened last month. Mexican guitars, pinatas and clay pots hang from the ceiling. Places of Americana hang from the walls — photos of Babe Ruth, Teddy Roosevelt and Charles Lindbergh.

Down the street, along the pedestrian corridor leading to and from the U.S. border, builders are finishing the Viva Tijuana plaza, which has souvenir shops, restaurants and nightclubs.

Workers began adding lights last month to discourage thieves, and security guards zip around the plaza in electric carts.

"We have to better the town's image," said Alfonso Bustamante, a hotel owner and federal tourism delegate for Baja California. "We have no choice."

Efforts to improve that image come at a time when human-rights groups are increasingly critical of Mexican police. Anyone arrested by Mexican officers risks torture, beatings or death, Amnesty International and Americas Watch said in separate reports released in September.

Victor Clark, head of the Binational Center for Human Rights in Tijuana, said he had interviewed 159 torture victims in the past six years.

Opinion

Editorial

For 200 years, we've told government to take a hike

"I believe there are more instances of the abridgement of the freedom of the people by gradual and silent encroachments of those in power than by violent and sudden usurpations."

—James Madison

Two hundred years ago today, the United States ceased to be an experiment.

The first 10 amendments to the Constitution, universally known as the Bill of Rights, were ratified on Dec. 15, 1791, making America the first fully functioning democracy since the fall of Greece 1,900 years before.

We celebrate 1776, the date of our independence, and 1789, the birth of our Constitution. But until the Bill of Rights, liberty in America derived from the good will of the state.

That single document changed that forever by shifting the center of gravity in American life.

Before 1791, the government decided what was best for the people. After the ratification of the Bill of Rights, the people decided what was good for themselves.

Two hundred years later; that's the

Andrus made fine choice in Micron's Joe Parkinson

The Magic Valley shouldn't worry about Gov. Cecil Andrus' appointment of Joe Parkinson to the State Board of Education. Parkinson, co-founder of Boise's Micron Technology Inc., is a fine choice.

Some people have expressed concern over the fact that the appointment leaves the board without a Magic Valley member for the first time in half a century. The concern is exaggerated.

The state board was not designed for regional representation; the "Magic Valley seat" is only a custom, not a requirement. We've seen no evidence that having a local member on the board has any relationship to the flow of state money to local schools or the College of Southern Idaho.

What's much more important than any parochial concern is the leadership and vision that each member brings to the board. Parkinson will bring as great a contribution as anyone we can think of.

Parkinson has a demonstrated interest and expertise in business technology. He also has a valuable understanding of what the 21st century job market will demand of Idaho education systems.

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Mobilize now to feed hungry Soviets

It now appears highly likely that Russians and other populations of the former Soviet Union will suffer such severe shortages of food and fuel this winter as to threaten chaos, civil unrest and military dictatorship.

That likelihood poses an obvious danger to the future evolution of democracy in the former Soviet Union, fragile as its prospects may be. The potential for chaos in states and mini-states with nuclear weapons, including population movements and possible spillover effects of civil unrest in Eastern Europe, has got us and the Europeans worried, and with good reason.

In fact, time has run out. There is no longer any reason to wait while the relationship between the "center" and the republics is sorted out. That problem is history. We will have to act very soon to relieve the situation — perhaps within a month. What is needed is a relief and aid program for substantial numbers of cities on a scale exceeding the Berlin airlift.

The emergency is focused primarily in two areas:

- (1) Getting adequate supplies of food, fuel and medicine into the many areas not accessible by transport other than air. This is complicated by the fact that facilities for transportation and distribution in many areas are limited or nonexistent.
- (2) Distributing the food and supplies directly to those in need. This includes consideration of the grave risk that any local authority or recipient group is likely to be subject to or involved with the local mafias, which have reputedly taken over the supply of food in the private market in many areas and have become states within states in many segments of the society, not excluding the Soviet military.

The requirements for an aid and relief operation adequate to the need are massive. In addition to an air, ground- and sea-lift, an honest local distribution must be provided to the people in need. The

Frederick S. Wyle

organization, personnel and discipline required to carry out the effort exist only in the military forces of the free world and, at least in large residual measure, the armed forces in the former Soviet Union.

What's needed is a joint military planning operation for a large-scale aid-distribution program to be carried out by the U.S., German, British and French armed forces, winnowed with formerly Soviet armed forces (principally of the Russian and Ukrainian republics).

The project would be an enormous and expensive task — perhaps logistically almost on the order of magnitude of a Desert Storm operation.

Western forces should take a large enough role in on-the-ground distribution operations that there will be a reasonable prospect of honest distribution. The Japanese should be offered the opportunity to participate, and not only financially; they may well be able to contribute valuable civilian and military personnel and logistical help.

The program should envision as many local points of distribution as the logistical capacities will support and the critical needs demand, including at least the medium and large cities that appear to be hardest hit by shortages.

Actual distribution points can be selected as the information becomes available and reliable. The goal should be to funnel in sufficient supplies of food, fuel and medicines to get the affected populations through the winter.

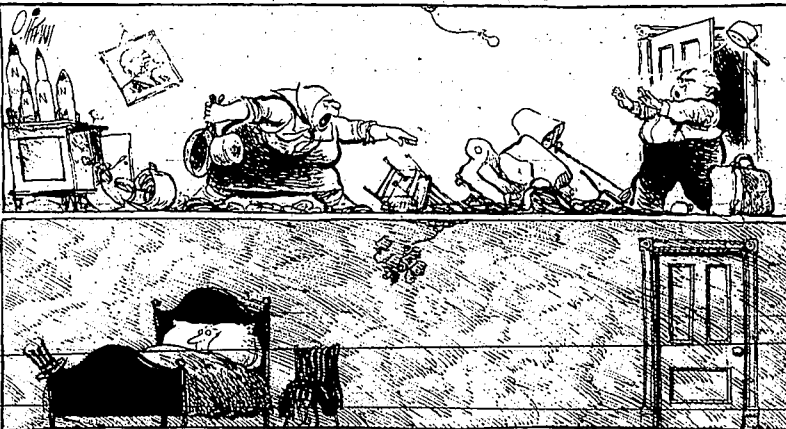
It is also worth considering whether such a major effort would not be a good employment of the several hundred thousand Soviet troops still waiting in Eastern Germany for redeployment home. Making them a central element of a land bridge of fuel and food — to supplement the emergency air bridges — might be a useful way both to make them welcome at home as bearers of relief to a sorely pressed population, and to provide an incentive for the German people to help bear costs that would otherwise seem disproportionate when added to those they have already paid for the Soviet withdrawal.

The whole undertaking would be an enormous and expensive task — perhaps logistically almost on the order of magnitude of a Desert Storm operation, but with much less time to get it done. Fortunately, however, it could be done at a fraction of the cost of Desert Storm and without the heavy equipment demands.

If reports from Soviet and Russian sources are correct, we have only a few weeks to get all of this organized and moving. That is why only the military has a chance of carrying it out, and even then there will be many problems with it. But the need is urgent, both for humanitarian reasons and because of the threat to international order. There should be great European incentive to avoid chaos.

We must not let our aid be used to impose either mafia control or new forms of dictatorship on the people of what used to be the Soviet Union. But we must not delay — there is no more time to lose.

Frederick S. Wyle, a San Francisco attorney, was deputy assistant secretary of defense from 1965 to 1969 and a member of the State Department's Policy Planning Council from 1963 to 1965. He wrote this article for the Washington Post.



Letters

Decision borders on stupidity

This letter will be a direct letter to the Jerome School Board for a few comments to the front-page news item in The Times-News Dec. 11.

I am not a taxpayer of Jerome County, but I'll sure come to task with their decision regarding grade promotion.

First, I always thought any group of people — be they school board members, administration staff or teachers — should all strive for excellence in education, not promote people regardless of passing grades. That decision sure borders stupidity! They are only trying to get rid of a problem which they don't know how to deal with.

Second, just show me a student who would try very hard to get a good mark when such poorly thought out role is before them! Absolutely no reason to try — just float along with the tide.

Third, I have been a property taxpayer for most of my adult life and have voted for and against bond issues. I'm not against good issues when the money is spent wisely; but to build a Holiday or Hilton just because someone says it looks nice — is that what we need or is it just what we want?

"I'll vote against any bond issue when such a situation as this comes up. I'll also take the news item of Dec. 11 and show it to everyone I come across and encourage them to vote no also. No thinking taxpayer will ever vote yes on a bond issue with thinking like the Jerome School Board does."

GEORGE E. MCKAY
Twin Falls

Justice system stinks

I'm writing this because of the "drug bust" in Minidoka and Cassia counties.

I wonder how many people out there think that this "drug bust" was a joke.

Did you hear the same "rumors" that I did? Did you hear that some of the "grand jury" were upset because the "large drug dealers" didn't get arrested?

Did you also hear that these "large drug dealers" were prominent professionals? If these "rumors" are true, how in the hell

did these guys not get arrested? If they did get arrested, how were their names kept out of the media?

Could our justice system in these areas be crooked?

If the "rumors" are true, how can we trust the man in the "black robe" or our attorneys or even our doctors?

These "rumors" started flying around me because my son was picked up during this "drug bust." My son was approached by an agent last spring. He pretended to be a professor at the College of Southern Idaho.

According to my son, this agent knew my son was a user of marijuana and wanted him to see if he could get large amounts. Ken only knew "small dealers" — not large ones.

Ken was used by this agent and ended up with worse fines and penitentiary time than the dealers that he knew.

Is this justice? A user gets the book thrown at him and the suppliers get their hands slapped with a fine and probation.

If the "rumors" are untrue, then my writing to the editor won't bother anyone.

Something "stinks" around here, and it could be our local justice system.

SANDRA DRESSEL
Heyburn

Don't repeat 1974 mistake

Regarding Robbie Knievel's proposed jump of the Snake River Canyon, I see no reason for the people who live in the northeast corner of Twin Falls to have a repeat performance of what went on before when his father made an attempted jump just for the monetary gain of a few people and a nightmare for the rest.

We live next door to what was the ticket booth and saw things as they really were — marijuana smoke, alcohol, public nudity, riots, camping in the fields and on people's lawns, men using our front lawn as a bathroom in full view of our four teenage daughters, blocking our driveway and parking on our lawn plus all up and down the road clearly marked "no parking."

The night before the jump, the ticket booth was closed because of a riot and we

felt unsafe in our own home, so we left and took our family away for the night — after insisting that our driveway be opened so we could get out. We did not know if we would have a home left when we returned.

A man was killed just west of us on Falls Avenue and it took two hours to get an ambulance through to him because of the traffic jam.

No one can add up the cost of the damage done to personal and public property — not to mention the worry and concern we felt for our own safety. We did not feel protected at all. However, the very overworked law enforcement officers did all they could under impossible circumstances.

The current proposal of how they plan to protect the personal and public property sounds very familiar from the last time. We fully agree with The Times-News editorial of Dec. 10. The first time was a mistake. We have learned not to allow a second time.

As far as tourists are concerned, we don't need 200 Hell's Angels roaring through our peaceful town, ignoring the Idaho helmet and other traffic laws.

JOHN W. THOMPSON
Twin Falls

Correction

A recent letter to the editor from Twin Falls attorney Paula Brown Sinclair contained a typographical error that obscured the meaning of one paragraph. The paragraph, referring to living wills and durable power of attorney for health care, should have said:

"These documents have been promoted as do-it-yourself projects in Idaho. Unfortunately, the language and legal technicalities make them unmanageable for many. In my opinion, there is no substitute for competent legal assistance in preparing and executing these documents properly, nor for knowledgeable counsel in addressing the issues you raise. Your readers should seek an attorney interested in elderlaw and planning for incapacity for this assistance in southern Idaho, and at a reasonable cost."

The Times-News regrets the error.

Opinion

Slime and Ecto-Blasters: Peace on Earth, mayhem in the toystore

It's a tough night in the toy store when the Ecto-Blasters start looking good.

Well, maybe not good exactly, but certainly better than the Killer Tomatoes. The logic after too much shopping went like this: "Ghost Busters" was a fun movie, and a kid who blasts ectoplasm will get the imagination working without pretending to kill anybody because ghosts are dead.

Conversely, "Attack of the Killer Tomatoes" stank out loud, and who wants to sit there squeezing little jaws to make the teeth chomp?

Probably lots of people, but I didn't want to think about them. There were many things I didn't want to think about in the toy store this week, but they had me surrounded.

It was "Electronic Mail Madness" all right. That's a game. It talks. It says, "Attention, shoppers - there's a special in

Susan Trausch

jewelry!" And whoever gets over there first and out of the mall with the most goodies wins.

As a kid I played a game called "Park and Shop." A similar idea, I guess, but nothing talked, and the goal was to get home after running a bunch of errands, not all of which involved consumption. It seemed nicer, less crass. But, then, so did the world.

That was before Peter Pan came with an "Air Attack Kit" and so many accessories that he needed his own aisle. It's actually Captain Hook who needs the aisle, but I have a lot of trouble thinking of this tale as "Hook." No matter what Steven Spielberg has done for the villain.

Mostly what he's done is a lot of slick marketing around a new movie that is

supposed to make kids ask for everything in the aisle two weeks before Christmas. Mr. Spielberg does not give a creak's clock for parents who shopped last month.

Worse yet, he's messing with our fantasies, making them feel old and cornered by an onslaught of rather grim-looking weapons called "Tri Hooks," designed to "get an edge on Peter Pan."

What's next - radioactive apples to get the edge on Snow White? How about some hardware for Cinderella's wicked stepmother and the girls?

Forget I said that, marketers. You've gone far enough with Boogers from the Planet Nose. Yes, that's an alleged toy, too. Six, really. Collect them all, and then "Pick 'em, flick 'em and stick 'em!"

"Mucus is very big this year," said the Rev. Chris Rose, and he should know. For the past five years, the rector of Grace

Episcopal Church in Hartford has been a lone-man crusade against sicko toys. His efforts got the Freddie Krueger doll and Steve the Tramp, a homeless man, taken off the market.

He also zapped a toy that blew up a miniature spaceship on a miniature launch pad.

This season his targets include Nozone - the Toxic Crusader, which comes with its own nasal discharge, and Worm, a similar gross-out gadget. He's particularly disgusted by Swamp Thing, which features a "bondage table" so that the doll can be "tortured" by the owner.

"Are we planning to raise a generation of Jeffrey Dahmers?" he asked. "As a Christian pastor, I'm offended that any of this is associated with Christmas. But whether a person is a Christian or not, I think we can all agree that this should be the season of

peace, love and good will, not 'slime your neighbor.'"

Amen, Father! And the next time you're in the toy store - go directly to Costco. That's where I went after seeing the Boogers, and it calmed me down some. Good old Costco - about as gross as things got in 1955.

I take heart that toy makers still produce it, along with Parcheesi, Pick Up Sticks, Tiddly Winks, Monopoly, microscopes, rock collections and thousand-piece puzzles.

Wholesome is out there. One just has to get through Dash and Crash, Dayglow Highway Patrol, Outburst, Therapy and Awesome Military Assault to find it.

No easy task. And by the time I left the toy store, my ecto definitely felt blasted.

Susan Trausch is a Boston Globe columnist.

A modest proposal for an alternative approach to mercy killings

Hugh G. Gallagher

The voters of Washington State have wisely rejected what is known as the "right to die" referendum.

This would have provided the state's physicians the legal authority to assist in the suicide of their terminally ill patients. Of course, there would be safeguards:

The doctor must determine that the patient desires in fact wish to die, that the patient is terminally ill and, in the doctor's opinion, has less than six months to live.

Another doctor must corroborate these findings. Only then may the doctor "assist" his patient. Other procedures must be followed if the patient is comatose.

Once before in modern history, from 1939-1941, such authority was given to physicians. A government, upon urging from the medical establishment, authorized "that persons who, according to human judgment, are incurable can, upon a most careful diagnosis of their condition of sickness, be accorded a mercy death."

To prevent misuse of this authorization, the German head of state insisted on adding the words "upon a most careful

diagnosis of their condition of sickness."

Careful safeguards were established. The patient's private doctor was required to fill out a lengthy questionnaire, providing not just a medical history but economic and social information as well.

This questionnaire was then appraised by a committee of four (later three) physicians who, although they had not personally seen the patient, determined on the basis of the evidence presented to them, whether a "mercy death" was called for.

The decisions of these physician committees were then, in turn, reviewed and approved by a committee made up of the leading medical professors of the nation.

Only then would "euthanasia" be administered. The program started slowly enough. It soon gained momentum. Before it was over, not just the terminally ill, but the paralytic, the blind, the deaf, the epileptic

and those with mental disabilities became eligible.

In a training film made to inform physicians, a professor stated that the "incurably mentally ill" had a "right to die." Given that premise, he went on to ask, reasonably enough, "Is it not the duty of those concerned to help the incapable - and that means total idiots and incurable mental patients - to their right?"

In another film for German doctors, explaining the euthanasia program for "incurables," the point was made that "Every person would prefer death to such an existence." The film concluded, "Our National Socialist state, taking into account the purpose and value of human life, has adopted measures by which those afflicted with an incurable, mental anguish can be relieved of their inhuman suffering and hellish existence by an unforeseen and gentle death."

The physicians of Germany, in filing out the questionnaires, found themselves in the uncomfortable position of determining which of their patients had "lives worth

living" and which were but "useless eaters." Despite the safeguards, despite initial reluctance, the physicians developed an unexpected enthusiasm for euthanasia.

As a result the experimental program turned out badly. A kind of "runaway euthanasia" developed and before it was over more than 200,000 disabled German citizens lost their lives at the hands of their physicians.

In the summer of 1941, the German head of state ended the official program because of the protests of patients, their families and friends and religious leaders.

The authors of the Washington referendum were poorly advised to entrust such decision making to physicians. Physicians are ill equipped for such matters. All their training has been directed toward curing and healing. When killing is brought into the equation, they become confused.

As the German example demonstrates, they tend to confuse the patient with the disease: killing off the former to eliminate the latter. It is not a good idea.

If it is to be state policy to provide death on demand to its citizens, it is best to divorce physicians from any such process. It is perhaps time for a modest proposal: Should not the state set up a Termination Bureau that would provide a "comfortable" death under pleasant circumstances to eligible, applicant citizens?

Terminators would not be physicians; they could be veterinarians trained in putting animals to sleep, or perhaps vocationally retrained hangmen.

In this way the Hippocratic tradition of medicine, which has served doctor and patient so well over the centuries, would be preserved. And, this being a free society, those who wish to have themselves killed would also be accommodated.

Hugh G. Gallagher, a polio paraplegic, is the author of "By Trust Betrayed: Patients, Physicians and the License to Kill in the Third Reich" (Henry Holt, 1990). He wrote this article for the Baltimore Sun.

Why worry about Soviet nukes? They're even safer than ours

Alex Beam

Jim Baker has a great job; he gets to fiddle while Rome burns. Each week, Baker sits upon some distant affair for President Bush to grapple with, obviating the need to resolve problems closer to home. This week's set piece is entitled "Yugoslavia With Nukes."

According to Baker, the rapidly disintegrating U.S.S.R. is losing control over its nuclear weapons, thus threatening to trigger a nuclear catastrophe. Forget for a moment that this isn't true; you will be forced this line of fiction for at least another 10 days as Baker departs on his tour of the breakaway republics, dangling the radioactive red herring at each stop.

The threat of a nuclear breakout in the former U.S.S.R. has been greatly exaggerated. Russia's long-range strategic weapons can be launched only by coordinating three sets of coded instructions at the presidential, general-staff and commander-in-chief levels, explains the Brookings Institution's Bruce Blair, who has conducted extensive interviews with Soviet weapons experts.

Indeed, although the August coup plotters briefly intercepted Mikhail Gorbachev's briefcase, or "football," of launching codes, they learned that having the football doesn't mean you can throw the bomb. It later emerged that the respective commanders in chief had agreed to ignore launch commands from the coup plotters, effectively defusing this breathlessly-reported threat.

Because mistrust and fear were the hallmarks of Communist Party administration, the Soviet chain of "permissible action links" - a message-spook for nuclear safeguards - was and is far more reliable than America's. For example, Soviet submarine commanders cannot unlock their nuclear missiles by themselves; American commanders can.

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counterparts. Unlike in the U.S. armed forces, the Soviet tactical warheads are not attached to the rockets or artillery shells that launch them; they are stored in separate depots guarded by elite troops of the general staff.

Like the strategic launchers, tactical warheads require three sets of permissions to be used.

To be fair, the too-hah over Soviet nukes isn't "Just Baker's Idea." When the republics started leaving the union in September, the leaders of Ukraine and Kazakhstan said they wanted nothing to do with the country's nuclear arsenal. But lately, they have changed their minds.

Pathetically, nuclear weapons now represent the republics' last natural resource. It is all they have to sell. So Boris Yeltsin of Russia, Leonid Kravchuk of Ukraine and Nursultan Nazarbayev of Kazakhstan will now lead Baker on a merry dance, extorting millions of

dollars of aid, purportedly earmarked for nuclear demolition, in return for turning over their bombs. Once disarmed, the former U.S.S.R. will no longer command the interest of the world's superpowers. The largest nation in the world, permanently crippled by

its 74-year-long experiment with communism, will assume its proper place in the world's politico-economic hierarchy, a rung or two below, say, California.

Alex Beam is a Boston Globe columnist.

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World

Libya promises it will not seek to lure Soviet nuclear scientists

ROME (AP) — Libya's foreign minister said Saturday his country will not seek to take advantage of the crisis in the Soviet Union by luring Soviet nuclear scientists to the North African country.

Foreign Minister Ibrahim Bishari, in remarks carried by the official Libyan news agency JANA, said Libya "has no nuclear program" and sees no need for one.

Bishari's comments appeared timed to head off concern that Libya would try to build a nuclear weapons program by capitalizing on the Soviet crisis.

They also came at a time of heightened tensions because of British and American charges that Libya was behind the 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Scotland,

and French allegations of its involvement in the 1989 destruction of a French UTA jetliner over Niger.

"Libya has absolutely no intention to benefit from the Soviet nuclear scientists and it is not its policy to lure or tempt them to come here," Bishari said.

The Soviet Union has supplied Libya with arms and maintained other ties, but has distanced itself from it in recent times.

U.S. officials have expressed concern about control of the Soviet Union's vast nuclear arsenal as the central government collapses and more Soviet republics join Russian President Boris Yeltsin's new commonwealth.

"Libya is against all nuclear, biological and chemical destructive

weapons and stresses that at all international conferences and occasions," Bishari said.

However, just last year, the British Broadcasting Corp. monitoring service quoted JANA as saying Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi urged scientists to "work day and night" to build a nuclear weapon "in defiance of America." JANA later denied the BBC report.

The United States also contends Libya already has produced large quantities of poison gas at a plant near Rabta southwest of Tripoli. Libya maintains the plant manufactures pharmaceuticals.

Western diplomats in the capital also contend Libya is building another chemical weapons plant near Sabha in the south.

Leader OKs government for Albania

TIRANA, Albania (AP) — President Ramiz Alia on Saturday approved a new government to ensure stability until elections, Albanian media reported.

The new 19-member Cabinet is headed by Premier Vilson Ahmeti, 40, minister of food in the previous government that collapsed ten days ago after the Democrats, the main anti-Communist party, pulled out.

The Cabinet, independent intellectuals not linked to political parties, maintained three ministers from the former government, including Deputy Premier Zydr Peza. The remaining ministers are comparative unknowns.

Efforts to nudge Albania toward a market economy after four decades of brutal Stalinist rule by dictator Enver Hoxha have led unemployment and inflation. After years of forced self-reliance, sources say Albania is getting most of its food from foreign aid. Several people have been killed in food riots in Albania in recent weeks.

The Socialists, formerly the Communists, won Albania's first free elections in decades in April but were forced to share power later because of unrest and economic discontent.

General Assembly expected to revoke Zionism resolution

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The General Assembly is expected to vote Monday to rescind a resolution it passed in 1975 that equates Zionism with racism.

The United States, which has led the campaign, says repeal is assured. U.S. Ambassador Thomas R. Pickering said Saturday he has more than enough votes to overturn the declaration in the 166-member assembly. "We look forward to a very strong vote," he said.

"We have a large number of cosponsors, well over 75. We believe the number of positive votes, carefully confirmed, is well over 100, and we hope that those votes will stick with us throughout the whole process."

Israeli Ambassador Yoram Aridor compared the denunciation of Zionism, the philosophy that Jews have a biblical right to Israel, to the practice of tagging Jews with yellow stars of David in the Middle Ages, and again by the Nazis.

"I can say this resolution of 1975 was a stain on Zionism, and it is also a stain on the U.N. itself," he said. "Now I hope that this stain will be removed."

President Bush said in a speech to the General Assembly in November: "To equate Zionism with racism is to reject Israel itself, a member of good standing of the United Nations. This body cannot claim to seek peace and at the same time challenge Israel's right to exist."

Saddam ridicules talks of coup

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on Saturday ridiculed what he called daily rumors in the West and Israel of an imminent coup to topple him, the Iraqi News Agency reported.

"In the United States and the Zionist entity, and backward Western circles, they ask themselves how, after everything that happened, there has

been no coup until now," Saddam said. The state-run news agency, monitored in Cyprus, said the Iraqi president made the remarks at a ceremony in honor of Persian Gulf War military commanders.

There has been widespread speculation since Saddam's defeat in the war last February that he might be toppled.

Crash kills up to 30

DHAKA, Bangladesh (AP) — Four cars of an express train ran off the rails and fell into a gully Saturday, killing at least 30 people, a news agency said.

United News of Bangladesh said about 250 passengers were injured in the accident near the town of Sirajganj, 65 miles northwest of Dhaka.

The cause of the accident was not immediately known and details were awaited.

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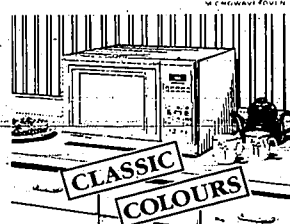
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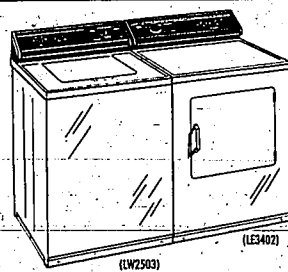
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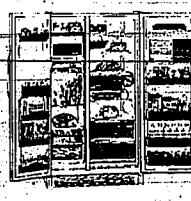
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Gem drivers still push beyond the limit

By Brad Bowlin
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The number of traffic accidents in the Gem State has declined over several years as drivers have slowed down, but many Idaho motorists still drive too fast, according to the Idaho State Police.

The average speed on Idaho's rural state highways, where the speed limit is 55 mph, was about 60.5 mph in 1991. That's better than 1985, when the average speed was up around 62.7 mph, but nearly 44 percent of

Idaho drivers still take it to the limit and beyond.

"A 10 mph increase over the posted limit may not seem like much, but on winter roads that can be the margin between life and death," said Sgt. Fred Becker, ISP Speed Enforcement Task Force director. "Sometimes, when roads are slick with ice and snow, even the posted limit is too fast."

The number of accidents on those rural highways is down over the past six years, from 10,803 in 1985 to 9,340 in 1990. The percent of accidents resulting in fatalities has decreased in each of the last

three years, a likely result of slower speeds, ISP says.

"The numbers substantiate what we've always believed to be true," Becker said. "Our job now is to build on those successes."

Another traffic safety area drawing the attention of the state police is seat belt usage.

Officers observing more than 2,000 drivers at seven sites statewide reported 53 percent were buckled up. The Idaho Transportation Department's survey in June showed only 41.6 percent compliance with

the state's seat belt law.

The discrepancy is likely a result of more highway drivers buckling up while on extended trips than drivers on city streets, Becker said.

In November, Twin Falls became the first city in Idaho to reach the goal of 70 percent seat belt usage. Idaho law requires drivers to buckle up. A \$5 citation can be written to anyone pulled over for another violation who is not wearing a seat belt. Buckling up and slowing down, especially on winter roads, can save lives, Becker said.

One day hanging out with St. Nick

His little sister came running, but Justin hung back.

By the age of 5, after all, a man knows a few things about the world. Justin had misgivings about the Easter Bunny, and when he woke up one night to find his dad slipping a quarter under his pillow and taking away his lost tooth, those doubts turned to full-blown skepticism.

Grown-ups are slippery creatures. You go to them with important questions and they tell you stories that just don't sound right.

Why is the sky blue? Where do butterflies come from? If I dig a hole, will I find China?



Steve Crump
Don't ask me

When you're 5, curiosity is an itch that never quite goes away. But when you ask Dad, he tells you to go talk to Mom. Mom isn't any more helpful. Worse, she thinks your questions are funny. Cute. You'll understand when you grow up.

And there, sitting across the mall, is Santa Claus.

...
The folks at the shopping center let me sit in for a couple of hours last week while Santa went off to feed his reindeer. I was ready for squalling babies, long lists and bubble-gum in my beard.

But I wasn't ready for Justin. He stood there, prodded by Mom, gently pushed forward by Dad.

"Justin, it's Santa Claus! Don't you want to get your picture taken with Santa Claus?"

"Justin didn't. But trapped by adults' legs, he had little choice but to move forward and sit in an undersized chair at Santa's feet."

His sister was already on Santa's lap, clutching a candy cane and a colorbook, describing the "charms-of-Little-Mermaids."

Had she been good? Oh, yes. Did she pick up her room without being told? Unhuh. Was this her brother?

The camera's flash reflected off her beaming face, but Justin, fidgeting, scowled deeply.

Would he come sit on Santa's lap? Justin wouldn't, and he considered the question unworthy.

...
For years, there stood on an end table in my mother's living room a black-and-white photograph of a pudgy youngster sitting on Santa's knee.

You could have carpeted the Eisenhower era with such images — the child, about Justin's age, wearing one of those winter caps with earflaps that snap under the chin, candy cane in his mitten-covered fist. Santa, straight out of central casting, is pointing toward the camera and laughing, trying to coax a smile.

But like Justin, there were no smiles for grown-ups that day. The kid's father had died the spring before, sitting in his big armchair one day, gone the next.

What if Santa turned out to be an illusion too?

...
"Are you really Santa Claus?"

Justin fixed Santa Claus with his clear blue eyes and asked the question again.

Santa had no answer. But he did have another question.

"If I can tell you something about yourself that nobody else knows, will you believe I'm Santa Claus?"

Justin thought about that for a while. Finally, he nodded.

"I know you like candy canes twice as much as your sister," Santa said, holding up two.

Justin gingerly took the candy from Santa's white-gloved fingers, turned slowly and started off after his mom and dad. He'd gone maybe 30 feet when he stopped and turned again.

"Thank you, Santa."

When Steve Crump isn't being Santa's helper, he's city editor for The Times-News.

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Striking a perilous balance

Transplanting sheep a tricky task

By N.S. Ninkentved
Times-News writer

MOUNTAIN CITY, Nev. — Strapped in an orange harness lashed to the helicopter, the gunner leans out the open-side door, and with his feet on the skid, his elbows brace the heavy gun on his knees.

"You're clipping along about 50 feet off the ground — and you're hanging out there — all of a sudden it's 1,500 feet," said Randy Smith, Region 4 wildlife biologist of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

The sensation is like that of falling. Gathered on a flat spot on the south canyon rim of the East Fork of the Owyhee River earlier this month, wildlife biologists and technicians from Idaho, Nevada and North Dakota captured more than 100 California bighorn sheep for transplanting.

With the constant whine of the Northwest Pipeline Corp.'s gas-turbine Owyhee Compressor Station in the background, about two dozen people wait for the two trapping helicopters to return with captured sheep.

Flying along the canyon rims, the lead helicopter drives flocks of sheep up out of the rocks onto flatter ground. The clatter of helicopter blades spooks herds of mule deer, flocks of chukars, fleet-footed jackrabbits and the odd coyote.

The pilot maneuvers the chopper into position over a fleeing flock to give the gunner a clear shot with his highly specialized net-gun.

The gunner aims just ahead of his chosen sheep. The four-barreled gun shoots out a 10-foot square net with weights on each corner. The orange net floats over the target sheep, and with its next leap, the sheep tangles in the net, balls up and falls.

The second helicopter lets off two "muggers." They quickly slip a blindfold helps calm the animals, whose sharp vision is their main defense, said Rex



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Sohn, veterinarian with the North Dakota Department of Game and Fish.

The muggers unangle the net, hobble sharp-hooved legs and slip the animal into a blue nylon mesh bag for transport. With a few skinned knuckles and bruises, they wait for the helicopter to pick up the trussed captives.

Suspended in a cable from the chopper's belly, the sheep are flown back to the staging area. Here teams of biologists, veterinarians and volunteers wait like combat medics in triage to unpack and check out the animals.

It's important to process them quickly and get them back into a group, Sohn said.

"If they're not with their own kind, they get upset," he said.

Some of the sheep tremble, others appear calm. But the stress of capture and handling can kill the sensitive animals.

In their full winter coats, they can easily die from overheating even in the near-freezing weather. If their temperature goes too high, water from blue plastic water jugs is poured over them to cool them off.

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Above, wildlife biologists trap California bighorn sheep with nets shot from a low-flying helicopter. Below, wildlife veterinarian Dave Hunter helps with the trapping.



Burley hairstylist shares her haircare know-how with nation

By Robyn Maxfield
Times-News correspondent

BURLEY — Four years ago, a brother's prodding led a Burley hairstylist to put her knowledge on paper in the form of three "how-to" books, a column in a national magazine and three videos on cutting hair.

"My brother, William Anderson, came to me with the idea of writing a book on how to cut men and boys' hair," says Carolyn Taylor. But the attractive mother of three and grandmother of two, who could easily pass for a fashion model, expressed hesitation.

Taylor's apprehension was soon replaced with satisfaction when she saw her first book, "Haircuts and Styles for Men and Boys," in several book stores.

Not long afterward she was contacted by several people asking if she had a book on women's haircuts. That led to her second book, "Today, Haircuts and Styles for Children," her third book, "is now ready for publication."

Taylor says her books are selling well, however, she has received some flack about them and their reference to home haircuts.

"I have received about six letters from hairstylists who don't like what I'm doing," she explains. "They think I'm encouraging people to do hair at home. But, what I'm finding is it hasn't taken any customers out of the shops; it's just helping those who can't afford to go to the shops to do a better job."

"I've had moms tell me 'thank you, I've had to do my kids' hair and they didn't look very good. Now, they feel better about themselves and feel better about what I'm doing. Now I can afford to go to the shop."

"I don't show them any of the tricks, just the basic steps."

Convenience and saving money aren't the only reasons her books are selling. "What is interesting to me is a lot of hairstylists and barbers have bought my books," Taylor says. "And, a couple of universities are using them — Pace University in New York picked them up last spring. Also, several beauty schools have bought them."

"We researched and couldn't find any books like mine in libraries and bookstores. There were books written with a lot of words and little pencil sketches. But, I've been doing this for a long time and that turned me off. I wouldn't sit down and study that."

Taylor solved that problem by including large step-by-step photographs in her books. "For each haircut, we used 20-25 rolls of film to get exactly what I wanted," she says.

According to Taylor, her distributor, Quality Books, picked the top 40 books in each section of the library, and her books were found to be extremely popular.

"Last year, our two books were ranked four and five in November and three and four in December," she says.

Taylor's distributor now has her books in many

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Drought will end, Great Basin expert says, but it's still a desert

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

In the fifth year of the West's drought, some people are beginning to think it's becoming a permanent feature of the Western landscape.

Nonsense, says Marty Rose, a Reno-based archaeologist and climatologist at Nevada's Desert Research Institute who specializes in studies of ancient climates and their effects

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on the people who lived in them. Rose says it's been much drier, and much wetter, in our part of the world in the past and will be again.

He talked recently about drought, human habitation and climate changes in Great Basin, which southern Idaho shares with Nevada.

Q. Are we living through a drought or a climate change?
A. It's a dip in the cycle. We use several

different methods to track how dry conditions have been historically, and all of them show us it's been much drier for much longer in our part of the world many times in the past.

"The historical evidence is that the kind of drought we had in the '20s and '30s — the Dust Bowl drought — comes along in the West twice every hundred years. You can look back at the record 500 years, a find

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Recycled bicycles bring Christmas joy to youngsters

By N.S. Notkiewicz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Christmas came early for young children this year at Saturday's Twin Falls Police bicycle auction.

Mike Owens bought a dirt bike for his 10-year-old son, Howard. It is Howard's second bicycle. He wore out the first one.

"Another man bought a bike for his son whose own bike had been stolen. But it was

to be a surprise, so like many others he didn't want to disclose his name, lest his son read about it in the paper.

The twice-overall sale included 55 abandoned or unclaimed recovered stolen bicycles. Usually a large bike auction is 35 bikes, said Lt. Bill Stonemetz, community relations officer with the Twin Falls Police Department. About 100 people crowded into the garage of the police station to put in their bid for a lifetime present or a replacement for a child's stolen bicycle.

Even the children were quiet when Stonemetz started off the bidding. In his fast-talking auctioneer sing-song he quickly gave the bidding a boost. A mountain bike frame sold for \$13, and one child's dirt bike went for more than \$30.

Some had flat tires, some were missing tires and some needed serious repairs, but the kids urged on their parents to bid even higher prices for their eye.

The auction draws parents shopping for

bargain presents, a few used bike dealers, auction houses and a lot of grandparents.

"They're my best bidders," Stonemetz said.

"They wanna buy the grandkids a bike." A lot of parents and grandparents, however, had left the kids at home to preserve the surprise of a new (used) bike for Christmas.

The auction has been conducted twice a year — just before Christmas and in the spring — since about 1965, Stonemetz said.

The money from the sales goes to the city's general fund.

Usually other recovered but unclaimed stolen items are sold in separate sales, but this year a few odds and ends were thrown in with the sale of bicycles — the most energy-efficient mode of transportation.

Kelly-Finn of Ellet bought a computer, cash register for a lawn mower shop he's trying to open in Twin Falls. The \$106 he paid is a lot cheaper than a new one, which could cost up to \$1,000, he figured.

Obituaries



Ken Brown — Ken Brown, 71, of Sun City, Ariz., and formerly of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Dec. 1, 1991, at the Walter O. Boswell Memorial Hospital of a sudden illness.

Mr. Brown was born in Salina, Kan., and attended Kansas State University, where he was a member of Beta Theta Pi. He was self-employed as a mining engineer with C.K. Brown & Associates and was a World War II Navy veteran who was deployed to Arizona 11 years ago from Twin Falls and worked for Ken Meade Realty. He was a member of the Union Hills Country Club. He coached "The Ken Brown Bombers" Little League team and also coached Legion baseball.

He is survived by his wife, Marjorie, a son, Mark Brown of Sun Valley, a daughter, Sherry Struck of Twin Falls, a sister, Betty Scott of Costa Mesa, Calif., and five grandchildren.

A memorial service was held Dec. 5 at the Sunset Lakeside Chapel in Sun City, Ariz. Memorials may be made to "Volunteers Against Violence, 502 Madonna St., Twin Falls, ID 83301, or to the donor's favorite charity.

Jeanne E. Maupin — Twin Falls — Jeanne Elena Maupin, 71, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Dec. 13, 1991, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

She was born May 11, 1920, in St. Anthony, the daughter of Axel and Hannah Hansen Nyberg. She graduated from St. Anthony High School and then attended Idaho State University. She married Mack Maupin in Rexburg on Feb. 14, 1941, and the family moved to Twin Falls in 1949. She worked as a nurse at Magic Valley Memorial Hospital for many years.

She was an active member of the Twin Falls LDS 13th Ward and served as Primary teacher, ward librarian, and Relief Society teacher. Jeanne's life was centered on love, devotion and commitment to her family. She loved parties and Christmas was her specialty.

Survivors include her husband, Mack Maupin of Twin Falls; two daughters, Vicki McLaughlin of Twin Falls and Melanie McBride of Rupert; two sons, Larry Maupin of Leavenworth, Kan., and Bill Maupin of Jerome; and nine grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, William; and three sisters, Kay, Ruth and Elizabeth.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 16, 1991, at the Twin Falls LDS 13th Ward Chapel, 421 Maurice St. N., with Bishop Larry Wolstenhulme conducting. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls and one hour prior to the services Monday at the church.

David I. Hitesman — GLENNS FERRY — David Isaac Hitesman, 11, of Glens Ferry, died Wednesday, Nov. 11, 1991, at his home.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 16, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Glens Ferry with Bishop Donald Bryant officiating. Burial will be at the Glens Ferry Cemetery in Glens Ferry. Friends may call from 2 to 6 p.m. today at Humphreys Funeral Chapel in Mountain Home and before the funeral Monday at the church. Memorials may be sent to the David I. Hitesman Memorial Fund, in care of Pioneer Credit Union, Glens Ferry, ID 83623.

David was born Sept. 21, 1980, in Cheyenne, Wyo., to Chris A. and Patricia Gribbin Hitesman. He and his family moved from Cheyenne to Boise; then in 1988, they moved to Glens Ferry where he attended the Glens Ferry Elementary School for three years. He was active in school and community sports activities. He

took part in the writing and production of a Christmas ski for school. He was a drum student in the school band. He played Little League baseball and was a member of the Minor All-Star team. He loved his Nintendo games and enjoyed camping out, fishing and swimming. He was a member of the LDS Church in Glens Ferry.

He is survived by his mother, Patricia Gribbin of Arlington, Va.; his father, Chris A. Hitesman; two brothers, Joseph and Kevin Hitesman; and two sisters, Christie and Pamela Hitesman. He is also survived by his maternal grandparents, Ralph and Lois Gribbin of Bremerton, Wash., and Ann Weston of Silver Springs, Md.; his paternal grandparents, Dolph and Elton Hitesman of Glens Ferry; his great-grandfather, Denver Allred of King Hill; two aunts, Karen Fitch of Boise and Rachael Walz of Meridian; three uncles, Mark Hitesman of Brigham City, Utah, Danny Buck of Ogden, Wyo., and David Buck of Murray, Utah; numerous cousins and many friends.

Arrangements are under the direction of Humphreys Funeral Home in Mountain Home.

Ruth A. Day — FULLERTON, Calif. — Ruth Alys Day, 78, of Fullerton, Calif., and formerly of Oakley, died Friday, Dec. 13, 1991.

She was born March 3, 1913, in Oakley, She was retired from Title Insurance & Trust, where she had worked as a proofreader for 11 years.

She is survived by two daughters, Janette Day of Fullerton, Calif., and Mary Ann Day of Fullerton, Calif.; three sons, Ralph Hunter and Leonard Hunter, both of Oakley; two grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services are scheduled for 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 16, at the Mack & Wallace Funeral Chapel in Fullerton, Calif. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. Interment will follow at Forest Lawn Hollywood Hills Memorial Park in Los Angeles.

Zula E. Gregory — RUPERT — Zula E. Gregory, 83, of Rupert, died Friday, Dec. 13, 1991, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

She was born Nov. 3, 1908, in Leslie, the daughter of John C. and Lilly M. Horner Stokes. She attended grade school in Arkansas and moved with her family to Metropolis, Ill., where she graduated from high school. She attended Springfield Business College for two years, majoring in bookkeeping and secretarial science. Following graduation, she worked for a time for a contractor. She came to Idaho in 1931, and married David H. Gregory on April 2, 1933, in Rupert. At the time of her marriage, she was a manager at the Burley-Rupert Credit Association. She worked for the Cassia County Abstract Business and Professional Women's Club and was a member of Rupert Chapter No. 35 Order of the Eastern Star for more than 50 years, serving as worthy matron in 1948 and secretary for seven years. She served as worthy grand matron of the Grand Chapter of Idaho in 1956-57. She was a member of the Home Fund Trustees of the Grand Chapter of Idaho for 18 years, serving as chairman a number of years. She had held a number of appointments in the General Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, serving on many committees and in official capacities during the last 30 years. She had served as guardian and guardian secretary of Job's Daughters. Rupert Bethel No. 39 was her grand chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. She was a member of the Niles of Rupert and Burley. She loved to travel and had traveled extensively, visiting Alaska, the Bahamas, the Azores, the Caribbean and the Canadian high country. She had also attended the Calgary Stampede and visited Hawaii twice, traveled to England, Scandinavia and other European countries. She loved flowers and gardening, knitting and crocheting.

She is survived by an aunt, Ivy Stokes of Lincoln, Neb.; several cousins and a host of friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents and one sister.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 16, 1991, at the Rupert United Methodist Church, 605 H St., with the Rev. William Unbrun officiating and Order of the Eastern Star services under the direction of the Grand Chapter of the State of Idaho. Burial will be at the Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call at the Hansen Mortuary Chapel, 710 Sixth St., and one hour before the service Monday at the church. Memorials may be made to the Bishop Fote Guest House, 121 W. Jefferson, Boise, ID 83702. Memorials may also be left at Hansen Mortuary.

LeRoy W. Magoffin — NOXON, Mont. — LeRoy W. Magoffin, 65, and Lora M. Magoffin, 65, both of Noxon, Mont., and formerly of Twin Falls, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 11, 1991, as the result of an automobile accident near Clark Fork, Idaho.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17, 1991, at the Noxon Chapel in Noxon, Mont., with the Rev. David Parker of the Community Methodist Church officiating. Burial will follow at the Noxon Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 9 to 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Noxon Chapel.

LeRoy was born Jan. 26, 1926, in Twin Falls, the son of Louie and Sarah Magoffin. He attended schools in Twin Falls and served with the U.S. Army in the Pacific Theater during World War II and also with the Occupational Forces of Japan. Lora was born April 29, 1926, in Ellis, Kan., the daughter of John and Lila Olson. She attended schools in Twin Falls and married LeRoy in 1949. They farmed in Richfield from 1949 until 1972, when they moved to Thompson Falls, Mont. In 1979, they moved to Noxon, Mont. LeRoy had a lifetime career for the Louisiana Pacific in Trout Creek, Mont., retiring for health reasons in 1984.

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LeRoy and Lora are survived by their children, Richard Lee Magoffin of Thompson Falls, Mont., and Sherry Ann Behrmann of Heron, Mont.; and two grandchildren, Brandy Leigh and Stormy Rae Behrmann, both of Heron, Mont. LeRoy is also survived by his mother, Sarah Magoffin of Shoshone; two brothers, Harold Magoffin and Clarence Magoffin, both of Shoshone; two sisters, Fern Magoffin of Shoshone and Sandra Magoffin of Gooding; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father in 1968. Lora is also survived by two brothers, Ralph L. Olson of Pharr, Texas, and Floyd Olson of Mission, Texas; and one nephew, Orville Chigrow. She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Bonita Jean Chigrow.

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Chester C. Utter — WENDELL — Chester C. Utter, 72, of Wendell, died Friday, Dec. 13, 1991, at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome.

Mr. Utter was born June 30, 1919, in Bishop, Calif., the son of John Henry and May Hamel Utter. He married Jane Ruth Martin on Nov. 3, 1945, in Verdi, Nev. They owned and operated cattle ranches in Nevada, Wyoming and Oregon. Mr. Utter was also a pilot for many years for the U.S. Government, gathering wild horses on the rangeland. He later worked as a realtor, specializing in the sales of cattle ranches. In 1980, he retired and moved to the Wendell area.

Survivors include his wife, Jane R. Utter of Wendell; a son, Jerry Utter of Austin, Nev.; a son-in-law, Rudy Albert of Wendell; five grandsons; three granddaughters; and three great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Wanda Alberici.

Memorial services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Wendell Chapel with the Rev. Dennis Davis officiating. Services will conclude at the chapel.

Theodore P. Griffith — WENDELL — Theodore Parle Griffith, 64, of Wendell, died Wednesday, Dec. 4, 1991, at his residence.

Mr. Griffith was born May 13, 1927, in the Shoestring area in Gooding County, the son of James W. and Nancy Griffith. He had served with the Air Force until he retired.

Survivors include two sisters, Alice West of Twin Falls and June Dudley of St. George, Utah; one brother, Ralph Griffith of Bear Gardens, Calif.; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and two sisters.

Graveside services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Wendell Cemetery with Muriel Lancaster officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Demaray's Wendell Chapel.

Calmar J. Olson — BELT, Mont. — Calmar Joseph Olson, 79, of Belt, Mont., and formerly of Hazelton, passed away Monday, Dec. 9, 1991, at his home.

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Good deeds will net students place in Husky Hall of Fame

By Kirk Mitchell
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Breaking up a fight on the playground could get the name of a Harrison Elementary School third-grader on the Husky Hall of Fame board.

"Students have ample opportunity to be rewarded for academic success," Harrison Principal John Graham said. "We wanted to reward students that give their best effort and who serve as role models demonstrating appropriate social skills."

The school is starting a new program this year in which names of hallway, classroom and playground heroes will be spotlighted on a Husky Hall of Fame wall.

The husky is the school's mascot. Every month, each teacher will receive a Hall of Fame button emblazoned with a husky paw print to give randomly to a deserving student — possibly for chasing down

peas after a cafeteria tray's crash landing.

The student may be from another class.

The teacher then writes about the student's deed and passes it along to his or her own teacher. That teacher then gives a certificate to the student to take home and displays another certificate on a classroom Hall of Fame board.

The same student's name will also be placed on the school-wide Hall of Fame board.

Bobette Grinstead, a special education teacher at Harrison who suggested the idea after participating in a similar program in another school, will coordinate the program.

In the future, the school will give parents of Hall of Famers bumper stickers, Graham said.

Darlene Hunter, the Times-News' features editor, said the newspaper will publish "highlighted" names of Husky Hall of Famers' every month in its Sunday Spotlight section.

Services

William K. Brohan, of Keetchum, noon-Monday; Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church.

Emma Bowen, of Filer, 1 p.m. Monday, White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Clara Augusta Newman, of Wendell, 3 p.m. Monday, Twin Falls

Cemetery, (White Mortuary).

Gerald A. Ohlenschlaeger, of Buhl, 11 a.m. Tuesday, Clover Lutheran Cemetery, (Buhl Funeral Chapel).

Ruby Whipple, of Declo, 11 a.m. Thursday, McCulloch's Funeral Home in Burley.

Hospitals

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
Admitted
Linda Rae Bauer, Katherine Benton; Edith Kay Ross, Wallace Sedwick and Esther Wall, all of Twin Falls; Lisa Justice of Jerome; Jasmine Lopez of Filer; Ethan Dallas Parkin of Rupert; Edith Rose of Buhl; and Megan Ann Waymen of Kimberly.

Released
Kathy Thomson and son of Twin Falls; Melanie Carlucci and daughter of Jerome; Carl Benson of Filer; Frances Erickson of Kimberly; and LaVonne Gayle Wiche of Buhl.

Births
A daughter was born to Lisa Justice of Jerome. Sons were born to Steven and Kay Ross, and to Katherine Nelson, all of Twin Falls.

CASSIA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
Admitted
Rose Ramos, Donald Silcock, Kenneth Wells, Carl Williams; Kent Yost and Cynthia Nettle, all of Burley; Dorene Lander of Paul; Wilburn Traylor of Hazelton; and Colleen Whitte of Oakley.

Released
Max Hogg, Eduardo Martinez, Alvin Putnam, Benjamin Smedley, Kenneth Wells and Kyleigh Wilson, all of Burley; Ethel Boden of Almog; Yolande Curry and Kurt Sanders, both of Oakley; Shirley Lee Heyburn; Susie Martinez; and Delpha Neierich, both of Rupert; and Virginia Williams of Declo.

Birth
A baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lamont Kowitz of Burley.

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libraries throughout the United States and Canada, and the books have also helped to land her a column with a national magazine. With encouragement from her brother, she sent her books to six different ladies' magazines.

"Country Woman was one of them," she explains. "When I called to see if they had received the books, Managing Editor Kathy Hohl asked me if I was interested in writing a hair tip column."

Taylor agreed and her column has appeared in the bi-monthly magazine for the past year. Readers send their hair care questions to the magazine, which are then forwarded to Taylor for response. "I personally answer all of them," she says, adding she chooses those with more overall reader appeal to use as part of her column.

Taylor says Country Woman is pleased with the response her column has generated from readers, and it hasn't hurt her book sales either.

"We have picked up quite a bit of mail under through the magazine and boosted sales back East and in the Midwest," she says. "They have also helped immensely with my credibility."

How-to books adapt well to television, and Taylor set her sights on producing three hair videos at the

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— Carolyn Taylor

Ventura Media Center, formerly the Osmond studio, in Utah last spring. With the help of her oldest daughter, Jan Brower, the videos are now ready for distribution.

"The feedback has been very good," Taylor says, "and I've been pleased with the professional look of the videos. 'We had a set built and had a producer and makeup artist.' The producer and director at the studio scouted for potential models for Taylor at BYU and local shopping malls. But, producing the video wasn't all fun and glamour."

"It took us four days to tape," Taylor recalls. "Jan is very good with hair, so I would do the hair on the video and let her basically how I wanted it styled." Taylor found the 26 hours she spent in front of the camera less

tiring than her work behind the camera. "After the taping, we did the editing," she explains. "Oh, that was hard. The director and I sat there and watched all the raw footage from the two cameras we had taping. It took us four whole days to edit it down to three one-hour tapes."

The next step Taylor faced was adding words to her silent movies. "It took us a week to write the narration," she says, adding she chose to use a narrator rather than doing the voice-overs herself.

"I had never seen how a video was made," she says. "It was a lot of work and educational — and I've never been so stressed out in my life. I think every day the makeup guy had to put a little more under here," she explains, running her finger underneath her eye.

Taylor has put a lot of time and effort into her books and videos, but she gives most of the credit to her brother.

"My brother Bill is my partner," she says. "It was his idea or I never would have done it. He just kept telling me 'you can do it.' We're fifty-fifty partners. I do this part, and he does the financial and business end."

"It's been fun to do it with my brother. I really didn't know him very well — he's nine years older than I am — but now we're kind of

Sheep

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But they don't all survive. "Don't waste any time on this one," a vet pronounced over a 2-year-old ewe, life fading from her brown eyes like a candle guttering out.

"No losses are acceptable," Smith said.

But in dealing with wild animals, some deaths are inevitable; he added. Improvements in capture techniques have reduced mortality to below 10 percent.

"This net-gunning is the way to go," he said. Until about five years ago, the sheep were driven into nets, but that was more stressful to the sheep.

Nor do the animals respond well to tranquilizers, which are unpredictable and not as reliable as physical restraint, Smith said. Net-gunning results in fewer deaths than other methods.

Of 108 animals trapped this time, seven died.

When the next helicopter returns, waiting hands reach up to unclip a dangling sheep from the cable and carry it to the examination area.

Wielding a hypodermic gun, Phyllis Kochert shoots a dose of vitamins into a ewe's hind quarter. One of the volunteers, Kochert's an office manager in Fish and Game's bureau of administration, but she likes getting out in the field.

"It keeps me in touch with what the department is doing," she said. Meanwhile — others take temperature, heart and respiration rates and blood samples and conduct various other tests. The results will show what diseases the sheep have been exposed to, add to research data

and help determine the general health of the herd.

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Q. And what does that evidence tell you?

A. "Well, let me tell you about a sample taken from a juniper core near Ketchum in 1965. The record tracks the climate from 1520, and it very clearly shows severe drought from the late 1580s until about 1596, an extended dry period during the 16th century, severe drought from about 1777 to 1790 and again about the turn of the 20th century and of course into the 1930s."

Q. So how dry is dry in the interior West? How dry can it get and how long will it last?

A. "It can get very dry. All you need to do is look at the records of civilizations in the Four Corners area (where Utah, Colorado, Arizona and New Mexico meet) to see very clear evidence of people who were driven off the land by drought."

"But the thing to remember is that we've had droughts that have been more severe and lasted a shorter period of time and droughts that have been less severe and lasted a long time. A drought of from one to five years isn't at all unusual; in fact, it's the pattern. We're just noticing it because it's causing us problems."

Q. But your organization's own research shows that the level of Lake Tahoe after the Great Salt Lake, the Great Basin's largest impoundment of water) is a historical low.

A. "Sure, but how long have those records been kept? There's plenty of evidence that it's been much lower before people started keeping records."

Bridge

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"This year we've seen several donations to one of my projects, the Trail Maintenance Endowment Fund," she notes.

Every donation to the fund for maintaining the 20 miles of trails will be matched by the Recreation District in its annual budget.

Other suggested gifts to the trail system are non-monetary. The Recreation District solicits volunteers to be path caretakers or to provide safe houses for children along the pathway. Conservation gifts of land for open space or recreation are also encouraged.

Although the trail catalogue is distributed during the holiday season each winter, Crofts said the contributions continue after New Years.

"We see it all year long. People remember us when they have special anniversaries or memorials to want to make," she explained.

Began in 1984, the Wood River Trails System provides 20 miles of separated bicycle and equestrian paths from Bellevue to the Helen Meadows bridge north of the Sawtooth National Recreation Area and south to Gannett have been discussed.

"Lake Tahoe drains into the Great Basin through the Truckee River, and you don't have look very far for evidence that the Truckee River has run much lower than it is today."

Q. Obviously, the people who are planning the future of Reno area never took that into account.

A. "No, they didn't, and that's the problem. We in the West assume we're always going to have at least as much water as we do now, and that's just not the case."

"The best example is the Colorado River Compact signed early in this century, an agreement to divide 18 million acre feet of water among all the states in the Colorado Basin. The problem is the long-term average in the Colorado Basin is probably between 11 and 12 million acre feet."

Q. What does that tell you about the future growth of the West?

A. "It tells me we're planning tomorrow's growth with water we may not have tomorrow."

"Before I moved to (Nevada), I lived in Tucson and in Tucson water was a big issue. It has to be: Tucson is the largest city in the country with no surface water. When I moved here they didn't even have water meters on the houses; everybody paid a flat fee. That's crazy."

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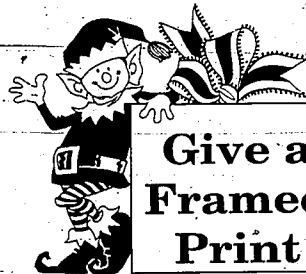
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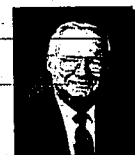
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The loans are insured by the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) under a program recently expanded by the Congress and approved by the President.

The only states that do not yet have at least one FHA-approved reverse mortgage lender are Alaska, Arkansas, Louisiana, Michigan, Mississippi, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, and Wisconsin.

Non-FHA reverse mortgages are available in 22 states. These loans are offered by state and local government agencies, and by private lenders.

Over 150,000 reverse mortgages of all kinds have been made in the United States, according to NCHEC. The total amount of home value encumbered by these loans is over \$2 billion.

Don't confuse reverse mortgages with "home equity" loans. Here are some key differences:

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TWIN FALLS — Recent actions in 3rd-District Court:

Child support petitions:
State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement on behalf of a minor child vs. George Raymond Baker Jr.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement on behalf of a minor child vs. Raul Ramirez.
State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement and the State of California, on behalf of a minor child, vs. Quoi V. Truong.

State of Idaho Bureau of Child Support Enforcement on behalf of a minor child vs. Joseph E. Coates.

State of Idaho Bureau of Child Support Enforcement on behalf of a minor child vs. Alvin LeRoy Thomason.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement, on behalf of a minor child vs. Daniel W. Dugger.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement on behalf of minor children vs. Edward Alvarado.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement, on behalf of a minor child vs. Frank Stalker.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement on behalf of a minor child vs. Adam Sapien.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement, on behalf of a minor child vs. Todd W. Bennett.

State of Idaho Bureau of Child Support Enforcement, on behalf of a minor child vs. Chris Limerakis.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement, and the State of Washington, on behalf of a minor child vs. Jesus Rivera.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement, on behalf of a minor child vs. Roy T. Gwin.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement, on behalf of a minor child vs. James H. Christwell.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement on behalf of a minor child vs. Kevin Reiser.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement on behalf of a minor child vs. Dan Gottsch.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement on behalf of a minor child vs. Timothy Michael McCollum.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement on behalf of a minor child vs. Jason Aaron Nutting.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement on behalf of a minor child vs. James E. Spru.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement on behalf of minor children vs. Eddie Allen Revz.

State of Idaho Bureau of Child Support Enforcement on behalf of a minor child vs. Rolando Benjamin Trevino.

Other civil lawsuits filed:
Jessie Muro vs. Jessica London. Asking for unspecified damages, attorneys' fees and costs.

Santiago Leyba vs. Stanley and Margaret Strickling. Asking for damages of at least \$14,000, attorneys' fees and costs.

City of Hansen, a municipal corporation vs. Hansen Grange No. 100, a defunct corporation; John Doe and Jane Doe 1 through 10; and Corporations 1 through 10, and any heirs, successors and assigns, and any all other persons known or unknown claiming an interest right, title, estate or lien in real property. Real estate dispute.

Morrow & Sons Trucking, Inc., vs. Darrell C. Heibert and Lorraine K. Heibert. Asking for possession of trailers, damages, lost rental, repair costs, attorneys' fees and costs.

Susan Wright, individually and as parent and guardian ad litem for Daniel Elijah Wright vs. David Darlington. Asking for damages of at least \$10,000, attorneys' fees and costs.

State of Idaho, Department of Law Enforcement, by and through Richard L. Cade, director vs. Real property located within Twin Falls County, Idaho. Forfeiture action.

Stewart Paynter and Maxine Paynter vs. Dave Molyneux and Jeanne Molyneux. Asking for \$10,640 for water used in 1990; payment on 1991 lease; \$1,000 for damage to irrigation pipe and equipment; attorney's fees and costs.

Alexander Scott Featherston by and through his guardian ad litem James T. Featherston and James T. Featherston vs. Allstate Insurance Co. and Barbara Lukehart. Asking for damages of at least \$75,000 and attorney's fees of at least \$10,000.

Jack and Carla Mortenson vs. Gerald Whitesides DBA Bell Moving & Storage Co., John Does 1 through IV. Asking for damages of at least \$19,000 and attorney's fees of at least \$5,000.

Barbara Parcel vs. Randall J. Skeem M.D. and Bruce Buck, M.D., and John Does 1-10. Asking for unspecified damages, attorney's fees and costs.

Dan Dale Kunkel vs. Radford Walker, an individual and Does 1 through X, inclusive. Asking for unspecified damages; attorney's fees and costs.

Ray O. Beaumont vs. Wilbur F. Kestler. Asking for damages of at least \$10,000, attorney's fees and costs.

Central Financial Control vs. Rodney L. Gilly. Asking for \$14,700 in damages, attorney's fees of at least \$6,000 and costs.

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Childhood Sexual Abuse - The Past Plagues The Future

Most children who are sexually abused are afraid to tell anyone what has happened to them. Consequently, many do not receive the help they need and grow into adulthood carrying an emotional and psychological legacy of the experience which can affect almost every area of their lives.

As adults, victims of childhood sexual abuse often experience depression, which may ultimately result in attempted or successful suicide.

They also usually suffer from low self-esteem, often lack motivation to get their own needs met and frequently have feelings of being out of control of their own lives.

Victims of childhood sexual abuse also tend to engage in self-destructive behaviors, such as alcoholism, drug abuse, gambling, promiscuity or reckless behavior.

They may also develop a wide range of physical problems later in life. The most common complaints



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are headaches, which tend to be migraine in nature and often grow progressively worse with age. Other physical problems include sore throats, stomach disorders, pelvic inflammatory diseases and bladder infections.

As young adults, victims of childhood sexual abuse often develop eating disorders such as anorexia nervosa, bulimia, or compulsive overeating.

Many victims also have tremendous difficulty forming and maintaining healthy relationships later in life.

They tend to be fearful of commitment even though they long for a committed relationship. They also have a tendency to make poor choices of partners, often being attracted to people they know are unsuitable or even violent.

Many adults abused as children have no recollection of the experience. To remember would be too painful. Therefore, they are unable to relate their present day emotional, physical or relationship problems with the traumatic experiences of their childhood.

Others are painfully aware of their experiences and many have made peace with their past, with help from trained professionals.

If you know someone who was sexually abused as a child, it is important you let them know it is not too late to get help and begin enjoying life again.

Mental Health Minute with Kim Gilbert is seen on Twin Falls television Mon., Wed. & Fri., and is presented as a community service of Canyon View Hospital.

For more information on childhood sexual abuse or other psychological or emotional problems or to arrange a free confidential consultation, please call our 24-hour helpline:

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Meridian students rally against ban on AIDS discussion in class

MERIDIAN (AP) — Meridian School District administrators overreacted when they banned teachers from discussing AIDS with students, said the leader of a group whose complaint prompted the ban.

Robert Aldridge said Friday that the Meridian chapter of Citizens for Educational Excellence didn't mean for the district to ban teachers from discussing AIDS in all situations.

The group complained earlier in the week about remarks made to sixth-grade students by nurse Mary Schwartzman on Nov. 22 at Lowell Scott Middle School.

The complaint led to an investigation by school officials and a directive from Assistant Superintendent Bob Haley that district employees "avoid discussing with students or teaching students anything relating to sex education, sexually transmitted diseases, or HIV/AIDS."

That prompted more than 1,500 of Meridian High School's 1,900 students to skip lunch and an afternoon class Friday to participate in a loud and angry protest of the ban.

And a protest organizer said students plan to rally again if the district fails to allow teachers to continue discussing AIDS.

Aldridge said his group filed the complaint against Schwartzman because AIDS and condoms were discussed without parents being given advance notice "so they could have their children excluded from the talks if they desired."

State law requires that parents be allowed to exclude their children from sex-education instruction, he said.

"I think it was quite frankly an overreaction," Aldridge said. "Our concern was that this guideline had been violated. If there had been notification in advance, ... that would have been the end of the story."

Superintendent Nick Hallett said the school district's reaction to the complaint was reasonable because the complaint indicated that the group would take legal action against the district in the matter.

"If what Mary did was a violation, we realized there are a lot of other peo-

ple doing the same thing, and we wanted to protect them," he said.

Hallett said that if Aldridge's group doesn't want the ban on AIDS discussions, Aldridge should give a letter to the district indicating that the ban could be lifted without legal ramifications from the organization.

"We'd be delighted to get a letter to that effect" from the group, Hallett said. "The ban was absolutely a response to their complaint."

Student protest organizer Shaun Dyke, a Meridian High senior, said Friday that school officials assured students the ban was temporary.

The students chanted anti-censorship slogans, spoke about the need for increased AIDS education to help students avoid the deadly virus and passed out condoms and safe-sex literature on the school courtyard.

"If you don't tell people how they can keep from getting it, how are you going to control it?" asked sophomore Shane Symons. "We need to be able to ask teachers about it because a lot of kids won't ask their parents. It's a matter of life or death."

Bus group taps 2 Idaho events as best of 1992

BOISE (AP) — The American Bus Association has ranked the Boise River Festival and Shelley's annual Idaho Spud Days among the Top 100 Events in North America for 1992.

Carl Wilgus, administrator of the state Department of Commerce's Division of Tourism Development, said Friday that it's the first time two Idaho events have made the list. "It's great to have two Idaho events recognized as national-caliber activities by the group tour market," Wilgus said.

The list is used by the group tour industry to plan itineraries for tour buses, said Georgia Smith, a tourism division spokeswoman. The group tour business contributes about \$22 million a year to Idaho's economy, she said.

Events are chosen after being nominated by travel and tourism offices around the country.

Salesman fined for violations

BOISE (AP) — State officials say a Colorado telemarketing salesman has been ordered to pay fines and attorney fees of \$15,000 for security violations. Finance Director Belton J. Patty said a 4th District Court judgment was signed against Stuart Kaplan of Boulder, salesman for North Bay Associates, Inc. Patty said the Colorado broker-dealer company offered oil and gas investments.

A lawsuit filed in state court alleged the company offered investments in Idaho through misrepresentations and fraudulent practices.

A judgment signed by 4th District Judge George Carey included a finding that Kaplan violated the Idaho Securities Act, an order of restitution, a fine of \$10,000 and \$5,000 in attorney fees.

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Speaker: Recession tips scales in loggers' favor

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — The slowdown in the Pacific Northwest timber industry finally is being felt in urban areas — and that could make logger access to public lands a major issue in the upcoming presidential election, a political consultant says.

Adam Goodman, vice president of the Robert S. Goodman agency of Baltimore, said now that most Americans are feeling the pinch of recession, they're more likely to sympathize with loggers whose jobs were lost because of dwindling federal timber supplies.

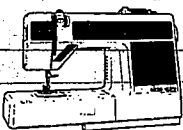
"It seemed like we were crying in the wilderness six months ago, when now we are singing to the choir," Goodman said. "That's because the American people aren't worrying about their long-term future. They're worrying about what will happen to them tomorrow."

Goodman spoke at the annual meeting of the Intermountain Forest Industry Association. He was among 10 panelists debating the pros and cons of logging on federal lands.

Although industry officials and environmentalists disagree about how much timber should be cut and where, their honorable arguments have been cooling. Panelists agreed that environmentalists and loggers need to work together to settle disputes over the management of federal timberlands. Such conciliation, they say, would demonstrate to the national public that logging battles could be solved.

"We need to work together to show the larger-public that these problems are solvable," said Tom France, attorney for the National Wildlife Federation, Missoula, Mont. "We're not going to wake up some morning and be able to say we're out of this mess."

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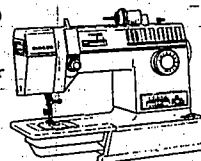
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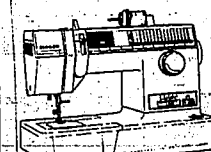
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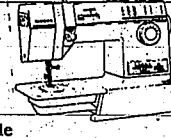
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BSU students on welfare seek better life after earning degree

BOISE (AP) — They look like any other older student on the Boise State University campus. But these women on welfare are gradually shedding the stigma they fear is apparent to everyone they meet.

"The best way to ensure we're not going to go back on welfare is a college degree," said Kris Mellinger, a "welfare mom" working towards a business diploma at Boise State.

She heads the new local chapter of HOME, or Helping Ourselves Means Education, which offers support for some 150 Boise State students — men and women — on welfare.

Only those actually facing the challenge know how delicate a balance the welfare moms have financially, said social work professor Dan Huff. Sharon, who asked that her last name not be used, is one of the welfare moms in Huff's "Women and Children Last" seminar that he hopes gives the students an understanding of the welfare system and offers support.

"I have different problems than other students," Sharon said. "This has helped me keep myself, I'm not stupid, and I'm not lazy. I just want a better life for myself and my children."

Americans who condemn the welfare system should take note of the women's quest for a degree. It's pure capitalism — giving them a chance to get a well-paying job, leave federal assistance behind and set a tradition

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for their children to finish school.

The federal government recognized the value in 1988 when the Welfare Reform Act buried the view that adult college students on welfare were somehow trying to cheat the system.

The Department of Health and Human Services even recently began offering subsidized day care and transportation to a limited number of welfare college students, and the number will expand next year.

There appears little question that the new policy can work. A study of welfare recipients by the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities in Washington, D.C., found that 90 percent had either failed to graduate from high school or received no additional training beyond high school.

Those between the ages of 17 and 21 could not read at a sixth grade level, on average.

But the study found that only 1 per-

cent of adults with a college degree were forced onto the welfare rolls.

Mellinger's dream of college was dashed when she married at 15. Her former husband was out of work much of the time. Several times the family lived in their car. Kris wanted to work, but she had an 18-month-old baby and could not afford the child care costs.

"It was terrifying," Mellinger said. "I tried to stay invisible."

Welfare saps self-respect until a person believes everyone she passes on the street knows her plight and is angered by the tax money being meted out to help them, the students believe.

"I did not want to be identified as a welfare mother," said Sharon, who is working toward a social work degree. "I wanted to keep those food stamps under the counter until I could sneak them to the clerk. I went through two years of college trying to look like everyone else."

What most people take as minor incidents, she said, can be real disasters for a welfare family. "A few years ago, one of my children spilled a bottle of milk. It was a tragedy."

HOME members have generally suffered some tragedy, Huff said, usually a bad relationship that left an untrained woman with nowhere to turn. Without that college degree, they still might land a job, but in those kinds of jobs they become the first victims of an economic slump.

Art of Yellowstone draws mixed reviews


JACKSON, Wyo. (AP) — Two pieces by a premier painter of Yellowstone National Park landscapes have been auctioned in New York to mixed reviews.

Thomas Moran's 1899 oil painting called "In The Teton Range" was sold by Christie's for well above its pre-sale estimated price of \$385,000. Christie's did not disclose the specific price.

A second painting was a 1912 view by Moran of the Grand Canyon. It was estimated at between \$385,000 and \$605,000 but remained unsold at a separate auction at Sotheby's when the asking price was not met.

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Retired U. of Utah V.P. dies

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Dr. James John Brophy, retired vice president for research at the University of Utah and a key player in the school's controversial venture into cold fusion research, died Saturday of cancer. He was 65.

His wife, Muriel, said he was admitted to the University Hospital Dec. 4. He was diagnosed as suffering from inoperable pancreatic cancer in October 1990.

Brophy was a noted researcher and author in solid state physics whose textbook, "Basic Electronics for Scientists," is in its fifth printing by McGraw-Hill. He is also the author of "Semiconductor Devices."

He joined the university as research vice president in 1980 from the Illinois Institute of Technology, where in more than 20 years he had worked as teacher, administrator and academic and research vice president.

Brophy was appointed professor emeritus of physics and electrical engineering by the University of Utah Board of Trustees last June. As vice president for research at the University of Utah, Brophy acted as point man during the tumultuous months following the March 1989 announcement that researchers had achieved nuclear fusion in a table-top, room-temperature experiment.

The announcement by electrochemists B. Stanley Pons and his British colleague, Martin Fleischmann, sent scientists from around the world scrambling to duplicate the experiments. The efforts met with varied degrees of success.

Group wants gambling deal disclosed

ALBUQUERQUE (AP) — A coalition says support of gambling is not a proper function of government, and it's asking for public disclosure of proposed gambling compacts between the state and Indian tribes.

"We would like Governor Bruce King to make the information known," said Lyle K. Porter, executive director of the New Mexico Coalition Against Gambling, made up of representatives of church groups.

King is considering signing agreements that would authorize Sandia Pueblo and the Mescalero Apache tribe to continue video gambling they already offer. It's expected the agreements will increase pressure on state officials to allow more gambling off reservations.

The governor said through a spokesman he would like to release the agreements, but has been advised by lawyers to keep them confidential while they are being negotiated.

The coalition this week appealed for member congregations and the general public to call King and state lawmakers and push for having the proposed agreements made public.

"It's not fair to start doing things like this without letting citizens know what is happening," Porter said.

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Woman accused of death plot

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — A woman was arrested for investigation of trying to engineer the death of an ex-boyfriend after she allegedly offered an undercover agent posing as a killer \$2,500 to carry out the contract, the sheriff's department said.

Detectives said Friday that Deborah Marie Tommerason, 37, of Sacramento was held without bail in Sacramento County jail for investigation of the death plot, allegedly aimed at Blaine Drewes, 38, an Idaho state biologist who fathered their 8-year-old daughter.

Authorities said Tommerason offered undercover sheriff's detective Dave Wright the money to commit the crime. She allegedly planned to give Wright a diamond ring as collateral, \$250 up front and the balance of the money after the crime was carried out.

Authorities contend that Tommerason wanted Drewes dead because she was about to lose a bitter, 4½-year court battle over the legal custody of the daughter. Drewes and Tommerason dated for eight months but split up after she became pregnant, detectives said.

1-man police force quits job

IDAHO CITY (AP) — After seven weeks on the job, Idaho City's one-man police force left unexpectedly Thursday, Mayor Ray Robison said.

"He said he brought too many debts with him and he couldn't make it on the salary we paid him," Robison said.

The job paid \$1,500 monthly. Earl Cannady, a 31-year-old Texan, was hired in October to be Idaho City's police force. He couldn't be reached for comment Friday.

Idaho City last had its own police force in 1985, when it was disbanded for economic reasons. With Cannady's departure, the Boise County Sheriff's Department will again take over law enforcement for the town of 375 people.

Robison said he first learned of Cannady's decision to leave on Thursday.

"I'm a little bit disappointed with it. We spent a lot of money. I wish we'd had a little time," he said. "We're not a rich town and don't have a big tax base."

Robison said the city plans to hire another officer.

"We interviewed a guy from Boise the other day," he said. "Maybe it'll all come out in the wash."



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Parkinson to review trusteeship

BOISE (AP) — Joseph Parkinson could face a conflict of interest if he remains a trustee of the Boise State University Foundation after joining the state Board of Education in January, a deputy attorney general says.

No law would require Parkinson to give up his position with the foundation, Brad Hall, deputy attorney general for the Board of Education, said Friday. But there could be the appearance of a conflict if business dealing with the foundation were considered by the board.

Parkinson said Friday that he had

not considered the position a problem because he thought it was simply honorary for those people who have made large donations to the foundation. The foundation has a policy-making of directors separate from the trustees, he said.

"I'm going to check into this," Parkinson said. "If it is more than an honorary achievement, I'll have to reconsider."

Hall said the board occasionally has considered exchanges of property with the BSU Foundation.

"I can't think of that many trans-

actions that take place between the board and the foundation, but on those there would be a potential conflict," Hall said.

Bob Fritsch, executive director of the BSU Foundation, said he had expected Parkinson to resign from the foundation after being appointed to the Board of Education last week by Gov. Cecil Andrus.

"It's just an assumption on my part that he would," Fritsch said, adding that Parkinson was the type who would want to avoid any appearance of a conflict of interest.

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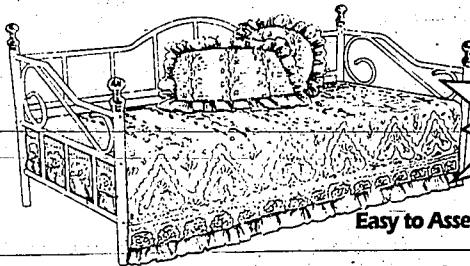
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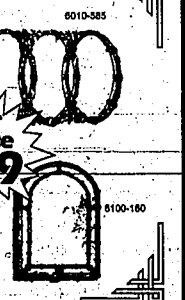
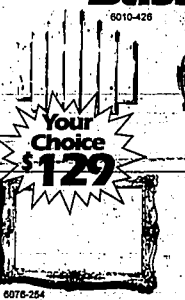
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Academy offers appointment to Wendell senior

Christopher German, son of Louis and Ethel German of Wendell, has been offered an appointment as a cadet at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn. He is one of 280 appointed who will become members of the Class of 1996.



German
Appointments are based on the results of an annual competition with no congressional appointments or geographical quotas. The annual competition is based on performance on either the Scholastic Aptitude Test or the American College Testing Assessment, high school academic achievement and participation in school and community activities that demonstrate leadership potential. German, a senior at Wendell High School, will pursue a bachelor of science degree and a commission as an ensign in the Coast Guard.

Mildred L. Howard of Hansen recently attended the Western Regional Conference of the National Council of Senior Citizens at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev. Participants represented clubs and councils of the NCSC from 12 Western states, Alaska, Hawaii and North and South Dakota. Howard is the president of the Idaho State Council of Senior Citizens Club No. 02709.

Shawna Reeves of Twin Falls was awarded a diamonds certificate by the Gemological Institute of America following completion of a course in diamonds. To complete the course, Reeves was asked to prepare a series of information and skills from geology to mineralogy to world-diamond-market conditions and fashions. The Gemological Institute of America, based in Santa Monica, Calif., is a non-profit educational and research organization serving the jewelry industry.

John Vodrasko, son of Bob and Nancy Vodrasko of Twin Falls, recently completed his Eagle Scout project—the restoration of native vegetation on a one-acre site of the Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument. The native vegetation includes sagebrush, juniper, irrigation pipeline maintenance work. Shawn Willis, Jeremy Hoover and Mack Griffith, all of Twin Falls, assisted Vodrasko in picking up construction debris, seeding native grasses and planting local shrubs. All four boys are members of Twin Falls Boy Scout Troop No. 67. Assistant scoutmaster Bob Vodrasko arranged for tools and assisted the scouts, as did Bill Hazen, Lincoln County Extension agent, who donated his time and a tractor for site preparation.

RoseAnna Boyle of Twin Falls has been accepted as a member of the American Dietetic Association. Boyle is a 1988 graduate of Twin Falls High School and a student at the University of Idaho in Moscow. ADA is a professional association of nutrition experts that promotes health and nutritional status for Americans and provides direction and leadership for quality dietetic practice, education and research.

Melanie Glenn, daughter of Derald and Lois Glenn of Kimberly, was awarded a trip to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago for her work in 4-H fashion review. The all-expense-paid award was sponsored by the McColl Pattern Co., VWS Inc., Viking White Sewing Machine Co. and White Sewing Machine Co. Glenn has been a 4-H member for 10 years. She is a sophomore at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, where she is majoring in elementary education.

Chase A. Culp, son of Barbara Culp of Twin Falls and a member of the Percussion Ensemble at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City, recently performed with the ensemble at the Crystal Cathedral in Garden Grove, Calif. Culp performed with the ensemble in the "Hour of Power" program hosted by the Rev. Robert Schuller. Culp is a 1988 graduate of Twin Falls High School. Please see SPOTLIGHT/C2

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Janet and Irvin Tilley are helped at the Christmas tree by adult children Marshall, Phoebe, in red, and Michele, who lives on her own. The Tilley's grandchildren also lend a hand.

You can go home again

By Julie Fanslow
Times-News correspondent

More than anything, Phoebe Tilley yearns to get out on her own—it looks like she finally may succeed. But when Tilley, 21, leaves early next year for school in the Midwest, it will mark the latest in a series of several attempts to move away from her parents' Burley home.

She's not alone: The U.S. Census Bureau recently reported that one in nine young adults live in their parents' home. Their numbers total about 3 million people, a 26 percent increase from a generation ago.

First, the United States experienced the baby boom phenomenon. Now, the nation is seeing the boomerang era of adult children who return home to live with their parents, or grown-up offspring who, for one reason or another, have a hard time leaving in the first place.

Huberta L. Phipps, an independent family therapist with offices in Twin Falls and Sun Valley, points to a few reasons why this might be happening.

One is housing: It's difficult for many people to come up with the first and last months' rent plus the security deposit landlords often require, so they stay put.

Divorce can be a factor, particularly if children are involved. Phipps says a marriage breakup exacts a "staggering impact on survival" as the newly single parent struggles to provide the basics of food, clothing and shelter plus a few extras like birthday parties.

"You can't do it, so you have lots of people who turn back to their parents," she says.

Tilley has lived on her own twice. Each time, roommate difficulties drove her back to her parents' home. Now, she is

Mutual love, respect help extended families cope

By Julie Fanslow
Times-News correspondent

Young adults across the nation will be boarding planes, trains and automobiles in coming days to head "home for the holidays."

But many families won't find such reunions necessary. They're already under the same roof. And as extended-family households become more common, all involved could use some good advice on how to succeed at living together.

preparing to leave for Missouri, where she'll attend the DeVry Institute of Technology in Kansas City.

Tilley says there are advantages to living at home: For one thing, she can be with and care for her 4-year-old daughter, Rebecca, who has stayed with Tilley's parents, Janet and Irvin, during Tilley's attempts at living elsewhere.

Tilley and her parents get along well, too. "Even though I'm still living with them and I'm still their child, they treat me as an equal," she says. Yet, she looks forward to being on her own for many reasons. It'll give her a sense of responsibility, she says, and she'll be better able to live her life the way she sees fit.

Those are among the reasons Tilley's sister Michele, 23, has fought to stay on her own. Like Phoebe, Michele Tilley has occasionally had to move home, her two

"There's got to be love," says Janet Tilley, a Burley parent with two children in their 20s still at home. "If there isn't a mutual love, it's not going to work."

"Respect each other," adds her daughter, Phoebe, 21. Says Michelle Tilley, 23, who now lives on her own, "You should respect the fact that yes, you're in your parents' household, but parents should respect the fact you're an adult, too."

Therapist Huberta L. Phipps says Please see FAMILIES/C2

young children, Ben and Annie, in tow. But now, she vows, she's out to stay.

For Michele Tilley, life on her own means sacrifices. "I don't go to shows," she says. "I don't go out partying." In exchange, however, she has her independence.

The Tilleys also have two sons: 20-year-old Marshall and Jonathan, 14. Marshall Tilley has also tried to live away from home several times, but he's back in the nest.

"We've been tactfully trying to encourage him (to leave)," says Irvin Tilley. "But where does he go?"

Steven Schmaltz, who will be 25 this week, originally left home to attend college when his family lived in Spokane, but he moved back after his father lost his job and the family could no longer afford his college expenses.

Three months ago, Schmaltz left home

again, this time trading his parents' place in Arizona for his boyhood hometown of Twin Falls. He's still living with family friends here but says he hopes to be fully out on his own as soon as possible, and he's working two jobs to help achieve that goal.

"I hated Phoenix and I was 24 years old," he says. "I had to cut the apron strings."

Schmaltz doesn't regret the time he spent living in his parents' home. He says they got along well, "oddly enough, I think, because we weren't together all the time."

"When they were all home, however, they enjoyed each other's company. The family nearly always had Sunday dinner together, and Schmaltz recalls staying up late talking with his father many nights."

"The more I was with them, the more I absorbed and learned from them," he says. "It was nice for me because my parents became less and less like parental figures and more and more like peers, more like friends."

Schmaltz says young adults shouldn't feel embarrassed about having to live with their parents. He says parents should encourage adult children to "cut those ties when (the kids are) prepared for it." But he says young adults should beware of oversteering their welcome or taking advantage of parents.

"It's not being taken advantage of that concerns Irvin Tilley. He says he fears his children won't learn to stand on their own if they come home each time a crisis hits. "I enjoy their company. I enjoy their helping and taking the pressure off my wife," Tilley says of his adult children. "But the bad part is, it's not helping them."

"When they're out on their own, they'll have a crisis and they'll have to handle themselves," Irvin Tilley adds. "They'll fall and get up and pick themselves up stronger."

Objectivity may be gone, but at least Walker Center is here

If there is one lesson to be learned as a newspaper correspondent in a small town, it is this: Don't get personally involved with a story. If you lose objectivity, you lose the story.

A couple of months ago, I covered a story about the Walker Center and its return to non-profit status. I probably shouldn't have taken that story.

I tried to be objective, and I think in the end I was, but while I was writing it, my personal involvement kept creeping in. The Walker Center has been saved.

You see, I consider myself sort of a graduate of The Walker Center. I spent three of the most enlightening, horrible, wrenching, wonderful days of my life at the center: three days I'll never forget, and probably won't repeat even if they paid me.

I went there to cover the three-day Family Program for the paper. I was to spend my time taking notes, and afterward write an article about what the families of



Life and Times
Suzanne Huxhold

the addicts go through during the marathon counseling session.

That was the idea. It just didn't work out that way.

I went in with my notebook ready and my defenses up. I'd been through these kinds of things before. I'd done the primal scream seminars, EST, sleep deprivation weekends where some guru in gold chains tries to get you to admit that you really married your mother. I thought I could be really objective about this. They couldn't fool me with a lot of fake hugs and forced feelings.

I was there about an hour before I broke. The honesty at the center was more brutal and clear than anything I'd ever experienced. They weren't about to let me get away with being objective, superior,

above it all. If I was going to be there, the recovering addicts, their families and the center counselors told me, I was going to have to be real.

Real? You mean like, open? Not objective, but personal? You want me to tell you I have problems? You want me to leave my notebook and my tape recorder in my car and come in here, practically naked?

They were right, of course. It's what recovery is all about. You get down to the nitty-gritty, quickly, when your child or your husband or your mother is in The Walker Center for recovery. It's tough stuff, but it's a Walker Center graduate puts it, "It's better than drinking." Or being crazy, as the case may be.

One of the things that was hard for me was admitting that I wasn't as tough as I thought I was. I wasn't as tough as the rest of the families there, who were facing the realities of having the people they love most in the world say their lives are in shambles because of their addictions. I wasn't as tough as the counselors, who

saw through me from the get-go, and refused to believe lies or accept excuses from anyone.

And I sure wasn't as tough as the recovering addicts who were there for treatment. Twenty-three days of honesty and unconditional love makes you strong. I ran. I ran to my car at the first sign of trouble. I got in, locked the door and turned the key in the ignition. And Gail Ater, the center's director, stood by my car and refused to let me leave. Face it, he said. You need this weekend a heck of a lot more than you need any story.

He was right. I didn't get a story, but I admitted my own addictions, to food and approval, and I came to grips with my dad's addictions, to alcohol and inaccessibility. I needed that more than I needed any story.

I lost my objectivity at The Walker Center. No, I didn't lose it, it was ripped away from me against my will, but I gained so much more. And I'll never be the same.

Suzanne Huxhold is a correspondent for The Times-News.

Goodies to give to tubemeisters

By Diane Werts
Newsday

With Christmas fast approaching, now is the time to buy tube-related treats for the TV fans in your life. Below are some gift ideas culled from stores (not from press releases), so you can be sure these goodies actually exist. Included are list prices, or guestimates thereof; discount stores or flea markets may be cheaper.

Books on TV: Start with such fact-packed reference books as "The TV Encyclopedia," with credits for 7,500 names (\$18.95, Perigee); "Total Television," listing series, specials and awards (\$17.95, Penguin); "The Celebrity Almanac" (\$10, Prentice Hall); and the indispensable "Complete Directory to Prime Time Network TV Shows" (\$16.95, Ballantine).

New books about series include "The Addams Family Revisited" (\$14.95, Pioneer), a large-format paperback covering the TV and movie versions; the authorized companion to "In Living Color," (\$9.99, Warner); "Murphy Brown: Anatomy of a Scream" (\$10.95, Dell); and "Thirty-something stories," nine scripts from the late series (\$10.95, Pocket). Jay Leno fans should enjoy "Headlines III: Not the Movie, Still the Book" (\$6.99, Warner), and David Letterman devotees have "The Altogether New Book of Top 10 Lists" (\$10, Pocket).

Inspiration is the idea behind "A Special Kind of Hero," from "Life Goes On" star Chris Burke (\$18, Doubleday), and "Michael Landon: The Love and Laughter" (\$9.95, Pomegranate).

Tapes: "The Addams Family" is finally on tape (two episodes each in six tapes, \$9.95 each, Worldvision). Vincent's gallantry lives on in

"Beauty and the Beast" (\$19.95 each, Republic). So do all eight first-season episodes of "Twin Peaks"—the premiere boasts "a mind-warp finale not seen on network television" (\$14.95 each, Worldvision). Jim Henson's "Dinosaurs" is out, as well (two episodes each on three tapes, \$12.99 each, Walt Disney).

A&E's documentary "Dinosauria" comes in a boxed set of four tapes (\$74.95, A&E Video). PBS' "The Civil War" is nine tapes (\$19.95, Time Life), while CNN's "War in the Gulf" is six (CNN, \$99.98).

Baby boomers can groove to "Shindig!" compilations like "Groovy Gals" with Lesley Gore and Tina Turner or "Motor City Magic" with Motown acts (\$14.95 each, Uni), along with Malt Groening's boyhood cartoon-fave, "Jonny Quest" (\$9.97, Hanna Barbera), and "The Adventures of Rocky and Bullwinkle" (eight tapes, \$12.99 each, Buena Vista).

Celebrate the season with the "I Love Lucy—The Honeymoons TV Christmas Present" (\$14.95, CBS-Fox), which includes holiday episodes from the '50s TV faves.

"Twin Peaks" fans may want "The Secret Diary of Laura Palmer," now in the cut-out bins (down to \$1.99 from \$8.95, Pocket); this sleaze-fest forms the basis for next year's "Twin Peaks" movie. For more juicy stuff, try "TV Babylon II," sequel to the 1987 original (\$4.99, Signet); "Scandal Annual 1992" (\$6.99, St. Martin's), featuring antics from Roseanne, Merv and those crime-committing TV kids; and "Forbidden Channels," now in oversize paperback (\$14.95, Harper Perennial). And then there's Cracked magazine's Jan. '92 TV Collector's Edition parody (\$3.50), with kooky comic takes on "The Blunder Years,"

"Nightlife With Kev Topfel" and more.

Games: Trivial Pursuit has a new TV Edition (\$29.99 for Master Game, \$24.99 cards only). Adverteasing (\$19.97) revolves around "slogans, commercials and jingles"; corrupt your kids, too, with a Junior version that's \$5 cheaper.

Also out there: Fester's Quest for Addams Family! freaks (\$19.99); an "America's Funniest Home Videos" Game with a 90-minute videotape (\$24.95); two marked-down oldies, "Married ... With Children" (from \$19.99 to \$7.99) and MTV's "Remote Control" (from \$22.99 to \$5.99); and video games based on "Jeopardy!" and "Family Feud" (\$39.95).

Gadget goodies: VCR Plus programs your recorder using number codes found in TV Guide listings (\$69.95). Cheaper, and much funnier, is the clear and concise book "House-Training Your VCR: A Help Manual for Humans" (\$8, plus \$2.50 shipping, Grapevine Publications, 800-338-4331). The Rabbit "VCR Multiplier" sends a video signal from the source TV or VCR to another one in the same house (from \$79.95).

Extend the life of your VCR with rewinders. They can be found for less than \$10, though you might want to spend about \$20 for one that will also fast forward and includes a tape counter. Keep the kids out with VCR Lock (\$19.95), a simple plastic device that fills the tape hole when it is not in use.

Cool calendars: "In Living Color" and "Saturday Night Live," covering all years of the NBC series (\$9.95 each, Andrews and McMeel); "Star Trek" and "Star Trek: The Next Generation" (\$8.95 each, Pocket); "I Love Lucy" and "The Honeymoons" (\$10.95 each, Landmark); "Rocky and Bullwinkle" (\$9.95, Zephyr).

Families

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families should sit down and discuss an adult child's return home, ideally before it happens.

"When kids and parents live together, both will lose their individual identities," she says. "The parents for the last few years may have had the household to themselves and now Johnny's coming home ... they don't get to continue on with their lives."

The adult child has also developed his or her own lifestyle. Suddenly, they're back sleeping in their too-short single bed, maybe facing a curfew. Emotionally, too, "you walk right back into those old relationships, the good and the bad."

Phipps suggests families talk about these areas:

- A time frame for the adult child's return. How long will he or she stay, what are the adult child's plans for the future, and how will he or she work to attain those goals?
- Finances and household duties. Adult children should pitch in with rent and expenses whenever possible.

Steven Schmall, who recently left his parents' home at 24, says his folks had a rule that he paid \$50 to \$100 a month in rent if he wasn't

enrolled in college. He also was expected to do chores around the house.

• Lifestyles. Do parents have the right to set down rules for behavior in their home even after children reach 18 or 21? In their own home, you bet," Phipps says.

Adult children can confront their parents over these rules, or they can choose to indulge their habits elsewhere and help keep peace in the household.

Visitors should also abide by the rules. The Tilleys don't allow smoking or drinking of alcohol in their home, and Janet Tilly says her children's friends are "free to come in but they have to abide by our standards."

Phipps suggests the family meet on a regular basis, daily or weekly, to discuss household needs and keep things running smoothly. "You can't just live together and ignore each other," she says.

Phipps speculates that one contributing factor to the large number of adult children returning home may be our culture's "laissez-faire attitude toward adolescence ... other cultures have expectations that kids work, but we have extended the time when kids are only kids."

They've never had to learn how to leave home."

At the same time, during adolescence, teens face pressure from society to grow up. "We give them all this time on their own and give them very little structure," Phipps points out.

She suggests a few approaches parents can take while children are still young to encourage independence and self-sufficiency. Among these ideas:

- Have expectations of your children early on by giving them chores and responsibilities.
- Encourage kids to volunteer, and get them involved in outside activities where they can safely be away from home and continue growing.

- Don't be afraid to let your children grow up, yet don't forget they are still kids. Let them experiment with their personality and express their individuality. "Kids try on many different hats, and they're supposed to," Phipps says.

- Teach your children—and yourself—flexibility: how to live in and adapt to new and different situations.

Older writers lament loss of program

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — At 90, Ragna Larsen doesn't write as much as she'd like to.

Her eyesight and hearing are failing, but her biggest obstacle has been the end of the Literary Post.

"I am old," Larsen, of Saginaw, wrote in a letter praising the Literary Post project before its funding ran out. "These writing sessions have given me something to think about and do."

"I have written many memoirs, some fairy tales ... and had fun doing it."

COMPAS, a St. Paul-based community arts program, has sponsored writing workshops since 1983 for old people in nursing homes and community centers. In 1985, author Carol Bly approached them with idea for the Literary Post—a way to reach remote areas of the state through the mail.

"For every Mozart who started at age 12, there's someone starting very late. For the very old ones, I think it's gratifying to have a voice after all this time," Bly said.

"It struck my mind that Minnesota has a lot of people who are isolated and on farms and scared to death of their neighbors, afraid that the other farmers wouldn't approve of their writing," she said.

Bly thought it would be a job she could take on her spare time.

But she found the Minnesota's elderly to be as prolific as they are profound. More than 500 people mailed her their novels, memoirs, short stories and poems.

'I am old. These writing sessions have given me something to think about and do.'

— Ragna Larsen, writing in a letter on the end of the Literary Post.

"I worked with the most inexpressive people, who never talked about anything but farming," she said. "It was only after they wrote their life history that they realized they have one."

Impressed with the quality of the work, COMPAS compiled the best-entries into an 80-page anthology, "Everybody's Story."

The next year Bly, whose works include "The Tomcat's Wife and Other Stories" began to teach college full time. But the program had impressed the National Endowment for the Arts and some grant-giving foundations enough to double the budget to about \$40,000 and hire five part-time "mail-order editors."

The result of that year's work, the 185-page "Cellar Doors and Hollyhocks," sold about 500 copies. "Remembering the Dance," published in 1989, is the Literary Post project's third book by older Minnesotans.

"They would love to do another one, but the funding dried up,"

said Mary Rockcastle, who edited the third book. "There's a tremendous need for it."

Margaret Swanson, who ran the "mature writers" program at COMPAS, said the program serves about 500 people at its peak but, because of a tight budget, usually had closer to 300.

"Last year we really didn't have the program at all," Swanson said, although a few writers paid and worked with editors on their own.

"There have always been more people than we could handle, and there weren't any sources that wanted to sustain a project like this," she said. "When a foundation has funding for seniors, it's usually for health care."

Michael Garcia, a grants writer at COMPAS, said it costs \$10,000 to \$15,000 to put together each book.

The Blandin Foundation of Grand Rapids was a major source of funding during the program's heyday as was the NEA, which praised the Literary Post as a national model.

Reviewers were equally impressed.

"There was a pretty rich sense of the past and the writing reached a level of detail that is uncommon," said Bart Schneider, who edits the St. Paul-based Hungry Mind Review.

"There are things that people our age have to say that could get lost in the shuffle," said 79-year-old Fern Bimsahl of Berniadi. "It was a wonderful thing, I just wish I had it back."

Spotlight

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graduate of Twin Falls High School and a senior at the U of U majoring in music education. The Percussion Ensemble won the 1991 Percussion Arts Society Contest and was honored recently at an international convention in Anaheim, Calif.

Staff members of The Bruin News and The Bruin Post were top award winners at the 1991 "Freedom of the Press" Idaho Journalism Adviser's Association Conference held recently in Sun Valley. Bruin News award winners included Travis Miles, Jamie Mitchell, Helen Harshbarger, Mark McAllister, Marc Kassis and Kari Belliston, all receiving Superior ratings. John Nemeth and Amy Covington

received Best of State Excellent awards; Jon Dixon, Kassis and Miles received Excellent ratings and Ivan Arrington and Michelle Vecera received Honorable Mention.

Superior and Honorable Mention awards went to staff photographer Shellie Stammerjohn. Yearbook winners included Joey Heck, Excellent; Annette Gellman, Trevor Dodge and Myndee Larson, Honorable Mention; and Tammy Tanaka, Best of State Honorable Mention. Photography awards included Jeremy Jones, Excellent; and Kelly Ward and Chad Parsons, Honorable Mention.

Vivian Lui of Twin Falls recently graduated from the ITT Technical Institute in Boise. She received a

diploma upon completion of the legal secretary program. As a graduate of the program, she is eligible for entry-level employment in the legal or general secretary fields.

Danielle Veeh, daughter of Bob and Betty Veeh of Twin Falls, is attending the fall 1991 semester in Pau, France, through Boise State University's Studies Abroad program. Veeh is a 1990 graduate of Twin Falls High School.

The Times-News welcomes items about area residents who receive honors or recognition. Send information to The Times-News Spotlight column, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

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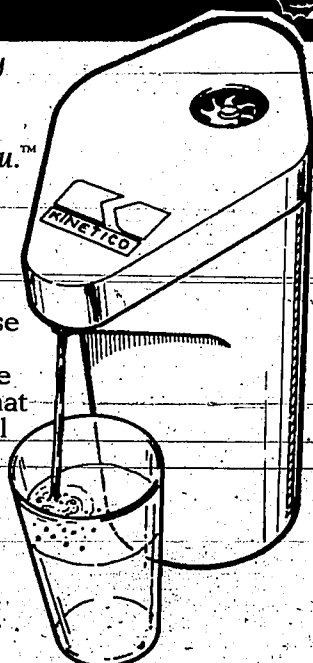
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Engagements

Clark-Lock

TWIN FALLS — Chet H. and Dotie M. Clark of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca Lee, to Aaron Dean Lock, son of Kenneth and Dorothy Lock of Burton, Mich.

Clark is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and Boise State University. She is employed by Blaine Co. School District No. 61 in Hailey.

Lock is a graduate of Bendle High School in Burton. He is employed at Paul's IGA in Hailey.

The wedding is planned for 8 p.m. Dec. 23 at the First Assembly of God Church on Locust Street in Twin Falls.



Aaron Lock and Rebecca Clark

Wright-Wright

BUHL — Mr. and Mrs. William H. Wright of Montclair, N.J., announce the engagement of their daughter, Katherine Carey, to Ralph Brailsford Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Gary Wright of Buhl.

She is a graduate of Rutgers University in New Brunswick, N.J., and is currently teaching in the Montclair public school system.

He is a graduate of Princeton University and is an investment executive with PainWebber in Princeton, N.J.

The wedding is planned for July 11.



Katherine Wright and Ralph Wright

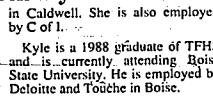
Albrethsen-Kyle

TWIN FALLS — Douglas Ray Albrethsen of Twin Falls and Nancy Joy Albrethsen of Boise announce the engagement of their daughter, Janice Joy, to Darren James Kyle, son of William D. and Donna Faye Kyle of Twin Falls.

Albrethsen is a 1989 graduate of Twin Falls High School and is currently attending the College of Idaho in Caldwell. She is also employed by C of I.

Kyle is a 1988 graduate of TFHS and is currently attending Boise State University. He is employed by Deloitte and Touche in Boise.

The wedding is planned for Jan. 4 at the First Christian Church in Twin Falls.



DeFord-Madson

FILER — Joyce J. DeFord of Filer announces the engagement of her daughter, Virginia "Ginger," to Michael Madson, son of Melvin and Laura Madson of Meridian and formerly of Filer. DeFord is also the daughter of the late Gary Grant DeFord.

DeFord is a graduate of Filer High School and attended the College of Southern Idaho. She is employed at The Bon Marche in Twin Falls. Madson is also a graduate of FHS and served an LDS mission to West Virginia. He is employed by Associated Business Products in Boise. The wedding is planned for Dec. 27 in the Boise LDS Temple.



Michael Madson and Virginia 'Ginger' DeFord

Cluff-Sturgill

TWIN FALLS — Dr. and Mrs. John R. Cluff of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Katie, to David Scott Sturgill, son of Eugene and Beverly Sturgill, also of Twin Falls.

Cluff is a 1989 graduate of Twin Falls High School and a 1991 graduate of Ricks College in Rexburg. Sturgill is a 1986 graduate of TFHS. He served an LDS Mission to the Mexico Tuxtla Gutierrez mission from 1988-1990. He is currently attending Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, majoring in political science. He is employed by BYU Law School in Provo.

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David Sturgill and Katie Cluff

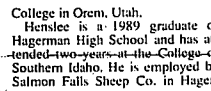
Stewart-Henslee

BUHL — Mr. and Mrs. Randall Stewart of Buhl announce the engagement of their daughter, Brenda Ann, to Mark-Whitney Henslee, son of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Henslee of Hagerman.

Stewart is a 1990 graduate of Buhl High School and is currently attending Utah Valley Community College in Orem, Utah.

Henslee is a 1989 graduate of Hagerman High School and has attended two years at the College of Southern Idaho. He is employed by Salmon Falls Sheep Co. in Hagerman.

The wedding is planned for Jan. 25 in Buhl.



Brenda Ann Stewart and Mark-Whitney Henslee

Steinkruger-Brockman

MACON, Neb. — Marjorie A. Steinkruger and James W. Brockman were married Aug. 31 at the United Methodist Church in Macon, Neb.

The Rev. Barb Hart performed the double ring ceremony. Connie Schmidt was the organist and Scott Herrick was the soloist.

The bride is the daughter of Keith and Norma Steinkruger of Franklin, Neb., and parents of the bridegroom are Marie Brockman of Twin Falls and William Brockman of Kimberly.

Denyse Hunsaker of Lincoln, Neb., friend of the bride served as the bride's matron of honor. Mary-Jane Walton, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid.

Best men included Race Brown of Kimberly and Glyn Lacy of Dallas. The bridesmaids were Corita Steinkruger and Tasha Walton, nieces of the bride. The guests were seated by Mark Steinkruger and Pat Walton, brother and brother-in-law of the bride.

A noon luncheon and reception were held following the service. Assisting with the reception were Carol Hawwood of Kimberly, sister of the bridegroom, Shelly Steinkruger of Fremont, Neb., Kay Steinkruger of Hildreth, Neb., Teri Langford of Dallas, and Michaela Schmidt. Tasha and Brittany Walton and Corita and Elyse Steinkruger. Langford also attended the guest book.

After a short honeymoon, the newlyweds will reside in Texas. Special guests included grand-



Marjorie and James Brockman

mothers of the bride, Anne Steinkruger and Lois Versaw, both of Franklin, Neb.

The bride is a 1987 graduate of Bishop Clarkson College of Nursing. She is employed at the Humana Medical City Hospital as a critical care nurse and is a student at Parker College of Chiropractic in Dallas.

The bridegroom is a 1987 graduate of Rogue Community College in Grants Pass, Ore., and is a self-employed custom gunsmith. He is also chairman of Brockman's Marketing Inc. in Alpine, Texas.

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Anniversaries

The Toberers

BUHL — Mr. and Mrs. Albert Toberer of Buhl will be honored at an open house Dec. 22 in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 2 to 5 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church parish hall, 1128 Poplar in Buhl. The couple requests no gifts. Cards are welcome.

Toberer and Mildred Willuweit were married Dec. 23, 1941, at the Zion Lutheran Church in Kamey, Neb. They soon moved to Richmond, Calif., where they lived for three years. He worked as a welder in the shipyards until he entered the armed services in the fall of 1944. He served in the Army until he was injured at Okinawa in 1945. After his discharge, he returned to Eustis, Neb., to be with his family. They have lived in Buhl since 1948. He works as a self-employed plumber and electrician. She is a homemaker.

They have been active in Sunday School and lay work at St. John's Lutheran Church in Buhl. They are



Albert and Mildred Toberer

also active in the Magic Valley Iris Society and the Buhl Senior Citizens.

The event is being given by their children, Arlyn Toberer of Boise, Wayne Toberer of Tempe, Ariz., and Roger Toberer of Buhl and their spouses as well as Larry Toberer of Filer.

The couple has three grandchildren and one grandson.

The Thomsons

CASTLEFORD — Mr. and Mrs. John Thomson of Castleford will be honored at an open house Saturday in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Castleford Methodist Fellowship Hall. The couple requests no gifts.

Thomson and Irene Blackham were married Dec. 24, 1941, in Nampa. He served in the Navy for three years in the South Pacific during World War II. After returning from the service, the couple farmed in the Buhl and Castleford areas. In 1965, they bought a farm in Castleford, where they currently reside. The event is being given by their



John and Irene Thomson

children, Lynn Thomson of Boise and Kirk Thomson of Castleford and their spouses, as well as the couple's six grandchildren.

Fraternal group says cookbooks delayed

BUHL — The Western Fraternal Life group of Buhl will not have cookbooks available by Christmas as was originally planned.

"Due to matters beyond our control, we regret that our cookbooks will not be available until February," said Matilda Machacek, spokeswoman for the group.

When the cookbook, entitled "Czech Cookbook," becomes available, the group will put an announcement in the newspaper, Machacek said.

For more information, call Vlasta Saunders at 829-5205 or Machacek at 543-4037.

Weddings

LaRue-Prins

TWIN FALLS — Christine Marie LaRue and Lt. Frederick Earle Prins were married July 12 at the Twin Falls Reformed Church.

The Rev. Bryan Vriesman of the Twin Falls Reformed Church and the Rev. Sidney Harris of the Wendell United Methodist Church officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence LaRue of Wendell and parents of the bridegroom are Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Prins, also of Wendell.

Prelude music was provided by Carole Koopman at the organ, former piano teacher of the bride and bridegroom and Kay Prins at the piano, sister of the bridegroom. Some of their duets included Liberator, Saviour Like a Shepherd Lead Us, Joy of Man's Desiring, and Canon in D. Larry Gee of Rathdrum, uncle of the bride, sang "I'll Be Here, Cherish the Treasure and Wedding Prayer."

Patty Emerson of Mundelein, Ill., sister of the bride, served as the bride's matron of honor. Joni Young of Boise was maid of honor. Bridesmaids included Jeannie Peterson of Boise, Beth MacVane of Long Island, Maine, and Karin Ringling of Moscow.

Dustin Prins, brother of the bridegroom served as best man. Groomsmen included Michael LaRue of Mechanicsburg, Pa., brother of the bride, Lt. Chris Lyne of Beloit, Wis., Lt. Warren Dams of Morgantown, N.C., and Lt. John Hoppmann of Charleston, S.C. Ushers were Donald Aardema of Wendell, brother-in-law



Christine and Frederick Prins

of the bridegroom and Karl Emerson of Mundelein, Ill., brother-in-law of the bride. Candelights were Elizabeth Stevon of Arlington, Texas, and Chic Basugi of Riverside, Calif. Stephanie Strine of Caldwell and Susan Telford of Goldendale, Wash., attended the guest book tables.

A reception was held following the ceremony in the fellowship hall at the church. Special guests included grandmother of the bride, Eula-Gee of Wendell, and grandparents of the bridegroom, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Hidy Jr. of San Clemente, Calif., and Margaret Prins of Escondido, Calif. Many out-of-town and out-of-state relatives and guests also attended.

The newlyweds will be making their home in Columbus, Ga., while the bridegroom is temporarily stationed at Fort Benning.

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We will be printing some of the experiences on Monday, Dec. 23. We need to receive your letter by Tuesday. You may bring it to the newspaper office in person if you like. Write to Denise Turner, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303. Or call 733-0931, Ext. 299.

Service news

HAGERMAN - Marine Cpl. Todd A. Young, a 1987 graduate of Hagerman High School, recently reported for duty at Marine Barracks in Washington, D.C. He joined the Marine Corps in October 1987.

HAZELTON - Air Force Airman Michelle J. Greenwell, son of Morris L. and Mary J. Greenwell of Hazelton, an apprentice fire protection specialist, has arrived for duty at Fairchild Air Force Base in Washington. The airman is a 1989 graduate of Minico High School in Rupert.

GOODING - Army National Guard Private Jamie A. Holland, son of Jim A. Holland and Joan M. Schultz, both of Gooding, has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C. The private is a 1991 graduate of Gooding High School.

JEROME - Airman William D. Childers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary W. Childers of Jerome, has graduated from the air transportation specialist course at Sheppard Air Force Base in Wichita Falls, Texas. He is a 1991 graduate of Jerome High School.

Valley happenings

Second-graders plan performance

TWIN FALLS - Lincoln School second-graders will present a program entitled "Santa Makes a Change" at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the auditorium. The half-hour story focuses on the day Santa decides he is ready for a change from his traditional red suit. Admission is free.

Legal secretaries to meet Tuesday

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Legal Secretaries Association will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Idaho State Police District #04 office, 626 Eastland Drive S., Suite B. Rita Larom of

the College of Southern Idaho Center for New Directions will speak on transitions women experience and opportunities available. If you are not a member but would like to attend, call Laura Drake at 734-5885 or Shirlene Climer at 736-3060.

NARFE plans Christmas luncheon

TWIN FALLS - The National Association of Retired Federal Employees will hold its Christmas luncheon and meeting at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at North's Chuck Wagon on Kimberly Road. Members are reminded to bring

food items for the Salvation Army Christmas baskets. For more information, call Harvey Loder at 733-5918.

Unit 7 of Legion plans potluck

TWIN FALLS - Unit 7 of the Twin Falls American Legion will hold a Christmas potluck at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the home of Roma Hymas, 328 Seventh Ave. E. A gift exchange is planned. Members are reminded to bring items for Christmas baskets for shut-ins. For more information, call Carmie Smith at 733-2782.

DEAR ABBY: I am a first-time writer, and it's about time! In November 1983, you ran a letter in the San Diego Union about the International Soundex Reunion Registry. It gave me the information I needed to locate my birth mother. She had already registered when I was an infant - wondering if I would even be told that I was adopted.

As it turned out, I was raised by wonderful parents who told me (and my two adopted brothers) as much about our adoption as was appropriate at different stages in our lives. We grew up knowing that our biological mothers (as Mom called them) wanted more for us than they thought they could have provided.

Although my parents never encouraged any of us to search for our birth parents, I was always curious to know about my "roots."

I won't ramble on about our reunion, but suffice it to say, it was terrific! My birth mother and I are good friends - but not best friends; that position is reserved for my adopted mom.

Abby, thank you for the best birthday present I could have asked for. I met my birth mother shortly after my 24th birthday. My closing thoughts are for adoptive parents and those considering adoption: Tell your children about their adoption



Dear Abby
Abigail VanBuren

from the time they're tiny. Read their stories about it - tell them that another lady carried them in her tummy, but wasn't able to care for them. Tell them what you're comfortable with, but never lie to them or hide the adoption.

Children who grow up knowing about their adoptions are just as balanced and happy as other kids - and there's no worrying about their finding out "later." Also, present the birth mother in a positive light so the child never feels "dumped," or like secondhand stock.

Thank you once again, Abby!

- LORI KAY DAY

IN SAN DIEGO

DEAR LORI: Thank you for writing. Your letter made my day. Biological parents can register with International Soundex Reunion Registry, P.O. Box 2312, Carson City, Nev. 89702. Adopted children may also register - and when the children become of legal age, if both parties are registered and want to find each other, a match is made. Send a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope to

the above registry, requesting Soundex forms.

I have dealt with the people at the registry for many years and have found them to be efficient, honest, and in total agreement with my feelings that neither the identity of the birth parents nor the adopted child shall be disclosed unless both parties are agreeable to a reunion.

DEAR ABBY: This letter is for the Schmucks of Qmand Beach, Fla.

I am in my 60s, and all my life my parents called me a "schmuck" when I did something foolish. And when my own children didn't behave, I would say, "Don't be a schmuck!"

Last October, we went to Germany to visit some relatives. I saw a building there with a sign that said "SCHMUCKS" so I asked my cousin what it meant, and she said "Jewels." Imagine my surprise! All

this time, I had been calling my children "jewels," when I really had something else in mind.

I am signing my real name, which I am told means "dam" in German. You can probably guess the fun the Germans had with that name!

- MILLIE WEIR IN

ANAHEIM, CALIF.
Worth clipping (from "Forbes Magazine"): "Love is what happens to a man and a woman who don't know each other." Somerset Maugham

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All dinners at noon. Monday: Pork chop Tuesday: Lasagna Wednesday: Cook's choice Thursday: Christmas dinner Friday: Taco salad with soup Saturday: Center closed Sunday: Center closed.		Activities Tuesday Ceramics at 1 p.m. Thursday Crafts at 1 p.m. Friday Bingo at 11:55 a.m. Pinocle at 1 p.m. Board elections from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.		Activities Thursday Bingo at 1 p.m. Friday Birthdays/anniversary dinner. Make reservation by Wednesday.	
Monday Crafts and quilting from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bingo at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday Bingo at 1 p.m. Board meeting at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday		Thursday Crafts and quilting from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Make reservation. Friday Crafts and quilting from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday Center closed. Sunday Center closed.		Saturday Breakfast from 9 a.m. to noon. Suggested donation \$2.50 for seniors and \$3.75 for non-seniors.	
Sunday, Dec. 22 Dance from 2 to 5 p.m. at center. Country-Rhythm will provide the music. The cost is \$2 per person. Refreshments will be served.		Burley Senior Citizens E. Highway 30, Burley		All dinners at noon. The cost is \$2. Monday: Pork chops and apple sauce	
Ageless Senior Citizens 310 Main St. N., Kimberly		All dinners at noon. Monday: Curried chicken over rice			

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Courting around world ranges from nuts to cigarettes

By Susan M. Barbieri
Orlando Sentinel

They used to call it "courting." Now we call it "dating." No matter what it's called, it has never been easy. So last week I went from Borneo to Africa to colonial America, studying courting customs.

(OK, so I only went six blocks to the library. What can I say? Borneo is not in the budget right now.)

I found tidbits ranging from sweet to strange:

- Lower-class Americans of the 1700s had a custom called "bundling." Farmwork was never-ending, and chances for courting rare. So with parental permission, a young man could spend the night with the young woman in whom he was interested in order to get to know her. Both would be fully clothed, but other methods were devised to prevent physical contact, such as a wooden board placed in the middle of the bed. The woman might be encased in a type of long sack, or her clothes might be sewn shut in key areas.

- In medieval England, a young man would go to the parents of his beloved bearing a leather flask of wine. If they accepted it and drank from it, he was free to continue courting. To clarify his situation, he would fling a super invitation and watch dessert carefully. If the daughter was reluctant, he knew he was not wanted.

- The Chinese used matchmakers and astrologers. The matchmaker on the young man's side, after memorizing his client's good qualities and preparing rationalizations for the bad, took gifts to the woman's family. Matchmakers on both sides then prepared horoscopes for the young people. If the horoscopes worked out, gifts of a wild goose or a roll of silk were sent to the bride's family and a betrothal contract was signed.

- Among the Dayaks of Borneo, a suitor will wake a young woman and offer her beetle nuts carefully wrapped in a leaf. If she accepts, he may stay and talk with her. Before leaving, he will often place under her pillow a necklace made

of seeds of the pungent balong fruit.

- Meanwhile, over in Borneo's Kayan community, lovers exchange cigarettes made of tobacco and banana leaves. A young woman will give her lover a cigarette tied in a special way if she wishes him to stay. If all goes well, it is customary for the young man to rest his head in his lover's lap. She then proceeds with a pair of brass tweezers to remove his eyebrows and eyelashes. She plays a sort of jew's-harp to lure the youth to her room, where he will spend the night.

- Among the Mende of Sierra Leone, a young man interested in a young woman does not approach the young woman himself but sends a small party of friends, among whom must be a woman. If he is an older man already married, he may send one of his wives, who will be able to speak with the most authority on the virtues of the would-be suitor as a husband.

- Courship in American Indian tribes was difficult. Young women were strictly guarded, and men had to court on the sly. There were ways for young people who were attracted to each other to meet, such as at a dance, but others were always present. A lover could hire someone to perform a "love ceremony," which involved incantations and flute music. But the danger was that the person on the receiving end may learn of the love ceremony and use counterpower to resist.

- In the American colonies from 1790 to 1840, courting took place at logging bees or quilting bees that ended with dinner and a play or dance. One custom of the time involved the use of a "courting candle." If a young woman's father liked a certain suitor, he set the candle on a high ring, allowing the couple a long visit. If the father didn't like the young man, the candle would be set on a low ring for a short visit. When the candle burned to the metal, courting time was over.

Happy courting - and may your candle always be set on the high ring.

Radio for oldies but goodies

Canadian Super Senior Network targets large but forgotten audience

RIDGEWAY, Ontario (AP) - Don and Meegan Hildebrand drove from Los Angeles to Toronto, scanning the radio dial all the way, and never found any decent music. A couple of years and an interrupted retirement later came Super Seniors Network.

Great music from the 1920s, '30s and '40s, corny patter, off-color jokes, riddles and brain teasers have resulted in spectacular weekend ratings for CKTB radio in St. Catharines and led to plans for broadcasting across Canada next year.

Forty-seven percent of Canadians are over 50, and 11 percent are over 65, but you'd never know it by listening to the radio, Hildebrand says. Stations spend all their time chasing after kids and advertising agencies are 99 percent controlled by young people who ignore the enormous seniors market, he says.

"They see us as a stereotype: drooling idiots who have bought everything they are going to buy, only moving between the television and the hospital and costing society a fortune," Hildebrand, 60, huffs.

"We keep the restaurant business in business. We own the big cars and the travel industry in business. What would the cruise business be without seniors?"

The Hildebrands, along with 80-year-old Arthur Jolley, started on a rock station, CKTB, with a four-hour Sunday-morning program - a time slot that's "the annuity of radio," Hildebrand says.

They started in February 1989. The Bureau of Broadcast Measurements' first ratings were 500 listeners per quarter-hour. "Three months later we were pulling 4,000 with no advertising and no promotion," says Hildebrand, who has 42 years' experience in broadcasting.

The next six months it doubled to 8,000, and the station manager started to pay attention. Super Seniors now pulls 22,000 listeners in southeastern Ontario on that Sunday-morning spot.

The station added an old-time comedy program with tapes from



Art Jolley, left, Meegan Hildebrand and Don Hildebrand, right, broadcast their Super Seniors Network radio program last month from the studios of CKTB in St. Catharines, Ontario.

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— Don Hilldebrand, on advertising agencies

Amos 'n' Andy shows, Jack Benny and Red Skelton. It followed that with "Make-Believe," "Ballroom," which features hands-and-socks extending through the afternoon. The seniors programming became so popular it moved into Saturday with the "Dancing Days" show. Now, practically the entire weekend is filled with old-timer's fare.

Jolley brings firsthand history and anecdotes and contributes to the conversational chatter on a range of subjects of interest to older audiences. A former builder who spent 10 years in

the Ontario Legislature, Jolley was "quite a bon vivant in the old days, a wonderful man," Hildebrand says.

Hildebrand, who won't reveal her age, chooses all the music. Born in California to a show business family, she describes herself as "the original Valley Girl." Though she learned to dance at 3 and traveled in a vaudeville act with her family, she was new to radio in 1989.

On the radio, the Hildebrands are protective of their audience.

"We don't want our listeners subjected to any scams," Meegan Hilde-

brand says. "We will not run an ad until we are sure it is what it says it is."

Each insurance company, banking service, even restaurant, is personally checked out by Don Hildebrand. Consequently, listeners have an enormous amount of trust in the trio.

"If somebody gets cheated, we talk about it on the air," says Don Hildebrand.

The Hildebrands can provide a full weekend of seniors programming for any radio station that wants it - it can be adapted to an American audience, he says. They have a federal license to network programs by satellite, and the goal is to provide 40 hours a week. By spring, the Hildebrands hope to be broadcasting in every major market in Canada.

But that's too big a job for CKTB. "We're hard at work on completing our own studios and when they're done, look out Charlie Brown, here come the seniors all across Canada."

Magic Valley Rehabilitation Services sells gifts at Ernst

TWIN FALLS - A local organization serving people with disabilities is again selling holiday gifts from a booth at Ernst Home Center.

Volunteers from Magic Valley Rehabilitation Services Inc. are selling various Idaho food prod-

ucts - from trout to meat products - to raise money for its programs.

The organization operates evaluation, training and employment programs for people with disabilities.

The booth will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 6

p.m. Mondays through Saturdays, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays through Dec. 24. The items can be purchased on a cash and carry basis, but Magic Valley Rehabilitation will also deliver free within the Twin Falls area or ship to any location within the continental United States.

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Tell us about the display you think is tops in the Magic Valley. Send this coupon (along with a snapshot of the lighting display, if one is available) to The Times-News, Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303 or bring it to our office at 132 Third Street W. The deadline is Tuesday.

The lighting display I like is located at (street address/town):

Its owner (or renter) is:

Their phone number is:

Here's why this display is the best in the Magic Valley:

My name:

My phone number:

Bethel 56 of Jobs Daughters will install queen Saturday

TWIN FALLS — Jenny Dodds, 17, daughter of Jerry and Joellen Dodds of Twin Falls, will be installed as honored queen of Bethel 56, International Order of Jobs Daughters, at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Masonic Temple, 888 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Other officers to be installed include Erica Hanson, senior princess; Becky Dodds, junior princess; Teneale Dewey, guide; Gina Dawn Wolverton, marshal; Amy Waters, chaplain; Nikki Stover, recorder; Kristy Jones, treasurer; Shannon Kienzie, librarian; Brady Martin, musician; Kristen Carrico, senior custodian; Tina McBride, junior custodian; Sara High, inner guard; and Stacy Garmand, outer guard.

Messengers will be Sara Thompson, Debby Boyd, Sara Poppleton, Hillary Lytle and Anna Jardine.

Kirsten Johnson will be choir captain; Cory Leaphart, assistant choir captain; Sarah Wolverton, flagbearer; Erin Talkington, custodian of lights; Brandi Wasko, assistant recorder; Danika Galbraith, sunshiner and rainfall; and Stacy Lytle, Lacie



Dodds

Hernandez and Krista Rehn, choir members. Mercy McDonald, retiring honored queen, will serve as installing officer. She will be assisted by Kirsten Kyle, Heather Kirkman, Karole Kistler, Amy Boyd, Heather Hacking, Shannon Kelly, Marci Alexander, Heidi Leichter and Jamie Eslinger.

Jodi Silvers, Rachelle Hobbs and Doug Frost will sing and will be accompanied by Julie Hobbs. Hosts will be Randy and Connie Stoker, assisted by Annette Geilman and Heather Smith.

The new queen's project will be the Shriner's Crippled Children's Hospital.

The public is invited to the ceremony and reception which will follow.

Project Headstart needs volunteers to knit 150 sweaters for small children for Christmas. Volunteer knitters are needed to machine knit. No experience is necessary and machines are available. Contributions for yarn are also needed. Come in or call Inge Davis at Passag Knitting Machine Sales at 1120-A Blue Lakes Blvd. N., 734-9721; or call Gene Reichard in Jerome at 324-2195.

A handicapped individual on a fixed income needs a floor repaired in his home. If you can help, call Georgetta Whitesell at the Community Action Agency at 324-8856.

The Buhl Head Start needs volunteers to help in day care. If you can donate a few hours per week and you enjoy working with children, call Marlene Yardley at 343-3292.

Volunteers are needed to help in the new hot lunch program at the Salvation Army. Free hot lunches are being prepared and served each week. Volunteers are needed for the food-box program and services to senior citizens. Call 733-8720 or come to 348 Fourth Ave.

The Port of Hope needs educational board games. If you can donate, call Mary Dwyer at 734-5180.

The South Central Community Action Agency needs beans for the emergency food pantry. The agency also needs a table and four chairs, dressers, three twin mattresses, one twin box spring, two full mattresses, and one full size box spring. If you can donate, call Anna Fortner at 733-9351.

The Twin Falls Head Start facility has an opening for an individual 60 or older and low-income to help with small children. Benefits and a tax-free stipend will be offered. If you can help, call the Foster Grandparent Program at 736-2122.

The American Cancer Society is looking for a few good volunteers to assist with the 1992 Community Crusade (door-to-door donations). People are needed to help organize in Twin Falls, Buhl, Filer, Kimberly, Hansen, Murtaugh, Castleford, Hollister, Rogerson and Jackpot, Nev. If you can help, call John or Jane Munro at 733-0886.

Volunteers are needed to help ring bells for the Salvation Army Christmas Kettles for the Christmas season. Call 733-8720 or come to 348 Fourth Ave.

The Senior Companion Program has openings for active persons 60 or older who are low-income and who would enjoy working 20 hours a week at either St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome or at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. The program pays a small tax-free stipend, travel reimbursement, provides an annual physical, and covers participants with accident, liability and excess auto liability insurance. Call Marcie Donner at 736-2122.

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Some bright tips to keep the holidays safe

Orange County Register

Make sure your family has a safe holiday by using Christmas lights correctly and taking a few other precautions:

• Use lights outside only if they're specifically designated for outdoor use, which means they are weatherproofed. Look for the UL - Underwriters Laboratories - seal.

• Use only those extension cords marked for outdoor use for outdoor lights and other displays.

• Don't use more than three strings per extension cord.

• If you find frayed or exposed wires, loose connections or broken sockets, replace the light string.

• If you use a ladder to put up your lights outside, make sure it's on firm footing. If any ladder has a vertical indicator that you can align to make sure the ladder is at a proper angle.

• Don't just drape your lights over your Christmas tree. Fasten them to branches. This doesn't

necessarily mean every light has to be fastened, but fasten as many as possible.

• Don't let bulbs touch needles or flammable ornaments. If the bulbs heat up ... well, you get the idea.

• Follow instructions on light sets about how many strings can be hooked together safely.

• Check to see if all lightbulbs are tight in their sockets.

• Don't connect a standard-size light string to a string of miniature lights. It can cause a fuse to overload.

Somebody needs you

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The Jerome School District needs volunteers to help in the Jerome schools. Volunteers will work at their own skill levels. Duties will include clerical work, typing, machine operators, reading, or listening to a child read, or other duties as assigned. Lunch will be provided to volunteers who can provide three hours of volunteer service or more per day. If you can donate a few hours per week, call Karen Frey at the Jerome High School at 324-8528.

"Idaho's Partner's in Health through Nutrition" needs volunteers to help distribute pamphlets, recipes and educational materials to grocery stores in the Burley-Rupert and Twin Falls areas. For more information, call Sharon Gerberding at 734-5900.

The Sawtooth Chapter of the American Red Cross is seeking volunteers to provide service to members of the Armed Forces and their families. To apply or for more information, call Ruth Young at 733-6464 or stop by the Red Cross office at 718 Shoshone St. E.

The Boy Scouts of America Troop No. 32 needs useful camping items. Especially needed is a wall tent set up for a woodstove. Call 934-5909 days or 934-5738 evenings.

Volunteers are needed at the Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center for the dining room as hosts/hostesses and as cashiers. These duties are also needed for the monthly pancake breakfast. A part-time receptionist, people to help in the Bargain Center and kitchen helpers after lunch are also needed. Volunteers are needed for making things for the Craft Shop and quilts are always welcome. If you can give one day a week, please call Betty Jo Olson at 734-5084.

Volunteers are needed in Gooding and Wendell to help tutor in the literacy program. No experience is necessary and training and material will be furnished. If you can give a few hours per week, call Sally Bergstrom at 934-8302 or 934-4089 for more information.

The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center needs pillows, blankets, bedspreads, bath and hand towels, washcloths, kitchen towels, dishrags, soup pots, skillets, dishes, soup bowls, mixing bowls, knives, silverware, kitchen utensils, any size beds, portable televisions, and kitchen tables and chairs. Call Mary Lynn Culp at 736-2166.

The Camp Fire Organization needs volunteers to be leaders and co-leaders for all grade-school levels in the Magic Valley area. Volunteers are also needed for program development and to work as club leaders and camp counselors. In addition, the group is looking for children who are interested in joining the group. For more information, call Sue Cox at 587-9611.

Volunteers are needed to help in the College of Southern Idaho literacy program. Volunteers to help with reading or math are needed. All material is furnished by CSI. Call Rosemary Evans at 736-2122 or Ruth Scott at 733-9554, ext. 417.

Volunteers are needed to deliver meals to homebound senior citizens. Mileage reimbursement is provided. Call Ann Graefe at the Senior Citizens Center at 734-5084.

This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of the eight counties in the Magic Valley, with volunteer help. If you need a volunteer, call Rosemary Evans at the College of Southern Idaho, 736-2122, to have it appear in this column.

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Buy a piece of the rain forest for half-price

RAIN FOREST FINAL CLOSE OUT: While deliberating over whether to buy Christmas cards from the Sierra Club, Environmental Defense Fund or others made of recycled paper, something caught my eye: a local book store. A glossy, foil-embossed "folder" read: "This package contains 5 square meters of preserved rain forest."

But even more interesting was the fact that it was on sale for half-price. What did this mean? I wondered. Is the rain forest for sale? Is the glossy, foil-embossed "folder" for sale? Is the package for sale? Is the 5 square meters of preserved rain forest for sale?

Reading the fine print, I learned that buying this package sold by Friends of the Forest is not a real estate transaction and the purchaser would not, in fact, own a patch of Costa Rican rain forest, as attributed. Rather, proceeds from the sale go to the Global Conservation Foundation in San Jose, Costa Rica, which purchases the property and places it under the protection of the country's National Parks system to preserve it from future development.

As for the half-price sale, the bookstore owner said the packages (which were originally priced at \$19.95) just hadn't sold well, so were marked down. For more information write to: Global Conservation Foundation, Edificio Centro Com, P.O. Box 3500-1000, San Jose, Costa Rica, Central America.

ABORIGINAL RECYCLING: While most of us can't return to our



Reed Glenn
Earthright

roots as hunter-gatherers, we can learn a lot from present-day primitive peoples in Kenneth Good's fascinating book, "Into the Heart" (Simon & Schuster, 1991).

Good went to Venezuela to study the Stone Age Yanomama tribe in the Amazon rain forest as a Penn State anthropology grad student — and ended up living with them on and off for 12 years, eventually taking a Yanomama wife.

Periodically, the tribe would go off on a trek of several months, and Good writes: "The trekking was not attributable simply to one cause. Their gardens did run out of plantains (a banana-like fruit), and they did need to go in search of food, but that was not the only reason for a trek. They would deplete the wild foods that are an important supplement to the plantains. They would deplete the game, they would deplete the firewood. And other things would happen. If they lived too long in a shapono (the communal, thatched-roof house), the neighbors got dirty. The toilet etiquette was to move off a certain distance from the shapono, but it didn't always work that way. People got sick with diarrhea, children didn't go that far, at night nobody went that far. And the house it-

self got dirty, littered with scraps of wood and other trash.

"During the month or several months that the village was on trek, the house got cleaned up. The ants and termites came in and cleaned out the garbage. The dung beetles cleaned out the excrement. Game began to return to the area, and the wild edible plants made a comeback. The shapono and its surroundings were restored to a large degree, renewed."

STUCK ON PLANET EARTH: Paul Hoffman was born on an island in the middle of the Nile River (his dad was in the service). As an adult, he went to California and got a job working with a computer company. He was fired and found himself living in his car. One night he had a dream and woke up at 2 a.m. realizing that he should make stickers of the Earth as viewed from space and get them out to people.

He contacted NASA, got permission to use their image, scrounged up his life savings, sent the design to a printer and has since printed about 6 million "EarthSeals" in eight different languages, distributed worldwide by donation. Why? He says he can't really explain it, but it's to convey the image of the beauty and unity of the planet. "People can put them on their computers or give them to their kids. Many people have never seen this image of the Earth in all its blue glory."

He says people from all over order the stickers — sometimes 2,000 at a time. "Citizen diplomats give them out to rickshaw drivers; students go-

ing to Kenya on homestays or Outward Bound trips take them along to give people," Hoffman says.

Next, he wants to create a live, continuous picture of the earth from space satellite to be continuously shown on television, kind of like MTV. "So people could tune in any time and meditate or remember where we all live."

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5 generations



The Sebring family recently grew to five generations. Seated left to right in the front row is Nicole Marie Sebring; second row, Nicole's great-grand-grandparents, Myron and Violet Sebring; and in the back row, her great-grandfather, Myron Duane Sebring; her grandmother, Nicki Hutsell; and her father, Steven Hutsell Sebring.

Magic Valley chess representatives fare well in Western Idaho Open

By Dan Looney
Special to The Times-News

Chess

The Western Idaho Open was held Saturday, Dec. 7, and Sunday, Dec. 8, at the Boisean Motel Conference Center in Boise. There were about 25 participants, with Glen Buckendorf, Ted Hartwell, Jim Ray and yours truly attending from the Magic Valley. I am pleased to report that the Magic Valley contingent scored an impressive 9% — 3% combined total, and Ted Hartwell tied for first overall in the tournament with Chris Penico of Mountain Home.

In second place tie were several, including Boise expert Mike Henderson, John Downes of Boise and Glen Buckendorf (he withdrew without playing the last game or he might have shared first) and myself. Jim Ray tied for first in his class.

Here are two games from the tournament. Next week we will have Ted's tournament-winning effort against Mike Henderson.

The first game is an aggressive attacking game by tournament co-winner Chris Penico (white) against Roger Fitch (black). The

second game is a hard-fought draw between John Downes (white) and Glen Buckendorf (black). Downes was also the tournament director.

Game 1

1. P-K4, P-K4
2. P-KB4, P-P
3. N-KB3, P-KN4
4. B-B4, B-N2
5. P-KR4, P-N5
6. N-N5, N-KR3
7. P-Q4, P-KB3
8. BXP, Q-K2
9. N-QB3, P-N
10. B-Q3, Q-Q3
11. O-O, BXP
12. K-R1, R-B1
13. N-N5, R-K4
14. Q-R4, Q-QB4
15. B-N4, B-K3
16. N-BP4, K-Q1
17. N-R4, P-N6

18. B-B7, P-N3
19. B-N5+, QxP
20. PxQ, B-N2
21. NXP, P-N
22. Q-Q3, N-B3
23. Q-QB3, N-N5
24. P-N6, PXP
25. BXP, N-K7
26. Q-KR8+, K-B2
27. Q-K5+, K-Q1
28. R-Q1, B-B3
29. Q-QN8+, K-K2
30. Q-K8+, K-KB3
31. R-Q6+, K-N4
32. Q-K5+, K-N5
33. Q-R5+, K-B5
34. Q-N5, K-K4
35. RxB, PXR
36. Q-R5+, K-Q3
37. P-K5+, Black resigns

Game 2

1. d4, g6
2. c4, Bg7
3. Nc3, d6

4. e4, Nc6
5. Nf3, Bg4
6. Bc3, e5
7. d5, Nf4
8. Be2, Nxd3
9. BxN, BxP
10. e5, Ne7
11. Qd2, O-O
12. b4, f5
13. Bg5, a5
14. b5, Bf6
15. c6, Bxg5
16. Qxg5, Nxc6
17. Qxd8, Nxd8
18. h4, f5
19. Be2, c6
20. b6, cd
21. Nxd5, Ne6
22. Bc4, Kg7
23. Kd2, Rac8
24. Rcl, Rc5
25. Rc3, Be6
26. Rcl, Bxd5
27. Bxd5, Rc3
28. Rxc3, Nc5

29. Re1, Kf6
30. f3, Ra8
31. Rb1, a4
32. a5, Ke7
33. Kc2, h6
34. Kd2, Kd7
35. Kc2, Rh8
36. Kd2, Rh7
37. Re1, Ke8
38. Ke2, Rg7
39. Be4, Kd8
40. Rd1, Ke7
41. Kf2, a5
42. h5, h6
43. Rh1, g4
44. Re1, g4
45. g4, Rh7
46. Kg2, Rg7

The Magic Valley Chess Club meets from 4 to 10 p.m. every Saturday at the Twin Falls Salvation Army Building, 348 Fourth Ave. N. All ages are welcome. For more information, call Dan Looney at 734-3291 or Barry Eacker at 733-6186.

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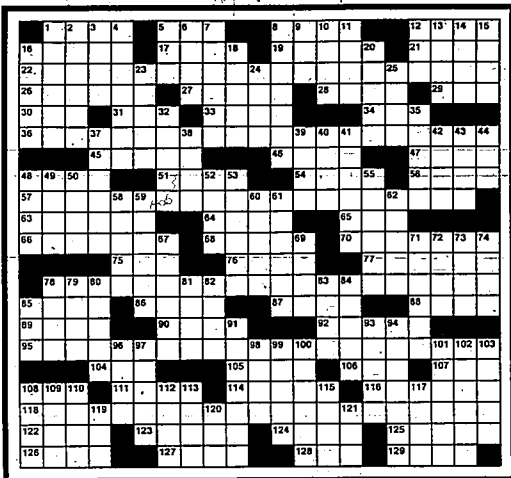
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Life goes on in grieving town

CALIFORNIA, Mo. (AP) — Life went on for grieving residents in this close-knit community on Saturday with a somber Christmas parade led by a truck bearing four wreaths, one for each victim of last week's shooting rampage.

The annual parade began at the county courthouse, where the flag flew at half-staff. Black ribbons trimmed courthouse doors.

Reid Millard of Jefferson City, who drove a 1930 red fire truck in the parade, said participants agreed not to use their sirens like they usually do.

"I think they've had enough of sirens in this town," he said. "But it's good to have the parade. Life has to get back to normal."

Efforts to restore normalcy followed the fatal shootings of three law officers and the wife of a fourth by a lone gunman whose motive remains a mystery.

"He took the lives of four people but he can't take the heart of the whole town," Millard said.

To help residents in the town of 3,300 deal with their shock and grief, counselors were brought in from Mid-Missouri Mental Health Center in Columbia and Fulton State Hospital.

Police officers also have been undergoing peer counseling. A town

'He took the lives of four people but he can't take the heart of the whole town.'

— Reid Millard, Jefferson County resident

meeting on Monday night is open to anyone who wants to talk to a counselor.

"I think everybody is wondering 'Why,' but I don't think anybody really knows and I don't know if they ever will," said Roy Simpson, a barber who has operated a shop on the town square for nearly 40 years.

James Rodney Johnson, 40, of nearby Jamestown, was held on murder charges in the shootings that began Monday night. He faces a possible death sentence if convicted. Those who knew him say Johnson is an unlikely mass-slaying suspect, describing him as a quiet, laid-back man who enjoyed stock car races.

"I don't know what happened," said David Hampton, executive vice president of Peoples Bank of Jamestown.

who knew Johnson for 30 years. "I guess something just clicked up there."

Johnson was a Missouri National Guard helicopter mechanic, who had a good Army record, and had only a speeding citation on his police record before the terror began Monday night.

The first victim was Monticue County Reserve Deputy Leslie Rork, 27, who went to Johnson's home after a family disturbance call from his 17-year-old stepdaughter, Dawn Becker. "The deputy was shot and Johnson, dressed in camouflage clothing, fled with a shotgun, a .22-caliber rifle, an 8mm rifle and a .38-caliber pistol, Columbia police Capt. Chris Egbert, who heads a team of investigators, said Saturday.

Neighbor Lloyd Grotjan said Miss Becker came to his home before the shooting to use the phone and told him, "There's trouble up at the house." Johnson arrived a few minutes later, took Miss Becker by the arm and led her away with no explanation.

"I told him don't worry about me knowing about family disputes because I wouldn't tell anybody," Grotjan said. "He looked at me kind of flat, like he didn't give a damn what I said."

Call-girl rings dismantled

PARIS (AP) — Police have broken two luxury call-girl rings that served aging millionaires and other rich clients at prices ranging from \$2,000 to \$90,000, the newspaper Le Monde reported Friday.

The alleged "ringmaster," Isaac Sellam, known as "Monsieur Sinclair" or "the Baron," has been charged with procurement, the newspaper said Friday.

The rings, made up mainly of foreign models, served a clientele that included an Arab prince, a British press magnate and a French businessman living in Africa, according to Le Monde, which quoted police officials.

Police arrest Santa 'hanger'

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia (AP) — Royal Canadian Mounted Police seized a Santa Claus hanger in effigy on the front lawn of a man protesting the declining Christmas spirit.

Fred Gates hanged the life-sized St. Nick on his suburban property Thursday, drawing the wrath of neighbors and a police declaration that it was a public hazard.

But Gates refused to lower the jolly elf from the 16-foot gallows. "I'm protesting the commercialization of Christmas," said the 58-year-old bachelor. "I believe the true spirit of Christmas doesn't exist. The wrong signal is being sent to young children today."

Gates erected the gallows, bought an \$89 Santa suit and a ball of straw for stuffing.

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Weight Loss Surprises Researchers

WASHINGTON — A nutrition organization was hopeful that a nutritionally complete "hi-tech" food tablet would help ease world hunger problems, but researchers found that one of the ingredients could cause significant weight loss.

Although other studies and scientists may not agree, researchers in Europe found that the ingredient, a natural plant colloid, actually caused people to lose weight, even though specifically designed to meet normal eating patterns, according to one study published in the prestigious *British Journal of Nutrition*. Researchers in an earlier study had speculated that the weight loss was due to a decrease in the intestinal absorption of calories.

While the project of National Dietary Research, aptly named Food Source One, would not be used to successfully fulfill its original goal, the formula which has since been improved with other natural colloids has been a real-life success for some overweight people. A Daytona Beach, Florida woman fighting a weight battle for 12 years used the product on the recommendation of her physician and lost 30 pounds. She stated, "Not only have I lost 30 pounds but my cholesterol has dropped from 232 to 143. I have two closets full of clothes which have not fit me in two years. I can now wear." In a separate report, a telephone interview revealed that a Wilmington, North Carolina pharmacist lost 14 pounds in a week on the product and "was never hungry."

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Handling invitations politely: Quick, courteous responses are preferred

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Responding to an invitation should be a common courtesy, but it isn't. Acknowledging invitations is basic good manners.

Here are guidelines to RSVPs: Respond as quickly as possible. Let people know if you can come or not, preferably within a week of when you received the invitation and definitely by the date they request. A breezy "we'll try to get by" or "we're not sure of our plans" is not acceptable.

Act appreciative when you accept or decline.

"We cannot come" or "we're busy" is rude. Better is: "Thank you so much for inviting us. Unfortunately, we have other plans."

If your plans are unclear and no response date was indicated, you can delay until about a week before the event.

Jim Jones recording selling well

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — An album of sermons by the late Rev. Jim Jones, mastermind of the 1978 Guyana mass suicide-murder, has turned a profit for the operators of a used-record store.

Pat and Jerry Hill bought the 1972 "Message for the Total Man" for \$1 from a teen-ager who had found it in the record bin at a local Goodwill store.

The teen-ager's parents had ordered him to get it out of the store.

The Hills noticed that the record was autographed, supposedly by Jones, so they pulled the album from their sales bins at Recycle Records and advertised it in a late-November issue of *Goldmine*, a record collectors' publication.

The ad read: "Weird, strange, unusual, Offbeat: The Reverend Jim Jones!! Autographed! (You Know: Kool Aid, Kool Aid...)"

The Hills say they received several offers and sold it to an unidentified California collector for at least \$200.

But then you must make a decision.

After you have accepted, you can decline for good reason and a sincere apology. However, a better offer or, "Just too tired," are not good reasons. Use this judiciously.

Avoid interrogating the host.

To inquire, albeit discreetly, who will be at the gathering or what will be served before you accept is rude. So is asking, "Are spouses (or significant others) invited?" If not, then I don't go where she/he can't come.

Good hosts respect guests' free time. You can ask to bring a guest or out-of-town couple to a medium or large party, but preferably not to dinner or smaller gatherings.

If you have been invited as a couple and only one of you can come, decline.

Your host then can insist you

come alone or invite you both another time.

If you have several invitations for the evening, you need not elaborate to the host when accepting or tell the guests when you arrive.

Stay as little as 30 minutes, but be sure to speak with the host and depart quickly.

You must arrive no later than 30 minutes before the party is over and leave within 30 minutes of when it is to end. If a party is from 5 to 7 p.m., arrive no later than 4:30 p.m. and leave by 7:30 p.m.

However, you should budget generous time for dinner invitations. It is rude to slip in just as service begins or to dash after dessert. If your schedule is too tight, decline. Honoring invitation shows respect for your hosts and your appreciation of their effort.

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Couple pleads guilty to sex charges

MIAMI (AP) — A couple accused of running a prostitution racket out of their home have abandoned the wife's nymphomaniac defense and pleaded guilty in exchange for light sentences.

In return, Kathy Willets, 33, was given three years probation and her husband, a 41-year-old suspended deputy sheriff, will serve less than one year in jail, said their attorney, Robert Smoley.

The Willets pleaded guilty Friday to multiple prostitution charges and illegally videotaping customers having sex at their home in the Fort Lauderdale suburb of Tammam.

Broward Circuit Judge John Fruscante set sentencing for Feb. 3.

The couple also said they would testify in any criminal case that might be lodged against their former lawyer.

"I'm sad and I'm hurt, but I'm happy that it's over with," Mrs. Willets said, adding that they were "embarrassed" and "remorseful" about the case.

Police say Mrs. Willets had sex in her bedroom with as many as eight men a day while her husband hid in the closet, taking notes or videotaping the scene.

The couple's former lawyer, Ellis Rubin, had planned to argue that Mrs. Willets became a nymphomaniac after taking the antidepressant Prozac and needed to have sex with men as therapy because her husband suffered from spells of impotence.

The Broward State Attorney's Office began investigating Rubin when a television tabloid show reported



Kathy Willets holds her head as husband Jeffrey, right, and their former attorney, Ellis Rubin, listen to a reading of the sex and wiretapping charges the couple pleaded no contest to.

that Rubin's son, Guy Rubin, had offered to sell a videotape of Mrs. Willets having sex with Doug Danziger, the former Fort Lauderdale vice mayor who resigned July 30.

Rubin on Friday surrendered the videotape to prosecutors, who are looking into possible violations of state wiretapping laws by the Rubins for allegedly trying to sell the tape to "Inside Edition."

Prosecutor Joel Lazarus said the plea bargain was fair. "When it comes down to it, it was just a prostitution case," he said.

The couple was arrested July 23 on prostitution and pimping charges. They also were charged with illegally taping phone conversations with clients.

The Willets made public appearances over the next five months to

describe Mrs. Willets' alleged addiction to sex.

They appeared on several television tabloids, as well as on CNN's "Larry King Live." Mrs. Willets even had her own 1-900-phone number, which she said fans could call to find out her views on sex.

Because he is now a felon, Jeffrey Willets will no longer be able to work as a law enforcement officer.

Sydney disaster remains mystery today

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Australia's biggest wartime sea disaster remains as shrouded in mystery today as when it occurred, but modern technology may be able to uncover how a naval warship and its crew disappeared 50 years ago.

The Australian cruiser Sydney was lured into pulling so close to a German raider ship disguised as a Dutch vessel that its superiority in weaponry was negated.

Both ships sank during the subsequent firefight 95 miles off the north coast. The Sydney, however, left no alibi, and none of the bodies of the 645 Australian crew were ever found.

So many questions remain a half-century later that experts are digging in with renewed vigor. The Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute in Massachusetts, which explored the wreck of the Titanic, has offered its assistance.

Both the Sydney and the German ship, the Kormoran, are buried in the Indian Ocean seabed, but there are only approximate coordinates for the German vessel.

Historians and relatives of the men who died ask how the Sydney, with guns far superior to its German foe, allowed itself to be maneuvered into such a vulnerable position that the Australian ship was eventually bombed and sank.

If so, did the Kormoran's crew, 315 of whom survived, kill off the Australians as they bobbed in the water or sat in lifeboats?

Some claim such a massacre was carried out to cover up that the German boat, disguised as a Dutch mer-

chant ship, fooled the Australians into thinking it needed medical aid.

Others suggest the Sydney was hit by a Japanese submarine, with the Australians killed or taken captive to keep Japan's supposed "neutral" status in World War II a secret. The Sydney went down on Nov. 19, 1941, 18 days before the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor to mark their entry into the war.

The Western Australian Maritime Museum in Perth and two Australian companies have begun plans to locate the wrecks.

A Perth company has been flying over the sea using an airborne magnetic device capable of detecting a large steel hull.

The company is to comb the area with the assistance of a satellite navigation system. If the site is located, another Perth firm will use a sonar system to home in.

Museum officials then plan to have Woods Hole, the locators of the Titanic as well as the German battleship Bismarck, bring out their search-camera submarine for a closer look.

And what if no bodies are discovered about the Sydney?

Australian Jim Davies says in a new book that German sailors slaughtered the Sydney's crew, to cover up the Japanese involvement.

Davies accuses successive Australian governments of "the greatest coverup in Australian history."

The Australian navy says only that the Kormoran was preparing to lay mines off Australia when encountered by the Sydney. While the Kormoran tried to pass itself off as a Dutch

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PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — An anonymous letter writer has sent the Superintendent Matthew Prophet read the letter to the Portland School Board on Thursday.

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'Teflon Don's' reign nears end

NEW YORK (AP) — Is John Gotti's reign as "The Teflon Don" winding down? Trouble is sticking to the reputed boss of the Gambino crime family like never before as he awaits a federal racketeering trial that could jail him for life.

"If you and I were members of the Gambino family, this is a guy we would want to stay away from," said mob expert Howard Abadinsky.

"He's a lightning rod and you don't want to get burnt."

The Gambino family, dubbed the nation's most powerful organized crime syndicate by federal authorities, has been splintered by betrayal and internecine struggles in 1991 while its alleged leader spent the year in jail.

"There comes a point where the head of the family has caused too many problems — he can't avoid electronic surveillance and indictment," said Ronald Goldstock, head of the New York state Organized Crime Task Force.

"The people around him have fallen as a result of his inability to keep his voice off of electronic surveillance. ... We've used his tapes in a dozen trials. He has to



John Gotti
Racketeering trial Jan., 20

bear the burden of that," said Goldstock.

Gotti, 51, was arrested Dec. 11, 1990, ordered held without bail and is scheduled to go on trial Jan. 20, 1992, on racketeering charges.

Since his arrest: —A cache of surreptitiously recorded government tapes, most made at Gotti's favored Manhattan hangout, the Ravenite Social Club, linked Gotti to several murders.

"He's gotta get whacked," Gotti says matter-of-factly about one alleged victim.

"Anytime you got a partner who don't agree with us, you kill him," he opines later.

—Attorney Bruce Cutler, who helped Gotti win three acquittals, was barred from representing his client at the pending trial. Cutler insists Gotti is a plumbing supplies salesman with no mob ties, an argument two previous juries have accepted over government allegations.

—Top capo, or captain, Thomas Gambino, nephew of slain mob boss Paul Castellano, reportedly decided to avenge his uncle's death by putting out a contract on Gotti. Castellano was murdered Dec. 16, 1985, to clear the way for Gotti's takeover, an indictment charges.

—Gotti's most trusted friend and adviser, Salvatore "Sammy the Bull" Gravano, cut a deal with prosecutors to testify against Gotti.

"That really is amazing. Look at the kind of insight he's got into human nature," said Abadinsky, president of the International Association for the Study of Organized Crime.

"On top of all his other faults, Gotti's not even a good judge of character."

Gotti's ability to make money for the family — the whole point of organized crime — is also questionable, experts said.

"In six years, the high point of his managing the family have been his acquittals and a fireworks party on the Fourth of July," said Goldstock.

"The flip side is that business is bad, the people around him — including his brother (Gene) — are getting convicted. Acquittals and a party once a year are not a sufficient reason to keep somebody in power."

Another mob watcher suggested Gotti's time as boss may have just reached its natural conclusion, noting that Al Capone lasted six years and Gotti marked the start of his seventh year this month.

"It's like the idea of a Latin American dictator lasting six years. There's a million guys waiting to try it," said Carl Sifakis, author of "The Mafia Encyclopedia."

"Nobody is looking at him as a long-term guy, and organized crime is a lifetime commitment," said Abadinsky.

Soviet emigre named musical director for San Jose Symphony

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Soviet emigre Leonid Grin is the new music director of the San Jose Symphony. Grin, 44, is the music director of the Tampere Philharmonic in Finland and will begin in San Jose in September.

He succeeds George Cleve, who

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Cowboys try to clear up NFC playoff picture

The Associated Press

First a huge game with the Giants. Then a bigger one with the Redskins. Now the Eagles. Jimmy Johnson's lily has become as predictable as it is fruitful.

"This game," he said as his Dallas Cowboys prepared to play at Philadelphia Sunday, "is as big a challenge as we've had since I've been with the Cowboys."

No question this time.

Dallas (9-5) has won three straight games, guaranteeing its first winning season since 1985. But it has two more 9-5 teams in its path — the Eagles at Veterans Stadium Sunday and Atlanta at home — before it can guarantee its first playoff appearance since that 1985 season.

With Washington having clinched the NFC East, the Cowboys are part of a muddled NFC conference playoff picture that, with two weeks to go, has eight teams between 10-4 and 8-6 in contention for five remaining berths.

Still at issue are the Central tie (between Detroit and Chicago), the West tie (among New Orleans, Atlanta and San Francisco), and the three wild-card spots (the losers of the division races, plus Philadelphia and Dallas, with Minnesota still holding a marginal shot).

The AFC enters the weekend with only two things in doubt. One is the AFC West title where Denver leads the Los Angeles Raiders and Kansas City by a game. All three have clinched wild-card berths. Buffalo won the East and Houston the Central, leaving Miami and the New York Jets, plus Cleveland and Seattle, in contention for the last playoff spot.

But Philadelphia and Dallas offer the most striking head-on confrontation.

The Eagles won the first meeting, 24-0, sacking Troy Aikman 11 times. Aikman has missed the last three games with a partially torn knee ligament and might be available Sunday, but Johnson, wisely, will subject Steve Beuerlein, 3-0 in his place, to Reggie White, Clyde Simmons and friends.

"I won't force myself back in there, particularly not with the way Steve has been playing," Aikman said.

Raiders (9-5) at New Orleans (9-5) (Monday night)

Is everyone 9-5?

Neither of these two is happy to be here. The Raiders backed into a wild-card spot last week, but blew their chance to control the AFC West by losing a 13-point fourth-quarter lead and falling to Buffalo 30-27 in overtime. "It was more devastating than losing to them 51-3," defensive tackle Bob Goffie said.

Four games ago, the Saints were 9-1 and breezing. Now everybody's breathing by them, particularly in the secondary, where the top three cornerbacks (Vince Brown, Reggie Jones and Al Cook) are all hurt.

Seattle (6-8) at Atlanta (9-3)

The Seahawks are in their usual spot, entering the final two weeks with a very-marginal playoff shot...they have to win both games, and the Dolphins, Jets and Browns have to lose almost everything. In fact, Chuck Knox has decided to give Kelly Stouffer a

chance to show his wares at quarterback — a mop-up move if there ever was one.

The Falcons are where they usually aren't — in control of the NFC-West. Two wins (they play at Dallas next week) and they've got their first division title since 1980. They've won four straight and six of seven, putting to rest the rap that Jerry Glavinelli has always carried — that he can't get a team up two weeks in a row.

Miami (8-6) at San Diego (3-11)

New England (5-9) at New York Jets (7-7)

If the Jets win their early game, and Seattle and Cleveland lose, Miami's late game won't matter for the Dolphins. Whatever happens, the AFC's final wild-card spot will go to the winner of next Saturday's Jets-Dolphins game at Miami.

But if the Jets lose, the Dolphins can clinch by beating the Chargers, who are the kind of team going in the boxing would be "an opponent" — six of their 11 losses are by a touchdown or less and their four home losses are by a total of 15 points.

It hasn't been easy for the Jets, the only New York-New Jersey team left in contention.

They beat the Patriots 28-21 at Foxboro in a game in which the Pats scored all their points in the final quarter and had a shot to tie from the 1-yard-line on the game's final play. That's the way the Pats' season has gone, keeping Dick MacPherson hopping on the sidelines.

Detroit (10-4) at Green Bay (3-11)

The Lions in a game going in the face of continuing adversity. They've won four straight, can clinch a playoff spot with a win over Green Bay and have reached the double-digit mark in wins for the first time in 31 years despite the tragedy that paralyzed guard Mike Utey and the loss of quarterback Rodney Peete.

Phoenix (4-10) at Denver (10-4)

This game is one reason the Broncos are where they are — a last-place schedule courtesy of their injury plagues since 1981. 1990 season. Make it a battle of MVPs — John Elway, the NFL's MVP in 1987, vs. Stan Gelbaugh, the first MVP in the WLAF.

New York Giants (13-1)

This is the first time since 1983 that these two have played a meaningless game — the Giants are out, the Redskins have home-field advantage throughout the playoffs.

Ray Handley took some of the blame this week for the demise of the Super Bowl champs and laid a little on his predecessor, too, by suggesting that he was just coaching Bill Parcells' team by rote.

Houston finally won its first outright AFC Central title last week but not let down — it wants a week off in the playoffs and at least one playoff game at home.

Buffalo (12-2) at Indianapolis (1-13)

Buffalo needs one win to clinch home-field advantage throughout the playoffs. It would be a shock if they didn't get it here against a team they beat 42-6 at Orchard Park.

Los Angeles Rams (9-5) at Minnesota (7-7)

Like the Seahawks and Browns, the Vikings can still make the playoffs, but only by the most marginal of scenarios — two victories, plus two losses by the Saints and Cowboys and one by the 49ers. All that would make for an unexpected retirement present for Jerry Burns.

Cincinnati (2-12) at Pittsburgh (5-9)

Speaking of coaches on the way out, looking more and more like, Chicago Noll might step down as the Steelers' coach. Sam Wyche may or may not be back with the Bengals next year.

Chiefs get to QB but not to 49ers

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The quarterback who turned the San Francisco 49ers' season around may not be there at the finish.

Steve Bono threw three touchdown passes before going out with an injury as the 49ers won their fifth straight, beating the Kansas City Chiefs 28-14 to keep their playoff bid alive.

The 49ers (9-6) have come back from a 4-6 start to win their last five, all under Bono, who threw two of his scoring passes to Jerry Rice.

But Bono, a former third-stringer, was forced to leave the game because of a left knee sprain after throwing his second scoring pass to Rice, a 20-yarder with 6:11 remaining in the third quarter that put San Francisco up 21-0.

"His status is, I'd say 50-50 to play (next week)," said San Francisco coach George Seifert. "He'll have an electronic scan Sunday. We'll have to wait and see."

Bono said he was hurt on the play before his final touchdown pass, when he took a hit after an incomplete to Mike Sherrard.

He talked with Seifert after the touchdown pass to discuss going back in for another series.

"I wanted to give it a try," Bono said. "I didn't know what would happen. You want to try, but you don't want to make it worse."

With Steve Young ready to go on the sidelines, Seifert said he ruled out a return by Bono.

"The doctors didn't want him to play at all," Seifert said.

It was Young's first action since he suffered torn left knee ligaments Nov. 3 at Atlanta.

To have a chance of making the playoffs for a ninth straight season, the 49ers still must beat Chicago (11-4) in the final regular season game on Dec. 23. The Bears defeated Tampa Bay 27-0 earlier Saturday.



San Francisco QB Steve Bono celebrates with Jerry Rice after the receiver caught the first of his two TD passes from Bono.

to clinch a playoff spot.

"Everyone is looking over their backs right now, seeing what the 49ers will do," said Rice. "There's no telling what can happen if we get in."

The Chiefs — (9-6), who already

have clinched a playoff berth, also lost their starting quarterback when Mark Vlasic went down in the second quarter with a left knee sprain.

Steve DeBerg, benched this week in favor of Vlasic, came on to direct a third-quarter scoring drive ending

in Barry Word's 11-yard touchdown run.

Word finished with 115 yards on 17 carries while playing for the injured Christian Okoye for the second straight week.

San Francisco regained a 21-point advantage when Dexter Carter broke loose for a 53-yard touchdown run with 1:44 left to play.

DeBerg came back to connect with Emile Harry on a 17-yard scoring pass with 7:25 left.

"The 49ers have a lot of pride and tradition," said DeBerg. "They probably wanted to win this more than us."

The Chiefs finish next week against the playoff-bound Los Angeles Raiders. The game will determine which of them has the home field for a wild-card game, provided Denver finishes first in the AFC West.

"It all comes down to the Raider game next week," defensive lineman Bill Maas said.

He said the Chiefs were not as motivated as the 49ers, who would have been eliminated with a loss.

"They needed to win. We really didn't need to win and we played like it," Maas said.

Vlasic said he wasn't sure what his playing status would be until the knee was examined further.

"We'll find out if I'm ready for next week. It's just a sprain," he said.

Kansas City coach Marty Schottenheimer said he was too early to say whether DeBerg or Vlasic would start against the Raiders.

"Let's wait and see how Vlasic is physically. Then we'll make that decision," Schottenheimer said.

The 49ers led 14-0 at halftime as Bono threw a 9-yard touchdown pass to John Taylor and a 1-yarder to Rice. Both scores were aided by Kansas City penalties.

Chicago weather vs. Tampa Bay: 'Da Bears'

CHICAGO (AP) — It was Bears' weather and Bears' football. And Chicago had its first laugh of the season.

Mark Green ran for two touchdowns as the Bears returned to their old reliable rushing game on a bitterly cold day and beat the Tampa Bay Buccaneers 27-0 Saturday, clinching Chicago's seventh NFL playoff berth in eight years.

Bucs' quarterback Jeff Carlson, subbing for injured Vinny Testaverde, was the victim of a bad-nap fumble, three interceptions and four sacks. Carlson had never started an NFL game in three pro seasons. Testaverde was out with a back injury.

"It was a tough situation for a young guy to step into," Bucs coach Richard Williamson said. "It was a hard day for him, I know that."

Carlson said, "I made a couple of mistakes and it hurt us."

Richard Dent had three sacks and an interception for Chicago.

"It was time for us to start jelling and do well and we're starting to do that," Dent said.

With only one weekend left in the regular season, Chicago (11-4) took a half-game lead over Detroit in the battle for the NFC Central title. The Lions played at Green Bay Sunday.

The Bears stayed on the ground against Tampa Bay (2-13) and dominated ball possession by a 2-1 margin.

Chicago rushed for 182 yards although Nt Anderson, who has gained more than 1,000 yards on the ground each of the past three years, sat out his second straight game with a hamstring injury and fullback Brad Muster left the game in the second quarter with a sore hip.

Tampa Bay's defense had given up 296 yards rushing a week ago in a 26-24 loss to Minnesota.

Bowling Green wins season's 1st bowl game

FRESNO, Calif. (AP) — Erik White threw two touchdown passes to Mark Salahech and the Bowling Green defense stopped Fresno State on the 3-yard line in the final seconds of a 28-21 victory Saturday in the California Bowl.

Fresno State drove 96 yards, after an interception by cornerback Tony Brown at its own 1 with 2:29 left. Quarterback Mark Barsotti mixed passes with runs by himself and fullback Lorenzo Neal to reach the Bowling Green 3 on second down with 12 seconds left.

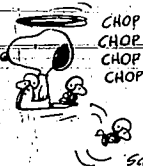
But Barsotti's next pass was incomplete; the second was knocked down, and he was sacked on fourth down as Fresno State (10-2) of the Big West Conference lost for the first time in five California Bowl appearances. The game was the first of 18 postseason bowls.

Bowling Green (11-1) of the Mid-American Conference, which won its first California Bowl game in three tries, scored twice before Fresno's highly touted offense could get untracked.

The Falcons' first touchdown was a 5-yard halfback-option pass from LeRoy Smith to Brett Landman. White, then, threw a 29-yard touchdown pass to Salahech.

Barsotti, playing his first game after sustaining a broken leg at midseason, showed he could run by scooting around the right side for a 3-yard touchdown.

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Top-ranked Blue Devils give Michigan freshman a lesson

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — Duke showed Michigan's heralded freshman the difference between good and very good.

Bobby Hurley scored four of his 26 points in overtime on Saturday to lead the top-ranked Blue Devils to an 88-85 victory over the No. 18 Wolverines.

College basketball

The defending NCAA champions (5-0) scored only one basket in the five-minute overtime, but it was enough to hand Michigan, which starts three members of its five-man rookie class, its first defeat in five games.

Hurley scored the final points of regulation with 31 seconds to play when he tied the game 76-76 by making three free throws after he was fouled as he attempted a 3-point shot. Chris Webber almost avoided the overtime, but his shot from beyond midcourt at the buzzer bounced off the rim.

Utah 75, Cal St.-Northridge 58

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah coach Rick Majerus says that after Jimmy Soto's performance Saturday night, he'll have to give the reserve guard more playing time.

Soto came off the bench to score 13 of his 19 points in the second half as 10th-ranked Utah pulled away from a 37-34 halftime tie to rout winless Cal St.-Northridge 75-58.

"Our intensity level was better in the second half and Soto played great. I'm not going to screw around any more — I've got to play Jimmy more," Majerus said.

Soto said he simply "tried to come in and get things going and pick him up. I was just looking to take what the defense gave me."

Indeed, he ended up hitting seven of nine shots from the floor, including a 3-point shot.

Utah (8-1) needed all the help it could get against the Matadors (0-8). Star forward Josh Grant missed a second straight game.

Byron Wilson added 15 points and 7 rebounds for the Utes.

Northridge, which had no players scoring in double figures, was led by McLinn with 9 points, all of them on 3-point shots.

Arizona 66, New Mexico 54

ALBUQUERQUE (AP) — Khalid Reeves scored 16 points and Arizona's intimidating zone defense strangled New Mexico's offense as the second-ranked Wildcats beat the Lobos 66-54 Saturday night.

New Mexico (3-5) lost its fifth straight home game, its longest such streak in 33 years.

Arizona (4-0), which got all five of its first three goals in the game's first eight minutes, trailed once, 46-47, and dominated both ends of the floor. The Wildcats, only a shadow of the team that beat Shaquille O'Neal and his nationally ranked LSU teammates 87-67 a week ago, hit just 46 percent of their shots, and were content to let their defense dictate the outcome.

New Mexico, with Ike Williams and Willie Banks each getting 13 points, shot a season-low 36 percent and could not dent the Wildcats' second-half lead, even though Arizona went scoreless for more than six minutes midway through the final period.

The Arizona tandem of 7-footer Ed Stokes and 6-10 Sean Rooks combined for six blocks and consistently forced New Mexico after the break. Rooks, Charles Mills and Matt Othick each scored 11 points for the Wildcats.

Knicks catch Celtics in Atlantic Division

NEW YORK (AP) — Xavier McDaniel scored a season-high 37 points Saturday night as the New York Knicks pulled into a first-place tie with Boston in the Atlantic Division with a 111-101 victory over the Celtics.

McDaniel was 16-for-20 from the field in posting his high in a Knicks uniform after being acquired in the offseason from Phoenix. His previous high was 28 points.

The Celtics played without Larry Bird, who has a concussion in his lower back. The injury, sustained in practice more than a week ago, is not believed to be serious and is unrelated to his offseason back surgery.

Jazz 102, Pistons 100

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Jeff Malone scored 26 points and Mike Brown had 10 of his 17 in the fourth quarter as the Utah Jazz edged the Detroit Pistons 102-100 on Saturday night despite the ejection of the Karl Malone for elbowing Isiah Thomas.

Karl Malone was ejected with 7:32 left in the third quarter after he elbowed Isiah Thomas as the Detroit guard was going up for a shot. Blood spurted from a cut over Thomas' eye and a brief scuffle ensued.

Bulls 113, Bullets 100

LANDOVER, Md. (AP) — Michael Jordan overcame early foul



Carlito DaSilva of Utah State, and formerly of CSI, battles for the ball against Oral Roberts University's Corral Henderson, center, and Ray Thompson in the Cougar Classic consolation game.

Oklahoma St. 82, Wichita St. 54

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — Byron Houston scored 25 points and No. 6 Oklahoma State used a big first-half edge in free throws to pull away from Wichita State for an 82-54 victory Saturday night.

The win was the Cowboys' 20th straight at home and gave them their first 9-0 start since 1969-70.

Houston scored 19 of his points in the first half, when the Cowboys outscored Wichita State 14-6 from the line. At one point, they had outshot the Shockers (2-2) 15-4 from the line.

Kansas 104, DePaul 75

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — Rex Walters scored 24 points Saturday night as No. 7 Kansas won its 22nd consecutive home game, a 104-75 rout of DePaul in the schools' first meeting since 1947.

Against non-conference opposition at home, Kansas has won 28 straight games and is 63-1 since 1983.

The Jayhawks are 5-0 for only the second time since 1977. DePaul (3-3) suffered its worst loss since a 35-point setback to UNLV in the 1989 preseason NIT.

Kentucky 94, Arizona St. 68

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Dale Brown hit four 3-pointers during an 18-3 run in the second half to spark No. 9 Kentucky to a 94-68 victory over Arizona State on Saturday night.

After the teams traded baskets at the start of the second half, Brown hit a 3-pointer from the left wing after a turnover by Arizona State (4-3) to give Kentucky (6-1) a 50-36 lead. Brown hit a 3-pointer from the corner for a 53-38 margin at 16:33, connected from the left wing at

14:51 for a 58-39 advantage and dropped the fourth from the top of the key for a 63-39 bulge at 11:58.

Connecticut 94, Texas 77

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Scott Burrell scored 26 points, including 12 straight for Connecticut in the second half, as the eighth-ranked Huskies broke Texas' 16-game home winning streak with a 94-77 victory Saturday night.

The game was the first between the schools in basketball and it was also the first road game of the season for Connecticut (5-0). Texas dropped to 4-1.

Burrell took charge of the Connecticut offense in the second half, scoring all of the Huskies' points in a 76-minute stretch.

Texas, averaging 93.6 points a game, shot only 38.3 percent from the field, while Connecticut managed 53.4 percent including 8-for-12 from 3-point range.

Benford Williams of Texas led all scorers with 31 points — 20 in the first half — before fouling out 3:49 to play. The 6-foot-5 senior also had 10 rebounds.

Burrell, a 6-7 junior, was 9-for-18 from the field goal and made five of seven free throws as Connecticut outscored Texas from the foul line 24-10.

Indiana 99, Central Michigan 52

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — Freshman Alan Henderson scored 17 points and was named the tournament's most valuable player as No. 13 Indiana beat Central Michigan 99-52 Saturday night in the championship game of the Indiana Classic.

Matt Nover, who sparked Indiana to an early lead, also had 17 points as six Hoosiers finished in double figures. Gilbert Cheaney, restored to the starting lineup after a two-game

Pacers 129, Nuggets 108

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Reggie Miller scored 26 first-half points and wound up with a season-high 37 as Indiana won a third consecutive game for the first time this season.

Mavericks 99, Cavaliers 97

RICHFIELD, Ohio (AP) — Rolando Blackman scored 14 points in the fourth quarter, including a scoop shot with 41.9 seconds left that proved decisive for Dallas.

Heat 121, Hawks 101

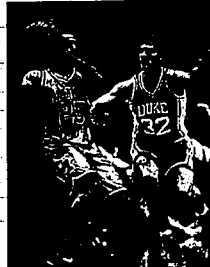
MIAMI (AP) — Kevin Edwards keyed a second-half Miami rally as the Heat won its third straight game. Miami led by four points when a layup by Glen Rice, who had 26 points, and two free throws by Eddie Johnson added 16, made it 84-75 with 2:39 left in the third quarter.

Spurs 107, Rockets 100

HOUSTON (AP) — Sean Elliott scored half of his 20 points in the fourth quarter, leading San Antonio to only its second victory in its last eight games.

Bucks 103, Timberwolves 92

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Jay Humphries scored 13 of his 19 points in the second half, and Milwaukee handed Minnesota its seventh straight loss.



Michigan's Juwan Howard, left, looks to pass around Duke's Christian Laettner.

absentee, had 16 points for Indiana, Indiana (5-2), which has never lost a game in the tournament's 18-year history, took command in the first half and was never seriously challenged after leading 46-20 at halftime. Central Michigan (4-2) was held to only eight field goals on 29 shots in the first half, while Indiana was shooting 67 percent (20-for-30).

Ohio St. 114, Howard 53

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Jim Jackson scored or assisted on 20 of Ohio State's points during a 29-8 run to start the game and the Buckeyes went on to a 114-53 victory over Howard on Saturday night.

Jackson, playing just 26 minutes including eight in the second half, led the Buckeyes with 21 points. He also had a career-high nine assists with seven rebounds and five steals.

Mark Baka added 19 points for the "Buckeyes" (5-0), while James Brown scored 14 and Bill Robinson 11 as Ohio State won its 23rd straight game at St. John Arena.

Julius McNeil led Howard (1-5) with 11 points, while Cory Beard added 10.

Georgia Tech 90, Georgia St. 72

ATLANTA (AP) — Malcolm Mackey scored 31 points and grabbed 12 rebounds to lead No. 13 Georgia Tech to a 90-72 victory over ensnared rival Georgia State on Saturday night.

The Yellow Jackets (6-1) overpowered the Panthers (2-3) with a dominating inside game and led by the 6-foot-11 Mackey, 7-1 Matt Geiger and 6-8 freshman James Forrest.

Rebounder's absence makes Idaho fonder of Lightfoot

By Michael Lewis
Times-News correspondent

MOSCOW — If Deen Watson's absence hurt the Idaho Vandals at all Saturday night, they didn't show it.

Idaho Coach Larry Eustachy Friday suspended Watson, the Vandals' leading rebounder and second leading scorer for undisclosed team rules violations.

But forward Orlando Lightfoot picked up the slack Saturday scoring 29 points and grabbing seven rebounds as the Vandals downed Alcorn State 87-75.

Idaho improved to 5-3 and Alcorn State fell to 4-3.

Eustachy said Watson's suspension could last a couple of weeks or "it could be for the whole season." Watson averaged 16.7 ppg 10.2 rpg.

Otis Mixon added 18 points for the Vandals, who jumped out to a 15-4 lead and never looked back. The Vandals led 45-24 at the break.

Marcus Walton scored 26 points including six 3-pointers to lead Alcorn State. The Braves only shot 41.7 percent from the floor.

Sophomore Luther Wright paced the Pirates with 15 points and John Leahy added 13. The point totals matched their career highs.

Michigan St. 91, Detroit 75

EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Matt Seigenga had 19 points and nine rebounds to lead No. 13 Michigan State to a 91-75 victory over Detroit on Saturday.

Michigan State (6-0) led only 42-38 at halftime, and Detroit (4-3) pulled within one, 50-49 with 15 minutes to play.

At that point, a scuffle involving Michigan State's Dwayne Stephens and Detroit's Greg Grant and Michael Aaron seemed to inspire the Spartans, who ran off 13 straight points.

St. John's 86, Manhattan 50

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Malik Sealy scored 23 points and moved into second place on St. John's all-time scoring list as the 11th-ranked Redmen defeated Manhattan 86-50 Saturday night.

Robert Wendland scored 13 points and Shawneel Scott had 12 as St. John's (4-1) never trailed the undermanned Jaspers (3-3) in their first outing since losing to top-ranked Duke in the ACC-Big East Challenge.

The game between the two New York rivals was held 150 miles north of the city in the Knickerbocker Arena largely for financial reasons, but the game barely drew 4,000 fans to the 15,000-seat arena.

Chris Williams led Manhattan with nine points.



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Huskies still hopeful for national college football championship

SEATTLE (AP) — The second-ranked Washington Huskies are philosophical about their chance of winning a national championship.

Huskies players believe they're better than top-rated Miami, but they're also aware they could finish second to the Hurricanes, even if they defeat Michigan in the Rose Bowl and go 12-0.

"If we beat Michigan, that's all we can do," Lombardi Award and Outland Trophy winning defensive lineman Steve Emtman said. "So there's no need to worry about how people are going to vote. I know I'm not real concerned. If we win the Rose Bowl, the other things should take care of themselves."

All-America wide receiver Mario Bailey echoed Emtman's thoughts. He said the Huskies will accept whatever the Associated Press sports writers and the CNN-USA Today coaches decide in the two major polls.

But Bailey hopes they decide Washington is better than Miami. Washington's players would even settle for a share of the national championship by winning one poll while Miami wins the other.

"We feel if we win the Rose Bowl like we're supposed to, then we're going to get what we deserve," Bailey said. "I figure if you go 12 and 0, you should get a national championship in some poll."

The 6-foot-5, 290-pound Emtman, an All-America as a junior this season, wore a Nebraska t-shirt this week. It was symbolic. While Washington faces fourth-ranked Michigan, Miami will play the one-ranked Nebraska in the Orange Bowl.

"You've got to be pulling for Nebraska," Emtman said with a smile.

Some of the Huskies are upset because Miami opted to play in the Orange Bowl against the Big Eight Conference champion instead of playing a higher-ranked team.

"They could be playing a Florida instead of playing the number 11 team," Bailey said. "That upsets us because we're playing the number four team. That's frustrating for us."

Comeback Dana Hall insisted there was a strong East Coast bias for the Hurricanes, and that it's hurting the Huskies.

"For some reason, there are some people who think we haven't played anyone," Hall said. "The West Coast doesn't get any respect unless you're Southern California or UCLA. We're the Left Coast."

"It's going to be hard to convince the voters in the East. They want to see the national championship stay in the East. I definitely think there's a lack of respect for Washington in the East."

Bailey believes Washington might be ranked ahead of Miami now if quarterback Mark Brunell, MVP in the 1991 Rose Bowl, hadn't suffered a serious knee injury in spring practice.

Brunell's injury put the Huskies' quarterbacking job in the hands of sophomore Billy Joe Hobert. It also may have left poll voters suspicious of Washington.

"I think we would have been ranked one or two going into the season if Mark hadn't gone down," Bailey said. "I'm pretty positive about that."

The Huskies know they have no control over the voters or what happens in the Orange Bowl. But they want to win a national title for the first time in the school's history in the worst way.

"It's the most important thing there is because that's what we came here for," Bailey said. "We didn't come here to finish second or fifth or 20th. We came here to be number one."

"The national awards I got this year aren't much compared to what a national championship would mean to me," Emtman said.

Baseball teams rounding out look for opening day

The Associated Press

OK, what's left to do? After a couple of blockbuster deals and a few agent signings, most teams are nearly set for 1992.

Of course, Danny Tartabull, Frank Viola and Jack Morris still have to decide where they want to play. The decisions should be made by Christmas.

Here's a team-by-team look at where things stand with 3½ months left before the start of the season:

Atlanta — The Braves saved themselves a deal (Jerome Walton) by signing outfielder Orel Hershiser to a two-year deal for a guaranteed \$5.6 million.

The Braves and reliever Alejandro Pena are still far apart.

Chicago — Despite all the rumors, it's unlikely the Cubs will trade first baseman Sam Rice.

Cincinnati — Before the meetings even started, the Reds had put together one of the best starting rotations in baseball with the addition of Greg Swindell and Tim Lincecum to Jose Rijo and Tom Browning. At the meetings, GM Bill Quigg helped the hitting and team speed by acquiring Rip Roberts from San Diego and Dave Martinez from Montreal.

Houston — The Astros left the meetings talking to the Reds about a deal that would send infielder Casey Candaele to Cincinnati for outfielder Glenn Braggs.

Los Angeles — GM Fred Claire said he had his hand work before the meetings, acquiring Eric Davis from Cincinnati, re-signing Greg Hershiser and signing free agent Tom Seaver to a one-year deal.

Milwaukee — The Expos still are looking to trade third baseman Tim Lincecum. They satisfied a need by trading reliever Larry Lundy to Philadelphia for catcher Dennis Franchione, got rid of catcher Nelson Santovenia and acquired pitcher Mike Bielecki from the New York Mets. They got pitcher John Wetteland and Bill Rife from Cincinnati for outfielder Dave Martinez, pitcher Scott Rixson and infielder Willie Greene from Montreal.

New York Mets — The Mets came to the meetings looking for a No. 3 or 4 starting pitcher and ended up with Bret Saberhagen. Because of the signings of Eric Davis and Bobby Bonilla, Kevin McCarthy and Greg Giffey became expendable. The Mets still have to be concerned about Saberhagen's history of arm troubles and a potential problem at third base. Right now, the Mets intend to go into the season with either Dave Magadan or Chris Donnels at third.

Philadelphia — The Phillies didn't do anything dramatic, but they made several moves that should help. Mariano Duncan can play the infield or outfield and is capable of hitting .300. Barry Jones will help in the bullpen and pitcher Kyle Abbott and outfielder Ruben Amaro Jr. have some decent potential. Dale Sveum may end up the starting shortstop.

Pittsburgh — The Pirates actually turned into a positive experience for the Pirates since they were able to re-sign third baseman Steve Buechele (for one year, \$1.1 million) and catcher Mike LaValle after agreed to arbitration.

St. Louis — Pedro Guerrero may be coming back since he hasn't gotten any offers.

San Diego — The Padres made the bullpen stronger by acquiring Randy Myers from the Reds. GM Joe McKeown says Myers will be a reliever. San Diego is offering reliever Craig Lefgren.

San Francisco — Yes, the Giants needed pitching help. But Bill Smith, Mike Jackson and the likes of Kevin Mitchell was not enough. The Giants need starting pitchers, not relievers. There was little interest in Willie McGee in trade talks.

Seattle — The Orioles got pitcher Storm Davis back by sending catcher Bob Melvin to Kansas City. Davis found success in Oakland but was a bust with the Royals.

Texas — The White Sox may be the top contender for free agent outfielder Danny Tartabull.

Toronto — The Indians came up with a speedy outfielder by acquiring Kenny Lofton from the Astros. Lofton hit .308 last season at Class AAA Tucson with 33 runs scored and 40 stolen bases.

Washington — The Tigers are interested in free agent Dave Winfield.

Yankees — Manager Hal McRae left the meetings smiling because the Yankees added Wally Joyner, Kevin McCarthy, Greg Giffey, Chris Gwynn, Keith Miller and Bob Melvin to the lineup. The addition of Mike Bielecki, Mark Gubicza, Kevin Appier, Tom Gordon and Mark Davis should survive with all that additional offense.

Minnesota — The Twins have offered free agent Jack Morris \$9 million over two years with incentives that could bring the deal up to \$13.5 million. Minnesota caught up in sign free agent catcher Brian Harper.

New York Yankees — The Yankees talked about Jose Canseco and the Cardinals. They talked about the Cardinals. They talked about the Cardinals.

Oakland — The A's got little feedback when they sent out letters that Ricky Henderson was available. ... Oakland wants to re-sign pitcher Ron Darling. Darling is also talking to the Orioles and Seattle.

San Diego — The Mariners made the situation a little more attractive to a potential buyer by trading three pitchers to the Giants for Kevin Mitchell. Ken Griffey Jr. and Mitchell hitting in the middle of the order has some awesome potential.

Texas — The Rangers plan to have been successful while in contract negotiations with Ruben Sierra in progress. They say Julio Franco is not being shipped. ... The Rangers are interested in free agent infielder Dickie Thon.

Toronto — The Blue Jays have offered Jack Morris a three-year, \$15 million deal.

A.J. Kitt: The newest U.S. downhill racer

VAL D'ISERE, France (AP) — A.J. Kitt said it without boasting. "I went to ski academies for high school. After high school I made the U.S. ski team and the rest is history."

Kitt made history by becoming the first American to win the downhill on this famed course named after the two Olympic gold medalists in the downhill: Henri Oreiller and Jean-Claude Killy.

The 23-year-old from Rochester, N.Y., hopes to repeat history by winning again in Val d'Isere at the Olympics in February.

Killy, who took three gold medals in 1968 at nearby Grenoble and is now the co-president of the Albertville Olympic Organizing Committee (COJO), it was exciting to find an American winning for a change.

"This is good for skiing. We need new blood. Not just another Austrian or Swiss," Killy said. "It adds charisma. This is good for the sport and the Olympics."

Kitt also saw his victory being good for the American team.

"This gives us confidence. As a team we've been together for five years now, training together, racing together," Kitt said. "We know that if one can do it, the rest can do it."

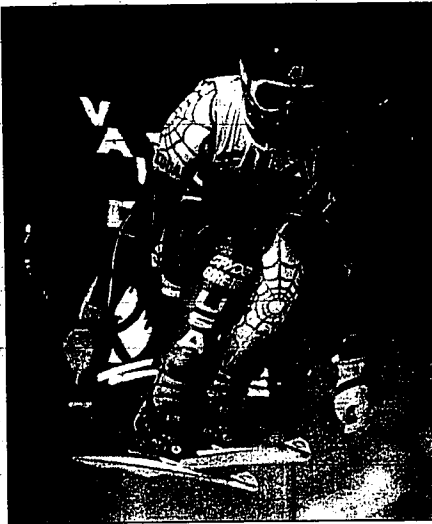
"I think it's good for the whole team, men and women. We know it's possible and it could be done. There's definitely more to come down the road," Kitt said.

But the road behind was barren for American men on the World Cup circuit for seven years.

Bill Johnson won the Olympics and three World Cup downhill in the 1983-84 season, the last in the final race at Whistler, Mountain, British Columbia.

Now Kitt hopes to put his name alongside Johnson in the Olympic record books, joining such downhill greats as Swiss Pirmin Zurbriggen (1988); Bernhard Russi (1972); Austrians Leonhard Stock (1980) and Franz Klammer (1976).

Kitt has beaten Stock already. The Austrian veteran was second behind the American last week and won at Val d'Isere the previous year.



AP Wirephoto

A.J. Kitt made history by becoming the first U.S. skier to win the downhill on the course at Val d'Isere, France.

Now Kitt hopes to beat Russi indirectly. Russi designed the Olympic course in Val d'Isere. The downhill is scheduled on Feb. 9, the day after the Olympics begin, on the Bellevue mountain, a short distance away from the OK run.

But Kitt must prepare for a different type of run, one that was criticized by the Austrians and Swiss for not being able to generate enough speed.

The official pre-Olympic event last February was snowy, but though there were training runs in the days before. Kitt said he and the team is prepared for a slower course during summer.

"We worked on Super-G and GS (giant slalom) a lot more than we did in the past because of the way the Olympic course is set," Kitt said. "It's curving and kind of slow. So we want to prepare for that and I think that helped us with all of our skiing."

Kitt, however, has been skiing since he has been able to walk. He started racing by six and was sent to a special ski school.

The Green Mountain Valley School near the Sugarbush resort in Vermont, concentrates on training prospective competitive skiers. Ski experts claim it also provides a high-quality high school education.

"When I was 14, my parents spent a lot of money for me to go away to ski academy and I had to make a commitment," Kitt said. "It's something I definitely wanted to do for myself."

He made the American team in 1987. He has slowly moved up to be in the top 15 seeds all the way to ski academy and I had to make a commitment," Kitt said. "It's something I definitely wanted to do for myself."

As a 19-year-old he was good enough to make the Olympics in Calgary. He finished 26th in the downhill at Calgary.

He downplays that result. "I remember I wasn't very successful." Chances are he will be a bit more successful this Olympics or the 1994 Games in Lillehammer, Norway.

China bids for 2000 Olympics to prove modernization

BEIJING (AP) — Sixteen-year-old Lu Wei bowed deeply, took a breath and began an impassioned plea for Beijing to win the 2000 Olympics.

"China is no longer the sick man of Asia," she said. "The days have gone when China was humiliated by others. China has been growing stronger and stronger."

Foreigners might not see the connection between China's weakness half a century ago and holding a sporting event, but it is clear to Chinese.

A Beijing Olympics will show critics and doubters that China has arrived in the modern world, that it has all the stadiums, satellite uplinks, highways and hotels needed to hold the immense sports meet. Not incidentally, it will show that socialism achieved it all.

Being awarded the Olympics is an affirmation China wants desperately, as shown by the government's mobilization of its massive population to press the bid.

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Soviet breakup

Reforms undercut Gorbachev

By Alan Cooperman
The Associated Press

MOSCOW — Four years ago Mikhail Gorbachev stood atop a true superpower, with the Communist Party behind him, basking in the admiration of world leaders. Crowds adored him. Even dissidents respected him.

Now he is the figurehead of a crumbling union that is saddled with debt and threatened with chaos. His public reviles him. Resignation appears inevitable — and could come as early as this week.

How did he fall so far, so fast?

Two great ironies pervade Gorbachev's seven years in power. The first is that he has been brought down by the forces he himself unleashed — the reforms of "glasnost," "perestroika" and "demokratizatsiya."

The second is that he might have held onto power, and stopped the country's disintegration, if he had been willing to betray his reforms and reimpose totalitarian control.

Seen in this light, his fall may be his greatest achievement.

The policy of glasnost, or openness, allowed dissent and established a free press. For a time, Gorbachev was a hero to Soviet intellectuals, writers and artists. But the chorus ultimately drowned out the conductor.

After Gorbachev became Communist Party leader in 1985, criticism of him appeared first in newspapers, then radio, then television. It grew from subtle historical allusions in 1986 to this year's bold accusations of "secret" gold transfers and payments abroad by the party while Gorbachev was at its head.

The popular Soviet comedian Gennadiy Khizanov recalled recently how one comic dared in 1987 to mimic Gorbachev's rural southern accent. Nothing happened. Another comedian aimed a political barb at the Soviet leader. Again, no punishment. The floodgates were open.

"The only limit to what you could say on stage about (Gorbachev) was good taste — and even that wasn't always respected," Khizanov said.

Perestroika encouraged free enterprise and gave Soviets greater access to imported goods. Perhaps inevitably, though, economic expectations outpaced the reforms, creating broad discontent.

"Sudden freedom to buy and sell



Mikhail Gorbachev holds a baby as Ronald Reagan looks on. Four years ago, Gorbachev had the support of the Communist Party. Now the Soviet leader's future hangs in the balance as he is seen only as a figurehead of a crumbling union.

goods at free prices, outside of state stores, also created a Wild West atmosphere.

"When people see the new mafia making a fortune, while they're struggling to find meat for their families, they hate Gorbachev," said Alexander Tsipko, a leading Soviet economist.

"It's a part of our Russian character, something Dostoyevsky described well — blaming someone for all your misfortunes and wanting to get rid of that person, even if there's no sense in it," Tsipko added.

Demokratizatsiya brought honest, multi-candidate elections —

and with them, a crop of populist politicians who challenged Gorbachev's policies and authority.

They ranged from former Communists, including Russia's Boris Yeltsin, to nationalist leaders such as Zviad Gamsakhurdia of Georgia and Gen. Dzokhar Dudayev of tiny Chechen-Ingushetia.

By ending the Communist Party's monopoly on power, reining in the KGB and freeing political prisoners, Gorbachev made enormous strides toward an open society. But shutting down the engines of terror also cut his own power.

All these trends contributed to the collapse of the empire. Ethnic

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minorities used glasnost to revive their cultures and languages after decades of ruthless Russification. But rising nationalism also created ethnic tensions, exacerbated by economic discontent and demagogic leaders.

The result was a geographic and moral muddle of independence movements, territorial disputes, separatism and violence.

Gorbachev's most important legacy may be his reluctance to use force to impose his will on the nation or preserve his power.

He suggested this himself last week. People are puzzled "about the fact that Gorbachev many times was given extraordinary powers (by the Soviet legislature) but never used them," he told a handful of Soviet journalists in the Kremlin.

"I consider myself a confirmed democrat," he explained.

"Even at the most acute stages — even when I was bound hand and foot, so to speak — nonetheless, there were certain bounds I didn't cross."

"This is really phenomenal. Both the rightists and the leftists wondered about it, they couldn't figure it out. And the press was completely baffled."

"We could still spend a long time thinking about it, but I may soon have a lot of free time — I'll figure it out then," Gorbachev said.

Critics note that Gorbachev's hands are not completely clean. He condoned a bloody crackdown in the Baltics this year, as well as earlier use of force in Tbilisi, Baku and other cities.

He sided with Communist hardliners in the fall of 1990, precipitating the resignation of Eduard Shevardnadze as foreign minister.

Moscow is rife with speculation that Gorbachev may take some post in Yeltsin's new Commonwealth of Independent States, remain as commander-in-chief of united nuclear forces, or work at the United Nations.

His spokesman, Andrei Grachev, dismissed the rumors in a Russian television interview Friday.

The 60-year-old Soviet president "is no longer thinking much about his place in politics as about his place in history," Grachev said.

Some Muscovites bid leader good riddance

MOSCOW (AP) — As Mikhail Gorbachev spends what could be his final days in the Kremlin, construction worker Slava Kikhlov rejoices in the Soviet president's possible departure.

"Gorbachev should have resigned a long time ago, when his influence first started to wane," Kikhlov said. "He should just go fishing at his dacha — if the Ukrainians give him permission."

Gorbachev has said he will resign as Soviet leader if the majority of the remaining Soviet republics join the Commonwealth of Independent States created Dec. 8 by Russia, Belarus and Ukraine, a Kremlin aide replied.

On Friday, five more republics — Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Kirgizia, Tadzhikistan and Turkmenistan — announced they would join the newly created body, raising speculation that Gorbachev may resign as early as this week.

Although Gorbachev has been seen in the West as the man behind the end of the Cold War and has been credited with opening up Soviet society, most of his fellow citizens hold him responsible for the decrepit state of the economy.

Many Soviets believe Gorbachev's policy of perestroika, or restructuring, is to blame for the lack of basic necessities in the country such as food, available housing and affordable clothes.

While some people believe Gorbachev should reassess his hand to get the economy back in shape, a recent poll showed most think Gorbachev will not be invited to

play a role in the new commonwealth.

Of 323 people interviewed, only 19 percent in Moscow, 17 percent in the Byelorussian capital of Minsk and 11 percent in the Ukrainian capital of Kiev said Gorbachev will emerge as head of the new body, the Izvestia newspaper reported. No margin of error was given.

For some people, however, a future — without Gorbachev — looked bleak.

"There could be nothing worse for the country than if Gorbachev resigned and all the republics try to exist separately," said Valentin Utkina, a 26-year-old chemical factory worker.

"We have a multi-ethnic country. I am Russian, my relatives are mainly Ukrainian, and I think we should try to stay together as a union."

"If we throw away the republics, nothing good will come of it. The new commonwealth won't be like the union, it will be a true union of sovereign republics, and that's not good," she said.

Engineer Minna Axelrod agreed. "It was tactless for the leaders of the three republics to get together without agreeing first with Gorbachev, utterly tactless. I can't believe they spoke to Bush before speaking to Gorbachev," she said.

"I am for Gorbachev, and I don't like the idea of having separate republics. I think we need a union. I like it when all the republics are one happy family."

Scorpions sting Kremlin with hit song 'Wind of Change'

MOSCOW (AP) — The German heavy metal group Scorpions rocked the Kremlin with a private performance of its hit song "Wind of Change" on Saturday after giving Mikhail Gorbachev \$62,500 in humanitarian aid.

Gorbachev said the money would be used to buy equipment for children's hospitals, the Interfax news agency reported.

Scorpions' singer Klaus Meine

said the group composed the song after playing in the Soviet Union in 1988 and 1989, and being inspired by the sweeping political changes in the country.

"Wind of Change" became the group's most successful song.

It rose to the top of the charts in eleven countries and reached No. 4 on the Billboard list of the 100 top singles in the U.S.

Policeman injured in Moldavian unrest

KISHINEV, U.S.S.R. (AP) — A policeman was reported shot and seriously wounded in Moldavia's separatist-Trans-Dniester region Saturday, and Moldavian President Mircea Snegur warned that violence could escalate to civil war.

The Moldavian Interior Ministry said Saturday's shooting occurred near the town of Dubossary, the site of bloody clashes on Friday between Moldavian police and Slavic separatists demanding independence from Moldavia.

The Interior Ministry said two more people died on Saturday of wounds from Friday's fighting, bringing the death toll to seven. Four Moldavian policemen and three members of the self-styled Trans-Dniester "national guard."

Ten policemen, eight Trans-Dniester guards and one civilian have been hospitalized because of injuries suffered in the past two days.

Trans-Dniester, a region of 600,000 in eastern Moldavia bordering Ukraine, proclaimed itself a republic last year. Its residents are mainly ethnic Russians and Ukrainians opposed to Moldavia's nationalist government.

Most of Moldavia's 4.2 million population are ethnic Romanians. The separatists fear Moldavia will eventually unite with Romania, which controlled most of its territory before World War II.

Igor Smirnov, the newly elected leader of the territory, favors eventual incorporation of Trans-Dniester into neighboring Ukraine. But Moldavia wants to hold onto Trans-Dniester's relatively advanced industrial base and energy production.

The new violence apparently resulted from Moldavian attempts to disarm the Trans-Dniester local militia after a Dec. 1 presidential election in the separatist region.

Radio reports monitored in neighboring Romania, which has supported Moldavia's own independence drive, said separatists also shot at a bus late Friday night without causing injuries.

Dubossary is occupied by armed separatists, some reportedly based to the region from the Trans-Dniester capital of Tiraspol, Moldavian radio said.

But Moldavia's Interior Ministry reported that the situation was calm by Saturday evening.

Moldavian National Security Minister Anatol Plugaru claimed the Soviet army was supporting and arming the separatists. He told Moldavian radio the Soviets were "instructing Trans-Dniester armed units (and) helping them patrol the region."

He said there was the danger armed Moldavian volunteers would intervene, adding the government opposed such independent action.

Officials fear relief supplies may not reach recipients

WASHINGTON (AP) — Crews loaded relief supplies for the Soviet Union aboard a U.S. military jet Saturday, but officials feared the recipients may be unable to distribute them.

A senior State Department official said the Soviet distribution system is in such disarray that the United States and other Western donors are finding it difficult to figure out where to send the supplies. The official spoke on condition of anonymity.

draws Air Force Base, Md., was scheduled to leave Sunday carrying 75 tons of coats, blankets, clothing and medical supplies.

It was being accompanied by a Soviet military jet loaded with another 200 tons of supplies, which the Soviet aircraft picked up earlier in San Francisco.

Meanwhile, Secretary of State James A. Baker III was departing Saturday for a trip to five of the Soviet republics — Russia, Ukraine, Byelorussia, Kazakhstan and Kirgizia — that have agreed to join a new commonwealth to replace the Soviet Union.

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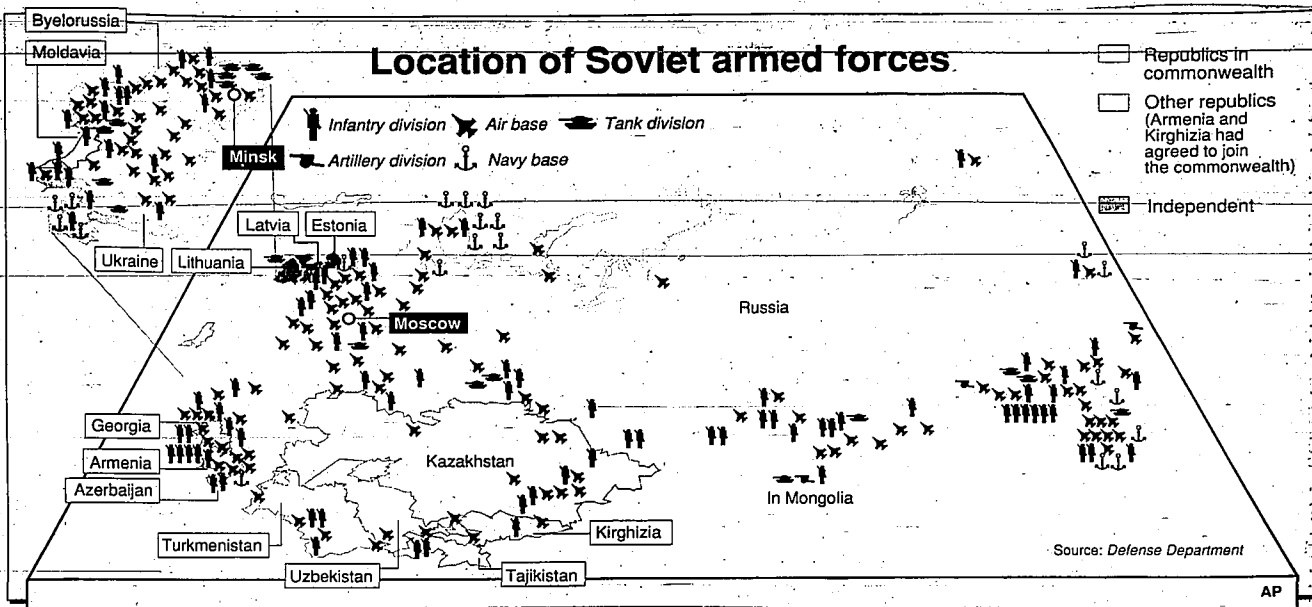
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Soviet breakup



Soviet military has yet to surrender to reforms

Chicago Tribune

MOSCOW — Every evening about 6, the lights start flicking out in a massive white marble building in the center of Moscow, just a few blocks from the Kremlin, and a stream of men who work there leave for the day.

Some duck quickly into waiting black sedans. Others trek through the early winter slush toward the nearest subway. Together, these are the men whose decisions are crucial to the fate of the nation.

In the midst of the chaotic collapse of the Soviet Union, they represent the only institution — the Soviet Defense Ministry — that has yet to surrender to the forces that have destroyed the rest of the central government.

Despite challenges from freshly independent Ukraine and plans, still vague at this stage, for a unified military command in the newly formed Commonwealth of Independent States, the "gigantic, multilayered structure of the Soviet armed forces remains intact."

Not only will it be a difficult task to dismantle this apparatus, but the armed forces are now the only institution capable of moving into a power vacuum to restore order.

While predictions of a coup are dismissed by virtually every official from Mikhail Gorbachev and Boris Yeltsin on down, they do point to the possibility that the military would take steps if widespread social unrest developed.

On Friday, Defense Minister Yevgeny Shaposhnikov flatly ruled out the armed forces staging a coup. "As minister of defense I can declare with full authority that in the

Russian Federation is providing the money for the entire payroll of the 5-million-strong Soviet military, said that officers were pleased when he recently doubled their salaries.

'As minister of defense I can declare with full authority that in the military all is peaceful and under control. There can be no putsch with the participation of the army.'

— Yevgeny Shaposhnikov

military all is peaceful and under control," he said. "There can be no putsch with the participation of the army."

"We have learned from the bitter experience of the August events, when they tried to use the military for political ends."

So far the armed forces leadership has not commented directly on the dramatic political developments under way, though Shaposhnikov is rumored to have told Yeltsin he supports the new commonwealth as long as a centralized military command is retained.

Yeltsin said his closed-door meeting with the armed forces' top brass had gone well. He told Vadim Bakatin, head of the domestic branch of what used to be the KGB, that the army was behind him, not Gorbachev.

Yeltsin, who as president of the

The new commonwealth appeared to be gaining momentum. On Friday it grew to eight members when five Central Asian republics said they would join.

But if the process stalls and the economy worsens, only the army remains in a position to act as a unified, central authority. In that event, the infantry and crack, paratroop units would play the leading role.

The infantry is the largest and most powerful Soviet military component. Its mechanized and airborne troops — mobile, well trained and armed, and capable of operating in urban areas — would play the decisive role in any attempt to either preserve or topple a regime.

These forces could easily be deployed throughout the country and are directly under the command of Shaposhnikov, who was appointed after the August coup and is widely

considered a supporter of democratic reform.

His primary deputy is the chief of the general staff and first deputy defense minister, Gen. Viktor Samsonov. Also thought to support reform, he was appointed only last week by Gorbachev.

Samsonov's predecessor, Gen. Vladimir Lobov, reportedly resigned because he objected to what he saw as the coming dismemberment of the armed forces.

The extent to which Lobov's fears about the disintegration of the military are shared among other officers is hard to gauge.

Most complaints among officers center on the question of the poor pay and living conditions of the military. Middle-level officers — generally majors, captains and lower-ranking colonels — have said in the past that they support democratic reform, but that some older men higher in the ranks do not.

Should a split occur inside the armed forces, the division would likely come along these lines. But there were no overt signs at the moment that such a split was developing.

The armed forces structure beneath Moscow's central command would allow the military to act quickly throughout the country.

Under Shaposhnikov's command are the nine major military districts — the Moscow, Leningrad, Kiev, Odessa, Transcarpathian, Volga, Far Eastern, Turkistan and Transbaikalian regions.

Each is run by a one-star or two-star army general. Subordinate to those commanders are locally based Air Force divisions that would provide logistical support.

Under each district commander has thus his control-field armies — including armor and mechanized units — as well as units of fighter jets, bombers and tactical reconnaissance planes and helicopters.

The Soviet army has two million regular troops and is commanded by Gen. Vladimir Semenov. The air force, composed of about 454,000 men under the command of Gen. Pyotr Deinekin, would largely have a logistical role to play in moving troops quickly.

Western analysts said that unless the nightmare scenario of civil war and a divided armed forces came to pass, they saw little other role for the air force. It is an important organizational factor of the military districts that air force units are subordinate to the district commander, an army officer.

The Soviet navy with approximately 477,000 men is commanded by Adm. Vladimir Chernavin.

Unlike the air force, the navy is not subordinate to the regional mil-

itary commanders. This was important in last August's failed coup because the navy stayed entirely out of military movements, except for a few ships deployed off the coast near Gorbachev's Black Sea dacha.

The navy also has the other elite armed forces unit, the marines, who are self-sustaining logistically and could also be quickly deployed anywhere in the country.

Tactically the navy is divided into four fleets and two flotillas. The fleets are Pacific, Northern, Baltic and Black Sea. The flotillas are in the Caspian Sea and the Volga River.

Also separate from the regional military commanders is control over the Soviet Strategic Missile Forces. These forces, with about 398,000 men under the command of Army Gen. Yuri Maksimov, control the ultimate launch of the Soviet strategic nuclear missiles.

Directly subordinate to the defense minister and ultimately to the Soviet president who — so far — retains the power to decide if a nuclear strike is to begin, the missile forces are thought unlikely to play any role because of the nature of their weapons.

Shevardnadze doubts commonwealth 'solution'

Los Angeles Times

MOSCOW — Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze said Saturday he was not yet convinced that the commonwealth arising in place of the old Soviet Union could be "viable" and warned that the current turmoil in society could result in another coup.

Shevardnadze, a longtime ally of President Mikhail S. Gorbachev, raised serious economic, human rights and security questions in connection with the proclaimed Commonwealth of Independent States, now seen as the likely successor of the Soviet Union.

"The Union, as it has existed for 70 years, does not have a future; but the commonwealth, still, has not shown whether it is viable," Shevardnadze said in a speech before the founding congress of the Democratic Reform Movement, which he heads.

Russian President Boris N. Yeltsin, who designed the commonwealth and proclaimed its existence a week ago in collaboration with the leaders of two other Slavic republics, predicted that the commonwealth would turn the collapsing economy around by the end of 1992. He also promised that there would be no military intervention in the transition year.

Shevardnadze, whose job as foreign minister includes international economic relations, said that he expects an "economic depression" so extreme that the gross national product will decrease to half of its 1990 level, that consumer purchasing power will fall 20 percent and that many factories will close, leaving millions unemployed.



'The central government is failing to pieces and nothing is being created to replace it.'

— Eduard Shevardnadze, Soviet foreign minister

"A lack of mechanisms for organized and coordinated economic reforms" will be to blame, he said, in an apparent criticism of what he sees as shortsightedness by the leaders of Russia, Ukraine and Byelorussia, the three founding republics of the commonwealth.

"They say there will be a unified currency system — and I'm not sure this will be a painless process," Shevardnadze said in a conversation with reporters after his speech. "The division of debts is a very delicate problem. And the division of property too."

Shevardnadze forecast that political and security problems could be expected as the Soviet state is replaced by a loose association of many states.

"The central government is failing to pieces and nothing is being created to replace it," he said.

Shevardnadze said that he did not have "full confidence" in what he called the "quickly evolving situation" that would mean for the world's security, although he said that strategic nuclear arms were still under the control of Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

Rapidly declining living standards

combined with the collapse of state structures and the failure of new structures to take their place could cause violent consequences, he said.

"The threat of a new coup — or whatever you may choose to call it — exists. I am greatly concerned (about it)," Shevardnadze exclaimed. "I am not trying to scare anyone. I believe the threat exists ... Living standards are worsening by the day ... If we start calming people down by saying that nothing is going to happen, it will be irresponsible policy — simply irresponsible."

Shevardnadze urged the creators of the commonwealth not to make the same mistake that he, Gorbachev and others leaders of the perestroika reform movement had made by letting the transition phase carry on too long.

What is needed, he stressed, is the "rapid formation of some kind of coordinating center" to replace the Soviet governmental bureaucracy.

Gorbachev is prepared, Shevardnadze said, to help set up the structure, even though it is likely to make him obsolete.

"I think he can be very helpful in this process," Shevardnadze said.

"The Russian leadership as well as some other republic (leaders) understand this. My advice to him is not to make a hasty decision (to resign)."

Shevardnadze confirmed that he still holds his post as foreign minister and would meet Secretary of State James A. Baker III in that capacity Sunday, although some Russian officials have called the Soviet Foreign Ministry defunct.

In other developments: —News reports from Kazakhstan said that the Parliament of that Central Asian Republic is expected to declare independence Monday.

Sales of rail tickets for trains bound for foreign destinations were halted because Soviet railroads owe their foreign counterparts \$150 million and the Soviet Railroad Ministry cannot pay. This development is another measure of the depth of the country's economic disarray.

—Russian President Yeltsin predicted in an interview with the Soviet newspaper Trud that the economic troubles will be under control by the end of 1992.

"At first things will worsen, then there will be stabilization, and in a year's time things will start to improve slowly," he said.

Even at the worst of times, "the food basket" will be two-thirds full. There will be no starvation," he said.

Yet even Yeltsin's vice president, Alexander V. Rutskoi, criticized Yeltsin's economic policy, saying that there was a great "shortage of authority."

"Will anybody manage this country after all?" he said in a speech at the conference of the Democratic Reform Movement.

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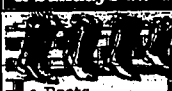
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Valley ventures
Craig Lincoln

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It's hard to say right-to-work is responsible. But let's throw a few statistics out from data compiled by the Idaho Department of Employment and see what you think.

Since 1985, registered nurses have done well in a field marked by shortages and intense competition. Their wage levels have increased 27.5 percent.

But cannery workers, truck drivers, waiters and waitresses, logging workers, janitors, secretaries and wages for many others have lost ground to inflation. Wages for log-handling equipment operators, for instance, grew 13.9 percent between 1985 and 1990.

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KSXI radio of the Wood River Valley recently built a new transmitting tower and boosted its power enough to beam its signal to the Magic Valley.

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"One of our guys said he knew hair dryers with better intentions," Bernstein said. The radio station now sends out 250,000 watts.

His advertisers were interested in sending their message to the Magic Valley, and Bernstein said his station's format would fill a gap.

KSXI plays oldies that aren't too hard rock and contemporary music that isn't too teen-age.

"We really feel the format we have fits in naturally with the Magic Valley," Bernstein said.

A children's boutique in downtown Twin Falls offers new and almost-new clothes, as well as hand-made children's furniture.

"I've been looking around for stuff like this for a while — children-for-verse," manager Amy Lierman said. "I thought there was a need for a quality, second-hand shop in Twin Falls and also a need for unique toys."

Most of the craft items and furniture are made in locally or elsewhere in Idaho.

The Rocking Rabbit opened in late October at 147 Main Ave. E.

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It slices, it dices

Burley firm cuts to heart of vegetable chopping

By Terri McAfee
Times-News correspondent

BURLEY — Any way you cut it, the food-processing industry has been good to Cliff Jackson.

The president of Idaho Metal Fabrication in Burley has sliced his way to the top of a competitive industry with commercial vegetable and fruit choppers that are at the forefront of processing technology.

After more than 40 years in the business, Jackson says his equipment can slice, dice, chop and cut hundreds of vegetables and fruits to people-pleasing perfection.

The firm sells equipment that can quarter a beet, slice a pickle into strips and core the center out of a sweet potato.

Jackson's machinery can also cut hundreds of veggies into the fanciest of shapes — twists, stars and hearts — slicing food to razor-sharp perfection faster than it takes most people to place an order of fries-to-go at McDonald's.

"We can slice tomatoes, strawberries, apples, pears, sharp and delicate," Jackson said. "There's a lot of technology involved in doing these things successfully, and that's what we've developed."

Jackson knows what he's talking about. Idaho Metal Fabricators grossed \$3 million



Cliff Jackson's machines are on the cutting edge of an industry that has blossomed in the last four decades. At top, Kyle Uscola makes a weld on a screw conveyor, used to steam-peel potatoes.

in sales last year, while much of the fast-food and commercial processing equipment distributed by the firm was the product of

Jackson's own inventive mind. So far, the Burley manufacturer has patented up to five of his own designs.

Jackson's vegetable slicer is sold on a worldwide basis to as diverse areas as Japan and Europe. It cuts vegetables length-wise — also known as the Blue Lakes cut — and may be used on carrots, green beans, zucchini and bell peppers.

Right now, the company is facing a slight slump, Jackson said, mainly because a slowing economy has put the stops on the fast-food industry.

"In a time of recession people quit going out to eat," Jackson said. "They even quit going to McDonald's and Burger King; so processors build up inventories, and when they do that their cash flow slows down, and they're more reluctant to spend money on improvements and developments."

Jackson added he expects to see the slowing trend continue throughout the next quarter.

Jackson has grown up with the food processing industry, and few are as knowledgeable about its changes.

He graduated from the industrial arts program at Boise Junior College — now Boise State University — and went to work for the Idaho Sheet Metal Co. in Boise in 1952.

"I worked on the first french fry line that Simplot started up in Caldwell," Jackson

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'Rural Brady Bunch' fuels Van Tassel dairy

The Times-News

Highlights from Saturday's edition of Magic Valley AG Weekly:

Every child, from age 7 to age 21, has a job to do on the VanTassel dairy in Rupert.

And with milk prices poised for a post-Christmas plunge, Kent VanTassel appreciates the help of 14 children.

"I pay my kids, but we have no full-time employees," VanTassel said. "I don't know how you'd do it if you had a hired man."

The family is a sort of rural Brady Bunch, without Alice the maid, but with 253 milk cows thrown in. In 1986 VanTassel, with seven children, married Beverly Morgan, who also had seven children.

Starting Jan. 1, all Idaho farmers and ranchers will have to pay sales tax on all purchases unless they have a card proving they are eligible to make tax-exempt purchases.

The law has a loophole, however, that allows farmers who buy things on account to show their tax card once monthly when they pay their bills.

The card has farmers and retailers hopping

mad, and Magic Valley lawmakers are predicting the Legislature will have to throw out the law that created the card.

"I think this is both water without any baby in it," said Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome.

Rest-rotation grazing systems and careful livestock management are dramatically reforming the range in southeastern Idaho, according to three area ranchers.

Once over-grazed in many areas, public rangelands on the high desert terrain are making a comeback, even during four years of drought.

And although livestock numbers have been sharply reduced, the quality and amount of feed per animal is increasing.

"The (public land management) agencies' emphasis on rest rotation is right on target," said Peter Janss, owner of the Walking Horse Ranch north of Bliss.

"Blackfoot" farmer-rancher DeVon Woodland, 62, was named president of the National Farmers Organization Dec. 5. Woodland had led the NFO for 12 years.

Woodland visited Twin Falls earlier this year and spoke to the Idaho NFO state convention.

Victorian's 3-ton calculator worked without an error

The Associated Press

LONDON — It works! An automatic calculator designed in 1849 by mathematician Charles Babbage but built only this year performs long calculations without error, scientists announced Thursday.

The device cost \$540,000 to build, weighs 3 tons and is operated by turning a crank hundreds or even thousands of times. "Each turn takes two to three seconds. Your pocket calculator, which answers in a flash in seven digits, will do the job faster than Babbage because it's electronic," said Doron Swade, leader of the construction team at London's Science Museum.

"But Babbage's calculator is more precise because it can deliver the answer in 31 digits," he said.

Following Babbage's original drawings, the team built his Difference Engine No. 2. Babbage had abandoned No. 1 after 11 years' work when only one-seventh of it was built. Nothing was built of No. 2.

'The truth is that the 19th century engineers were quite capable of doing everything (Charles Babbage) wanted if the money had been there to back him.'

— Doron Swade, London Science Museum.

Funded largely by grants from big business, Engine No. 2 was completed in June and is on display in a Babbage exhibition.

"It has since performed its first full-scale calculations flawlessly — a long series without error," Swade said.

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"As long as I get somewhere," Alice added.

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Maybe you feel safe. You know your water performer, who keeps bringing you a single bound and outmaneuvers the power hungry.

No recession woes, perhaps, as takeovers are looking down the barrel at you.

Fine, you're secure in your job. But does the thought of staying in your job make you heart flutter or your stomach turn?

"Apparently, it makes lots of stomachs turn. A survey completed by Northwestern National Life Insurance, found one out of three U.S. employees seriously considered quitting work in 1990 because of job stress.

Almost half found their job highly stressful.

And of those people not stressed out, how many enjoy their work? A study of 2000 successful people from all walks of life found only 4 percent enjoyed both their work and their personal lives.

Researcher Gerald Kuschel calls them uncommonly successful people.

All shared three traits: focused, had clear goals, and were risk takers.

Clearly, these people plan. They know which direction they are going, how they will get there, and are willing to take risks.

Planning a career is tough stuff. John Gardener once said, "Planning is attending to the goals we ought to be thinking about and never do, the facts we do not like to face, and the questions we lack the courage to ask."

Don't leave your career to fate, chance, or luck. Be pro-active.

Having choices available if you have to deal with being laid off, fired, burnt out or just plain want to get out, will serve you well. Start planning now.

Judy Robinett of Twin Falls heads the total quality management programs for Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. She has a master's degree in economics and a bachelor's degree in psychology. Questions about management and business can be sent to her care of The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, 83303.

Business

It's no holiday for postal workers

SEATTLE (AP) — Every second another letter arrives to be checked for zip code, special delivery instructions and insurance.

Each time Susie Chapman punches three keys on a computer terminal to send the card or envelope shooting through the huge sorting machine to a bin for delivery to the proper neighborhood. Supervision check for errors.

"There's a little red light, and every time you make a mistake the little red light will blink," she said.

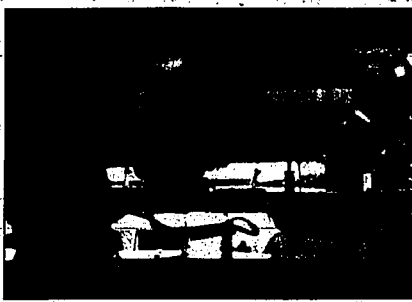
With holiday mail increasing the flow through the Seattle General Mail Facility from the usual 1.2 million pieces a day to 2.8 million pieces, "it's not the season to be jolly as far as many U.S. Postal Service workers are concerned."

Chapman, a mother of four, knows she and hundreds of others among the 1,300 employees in the three-story building soon will face 12-hour shifts, including late work on Christmas Eve, and weeks without any day off.

"We all have targets on our backs," said Ben Grammes, acting swing-shift superintendent.

"If you drop a letter in our mailbox by 5 o'clock tonight, I have to have it in a carrier's hand in Port Angeles the next morning so he can get it out," Grammes said, "and we do it 98 percent of the time."

Diane Radichat said there were physical hazards to the sorting machine work she did before becoming a window clerk at the



Susie Chapman says error alarms, monotony and long hours add to stress of workers, some of whom 'really are a bunch of weirdos.'

main downtown post office. For example, there was taking handful after handful of mail from the bins. "Grip and pull, grip and pull," that's how you get tendinitis," Radichat said.

"I've gotten tons of cuts from staples" on mail, she said, "or else you get paper cuts," often from the edges of envelope windows.

Tension rises amid deadline pressure, monotony, regimentation, close supervision, noise and the long and difficult hours.

"Somebody can blow easily. They really can, and there really are a bunch of weirdos," Chapman said. Five mass shootings have occurred in the past five years in post offices nationwide, all involving postal workers or former employees who had been fired.

Postmaster General Anthony Frank recently ordered a review of hiring policies and checks to identify past and present postal workers "who have shown aggressive and violent behavioral tendencies."

Post Office readies for longest day

WASHINGTON (AP) — The post office is bracing for an avalanche on Monday, the day it expects the biggest mail volume of the year.

The Monday prior to Christmas week is traditionally the agency's busiest day.

Officials expect to cancel 234 million cards and letters that day.

The agency expects to handle a total of 3.1 billion cards and letters by the end of the holidays.

On an average day the Post-Service cancels 45 million cards and letters, a flow that increases to 78 million-a-day during the holiday season and peaks on the Monday before Christmas week.

In addition to the items being canceled, mail flow on an average day also includes about 495 million business mailings that do not need cancellation.

Tradewinds

Beckie Kukul of Pioneer Realty in Twin Falls and Jerome has received her associate brokers license. She is the branch manager of the Twin Falls office and recently was elected president of the Northside Board of Realtors.



Kukul

Wayne Bohm of All-Rite Siding Construction in Twin Falls has been awarded the Revere "Diamond Ring of Excellence." The award is given

for professionalism, dedication to quality and service in the use of Revere Products and was the only one given in Idaho this year.

Bonny J. Moore has been named financial services officer at the downtown office of First Security Bank in Twin Falls. She served in the same capacity at the bank's Jerome branch before. Moore started with First Security in 1981.



Moore

Calculator

Continued from E1

Although subcontractors used modern techniques, all of the parts could have been made in Babbage's time, Swade said.

"The result is very impressive, even though we have so far only had time to test half its capacity," the 49-year-old scientist added.

The machine works by addition, without multiplication or division, and consists of seven adding machines linked to each other. In the museum's crucial test, the engine was set to multiply a series of numbers by themselves seven times.

"With each turn of the handle the engine produced a correct value, the powers of seven for the first 100 numbers in the series up to the 15-digit number 100,000,000,000,000," Swade said.

To reach its largest number, using 31 digits, requires turning the handle nearly 27,000 times and we have not had time to do that yet," he said. "But we certainly will."

Babbage invented automatic calculators more than a century before the electronic era, essentially to produce mathematical tables like those used by ships' navigators to find their position from the stars. The government was interested in getting accuracy and backed

Babbage with money, but withdrew the support as years passed without practical result.

Until his death in 1871, Babbage labored on his ideas and designed an calculating machine that Swade said was a forerunner of modern computing.

Along the way, Babbage acquired a reputation for being a fierce enemy of street organ-grinders whose musical machines, operated by turning a handle, noisily broke into his train of thought.

Babbage also designed a printer for Difference Engine No. 2, but the museum needs another \$360,000 to build it, Swade said. The team read the results on the engine, by eye from engraved figure wheels.

Swade said Babbage was degenerated and Victorian engineering was called incapable of building from his design.

"The truth is that the 19th century engineers were quite capable of doing everything he wanted if the money had been there to back him," Swade said.

"It is gratifying to have gone some way toward vindicating this venerable group," before his 200th birthday on Dec. 26. His credibility as a practical designer is now proved."

Airline spokesman says government should accord industry tax relief

WASHINGTON (AP) — An airline industry spokesman predicts U.S. airline losses will approach \$2 billion this year, and he called for tax relief for the business.

The war in the Persian Gulf "dried up our traffic and the recession's kept it down," Robert Aaronson, president of the Air Transport Association of America, told a news conference on Friday. "The airline industry is in serious financial crisis."

Congress should cut ticket taxes and reduce taxes on airlines, he said. The current passenger ticket tax is 10 percent, while the cargo tax is 6.25 percent.

The industry is publicizing its campaign with announcements that airlines and travel agents are enclosing in ticket jackets. They say: "The price of this ticket includes taxes and fees which are imposed on air transportation by government authorities."

"Passenger traffic will be an estimated 450 million in 1991, a 3.5 percent decline from last year," Aaronson said. "There have been 50,000 industrial layoffs and a drop in air freight traffic, he added."

Pan Am, Eastern and Midway went out of business this year. Last year's losses in the industry were a record \$3.9 billion.

The two years of red ink have wiped out all the profits the industry

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Income statement			
Amounts in millions			
Quarter to 9/30:	1991	1990	
Revenue	\$711	\$1,154	
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Nine months ended 9/30:			
Revenue	\$2,122	\$3,020	
Net loss	\$-309	\$-268	

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has earned since scheduled airline service began in 1925, the ATA reported.

Aaronson predicted better times ahead — a 6 percent increase in traffic in 1992 and perhaps a profit of \$300 million.

But he said airlines need "capital formation incentives" to help finance \$180 billion in new airplanes and airport improvements this decade.

"Instead of being part of the problem with their tax policies, we'd like to see" the government be "part

of the solution for a change," Aaronson said. "Air travel is being taxed to death."

The ATA has spoken to the Transportation Department; the Office of Management and Budget and the Treasury Department about the proposals, said Aaronson.

The ATA says: "Ticket taxes and fees should be lowered because they cost air travelers in the United States \$6 billion a year. The 10 percent passenger ticket tax should be lowered to 8 percent, while the 6.25 percent cargo tax should be reduced to 5 percent."

The Alternative Minimum Tax "should be modified so that companies losing money don't have to pay it. Congress enacted the tax to combat firms making a tax of money but not paying taxes because of various tax shelters. But because of the way it is computed, some airlines that are losing money are paying substantial amounts of tax. Some have blown money to make the payments."

The industry needs investment tax credits "for air transportation assets to lower the cost of purchases." Congress should change the way the 1986 tax law treats rental income from aircraft leases. This will make it easier for airlines to finance aircraft serving international markets.

those systems in the United States and Canada," Jackson said.

Idaho Metal Fabrication just signed an agreement with a Holland company to manufacture some of their equipment for the European market.

He says the major difference in food processing in the last 40 years is increasing demand for frozen foods that changed old habits. "Plants would operate four or five months," Jackson said. "They would operate five or six months, then shut down. They don't do that anymore. The processor runs pretty much throughout the year with short down times. That came about because the demand for a primarily frozen needs to marketed within a short time."

IMF employs 25 people, some of whom have been with the company many years.

Jackson credits part of the firm's success to his manager of operations, Max Fowler and superintendents Art Ruthe and Fred Leone as well "as a fine staff and foremen."

"We try to be a real intricate part of the community," Jackson said. A commitment to that community finds the Boy Scouts' canoes at the shop to be repaired every year.

Group wants banks open on Saturdays

BOISE (AP) — Idaho now is the only state which will not allow banks to open their lobbies for business on Saturday.

But the Idaho Bankers Association has voted to ask the next Legislature to remove the ban. "We've decided to sponsor optional Saturday banking," said Berne Jensen, the association's executive director and lobbyist.

On Tuesday, directors of the association voted to sponsor legislation allowing banks to open on Saturdays, Jensen said the vote was not unanimous.

But he said the move is not a response to a lawsuit over the issue. The state has sued Security Pacific Bank for opening its Sandpoint and Coeur d'Alene branches on Saturday in what the state claims is a law violation.

Security Pacific was a savings and loan company, exempt from the Saturday closing ban, until August. Then it became a bank and under jurisdiction of state law, but it did not change its banking hours.

Security Pacific claims it still has a national charter and is exempt from state laws. Its president, Jon Hippler, said he was pleased with the news that the bankers association will push to change the law.

"Clearly the opportunity needs to be there for all of us," he said. "The different institutions ought to have the same choice whether they choose to use it or not."

He said Security Pacific will continue to operate on Saturdays. Jensen said the change has been gaining support among association members for years.

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Richard G. Irwin

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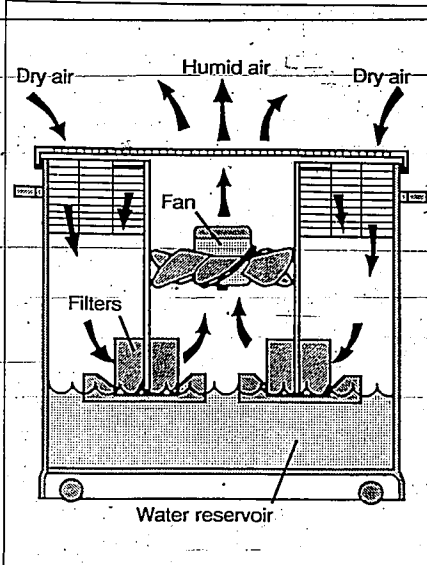
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Consider risks before buying airline tickets

Better Business Bureau staff

Q. We were planning on traveling out of town over the holidays and noticed an ad in the paper for airline tickets. We were kind of wary of buying tickets from someone we don't know. What kind of advice can you give us so we won't be stuck somewhere without a ticket?

A. Many low-cost airline tickets may have a stringent condition — they are non-refundable. Many buyers of those bargain tickets find that circumstances change and they're unable to use their tickets. Instead of taking the loss, they try to resell the tickets. In addition, some flyers buy round-trip tickets for the savings but travel only one way and then sell the return ticket. If you are planning to purchase a non-refundable ticket through a classified ad, a co-worker or other source, first consider all the risks. The ticket will carry the name of the person to whom it was issued. Although most airlines don't ask for identification on domestic flights, if they do the name on your ticket must match. If the ticket agent discovers you're holding another person's ticket, he or she most likely will confiscate the ticket and you'll be stuck on the ground with no way of getting your money back.

Another, and more serious, name mix-up may occur when the airlines



compile mandatory lists of the names of all travelers on each flight. These names come from the tickets collected from boarding passes. Should the plane be involved in an accident, that list is issued to identify who is on board. Other concerns would be reclaiming lost luggage or trying to settle insurance claims on lost or damaged luggage that was checked in under someone else's name.

If you need to fly somewhere on a moment's notice and it's too late to

Q. My throat gets dry and the static electricity could kill a horse. What are the newest types of free-standing whole-house and room humidifiers? What size do I need and what humidity level is best? T.K.

A. Most houses, other than extremely airtight super-insulated ones, need some additional moisture in the air in the winter. Naturally generated moisture from people, plants, washing, etc., is lost through air leakage and permeability through the walls and ceiling.

In addition to improving your comfort, health, and life of your furniture, properly humidified air may cut your heating bills. In very dry air, your body loses heat through evaporation and you often feel chilly. In properly humidified air, you feel warmer, so you can set your furnace thermostat lower and save energy.

The newest types of humidifiers are called the evaporative "wicking" designs. These use a special filter-type material which naturally draws up (wicking) water from a reservoir. A small fan circulates room air through the damp filters and releases moisture into your home.

In one model, the wicking filters mount in floats in the water reservoir. As the water is evaporated and the water level drops, the filter stays in proper contact with the water for effective humidification. The filter is treated with an anti-bacterial material for healthier operation.

There are usually two controls on these humidifiers. You can adjust a humidistat to control the humidity level in your home. You can also ad-

get a discounted fair, there are other options your travel agency may recommend. For example, they may be able to work with a ticket consolidator — a wholesale ticket agency who buys blocks of tickets from the airlines and resells them to consumers at low fares.

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James Duffley
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Just the speed of the fan to control how fast the moisture is released. The slower speed is much quieter at night. An eight-gallon-per-day output humidifier uses less than 100 watts of electricity on the high setting.

The size of humidifier you need depends on many factors — size of your home, its airtightness, number of people, etc. A very airtight 2,000 sq. ft. home typically needs 5 gallons of moisture per day. An average airtight 2,000 sq. ft. home needs 8 gallons per day. An older loose 2,000 sq. ft. home needs 10 gallons per day.

Set the humidity level to provide comfort without condensation forming on windows or walls. Although

the proper relative humidity level depends on individual preferences and your climate, 30 percent to 45 percent is often comfortable. To avoid window condensation, you generally must lower the indoor humidity level as it gets colder outdoors.

You can write to me for UTILITY BILLS UPDATE No. 054 listing manufacturers' addresses and telephone numbers, of new evaporative humidifiers, model numbers and gallon/day outputs, and charts of recommended moisture needs for various-size houses as 1 proper humidity levels to avoid window condensation. Please include \$1 and a self-addressed STAMPED BUSINESS-SIZE envelope to James Duffley, The Times-News, 6906 Royalgreen Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45244.

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by Curt Smith



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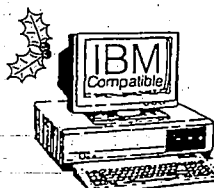
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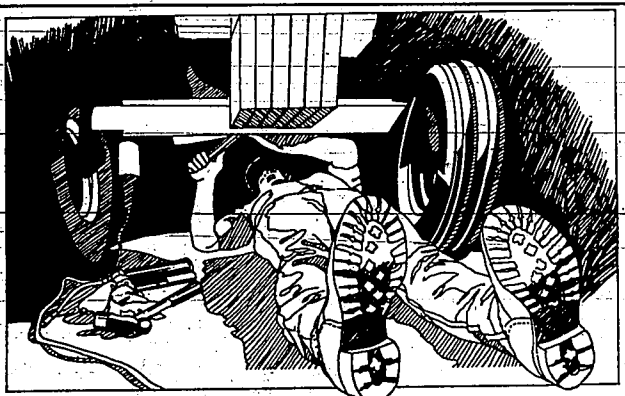
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Case No. CV91-3521

SUMMARY: CITY OF HANSEN, a municipal corporation

Plaintiff

VS.

HANSEN GRANGE #100, JOHN POE AND JANE DOLY THROUGH 10, AND any heirs, successors and assigns.

Defendants.

Defendants known or unknown claiming an interest in the real property described as follows:

Lot 1, 2, 3, and 4, Block 10, Townsite of Hansen, County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho.

Defendants.

THE STATE OF IDAHO SENDS GREETINGS TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT, a Complaint was filed against you in the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of Idaho, in and for the County of Twin Falls by the above-named plaintiff.

The nature of the claim against you is a quiet title action against real property.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said District Court, this 15th day of October, 1991.

CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By Dorothy McMillon Deputy

PLAINTIFF: SUNDAY, December 1, 8, 15, and 22, 1991.

100 ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Happy Holidays!

From The Times-News Customer Service Department

105 PERSONALS

ATTENTION LADIES! Acquainted with a divorced and lovely "MAXI-MOM" (1971) (Gordian) (playmate), who has children & desirable more. Must be a petite, compassionate, preferably married, lady, 30-41 years, fair skin, join the fun with her to the fullest. Gordian's details: ruggedly handsome, 5'10", 160 lbs, blue eyes, brown hair, strong but gentle; successful in business, a writer, outdoorsman, university graduate, 1968 (all these a big plus for cold winter nights). A loving older lady, whose young children will be too busy to see this ad. Please call her attention to it, she & I will be forever grateful. To receive a prompt reply, please send a photo & full particulars to Box M, Logan, Utah 84301.

107 SPECIAL NOTICES

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Call 733-8300

HOTLINE-733-0122

A problem is not a crime when shared. Mental Health Assoc. 5pm-7am. 24 hours on call. Please call for a free information packet. "A Course in Miracles". Please call: Glenn, 733-2103 after 5pm.

Now Booking! Santa Claus for your Christmas parties. ALL WAYS FOR FUN 733-2103

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Milker wanted: 5 days on, 2 off. 120 cows. Good feed. Clean cows. Send resume & ref: Box 5525, Hansen, ID 83401. Box 548, TC ID 83303.

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Farmer's Market-Miscellaneous

702-80

702 CATTLE

4 crossbred heifers, approximately 450 lbs. Call 543-5242 after 5pm.
55 high producing Holstein cows for sale. DHA production records, 40 years of A.I. breeding. Contact Mike Overholt, 734-3834.
Holstein heifers & bulls, 11-15 mo. 543-6080 after 6.
Livestock hauling with stock trailer, 324-5165.
Pasture cable wanted: 450 head or smaller bunches, 4/1/92 - 12/31/92 or year around cars.
Owyhee County ID 200-834-2339 - 208-834-2992.
Polled Hereford bulls: Best selection now, 536-2294.
Quality Holstein heifers, 250 head springs and short breds; 425 head 800 pounds; 325 head 500 pounds; 260 head 300 pounds; 75 year vases needed, extra fancy. Blair Farms 612-2853-5777.
Trade West Magic Lake property for brood broken mouth cows, 612-6135.
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GROW RATIONS for small calves and replacement heifers
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Good gains at reasonable prices
BEDKIE FEEDLOT
Custom Cattle Feeding
Frank and Phyllis Bedkie, 862-3812
Harley Sanders 862-3829
Would like to buy 30-40 head of milk cows or springers. Will pay cash, 534-2823.

704 CUSTOM FARM SERVICES

2 WIDE RETRIEVING
Craig Shepherd, 326-4342.
Hay retrieving: 2 or 3 wide, 1 to 40 mile haul - 1 way. Call 734-3554.
Livestock hauling with stock trailer, 324-5165.

705 FARM MACHINERY

1466 IH tractor, w/duals, FWD, Cab, TA, \$10,250, offer, 432-6632 M-F, 8-5.
9020 JD tractor, reasonable, Call 734-2215.
Burley Tractor Salvage
Buying Salvage Tractors
Paul, ID - 438-5420
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New/used steam & pressure washers, self-service-rental, 1-800-359-1154.

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For sale: Parma 8-row tiller-loader with pinch boom mechanical drive. Please call 436-0234.
Great Stocking Stuffer, Houston N.F.R. 8th Buckles, large, \$10, miniature, \$8, Agri-Services, 3205 Kimberly Rd. E. TF, 704-7772 (ID), 1-800-464-2474.
Kohler Tractor Salvage cash for salvage tractors & equipment. Call Bernie Cies at 733-0699.
Super 1048 New Holland haystacker, 2 wide, cab, auto tie, A-1 condition. Never used for custom work, \$13,000. 423-4315
Wanted: MF 35 or MF 50 tractor in good shape. Call 733-4393.

706 FARM & RANCH IMPLEMENTS

1047 self-propelled harrow bed, good condition, 536-2511 or 536-6625 ext 1267.
1100 bushel granary, Butler, excellent condition, \$1000 or best offer, 536-5358.
1985 1590 IH hydrocrawling sweeper, Call 536-5983.
21' corn planter, 326-5695.
314 IHC 3 bottom trip-beam plow, 2 row New Idea corn picker, 14' cutti-packer, 885-2489 or 886-7747 eves.
4 wheel drive diesel Ford 1500 tractor with blade. Like new! 600 hours, \$4295, 734-0433.
6 row Spoddy colliator for corn, \$100, 326-5999.
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Sweet Buildings - All Sizes - 30x40x12', colored walls, 3" walk door, 10x10 overhead door, \$5,985. 50x10x14', colored walls, 3" walk door, 10x12 overhead door, \$15,120. FOB factory, Call 208-478-4079.
Used steel fence posts, \$1 each. Call 326-5029.

709 HAY, GRAIN AND FEED

100 tons 1st, 2nd & 3rd crop hay, \$65 per ton. Call 326-5305.
150 ton top quality alfalfa hay, will sell any amount, can deliver. Call 536-2511 or 536-6625 ext 1267.
20 ton 3rd cutting hay, 655-4306 or 655-4427.
Clean barley straw, 1 ton bale, delivered, 356-5214.

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Clean malt barley straw, Call 733-6456.
Eastern corn, Call 733-1332.
For sale: Lrg amount good feeder hay, delivered for \$70 per ton. Lrg amount new seedling cut hay, delivered \$65 per ton, 934-4336 or 934-4901.
Grass hay for sale, \$45 a ton. Call 637-4503.
Hay for sale, 1st, 2nd & 3rd, all size bales; 900 ton very good oat hay, ton also sales. Ed Bench 862-3868.
Hay for sale: 2nd & 3rd crop, 250 tons plus of cut hay, \$48 a ton. Call 438-2803.

710 HORSES

3 yr old Bay gelding. Has papers, well mannered, strong & well-muscled OH, \$1500. Call Dean 536-2829.
4H and mountain, aged gelding, Call 324-3150.
6 month colt, possible registration, untouched, \$200 or best offer, 733-1225 eves.
6 yr old Buckskin gelding, registered, good looking, \$1400, 734-2554.
9 yr registered sorrel, 3/4 OH & 1/4 Thoroughbred, started on barrels, 637-4740 5-10.
AQHA Buckskin mare, 20 yrs. Well broke, easy keep, or trade for 6-8 year old finished horse, 423-5000.
Black gelding, 4 year old, greenbrock, 423-5002.
Horses: Bought, sold and traded, Call 733-6055.
Purchased OH filly, 2 1/2 years old, green broke, Sale \$600 or trade for 6-8 year old finished horse, 423-5000.
Reg. Appy mare, gentle, must sell, 536-2204.
Zinectin-Wormer, \$8.50 ea GLOBE SEED & FEED, T.F.

711 HORSE EQUIPMENT

15' Circle V show saddle, silver mounted, like new, \$800. Call 324-4957.
6x16 Koller built stock trailer, \$3350. Farmers Exchange - new & used horse & stock trailers - made in welcome - financing avail. 733-0981.
CHRISTMAS SALE!
10% off our already low prices on all saddles & tack - except shipments.
10% off all Navajo jewelry. Moon Creek Store, Shoshone 886-2004.

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712 IRRIGATION

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New and used steel pipe. Rocky Mountain Industries, Jerome, 324-2142.

713 POULTRY AND RABBITS

Butcher ready geese for Christmas; also ducks. Will butcher, 324-2616.
Farm fresh & smoked CHRISTMAS TURKEYS. Poultry Supply 733-1303.
Registered - "Chinchilla colored" male Angora rabbit wince cape, pedigree capers & brushes. Only \$35. Call Troy, 734-7996.

715 SWINE

Registered Hampshire boar, 2 leader pigs, & weaners pigs for sale, 637-6517.

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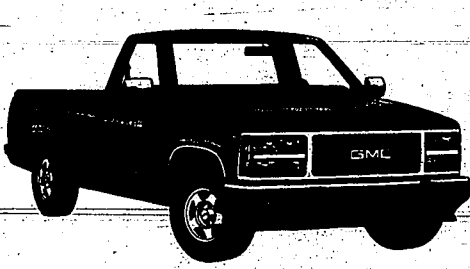
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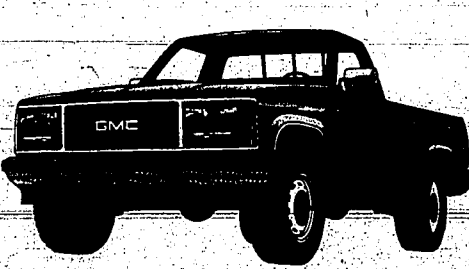
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Miscellaneous

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802 APPLIANCES

Refrigerator, 17-cu. ft., \$300. Hotpoint microwave, \$75, both very good working condition. Call 734-3300 after 5pm.

Have moved! Admiral stove, avocado, good cond. Sm. Sharp carousal microwave, like new! Electronic vacuum, 5 yrs old. GE built-in dishwasher, for parts. Call 734-6222 after 5pm.

Hotpoint stove, good condition. \$155. 734-3630.

Kitty G3, TECH DRIVE, complete system, like new! List price is \$125, will sacrifice for \$85 or trade. Call 734-5477.

Like new! Whirlpool 22.2 cu. ft. side by side refrig. with ice & water through door. \$650. 734-2624.

Maytag washer & dryer, \$275 for pair. 423-4181.

Singer shoe patching machine, sewing machine, saws, leather & canvas, \$400. 325-5492 after 6pm.

803 BAZAARS AND CRAFTS

15' oval, hand crocheted, reversible, fall colored rug. \$450. Call 734-6661.

CREATIVE METAL: Custom railings, fireplace tool sets, anything of iron, we can make it. 17 years experience. Call 734-4329.

Holiday Bazaar, Dec 13-15 at the Blue Lagoon Mall in old Idaho building. Call 733-6637 or 733-6961.

804 BUILDING MATERIALS

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Hours: 8:30-5:00 pm, Mon-Fri
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34" x 78.50 each)

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\$8 per set \$7 for two
\$1 each. Call 326-9029.

Used steel fence posts.
\$1 each. Call 326-9029.

806 CHILDREN'S ITEMS

1990 children's battery operated Jeep Safari riding toy. Good condition, with recharger. \$100. 736-0739 after 4:30pm.

2 handmade baby quilts. \$25. Call 324-4757.

Simmons oak crib. Water bed crib. Crib from \$50-\$325. A complete line of baby furniture. Baby Exchange 423-6272.

807 CLOTHING

Men's 104 EE Tony Lama lizard skin boots. \$150. Leather coat-jacket. \$75. 325-5492 after 6pm.

Man's medium western suit w/overcoat. Like new! \$150. Call 332-4309.

808 COMMUNICATION DEVICES

Lynx CB base station. Never used! \$100. Call 733-0723.

809 COMPUTERS

Commodor 64, Printer, disk drive, screen & modem. \$250. 733-5083.

Epson IBM compatible with printer, 30 MEG hard drive, 640K memory. \$750 offer. 734-5011 over weekends.

EZ Barcode pen, less than 1 year old, barely used, some warranty left. \$250. Call 336-2067 or 834-5880.

810 FIREWOOD

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Insured. Call 336-5185.

Firewood, tree topping & chainsaw work. 734-4776.

NEED FIREWOOD? A variety of sizes to be cut down for firewood. 825-5043.

811 FURNITURE AND CARPETS

3 year old couch, light tan & oak, exc condition, \$350. offer. Call 734-4822.

42" round oak pedestal table, solid top. \$250. 543-8348.

4 wood bar stools & 2 oak filling cabinet, \$30 each. Call 733-5639.

6 ft Maple dining set with 6 chairs. \$200. Call 324-4168.

86" living room couch, fair condition. \$100. 733-4340.

Antique English wash stand, walnut & white marble. \$200. 325-5492 after 6pm.

Black & white console TV, cable ready. \$50/offer. Quaker size handbuilt water bed headboard with 2 lamps, bookcase & center mirror. \$250. 733-5656.

Chrome & gold coffee table and end table (with smoked glass top). \$250. 733-5656.

Complete 1981 single bed, complete. \$50; a dresser dresser. \$30; lion's head & chair. \$120; recliner. \$155; full-size hide-a-bed. \$100. THE BEACH HOUSE 221 Main Ave. W. 733-5656.

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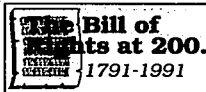


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Youth Alive President James Jones leads the Christian group in prayer at Twin Falls High School. Members are, from left, Trisha Hoppeck, Michael Kudart, Ellen Hoppeck and Sheila Slaughter. The group's right to pray in school is guaranteed by the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. Additional First Amendment stories and photos are on Pages 4-5.

The 10 Amendments

Their preservation is up to citizens

On Dec. 15, 1791, the 10 amendments known as the Bill of Rights became part of our Constitution. They resulted from protests that the freshly ratified Constitution did not adequately protect the individual liberties Americans had won in the Revolutionary War.

For many years, the Bill of Rights remained a impressive-sounding but seldom-enforced

charter. Not until the 14th Amendment was ratified in 1868 did they, in theory, become applicable to the states as well as the federal government, and not until the 1920s and 1930s did the U.S. Supreme Court begin vigorously enforcing them.

Since then, the promises and protections of the Bill of Rights have framed many of our nation's most heated de-

bates, from the rights of criminals to the limits of free expression to the legality of abortion.

In this special publication, we will try to bring these rights out of the courthouses and law libraries, and into your homes, schools and churches. For in the end, it's not up to lawyers or judges to keep the Bill of Rights alive.

It's up to us.

The Bill of Rights

Each amendment guarantees certain rights

FIRST AMENDMENT

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

SECOND AMENDMENT

A well-regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed.

THIRD AMENDMENT

No soldier shall, in time of peace be quartered in any house, without the consent of the owner, nor in time of war, but in a manner to be prescribed by law.

FOURTH AMENDMENT

The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

FIFTH AMENDMENT

No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the militia, when in actual service in time of war or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due

process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation.

SIXTH AMENDMENT

In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the State and district wherein the crime shall have been committed, which district shall have been previously ascertained by law, and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to have the assistance of counsel for his defense.

SEVENTH AMENDMENT

In suits at common law, where the value in controversy shall exceed twenty dollars, the right of trial by jury shall be preserved, and no fact tried by a jury shall be otherwise re-examined in any court of the United States; than according to the rules of the common law.

EIGHTH AMENDMENT

Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.

NINTH AMENDMENT

The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

TENTH AMENDMENT

The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.

The Bill of Rights at 200.
1791-1991

What the Bill of Rights should mean to Americans

Freedom. Liberty. Throughout recorded history, man has struggled against kings, dictators, tzars, potentates, rulers and all other forms of government asserting its right to be free. Historically, if one spoke out against the government or if his beliefs caused the "king" concern, the offender was dealt with. A new home was often found in such scenic places as Siberia, or sudden health problems caused an untimely demise.

As the framers were attempting to form a new government, they were painfully aware of the power of kings. Their religion was the king's religion or one allowed to exist by the king's grace. If they were suspected of being an enemy to the king, their home might be ransacked by the king's men looking for proof. Punishment could be cruel and unusual and done solely at the discretion of the king or his servants. No man stood upon a soap box and spoke against the king with impunity.

The framers sought to establish a system of checks and balances limiting the government's aggression and securing rights held by the individual. Our forefathers were aware of the king's ability to gain complete control and direction of a nation, restrict freedoms and lead a nation into war—often for no other reason than to satisfy the king's desire for power, lust, greed or avarice. The founding fathers' concerns have been demonstrated in modern times by Hitler's unprovoked attack upon his neighbors in Europe and his personal desire to eradicate the Jews. Within the year, we have seen Saddam Hussein use his nation's people as pawns to satisfy his personal ambitions. Through the Constitution, the framers sought to check the king's ability to assert complete control and dominion of the citizenry. The Bill of Rights was designed to protect the people from the loss of freedom by edict or fiat.

The Bill of Rights assured the citizenry that they would be able to bear arms, be free from unreasonable search and seizure, be guaranteed the right to

counsel, be afforded due process, etc. These rights are still precious today.

However, how do these freedoms or rights apply in today's world?

Does the right to bear arms include the right to keep semi-automatic weapons and assault rifles? Are we free from unreasonable search and seizure only when the government doesn't find any drugs or the murder weapon? If the murder weapon is found or if drugs are

is really free unless we allow others to be free. Freedom of religion does not mean that I may worship as I please but deny my neighbor the same right. Freedom to speak does not mean that I may speak my mind and shout from the soap box but deny the same privilege to everyone else. Freedom of the press is not limited to the expression of an opinion that agrees with mine. We are truly free to exercise our rights guaranteed by the

First Amendment, as well as others secured by the Bill of Rights, only if we grant to others what we desire for ourselves.

There is no doubt that our founding fathers were great men. However, let there also be no doubt that we are still in "need of founding fathers today. As we continue to wrestle with the principles espoused by our forefathers as applied in today's world, there is great need for men and women of courage, honor and integrity to come forth and provide the leadership and direction which will take our nation to higher plateaus

and uphold the freedoms secured 200 years ago. Let us hope that there are many who are willing to put service to their country above self. Let us hope the application of the Bill of Rights to today's issues and challenges can be done without thought of increasing one's power, wealth, re-election potential or to satisfy personal desires. As De Tocqueville and Pogo observed, our enemies are not likely to be other nations of the world, but ourselves. What happens over the next 200 years depends upon us. May there still be founding fathers and mothers among us who are willing to meet the challenges of the day with the same courage, foresight, integrity, understanding and wisdom that our forebearers had.

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— James C. Meservy



located, is the governmental intrusion deemed reasonable? Does the end justify the means?

The courts are routinely asked to determine how the Bill of Rights applies in today's world. We say we support the Constitution, but do we really believe that the murderer or drug dealer is entitled to a lawyer? Due process is guaranteed, yet many say we should be like other countries and impose a swift execution without trial. If you believe in due process, how much process is due? While the framers sought to prevent the government from establishing religion, is religion established when a prayer is given at a school activity or when the precepts found in Genesis are taught as an alternative to Darwin's Theory of Evolution? Turmoil presently exists and debate rages over whether the unborn are deemed to be persons to which these guaranteed, even sacred, rights apply.

Today, the terms "freedom" and "liberty" may often be used without a full understanding of their meaning. No one

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Prayer in school = free expression?

By Kirk Mitchell
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — At Twin Falls High School, a dozen students bow their heads.

They pray in the public's classroom, sitting at the public's desks. It's an action unthinkable a generation ago.

And even though the Idaho Constitution prohibits such activities, they're not violating the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. At least that's what a federal judge in Boise ruled Sept. 10, allowing the "extracurricular" Christian club to meet on school grounds after school hours.

"I think it is the beginning of what I hope is a return to the intent of the First Amendment," said George Detweiler of Twin Falls, co-chairman of the Idaho chapter of the Rutheford Institute.

The First Amendment, which along with the other first nine amendments to the federal Constitution make up the document known as the Bill of Rights, is a 45-word distillation of what it means to be an American. In essence, it tells the government to take a hike — prohibiting it from interfering with free speech, free press and freedom of assembly, but it's worth noting what freedom comes first.

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

That is, at once, freedom of religion and freedom from religion. Since 1962, the U.S. Supreme Court has interpreted that to mean nobody prays in the public schools.

Sheila Slaughter, Patricia Hoppock and Ellen Hoppock, three Twin Falls high sophomores, have a different view.

They took the Twin Falls School District to court last winter, with the support of the Rutheford Institute — a Virginia-based organization that promotes religious rights — after the School Board rejected their Christian youth group's request to meet, pray and read the Bible in a classroom after school.

"We don't shed our rights at the school's doorstep," said Ellen Hoppock, a member of Youth Alive, a group made up of teenagers from several Twin Falls evangelical Christian congregations.

The First Amendment

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

Her words echoed those of former Supreme Court Justice Abe Fortas, who in 1965 ruled that a Des Moines, Iowa, girl could wear a black armband to school to protest the Vietnam War — another example of the First Amendment in action.

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For many years, prayer — sometimes voluntary, often mandatory — was as common in American schools as the Pledge of Allegiance. But 29 years ago, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in a landmark case known as *Engel vs. Vitale* that such prayers were an unconstitutional attempt to establish religion in the schools.

Ever since, religious groups, school districts and courts have wrangled over how much — if any — religious expression is permissible in public schools.

Youth Alive never argued it should be allowed to pray in class, although many Christians think so. Instead, it wanted to use school facilities during lunch hours and after school three days a week for prayer, scripture-reading and spiritual fellowship.

The Twin Falls School Board said no.

The board didn't object the club meeting at school, Superintendent Terrell Donicht said, but what Youth Alive requested flew squarely in the face of the Idaho Constitution's specific ban on the teaching of religious doctrines in public schools.

U.S. District Judge Marion Callister of Boise agreed. But he said the First Amendment, and a 1984

law enacted by Congress, took precedence over Idaho law.

The federal Equal Access Act gave religious groups the same rights of access to public schools as other extracurricular groups. Preventing the students from meeting in the school violated their First Amendment rights to free exercise of religion, Callister ruled.

Donicht said the school district will not appeal the ruling, and Detweiler hopes the decision is a sign of a sea change on in the federal judiciary.

With a solidly conservative majority, he hopes the Supreme Court will back off from enforcing a strict separation between religion and government — a separation, he says, that runs counter to the designs of the Founding Fathers.

Detweiler thinks the Supreme Court, in restricting prayer, or Bible study in schools, overplayed the First Amendment's establishment clause ("Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion...") and underplayed the free exercise clause ("...or prohibiting the free exercise thereof.")

A thorough study of the writings of the Founding Fathers shows they intended to protect religion from the state rather than the other way around, said Youth Alive member Suzanne Parker, 15.

It's likely that scores of religious groups around the country will soon follow Youth Alive's lead by challenging local restrictions on religious activity in public schools, Detweiler said.

But for Youth Alive, their day in court was a much more personal victory.

"I knew what God wanted would happen," Ellen Hoppock said. "I was not surprised."

"I see too much in this school, people compromising the word of God," Youth Alive President James Jones told members of the group last Wednesday.

School, said 15-year-old Samantha Gee, is where Christian values are most likely to come under fire.

It's easy to maintain those values at church, Gee said, but strong negative peer pressure makes the school — classrooms and hallways — truer tests of a person's ideals.

"It's more important to meet here," she said.



Adult bookstore owners and anti-pornography efforts brought First Amendment controversy to Twin Falls.

Amendment arouses passion

By Drew DeSilver
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The First Amendment touches on some of the most deeply held convictions a person can have: what we read, what we say and, most fundamentally, what we believe.

It's no surprise, then, that cases involving First Amendment rights arouse fierce passions wherever they arise.

Idaho and the Magic Valley are no exceptions.

From before statehood to the present day, incidents involving freedom of expression and church-state relations have rocked the state and the region.

A few examples:
• In 1834, the territorial Legislature passed a law that effectively denied Mormons the right to vote. A similar provision was included in the state constitution adopted six years later. The laws prohibited from voting anyone who either practiced polygamy or belonged to

an organization that encouraged polygamy, as the LDS Church did at the time.

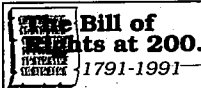
Mormons challenged the law as a violation of their First Amendment religious rights, but it was upheld by the Idaho Supreme Court. The court, says University of Idaho constitutional scholar Dennis Colson, ruled that the First Amendment protected conscience, not action.

After the Idaho Constitution was adopted, the LDS Church officially renounced polygamy, and the law that disenfranchised Mormons was repealed in 1893. The constitutional provision, however, was not repealed until 1982.

• Is creationism a scientific theory that should be taught alongside evolution in public-school science classes? Or is it a religious doctrine that public money should not support?

That question wracked Twin Falls three years ago, as the School Board tried to craft a policy on

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Freedom of press exists for readers, listeners, too

There is no more important nor necessary provision of the Bill of Rights than that portion of the First Amendment which provides for a free press and for free speech.

Often, however, this point is not appreciated sufficiently because the public views freedom of the press as a "press" issue and freedom of speech as something for politicians, lawyers and radicals. As none of these four groups ever makes it to the top of the public's hit parade, by their tie to these groups these rights suffer such company.

It is appropriate during this bicentennial celebration of the Bill of Rights to restore to their proper places the freedoms of the press and of speech, to understand their importance, and to renew our vigilance to protect and preserve them.

Press freedom is not a right for or of the "press" or journalist. It is a right of and for the reader, the citizen, the electorate. Likewise, freed speech is not a right of or for politicians, lawyers, radicals or gaffles but rather the right of an informed citizenry and electorate.

For any government regardless of form to function, it is axiomatic that the decision makers be informed and not ignorant. This is true whether the decision makers be king, die-



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tor, aristocrat or "we the people."

As Thomas Jefferson said, "If a nation expects to be ignorant and free in a state of civilization, it expects what never was and never will be." It is for this reason that publicly supported education is so important and an important part of our history. Universal education is essential to the implementation of the First Amendment and an absolute necessity for a successful democracy.

Further, as press freedom is not for journalists, universal education is not directly for the benefit of educators nor students but for the citizenry as a whole. To be sure, educators, students and society derive other benefits from education, but its primary function is to make democratic government work by freeing its decision makers of ignorance.

In preparing this essay, I reread a series of essays written 50 years ago in celebration of the sesquicentennial of the Bill of Rights. There was a common theme in those essays

concerning the threat that the evil foreign dictators of the day (Hitler, Tojo, Stalin, Franco and Mussolini) posed to the freedoms associated with democratic government (press, speech, assembly, petition and association).

Although these essays were written shortly before Pearl Harbor, the writers understood the general threat which those dictators were to all free people and that they posed a direct threat to our freedoms and our Bill of Rights.

How ironic it is then, that now 50 years later as we witness the collapse of the last of the powerful 20th century dictatorships, the biggest threats to freedom of the press and of speech come from within our press establishment and from American academicians.

According to those who ought to be leading and encouraging the dialogue of free political discourse, it is now "wrong" to speak except when saying the "politically correct thing." Rather than arguing the merits of another position, they attack the other's right to say or write those thoughts or words which they believe are incorrect or offensive.

As the "Bill of Rights Sesquicentennial Committee" put together a wide spectrum of American thinkers to warn the country of the foreign devils 50 years ago, it is time for Americans to unite against the domestic self-

appointed guardians of "politically correct" thought."

It is all the more pernicious that those on campus, in government and in the media who promote "politically correct" thought claim to be liberals. Perhaps they should review (probably de novo for most) the writings of Paine, Jefferson, Madison or the 19th century intellectual leader of liberal thought, John Stuart Mill, who wrote, "If all mankind minus one were of one opinion and only one person were of the contrary opinion, mankind would be no more justified in silencing that one person than he, if he had the power, would be justified in silencing mankind."

In the end, the biggest dangers to any democratic society come from within. Those who demand only "politically" correct speech and thought today are the same ones who fed Socrates' hemlock in Athens. They simply don't get it. The rights to speak and write freely only have efficacy when such thought is contrary to the thought that those in power (on campus, in government and in the media establishment) believe to be "politically correct."

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Idaho's rights differ from federal guidelines

By Drew DeSilver
Times-News writer

Idaho's Constitution, like that of every state, contains its own counterpart to the federal Bill of Rights. But according to University of Idaho law professor Dennis Colson, there are several significant differences between the two.

Colson, an expert on the U.S. and Idaho constitutions, recently wrote "Idaho's Constitution: The Tie That Binds," a history of the 1889 constitutional convention.

He talked recently about Idaho's constitution and America's Bill of Rights.

Q. What are the main differences between the Bill of Rights and Idaho's Declaration of Rights (Article I of the state constitution)?

A. There are three. Section 4, the guarantee of religious liberty, specifically states that liberty doesn't extend to committing or advocating bigamy or polygamy, and it says no person can be required to pay tithes against his consent.

"Those provisions were aimed directly at the Mormon population, which amounted to about a quarter of the territory's population at the time. The convention wanted to make sure

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Mormons couldn't argue that polygamy was an exercise of their religious freedom.

"Section 7, dealing with the right to trial by jury, provided for juries of fewer than 12 members, and for less-than-unanimous verdicts. That was unique at the time. The section was carried by William Clagett, a mining lawyer who was president of the convention. He was concerned that, especially in the mining country, juries could be bought off by one side or another and convictions would be almost impossible to obtain.

"That provision sort of sat there until the 1960s, when law and order concerns moved many states toward juries of less than twelve and majority verdicts. It's a hundred-year-old idea that some places are just now discovering.

"The third major difference is Section 14, regarding the state's right of eminent domain. The common law at the time was that you could only take private property for a public use, not a private one. But the convention was openly and unabashedly pro-development, and they saw this rule as a restriction on development, especially when it came to water. So they simply declared irrigation works, reservoirs, and other water-related projects public uses."

Q. What advantage is there in a state having its own "bill of rights"?

A. There's a doctrine called "independent state grounds," which says that if a state constitution grants more rights, or broader protection for those rights, than the federal constitution, the state rights cannot be challenged in federal court.

"This is going to be a big thing in the next 10 or 15 years, given that the current federal courts, from the Supreme Court down, are not usually warm to claims of individual rights. Civil libertarians will increasingly go to state courts to assert rights claims."

Q. Have there been any cases in which the Idaho Supreme Court has ruled that our consti-

tution is more protective or stricter than the Bill of Rights?

A. "A few. In *Epeldi vs. Englekling* (1971), the court ruled that a state law requiring public school buses to take parochial students to school violated the Idaho Constitution. Federal case law had held that that sort of law didn't violate the First Amendment's establishment clause, but the Idaho court ruled that it did violate Article IX, section 5, which bans any public funds from being spent in any way to support religious schools.

"In *State vs. Henderson* (1988), the court ruled that drunken-driving roadblocks set up by police were an illegal search and seizure, because the police didn't have a sufficient suspicion of criminal wrongdoing" to stop someone. They based their decision on Section 17 of Article I, which is almost identical to the Fourth Amendment.

"In *State vs. Thompson* (1988), the court used similar reasoning to declare that installing a pen register (a device that records the numbers dialed from a person's telephone) was an illegal search under Section 17, even though the U.S. Supreme Court had ruled it was legal under the Fourth Amendment."

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teaching creationism.

The First Amendment bars government from supporting religion, but creationists claimed their theory was at least as valid scientifically as the Darwinian theory of natural selection, and thus could and should be taught in public schools. Some also raised a First Amendment issue, saying that barring the teaching of creationism would violate their right to

free exercise of religion. In the end, the School Board voted to allow either theories about the origin of life besides evolution to be taught, but only on the basis of scientific fact and not as a religious tenet.

In the past three or four years, three adult bookstores in Twin Falls have been closed down, in one way or another, by anti-pornography statutes. The cases have involved what forms of expression the First Amend-

ment protects. The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that obscenity is not protected speech. But it has been unable to devise a clear, consistent definition of what obscenity is. Instead, the justices left it up to localities to determine whether material is obscene, based in part on their own "community standards."

In early 1988, the Front Page Book Store, under legal siege from a group called Determined Citizens

Against Pornography, vacated its Blue Lakes Boulevard North location. Later that year, another adult bookstore, Visions West Book Club, opened on Shoshone Street South.

The city sought to close down the store because it violated an ordinance passed in the wake of the Front Page controversy — that limited adult-oriented businesses to certain areas of the city.

Fifth District Judge Daniel Hur-

butt struck down the ordinance, however, because its intent was to restrict constitutionally protected speech, not to regulate businesses. But Visions West closed its doors in September 1989, partly due to continuing legal pressure from the city and partly because of a string of burglaries.

Yet another store, The Index, opened on Blue Lakes shortly after Visions West closed, but it lasted only about six weeks.

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'Unclear' words open to debate

According to court decisions, the First Amendment means no teacher-organized prayer; no approved church; no prohibition of religious practice; no religious tests for employment.

Beyond that, things become very unclear. Some cases prohibit the use of religious holiday decorations by city or county governments. Others allow it, especially with Santa mixed in. Some prohibit Bible clubs in public schools; others approve. The same uncertainty exists for invocations at school events or holding baccalaureate exercises.

If you don't find that confusing enough, the same teachers who must not present materials to students appearing to declare approval of religious beliefs have the students repeat daily that the United States is "one nation under God." Our money carries the motto, "In God We Trust." Congress begins its sessions with prayers.



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prayer from a chaplain, paid by your tax dollars. The Illinois Legislature built a prayer room for legislators. Most public hospitals have chapels. All these have been found acceptable. And the confusion created is understandable.

There can never be a complete separation between God and the government unless there is a complete separation between God and the people governed. Read the stirring words of our founders and you will find repeated references to "God" and "the creator."

I suspect these men and women would find our society's efforts to rid all public ceremonies of references to God a bit curious. After all, the existence of God is not affected by the failure of some to believe in it.

Since some believe no man ever really went to the moon, should we obliterate any public reference to it for fear we might offend them? Most among us believe there is a God, and it is ridiculous to suggest that those who speak in the name of our government must pretend He does not exist.

Admittedly, walking the fine line between coercion and free expression of faith is not easy, but that is no excuse for going to extremes; to avoid drawing the line. That has been the general trend in recent years, and not one to be applauded.

It is critical to the free exercise of religion that the state be prohibited from interfering. It is equally critical that we stop promoting the religions of atheism and agnosticism.

A call to divine intervention by a government official need not be justified as a matter of "civil religion," as has been done by courts. It is a recognition of a fact as commonly accepted as the roundness of the earth. Those who believe otherwise are not harmed by what they would consider foolishness, so long as they are not compelled or even encouraged by that government to change their minds.

Our greatest leaders had no difficulty referring to the authority of God while concluding that no government should be allowed to coerce the underlying belief. The legal system and our society as a whole must rethink the application of the First Amendment.

We have become lost by our failure to admit the obvious: If we must choose among applications that give some public approval to the conclusion that God exists and ones which suggest he does not or that we really don't know, we would do well to choose that which agrees with commonly accepted truth.

Our national survival may depend on it.

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Hunt family lives by Second Amendment

By Phil Sahn
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A well-regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the Hunt family could form a small army.

With mom and dad, Joyce and Richard Hunt, five sons, two daughters and their husbands and wives, most of whom own guns hunt, this family lives the Second Amendment to the U.S. Constitution — the right to keep arms.

A grandson just started hunting, bringing yet another generation of Hunts who'll treasure the constitutional right to bear arms. Losing it would completely change their lives; Joyce said.

"It would be sad. ... My husband wouldn't be fit to live with if he couldn't hunt," she said.

Guns-rights is a deeply-held ethic in the Magic Valley.

Various Idaho Department of Fish and Game hunter surveys have shown that half or more of south-central Idaho households have, at least, one hunter in the family, while the number of target shooters and weekend tin-can plinkers runs to the thousands.

And no one has attempted to estimate the number of Magic Valley residents who keep guns strictly for protection.

But the Hunts' dependence on the Second Amendment runs deeper than most.

Joyce and Richard, along with their son David, earn their living selling and repairing guns at Hunt's Hunting Supplies and Gun Repair in Twin Falls. Last year they sold at least 350 guns and repaired around 3,000, Joyce said.

And you won't find the Hunts down at the local burger barn wondering where's the beef. Year round, they live on venison and elk meat taken during hunting season. Richard and Joyce said. Few family members eat beef at all, they said.

Right now the Hunts have close to 500 pounds of deer and elk in



Joyce and Richard Hunt have made a living selling and repairing guns at their local shop.

the family freezer. Richard and a son hope to add a couple of more deer to the larder in December during the black-powder hunt.

This no-beef tradition comes from Joyce and Richard's upbringing.

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Buying in Idaho relatively easy to do

By Phil Sahn
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Are you a fugitive from justice? A drug addict? Crazy? An illegal alien?

Have you renounced your U.S. citizenship or been kicked out of the military?

If you answer yes to one or all of the above, forget about buying a gun in Idaho.

To buy a gun here, you must fill out a federal sales record and answer (truthfully, of course) such pointed questions as these:

The sales record also seeks the basics: name, age, sex, race, address and proof of identification.

That's pretty much it as far as requirements for buying a gun in Idaho. Go to a store, choose your weapon, fill out the sales record (which also

notes the weapon and serial number), pay for the gun, leave.

Dealers keep gun sales records on file for 20 years, in case a weapon they sell turns up in a criminal investigation. Local and state agencies keep no record of gun sales, but the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms gets a copy.

Buying a gun in Idaho doesn't take

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much effort. Unlike driving a car, for example, you don't have to be licensed to own or use a gun in Idaho. And unlike car dealers, gun dealers don't have to make sure you know how to use a gun before selling you one.

There are, however, minimum ages to own guns — 18 for a rifle and 21 for a handgun. And gun dealers say they try to use good judgment in selling guns.

If someone who wants to buy a gun looks suspicious, dealers can call local law enforcement agencies to check if the person has a police record.

Darrell Eastman, a salesman at Red's Trading Post in Twin Falls, recalled two men who wanted to buy a gun just as the store opened at 9 o'clock one morning.

"They were bleeding and drunk. You could tell they'd just been in a fight," Eastman said.

No sale.

It's no surprise that Idaho makes it easy to exercise the constitutional right to buy a gun. With a strong contingent of hunters, target shooters and livestock producers, the state stands solidly in favor of gun rights.

One out of four Idahoans aged 16 and up hunts, said state Fish and Game Department spokesman Bill Goodnight. Only Wyoming—and Montana—have higher percentages, he said.

"Idahoans have gained the reputation of (keeping) a gun rack in the back of the pickup, because of their readiness to utilize wildlife," Goodnight said.

Simply put, many Idahoans hunt game to add to their larder for the winter. Livestock ranchers, too, use guns to control predators.

The ease of buying a gun notwithstanding, Idahoans handle their guns responsibly, said Twin Falls County Sheriff Jim Munn. Twin Falls seldom sees a murder or accidental shooting death.

"We do get assault with a deadly weapon," he said, though not often.

Idaho's rural lifestyle acquaints people with guns at an early age. Parents teach their kids how to use guns, and hunters now must take a safety course from Fish and Game.

A proposal to change Idaho law, making people wait for a five-day background check before buying a gun, won't work, Munn said.

"Local agencies will have to do it and it can't be done in five days," he said. "It takes 60 days to get back a fingerprint check from the FBI."

Despite Idahoans' attachment to their guns, and their mistrust of big government, Munn said he does not see any swaggering law-of-the-land mentality here. People like Claude Dallas notwithstanding.

"People are just concerned about their rights as individuals. They want to maintain and exercise their rights," he said. "It's no different here than in New Jersey as far as people wanting to maintain their rights."

United States vs. Miller

Case of sawed-off shotgun raised eyebrows

Jack Miller was not in court when his case was called for hearing on March 30, 1939, by Chief Justice Stone of the U.S. Supreme Court. Neither was his lawyer.

So the United States attorney argued the government's case against Jack without the burden of opposing argument.

Jack lost the case.

But he was not alone: Countless millions of Americans lost the support of the nation's highest court that day on their claim to the individual's right to keep and bear arms free of governmental interference.

The court held that the Second Amendment's guarantees did not extend to individual persons, but rather extended only to the states as entities in their constitutional role of training "the militia."

The reported case does not tell us why neither Jack nor his lawyer was in court the day his case was called. But we're told that the case arose when Jack and his friend Frank Layton were stopped in Arkansas on their way from Oklahoma and charged with transporting a sawed-off shotgun in interstate commerce.

The trial court judge had thrown the government's case out on the grounds that applicable provisions of the 1934 National Firearms Act violated Jack's Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms.

When the Supreme Court announced its decision against Jack from Washington, D.C., on May 15,



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1939, in the case of United States vs. Miller, bones were heard to have turned in cemeteries throughout the adjoining state of Virginia beneath the headstones of James Madison, Thomas Jefferson and Patrick Henry. Had Jack Miller been able to sum-

the federal government's standing army because of "the advantage of being armed, which you possess over the people of almost every other nation."

Madison would have closed with the argument that in the only article available during congressional debate, the purpose of the Second Amendment was said to assure the people "their private arms."

Jefferson would have demonstrated that the first nine amendments in the Bill of Rights speak expressly to individual liberties, not states' rights. He would also have noted the pre-Revolutionary War gun confiscation had sparked skirmishing between colonists and Redcoats.

In his turn at the lectern, Patrick Henry would have recounted the stern warnings he had given fellow patriots. "The great principle is that every man be armed. Everyone who is able may have a gun."

One can only hope that Jack Miller did not despair long. For as Madison reasoned—adverse court decisions come and go, but a fervent national sentiment is the surest bulwark of individual liberty.

Today, no less than in 1791, our citizens know that the only certain protection against the common intruder, the foreign invader and the government tyrant is armed self-defense.

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mon the spirits of these men to court that day, he would likely have beaten the rap and been again in possession of his sawed-off shotgun.

Madison, the author of the Second Amendment, would have argued that the right to keep and bear arms is a logical and necessary extension of one's fundamental right of self-defense.

He would have reminded the court that he had written in Federalist Paper No. 46 that the people need not fear

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ings. Richard grew up eating venison and elk meat on his family's Buhl ranch; he seldom tasted beef, he said. Joyce grew up in Arizona and her family ate no meat at all, she said.

Family members assemble their own guns and load their own ammunition for hunting. Hides from the animals they shoot go to the Boy Scouts or to a local tanner, who makes clothing from them.

Hunting is a family tradition that goes way back, David said.

"Of course, with a name like Hunt, what would you expect?" he said.

While the Second Amendment lets the Hunts enjoy their sport, put meat on the table and earn a living; they find yet one more, deeper, meaning in the words "... the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed."

A poster in their shop gives a hint of their feelings: "Adolph Hitler registered guns in 1935... and the world lived happily ever after."

Richard minces no words about it. He's definitely a "You'll take my gun when you pry it from my cold, dead fingers"-type of guy.

"If I had to, I'd die fighting for it," he

said. "The Second Amendment was made for the protection of United States citizens."

"I gave up three years of my life (in the military) defending that right and I'm not about to give it up."

The Second Amendment protects the people not only from foreign invaders but also from the U.S. government itself, he said.

"Guns do protect people from the government.... The communists want to get our guns away, so they can take us over," he said.

"If they defeat our military then we've got to defeat me."

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Search and seizure

Public defender sees rights 'erode'

By Drew DeSilver
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Mike Wood is a frustrated man.

Much of his job as Twin Falls County's public defender consists of asserting the constitutional rights of his clients, accused criminals who cannot afford a lawyer of their own.

But he sees those rights — especially the Fourth Amendment protection against "unreasonable" searches and seizures — being eroded by judges and politicians eager to demonstrate that they're "tough on crime" and citizens who let them.

"They've sold the American people the Big Lie," Wood said from his sparsely furnished third-floor office in the county building. "They've convinced them that they can protect themselves against crime by forfeiting their Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Amendment rights."

The Fourth Amendment requires warrants for most searches by law enforcement officers. Courts have ruled that "searches" includes wiretaps, blood and urine samples, and other procedures besides house searches.

In addition, warrants can be issued only upon "probable cause" and must specify the person, place or thing to be searched. That means, in essence, that the police cannot come in your house just because they feel like it and rummage around.

But what happens if the police uncover evidence during an illegal search? In 1961, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that illegally obtained evidence was not admissible in state or federal courts. The idea was that law enforcement shouldn't benefit from violating someone's constitutional rights.

That ruling, in case of *Mapp vs. Ohio*, was controversial then and remains so today. In 1984, responding in part to concerns that the "exclusionary rule," as it is called, was unduly hampering law enforcement, the Supreme Court carved out a "good-faith" exception to it.

Essentially, the good-faith exception says that evidence seized under a search warrant that is later found to be defective can still be used at trial, so long as the police conducting the search honestly believed the warrant was valid.

That exception infuriates Wood. The public has been led to believe that the exclusionary rule has hamstringing police in their battle against crime, he said.

In fact, Wood says, studies have shown that search-and-seizure issues are raised in only one-tenth of all criminal cases.

The problem with the exclusionary rule is that every time I try to implement it, it means the police have found some (damaging) evidence," he says. "It's a real public-relations problem for the Bill of Rights."

"Many good police officers recognize the value of the exclusionary rule, but that's not where their main interest lies," he continued. "They want to seize drugs. When it comes



Mike Wood, public defender for Twin Falls County, handles search-and-seizure cases. He says the Fourth Amendment is one of the 'bedrocks of personal freedom.'

down to it, a cop — even a good cop — will search your car or kick in your door just to get the drugs off the street, and then worry about whether a judge or magistrate will suppress the evidence."

Earlier this month, Wood argued a Twin Falls-area case involving search-and-seizure

before the Idaho Supreme Court.

In that case, police obtained a search warrant based on a confidential tip and found 36 pounds of cocaine inside the defendant's house. When the case came to trial, the judge ruled that the warrant was defective but ap-

The Fourth Amendment

The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

Sheriff: Citizens entitled to respect

By Drew DeSilver
Times-News writer

JEROME — In 1962, Larry Gold was just starting his law-enforcement career as a New York City policeman when he was assigned to go across the Hudson River one day to Newark, N.J., to recover some stolen property.

When he arrived, at the police station, a Newark cop told him that the property was still at the suspect's house.

"Let's go over and get it," he said.

Gold, mindful of the year-old U.S. Supreme Court decision in a case called *Mapp vs. Ohio* that involved police searches and seizures, asked him "Shouldn't we get a search warrant first?"

The Newark cop gave Gold a look and replied: "If I had to wait for a search warrant for everything I did, I wouldn't get anything done."

Gold, now the Jerome County sheriff, said that attitude toward search-and-seizure requirements was pretty standard among police officers 25 or 30 years ago. Cops were not very well educated about citizens' rights, he said.

"At that time, a police officer came in, was handed a gun, a badge and a law book, and told to go to it," he said. "If anything, he thought *Mapp* and *Miranda* were people in his jurisdiction."

But since *Mapp*, the subsequent *Miranda* ruling requiring suspects to be advised of their rights and a slew of other Supreme Court decisions in the 1960s, local law enforcement has become much more careful about not violating people's rights, Gold said.

In the Jerome County sheriff's office, for example, whenever evidence in a case is ordered suppressed because of a faulty search or seizure, the sheriff reviews the

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No state can allow less protection than federal constitution

The Fourth Amendment of the United States Constitution (and its counterpart, Article 1 Section 17 of the Idaho Constitution) provides that the government may not search places where citizens have an expectation of privacy or seize persons without a warrant issued upon a finding of probable cause. Simply stated, any search and seizure by a government official of a person or their property without legal authority means that any evidence taken cannot be used as evidence against a person who has an interest in that property.

This latter principle, commonly known as the exclusionary rule, was created by courts as the only effective method of limiting and deterring unlawful government interference with the rights of citizens. The doctrine, created and expanded in practical application by the so-called "liberal" Warren Court of the 1960s, has come under severe criticism and attack by proponents purporting to believe that a law and order society must tolerate less rigorous protection of all citizens in an effort to curb the ever-increasing rise of criminal activity in this country.

The symbolic scale of justice, once balanced on the side of the criminally charged, has now been tilted in favor of greater search-and-seizure latitude toward the police. Literally, a dozen "exceptions" to warrant requirements have been recognized in the last 20 years by the more conservative United States Supreme Court. Persons not



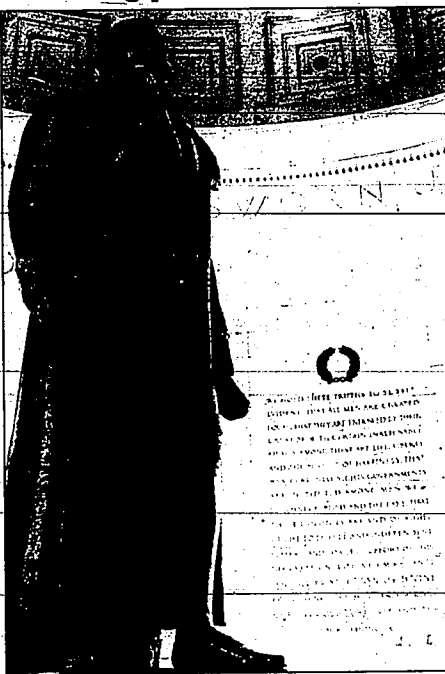
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longer have the same protection against wiretaps, automobile travel, travel at borders and privacy in open places as they once did. The police now have a greater right to rely on the authority of the judges in issuing warrants. A search warrant, though technically incorrectly issued, protects a police officer's search under the "good faith" exception. Thus, inadvertently seized evidence may still be used in court so long as an officer acted in good faith and in reliance on a judge's warrant.

No state can allow less protection for its citizens than the federal constitution mandates. But each state may afford its citizens more protection under a state constitution than the federal constitution requires. As national policies mold the attitude of federal judges toward more conservative opinions, Idaho will have to examine its own constitutional heritage; and the Idaho Supreme Court must announce its own views for the protection of Idaho citizens. Whether Idaho courts will provide its citizens greater or equal rights compared to federal law is a major judicial issue as this country enters the next century.

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Standing proud



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Thomas Jefferson played an integral role in the writing of both the Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights.

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case to find out what went wrong. Gold cited a recent case in which deputies were tipped that illegal-drug activity was occurring at a certain house. Several officers went to the house and asked the owner if they could search it. The man signed a consent form, officers found drugs during the search, and the case was over. At trial, however, the judge ruled the search was faulty and suppressed the evidence of the drugs.

The presence of several officers on the man's doorstep may have intimidated him into agreeing to

the search, the judge ruled, and thus his consent could not be said to be voluntary. "He was right," Gold said. "We did a post-mortem, and I believe my officers won't allow this to happen again."

Because, he said, law enforcement is now more sensitive to suspects' rights, Gold doesn't have a problem with the recently established "good-faith" exception to the exclusionary rule. Under that exception, evidence obtained from a defective warrant doesn't necessarily have to be thrown out.

"I think when the justices first put in the exclusionary rule, they

saw much greater abuses on the part of law enforcement than is the case today," he said. "Judges are still excluding evidence, but they're not throwing out the baby with the bathwater."

However, Gold would not like to see the exclusionary rule weakened any further.

"Tough judges and sharp defense attorneys make better law enforcement officers," he said. "It's a learning experience. Law enforcement leadership, I think, realizes the distance we've traveled in the last 25 years or so, and most would prefer not to see the abuses return."

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plied the good-faith exception and allowed the cocaine to be introduced as evidence.

Wood appealed the case to the state Supreme Court, based on both the Fourth Amendment and its equivalent in the Idaho Constitution.

He argued that the good-faith exception should not be incorporated into Idaho law (eight or nine other states have rejected it, he said), and that even if it is, the warrant would still be defective because of its reliance on an unnamed source.

No matter how the court rules, Wood said he fears for the future of the Fourth Amendment.

"The Fourth is really one of the bedrocks of personal freedom," he said. "The idea that a man's home is his castle was one of the first rights English serfs fought for. Now, I think, we're losing that."

"If a man is insecure in his home — if the police can come in whenever they want — he's not going to feel secure about asserting his exercise of religion right, his free-speech-right, or anything else."

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Rights and wrongs

5th Amendment informs accused of their options

By Drew DeSilver
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — When Jim Milden entered the College of Southern Idaho in 1966 to begin his law-enforcement training, he was given something no American police officer had ever had before.

It was a wallet-sized card. Printed on the card were the rights of suspects in police custody, including the right to remain silent and the right to an attorney.

In his wallet or in his head, Milden has been carrying around those rights ever since.

"It's just another part of the job," said Milden, now a sergeant in the Twin Falls police department. "It's like putting on my gun and my badge."

The same year Milden entered CSI, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in the case of *Miranda vs. Arizona* that the Fifth Amendment guarantee of due process required police to inform detained suspects of their rights before questioning them.

That ruling has, in many ways, revolutionized the way police enforce the law in the United States. And Magie Valley law-enforcement officials say that overall, the changes have been for the good.

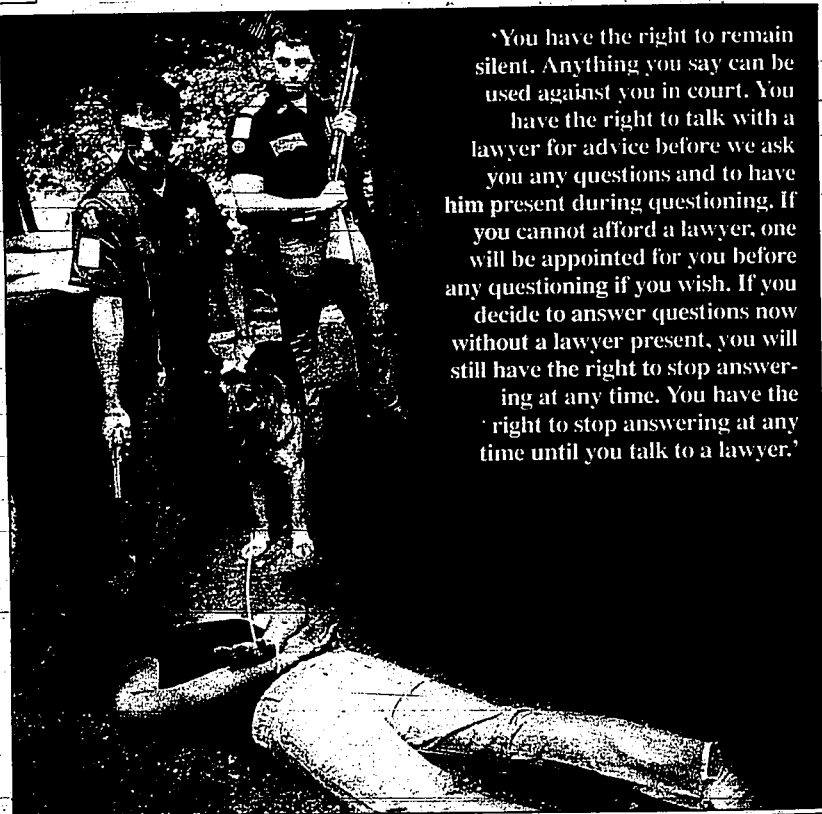
Jerome County Sheriff Larry Gold said that when he started his law-enforcement career in New York City in 1962, "we were not careful about guaranteeing the rights of people we arrested."

Milden was more blunt.

"In the past we had a lot of thugs," he said. "You'd hire the biggest, toughest guy on the block. If you wanted a confession, you'd send the thug out to get it any way he could."

Scenes from 1940s crime movies of marathon interrogations under bright lights and confessions beaten out of suspects "with rubber hoses were pretty accurate, Milden said.

Given the widespread abuses of



The 1966 case, *Miranda vs. Arizona*, changed the way police enforce the law — for the better — say some officers.

Eminent domain: Whose property is it?

By Craig Lincoln
Times-News writer

HAILEY — What do Elliot Caplow, John Barron, Chief Justice John Marshall and the Blaine County School Board have in common?

All four were, or are likely to be, intimately acquainted with the concept of eminent domain.

The Fifth Amendment recognizes eminent domain, the government's right to take private property for public use. But it also protects the rights of property owners, by providing that the government can't take property without paying "just compensation."

That provision led to a 1833 court decision that put the Bill of Rights in a deep sleep for a century or more. And it was Barron's doing.

Barron was a Baltimore businessman who owned a profitable wharf. But the city altered the shape of the waterfront and made Barron's wharf useless. He sued, saying Baltimore should pay him for his wharf.

He lost. In Chief Justice Marshall's view, the Bill of Rights only applied to the federal government. State and local governments didn't have to pay attention to it.

Since then, however, the 14th Amendment has been added to the Constitution, and the U.S. Supreme Court has interpreted that

amendment to mean that states, cities and school boards have to pay attention to the Bill of Rights, including the provisions regarding eminent domain.

That's good news for Caplow, a Blaine County businessman.

The Blaine County School District wants Caplow's land for a new school. If Caplow doesn't take the \$450,000 the school board recently offered him, the district will go to court, and try to condemn the land.

"Then we'll know first-hand about eminent domain," Blaine County School Superintendent Phillip Homer said. "We've tried everything possible to avoid that."

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Fifth Amendment goes beyond 'you have the right ...'

To a generation weaned on Dragnet and Hill Street Blues, the Fifth Amendment is best known as the source of the warning which begins, "You have the right to remain silent ..."

Although more obscure, the aspect of the Fifth Amendment more likely to impact most law-abiding citizens is its prohibition that "nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation."

For as long as organized governments have existed, it has been recognized that society must have the power to acquire, involuntarily if necessary, private property to be used for the benefit of the public. Absent the power of condemnation (or "eminent domain" as it is technically known), the ability to locate convenient public schools, construct modern highways or establish strategic military bases would turn on the whim—or even the greed—of a single property owner.

While acknowledging the necessity for taking private property, the framers of the Bill of Rights also recognized that other than the authority to imprison citizens for crimes or conscript them into military service, few powers are as invasive and potentially destructive as the government's ability to involuntarily seize private property.

The Fifth Amendment balances these irreconcilable interests by compelling the public to pay just compensation for property taken for public use.

The just compensation clause was nearly stillborn given the Supreme Court's 1853 decision in *Baron v. Mayor and City Council of Baltimore*, in which case the city seized a privately owned wharf. The wharf's owner sought

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to invoke the Fifth Amendment to require payment of just compensation for his property.

However, Chief Justice John Marshall, regarded as one of the founders of American constitutional law, held that "The Fifth Amendment must be understood as restraining the power of the federal government, not as applicable to the states."

The Fifth Amendment

No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the militia, when in actual service in time of war or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation.

Since most disputes involving the regulation and use of property involve state or local rather than federal authorities, the cramped view of the Fifth Amendment established by the Barron decision authorized the uncompensated confiscation of private property so long as it was accomplished by non-federal authorities. That remained the law until 1868 when the 14th Amendment was ratified, guaranteeing that "No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States."

The just compensation clause is a vital check upon the almost irresistible temptation to tyranny. It compels the government to carefully consider the necessity for taking private property by imposing an obligation for payment of

the property's fair value as determined by a jury composed of ordinary citizens.

The Fifth Amendment also has as its purpose the assurance that individuals are treated fairly by their government. As the Supreme Court explained in *Armstrong v. United States*, "The Fifth Amendment's guarantee that private property shall not be taken for a public use without just compensation was designed to bar government from forcing some people alone to bear public burdens which, in all fairness and justice, should be borne by the public as a whole."

In arid Western states like Idaho, eminent domain cleared the way for reservoirs, dams and canals necessary for the settlement of vast barren deserts. It allowed the installation of power generation facilities needed to light and heat the homes of a million Idahoans.

The command of the just compensation clause assured that the hardship and cost of this common progress came at the expense of the many, rather than the few. But its importance did not come to an end with the taming of the frontier.

In recent times, the Fifth Amendment assured that owners of property condemned for inclusion in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area were fairly compensated. Recent announcements of the military's abandonment of plans to expand practice bombing ranges based in part upon the potential cost of acquiring private land stands as a testament to the fact that the just compensation clause remains healthy and continues to operate precisely as its authors intended.

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the time, Gold said, "we brought Miranda and everything else on ourselves."

Today, however, police go to great lengths to make sure suspects know their rights, since violating Miranda is one of the easiest ways to ensure that a confession is tossed out of court.

When Twin Falls police arrest someone, Milden said, the first thing they do is read that person his or her rights, whether they plan to interrogate the person or not.

"It's like writing a ticket and making sure all the blanks are filled in," he said. "It's standard operating procedure."

If a person is brought in for questioning, he or she must read a sheet of paper listing his or her rights. The person must initial each line to indicate he has read and understood it, sign his name at the bottom, and sign again if he wants to waive his rights and answer police questions.

Milden and Gold agreed that Miranda and other Supreme Court decisions of the 1960s forced police officers to become more professional and better-educated.

"Law enforcement had to change the way it operated," Gold said. "When I went from New York to Santa Barbara (Calif.) in 1969, I met an entirely different breed of officer. The minimum requirement was two years of college, and you were expected to continue your education, and get your (bachelor's) degree."

Despite the widespread public perception that Miranda and similar rulings have hindered police in their job of catching criminals, Milden and Gold said that wasn't the case.

"I've never thought of it as a hindrance," Milden said. "He said he's probably lost a few cases over the years due to Miranda violations, but no case in particular stands out in his mind."

"Most people know their rights better than I do, and they tell me so," he said.

But how secure are those rights, now that the Supreme Court has moved sharply rightward in the 1980s?

Not very, says Twin Falls County Public Defender Mike Wood. He predicted that Miranda would be overturned by decision, replaced by a looser standard under which suspects would have to prove that police coerced testimony or confessions out of them.

Twin Falls attorney Lloyd Webb, however, says that even if the Supreme Court carves out more exceptions to Miranda, the major thrust of the decision will stand.

"The basic concept of Miranda—that everyone ought to be lifted up to the level of the sophisticated violator; who already knows his rights—is excellent. But if someone wants to split his guts as long as he knows he doesn't have to, he should be allowed to."

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While the Sixth Amendment ensures citizens the right of trial by jury, most cases end in 'plea arrangements.' Trials and court legal proceedings are off limits to cameras in Idaho. Fifth District Judge Daniel Hurlbutt arranged the mock trial where this photograph was taken.

'Plea arrangements' a common practice

By Drew DeSilver
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Everyone knows how jury trials work.

People accused of crimes have the right to be tried by a jury of 12 of their peers. The prosecutor and defense attorney lay out all the facts of the case before the jury — all the while trying to outsmart each other — and the jury has to come to a decision, which is binding on all the parties.

Right?

Not quite.

In Idaho, six-member juries decide misdemeanor cases. The rules of evidence are mostly concerned with excluding evidence, not including it, and usually both the prosecution

The Sixth Amendment

In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the State and district wherein the crime shall have been committed, which district shall have been previously ascertained by law, and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to have the assistance of counsel for his defense.

and the defense know all the evidence the other side has.

A juryman, if it wants, let the judge enter a judgment. In some instances, the judge can set aside a jury verdict and order a new trial.

And generally, even though the Sixth Amendment to the

U.S. Constitution guarantees the right to a jury trial in criminal cases, prosecutors and defense lawyers alike prefer to avoid them when they can.

In fact, the vast majority of criminal cases end in what lawyers call "plea arrangements."

The rest of us call them plea bargains.

Plea bargains work like this:

Rather than being tried on the original charge, the accused person agrees to plead guilty, usually to a lesser charge with a lighter penalty. If the judge in the case accepts the plea, the accused is sentenced on whatever charge he pleaded guilty to, and everyone — occasionally including the defendant — goes home.

Normally, in my opinion, a plea arrangement is the best disposition of the case," said Blaine County Prosecutor Ned Williamson, who estimated that 99 percent of all criminal cases his office handles are resolved one way or another before trial.

Jury trials, Williamson said,

take a long time, cost a lot of money, and inconvenience just about everyone concerned.

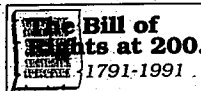
There's also the element of uncertainty, which neither side likes.

"I try to limit the cases we take to a jury to the ones where we have a good chance of winning," Twin Falls attorney Lynn Dunlap said.

A skillful plea arrangement — quick, inexpensive and involving only a few people — can allow each side to accomplish most of its goals in a case without the bother of a jury trial, Dunlap said.

For a client, a plea bargain can limit the time he or she serves in jail. It also saves him the expense of paying for

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'Confrontation clause' guarantees defendant face-to-face encounter

One of the fundamental guarantees of life and liberty is found in the Constitution's Sixth Amendment, which provides that "in all criminal prosecutions the accused shall ... be confronted with the witness against him."

This right is known as the "confrontation clause."

The clause guarantees a criminal defendant a face-to-face encounter with all witnesses appearing before the court. It is found alongside the right to "speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury, ..." and is equally important. It ensures that those who face criminal prosecution will be tried, not by inquisition, but by an impartial jury with an opportunity to physically face witnesses and cross-examine them.

The right to confront one's accusers originated with Western legal culture long before the Constitution was ever adopted. Indeed, criminal defendants had a right of confrontation under ancient Roman law. The Roman Governor Festus, discussing the proper treatment of his prisoner, Paul, stated: "It is not the manner of the Romans to deliver any man up to die before the accused has met his accusers face-to-face and has been given a chance to defend himself against the charges." (Acts 25:16)

What was true in Paul's day is no less true in ours. The contemporary court decisions interpreting the confrontation

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clause have generally placed great weight upon an accused's right to confront his accusers "face-to-face." It is always more difficult to tell a lie about a person "to his face" than "behind his back." The right thus promotes the ascertainment of truth, as part of the fact-finding process.

The accused's confrontation right is not absolute, however, and it has recently become subject to increasing debate. The upshot of the debate stems from child molestation cases, which have become increasingly common in recent years. (Gov. Andrus' Task Force on Children at Risk has reported that child sexual abuse complaints in 1977 totaled 92; in 1988, similar complaints totaled 1,520.)

The inherent difficulty for children as witnesses in these cases has caused concern — not only in the courts, but also in state legislatures across the country. It is often difficult for children to face the tension of a courtroom scene, especially if the accused child abuser is present in the courtroom within a few feet of the child while he or she testifies. States have endeavored to protect the child witness with barriers

or through closed-circuit television, thereby shielding the witness from the accused.

Such cases have been challenged, with varying outcomes, on the basis of the accused's rights under the confrontation clause. For example, a one-way screen placed between an accused and the child witness in open court has been held violative of the confrontation clause, since the accused was denied a face-to-face confrontation; however, closed circuit-television, wherein a child testifies from another room with the accused and the jury viewing the testimony on television is not unconstitutional.

The basis for these decisions is that the child's interests are paramount to those of the accused, and extraordinary measures will be taken to protect them from further disruption through the court process itself.

These decisions illustrate the enduring vitality of the Bill of Rights. While its underpinnings have remained constant over time, the Bill of Rights has shown the ability to change, with an ever-changing world, to protect the liberty of us all.

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Any suspect has right to an attorney

In 1963, the Supreme Court of the United States decided the case of Gideon vs. Wainwright, holding that indigent defendants have a constitutional right to be represented by an attorney to the same extent as a wealthy defendant.

The right to counsel attaches at the critical stages of the proceeding, i.e., when the investigation focuses on a suspect. When a suspect is arrested, he has an immediate and absolute right to counsel before law enforcement officials may begin questioning. In cases where there has not yet been an arrest, the investigation may focus on a suspect, but the time he is questioned by the police at headquarters. The Supreme Court has held that a suspect has the right to counsel at that point.

The importance of Sixth Amendment rights as embodied in the Gideon decision cannot be overemphasized. The ability of the state to bring criminal prosecutions can only be described as omnipotent. A trained prosecutor represents the state, and every law enforcement officer is an expert witness.

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A poor, uneducated, unrepresented defendant is no match for the limitless power of the state. The United States Constitution was intended to limit the potential for governmental abuse. Only a trained adversary representing the indigent defendant can check the powers of the state.

Today, in the spirit of Gideon is being undermined by the attitude that adequate, competent representation for the poor is a luxury that overburdened criminal justice systems can ill afford. Criminal prosecutions, from investigation to sentencing, cost money. There is an intolerance by the judiciary, prosecutors and the public to counsel who insist upon availing their clients of every defense which is allowed by law. In a time when resources are stretched to the limit, spending money on poor defendants is viewed as being soft on crime.

In reality, the right to competent counsel is important because appeals, based on ineffective assistance of counsel and errors at trial are more costly. The Sixth Amendment recognizes the importance of strictly enforcing the law. Only competent counsel can ensure the indigent defendant's right to a fair trial. A fair trial includes not only the Sixth

Amendment rights but also the right not to be compelled to be a witness against oneself and the right to due process of law.

The Constitution is for all accused, not just those who can afford a good lawyer.

We must bear in mind that the framers of the Constitution were designing a new and revolutionary government. The manner in which we treat our indigent defendants is what makes us a civilized society and separates us from totalitarian governments.

Lisa A. Barini-Garcia of Twin Falls is the deputy public defender for Twin Falls County.

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dozens, or hundreds, of hours of expensive lawyer time.

For the prosecution, a plea bargain can ensure that the defendant serves some jail time or is punished in some other way, and it establishes a criminal record that may be used in future trials.

Plea arrangements also establish a certain consistency in sentencing. Dunlap said.

"A jury system may not always be consistent," he said. "Some people may be convicted, others acquitted, and the sentences can vary greatly. If I'm a drug dealer, it's nice to know what my sentence will be, within a range, if I'm convicted or plead guilty. That's supposed to deter me from selling drugs."

If a criminal case does go to

'I think it's important that our peers judge us.'

—Ned Williamson,
Blaine County
prosecutor

trial, it may be heard by a judge rather than a jury if both sides agree. The two sides in a case may favor one format or the other for their own reasons, said Gooding County Prosecutor Lynn Nelson.

"In DUI (driving under the influence) cases, one thing I'm concerned about as a prosecutor is that some of the jurors may have driven home drunk themselves, and they may be thinking, 'There but for the grace of God go I,'" Nelson said.

"On the other hand, juries tend to be sympathetic victims," he continued. "So if a person were accused of injuring a pedestrian while driving drunk, I might want to take that before a jury."

A defense attorney, Nelson added, probably would want a bench trial — decided by a judge — if his defense were based on a fine point of law.

But people accused of crimes may still demand and get a jury trial, under both the Sixth Amendment and Article 1, Section 7 of the Idaho Constitution. That right cannot be taken away, no matter how inconvenient or expensive or time-consuming it might be to exercise it.

"I think it's important that our peers judge us," Williamson said. "There are some cases where the state should have to present its case to a panel of citizens, and I think the defense would agree."

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Jury trial 'guaranteed'

State also ensures this right

By Craig Lincoln
Times-News writer

BOISE — David Toner wasn't sure about his constitutional right to a jury trial when he looked into the eyes of his jurors.

He and his wife, Susan, were suing a major pharmaceutical company in federal district court. Their 1984 lawsuit revolved around a technical discussion of one of the company's vaccines.

"I was concerned whether we had expertise enough on the jury to understand the testimony," Toner said. "Basically, I don't think we did."

The Cassia County couple's son, Kevin, had been paralyzed from the neck down after receiving a diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis vaccination, commonly known as a DTP shot.

Jury trials, with six-member juries, are guaranteed in federal civil cases by the Seventh Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. Idaho and all other states have similar provisions in their constitutions that guarantee the right to a jury trial in state civil cases.

Juries decide facts. When two private parties disagree on the facts and can't talk out a solution to a dispute, juries step in and determine who is right.

In one form or another, juries have been doing that for 1,000 years.

The citizens selected at random to sit on a jury and sort out the facts are "the jewel in the crown of democracy," 5th District Judge Daniel Hurlbutt says.

"There's a no more democratic way to decide critical questions," Hurlbutt said. The Toners sat through a 10-day trial, involving testimony from a dozen or more expert witnesses. They claimed that Lederle Laboratories of Pearl River, N.Y., made a conscious choice not to use a safer method of purifying its vaccine.

"Realistically, our chances were slim and none when we started out," Toner said.

When they decided to sue, they wanted more than financial security for their Kevin. They hoped that arguing their case in the glare of the public eye would prompt Lederle to improve its vaccine.

Lederle and other vaccine-makers have steadfastly maintained that the DTP vaccine has saved thousands of lives and is safe. The vaccine is given



Fifth District Court Judge Daniel Hurlbutt says juries are the 'jewel in the crown of democracy.' This mock trial was photographed in his courtroom.

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— David Toner

during infancy, when children are prone to neurological problems from a variety of causes.

In other words, vaccine makers argue, any disorders children may suffer later in life are probably unrelated to the vaccinations.

But the Toners broke ground. After three hours of deliberation, the six jurors awarded the Toners \$1.13 million — the

first time a vaccine company had lost a lawsuit over its DTP vaccine.

"I think (the jury) understood the technical issue well enough that they were satisfied on what we were saying," Toner said. "I think they settled the case on a moral issue — they really felt in their heart that the company had wronged this child and were willing to punish the company."

The Seventh Amendment

In suits at common law, where the value in controversy shall exceed twenty dollars, the right of trial by jury shall be preserved, and no fact tried by a jury shall be otherwise re-examined in any court of the United States, than according to the rules of the common law.

Cases like the Toners' worry some people. Such complex and technical cases are too much for a collection of ordinary citizens, they say.

Hurlbutt doesn't agree.

"This notion that somehow this world ought to be run and every dispute resolved by some expert ... is authoritarian and anti-democratic," he said.

John Doerr, a Twin Falls lawyer who frequently represents insurance companies, said he has more faith in the common person than in the courts.

"I think juries are much more conservative than our courts," Doerr said.

Lederle appealed the jury verdict in the Toner case, but after years of appeals the Toners prevailed. They invested the money they won in a trust fund for Kevin.

"He can be assured he can go on with his education, and he will have something to work with when he gets older," David Toner said. But, he said, "it's never really enough when you stop to think of the earning power of that child."

Although they won money in their case, the Toners feel the system let them down. They are convinced the DTP vaccine should be made safer.

In the fallout of the Toners' case, and other lawsuits over DTP vaccines, Congress passed a law sending DTP cases to the United States Claims Court, a special court organized by Congress.

Once there, people claiming they have been injured by a vaccine face strict limits on damages. They also give up their right to a jury in the Claims Court, but can sue in another court if they aren't satisfied with the Claims Court decision.

The system apparently works, but still is controversial. Children are being compensated for injuries they suffer after vaccinations, and a case still can be taken to a jury.

But, say the Toners and their attorney, Ken Pedersen, the vaccine hasn't been changed.

"I'm really disappointed that the door we opened wasn't kept open," David Toner said. "There's been no gain, because nothing is going to be done."

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Bill of Rights celebration good time to contemplate

At first blush, one might think that the right to a jury trial is universally respected and perhaps even taken for granted by the American people, but it isn't true.

There are individuals who believe that the jury trial system is inefficient and unable to handle complex issues. There are powerful segments of our society, business interests, insurance companies, health-care providers who believe that certain cases and issues should not be submitted to juries.

The 200th anniversary of the Bill of Rights is an appropriate time to contemplate the value of our jury system.

Juries have not always seen cases my way. Like most

lawyers who try many cases, I have suffered losses. I believe I have probably learned more about juries from the cases that I have won. An unfavorable jury verdict is a painful opportunity for a lawyer to review over and over for months and years why the jury said no to your client.

My experience has taught me that juries are the best way to decide the facts in a case. "In every jury, the whole is far greater than the sum of its parts." Somehow, there is a collective wisdom in 12 individuals working on the same problem. Each individual brings his or her past experi-



Kenneth L. Pedersen
Commentary

ences, education, intuition and point of view.

Juries come closer to justice than the efforts of one individual. With all of their life experiences and knowledge of the world, the

'We are all subject to personal bias and prejudice. The jury system allows for a dilution of that bias and prejudice.'

12 people bring to the deliberation a far great diversity of knowledge than any one judge can offer.

We are all subject to personal bias and prejudice. The jury system allows for a dilution of that bias and prejudice.

More importantly, the juries offer a certain democratic effect not possible with a solo trier of fact. Though the jury's deliberations are behind closed doors, there is air of accountability among the jurors themselves.

In the jury room, the jurors are required to voice their opinions and support their views within the microcosmic world of the 12

members. All of their ideas, opinions, preconceptions, statements of fact and even recollections of testimony are subject to challenge and debate openly by other members of the jury.

When a single judge deliberates a case, however, what goes on in that judge's mind is not public, not open to challenge by anyone.

If the judge chooses to jump to conclusions, ignore certain evidence, decide not to read long documents, interject personal bias or prejudice, there is no one there to suggest opposing viewpoints, another way of looking at things or even something as simple as a reminder that the judge is obviously forgetting a certain piece of evidence.

The jury system is not very efficient, but then again, neither is democracy as a whole. Since its beginning 200 years ago, our country has been dedicated to lofty principles: justice, equality and freedom. Those goals cannot always be obtained by the most efficient means.

Our country can be proud of its tradition of seeking justice through the jury trial as guaranteed by the Seventh Amendment of the United States Constitution.

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Juries decide, justices overturn

By Craig Lincoln
Times-News writer

HAILEY - Thirteen weeks of work disappeared in one day for juror Brian Ward.

Ward was the jury foreman on Idaho's longest civil trial. After a 13-week trial in 1989, he and his fellow jurors held West One Bank liable for a failed mushroom farm north of Bliss.

In September, however, the Idaho Supreme Court overturned the verdict and sent the case back to the trial court. The Supreme Court overruled several decisions made by 5th District Judge James May who presided over the trial.

"I'm just disgusted with the process because it's out of control," Ward said. "You just don't go in there and take people's time away and throw it all away."

What started out as a \$2.2 million foreclosure action turned into a lawsuit against the bank. The mushroom farmers spent \$3.8 million in attorneys' fees to win \$5.6 million in damages and to get out of repaying the loan.

"It seems as though you go out and get a jury trial, and this is what it is all about," Ward said. "And then because of some procedural error the whole thing gets thrown out."

The U.S. legal system is full of checks and balances. Opposing lawyers argue different points of view. Judges rule on procedural matters. Juries are limited to deciding factual disagreements.

And appellate courts can overrule almost everything. Ward thinks, at least in his case, there could be more respect for the jury's decision.

One of the points that the Idaho Supreme Court picked out when overturning the mushroom case was the order of witnesses. Judge May ruled that the debtors could present their case first, the reverse of what usually happens in foreclosure cases.

The Supreme Court disagreed. "How could it make any difference who goes first?" Ward asked.



Americans don't know their rights

Americans celebrate today—the 200th anniversary of the Bill of Rights—the cornerstone to the U.S. Constitution. But sadly, most adults cannot identify correctly the Bill of Rights as the first 10 amendments to the Constitution.

Only 33 percent of 507 adults interviewed in a national telephone survey accurately could identify the Bill of Rights. The American Bar Association and Research USA conducted the survey, which was funded by West Publishing Co. The survey's margin of error is plus or minus 4.5 percent.

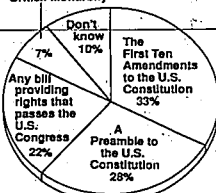
Among college graduates, the results improved only slightly—42 percent answered correctly.

The ABA findings support other polls showing that less than half of all Americans can identify the Bill of Rights.

In a 1987 national survey, the Hearst Corporation found 41 percent correctly identified the Bill of Rights. Forty-seven percent answered cor-

What best describes the Bill of Rights?

A message of rebellion from the founding fathers to the British Monarchy



rectly in a statewide California bar poll last spring.

All this, despite the 1987 national observance of the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution and the celebration this year of the Bicentennial of the Bill of Rights.

Where do people learn about their legal rights and responsibilities? More than half said they learned most of what they know about individual freedoms in high school (56 percent). Not a surprising result. However, more than 25 percent cite the media—newspapers (15 percent), television (12 percent), magazines (4 percent), books (3 percent), and radio (2 percent).

"I think most people take for granted the freedoms we have in this country," said Martha Barnett, a Tallahassee lawyer who chairs the ABA's Commission on Public Understanding About the Law.

"Obviously, we all have to do a better job—beyond just high school civics classes—to personalize the Bill of Rights and show how really important it is to all Americans," she said.

Public lack of understanding extends to the various amendments. Only 30 percent correctly answered that obscenity is not protected by the First Amendment.

Most of the rest responded that communist propaganda, anti-war demonstrations and advertising—which are protected speech—did not receive any First Amendment protection.

However, public debate about school prayer and news of court rulings may have sharpened some First Amendment understanding. Nearly 70 percent responded that public schools can begin each school day with a moment of silence not expressly intended for prayer. Although

the Supreme Court, in 1985, struck down an Alabama statute calling for a moment of silence, the Court suggested that such a statute would be constitutional if not intended solely for prayer.

Despite disagreement over the scope of the First Amendment, both liberal and conservative experts would not change a word in it. Recently, the debate has centered on issues such as flag burning, art versus pornography and so-called hate speech.

People fared better on another survey question. Having heard *Miranda* warnings on countless television shows, eight out of 10 knew that when arrested they have a constitutional right to remain silent.

The war in the Gulf may have focused attention on other Bill of Rights issues. "Two-thirds knew the president cannot suspend the Bill of Rights in wartime."

When asked, "Who has the most important role in guaranteeing your individual freedoms under the Bill of Rights?"—the most frequent response was "individual citizens" (22 percent). Another 18 percent said they relied on the courts.

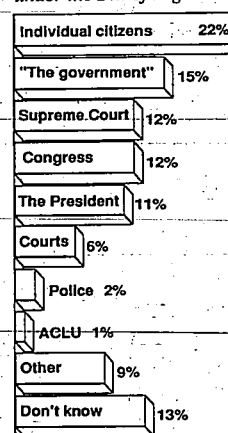
Although Americans believe courts have this vital role, the poll suggests Americans also believe judges dismiss cases against criminal suspects at a much higher rate than they actually do.

One in four surveyed estimated that judges dismiss half or more of serious criminal cases because the police violate the suspect's constitutional rights in obtaining a confession. Nearly two-thirds estimated judges dismiss 25 percent or more of serious criminal cases because of constitutional violations in obtaining a confession.

Prosecutors, defense lawyers and trial judges say the actual dismissal rate for Fifth Amendment violations is much lower. A 1988 ABA Criminal Justice committee national poll found that 87 percent of 234 prosecutors interviewed believe *Miranda* problems cause judges to dismiss 5 percent or less of their cases.

That 1988 survey tested opinions rather than collected actual statistics on dismissals, but most respondents

Who do you think has the most important role in guaranteeing your individual freedoms under the Bill of Rights?



Source: American Bar Association June 1991 Bill of Rights Survey by Research U.S.A., Inc. Funding by West Publishing Company.

Note: 507 Adults; Margin of error plus or minus 4.5 percent

Killing: Is death penalty the remedy?

By Brad Bowlin
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The state of Idaho has been trying to kill Thomas Creech for 17 years.

But whether the three-time murderer will become the first Idaho convict to be put to death since 1957 remains to be decided by the courts.

In October, the state gave up trying to execute Jaimi Carboneau of Jerome for the 1984 murder of his ex-wife.

The Eighth Amendment

Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.

Neither man's defense directly questions whether killing criminals is "cruel and unusual punishment" prohibited by the Eighth Amendment.

"That question has been decided by the Supreme Court al-

ready," said Lynn Thomas, solicitor general for the Idaho Attorney General's office and prosecutor in the Creech case.

But even if the death penalty is constitutional, it is ineffective and is applied more often to the

poor and minorities, said Rolf Kehne, Creech's defense attorney and a death penalty opponent.

"Why do we kill people to teach people that killing is wrong?" Kehne asked.

"The only legitimate purpose for capital punishment is revenge," he said.

"We as a society ought to be better than this."

"There has never been a time when the Supreme Court has said the death penalty is un-

constitutional," countered Thomas.

Both Carboneau and Creech have benefited, however, from the extreme caution given capital punishment cases by courts and legislators wary of the Eighth's "cruel and unusual punishment" clause.

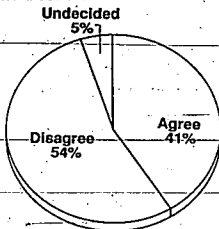
The law provides seemingly endless appeals for people sentenced to die.

Special prosecutor Keith

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Police should be allowed to search the homes of suspected drug dealers without a search warrant.



felt *Miranda* to have a relatively insignificant impact upon their own performance.

Georgetown Law Professor Samuel Dash, who chaired that 1988 ABA Criminal Justice Committee, is not surprised by this poll's findings.

"There is this unfortunate myth about the impact of the Bill of Rights upon law enforcement. The public has a terrible fear of crime, and the easiest scapegoat is the Bill of Rights. People think the Bill of Rights is their enemy. That is a terrible thought in a democracy like ours," said Dash.

Drugs and Individual Rights

The ABA survey also measured the public's attitude toward various contemporary Bill of Rights issues. On one question, half of those surveyed said they would be willing to give up some of their individual freedoms in order to win the war on drugs. In a 1989 *Washington Post-ABC* News poll about 62 percent responded "yes" to a similarly phrased question.

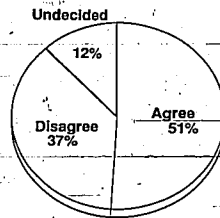
The ABA survey found four in 10 would allow police to search the

homes of suspected drug dealers without a search warrant.

"People are used to the tough, good sheriff, going back to television's 'Gunsmoke.' Getting the bad guy is the important thing no matter what the cost," says University of Michigan Law Professor Yale Kamisar. "It's much more difficult to explain that the Constitution protects all of us."

American colonists viewed the Fourth Amendment protection against unreasonable searches and seizures as vital. Their homes were sometimes searched on little more than a whim. Questions over the scope of the Fourth Amendment arise today in such issues as whether the government can test employees for drug use.

You would be willing to give up some of your individual freedoms in order to win the war on drugs.



Right to Adequate Health Care

Although there is no constitutional guarantee to adequate health care, the 1987 Hearst survey found four in 10 Americans falsely believe the Constitution guarantees every citi-

zen's right to adequate health care if he or she cannot pay.

The ABA survey shows that this year 72 percent think the Constitution should guarantee adequate health care for all Americans.

Right to an Attorney

The ABA survey also tested the public's awareness about the constitutional right to an attorney. Although a right to an attorney exists in criminal cases, no such right exists in most civil cases. In the California bar's legal literacy survey, nearly 70 percent wrongly thought that if they were sued in a property damage case, the court must appoint one to represent them free of charge if they could not afford an attorney.

In posing a similar question, the ABA found nearly eight in 10 adults answered incorrectly.

Free Speech Limits

Many Americans seem willing to see new restrictions placed on freedom of speech. About half agreed with the statement that the government should prohibit hateful speech that demeans someone's race, sex, national origin or religion.

Nearly half—46 percent—agreed with the statement that "Congress should ban the media from reporting on any national security issue without government approval. Such a broadly worded restriction would be unconstitutional."

On another free speech issue, only 11 percent thought the media should publish the names of rape victims.

Earlier this year, the American Society of Newspaper Editors released a detailed survey of American attitudes toward an array of contemporary free speech issues.

Its authors concluded that "it is apparent that free expression is in very deep trouble." That survey found Americans quite willing to remove legal protection from forms of free

expression that they merely disagreed with or found offensive.

Privacy and Computer Technology

Americans appear concerned about what types of personal information is stored on computers. Nearly 90 percent said private organizations should not be permitted to share information about them without their consent.

Also about half said they believe scientific advances in telecommunications, medicine and other technology will pose new threats to their individual privacy.

—Paul Marvotte and Frank Murphy

For More Bill of Rights Information

The American Bar Association's Public Education Division offers a range of programs, publications and general information on the Bill of Rights for youth, college students and adults.

To commemorate the 200th anniversary of that historic event, the ABA is sponsoring a major public education conference in Williamsburg, Va., on Dec. 15-17, 1991. Conducted in cooperation with a number of distinguished Virginia groups, the conference will explore major Bill of Rights issues and challenges facing our nation in the 21st century.

Conference topics include media access, privacy, the role of state constitutions, and educating Americans about the Bill of Rights. A number of sessions will be taped for broadcast on PBS in 1992. Instructors' guides for the TV series also will be produced.

For further information, contact the ABA Public Education Division, 541 N. Fairbanks Court, Chicago, IL 60611; (312) 988-5725.

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Roark of Hatley said he wanted to cut short lengthy — and expensive — court proceedings when he decided not to pursue a renewed death sentence for Charboneau.

"Based upon my recent study of Idaho case law and the history of executions in this state, I have serious doubts that Jaime Charboneau will ever be put to death even if he is sentenced to death," Roark said in a letter to 5th District Judge George Granata.

Instead, Roark asked for and got a fixed life sentence, which

Charboneau said he will appeal.

Of Idaho's 21 death row inmates, Creech is the closest to death.

While serving two life terms for first-degree murder, Creech admitted killing an inmate at the Idaho State Prison in 1981.

He was sentenced to death, but that sentence and Creech's guilty plea were challenged before the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals.

That court allowed the guilty plea, but set aside the death sentence on the grounds that a section of Idaho's death penalty law

is too vague.

Both sides are appealing to the U.S. Supreme Court.

If Creech's appeals finally run out and he is given a lethal injection, death penalty opponents say it could pave the way for more executions in Idaho.

Once the state begins routinely implementing the death penalty, people may be repulsed by the killing, much as they were in the 1950s and 1960s, said Gardner Hanks of Boise.

Hanks is the death penalty coordinator for the Idaho chapter of

Amnesty International, a human rights group. He is also a member of the American Civil Liberties Union, which opposes the death penalty.

He says support for the death penalty is widespread but shallow, and is likely to crumble if conservative courts allow a legalized "bloodbath."

"It's one thing to talk about killing people," Hanks said. "It's quite another to actually do it."

In 1972, the U.S. Supreme Court struck down Georgia's death penalty statute, a move that

effectively killed similar laws in Idaho and dozens of other states.

Two years later, Creech killed two Valley County men. He was convicted and sentenced to death, but those sentences were overturned when Idaho's death penalty law, which required anyone convicted of first-degree murder to be executed, was ruled unconstitutional. Instead, Creech received two life terms.

The high court reversed itself again in 1976, with another Georgia case that reinstated the death penalty.

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The 'rebellious' Bill of Rights

In the years following the American Revolution, economic downturn followed the first flush of prosperity after independence. The few options for the nation's rural poor, among the hardest hit in the country's sluggish economy in the late 1780s, would fuel the need for a constitution that would have a bill of rights to guarantee personal freedoms.

These farmers saw no justice in the newly created U.S. legal system that put their friends to jail and reclaimed indebted property.

The most extreme reaction culminated in Shay's Rebellion. In rural Massachusetts a group of disillusioned soldiers and farmers started to close down courts that were foreclosing on local farmers. The 'Shay' rebels suspected the powerful urban rich had little interest in protecting their rights. Based on the injustices they saw happening to farmers, the rebels tried to take a federal arsenal in Springfield in January 1787.

Though the Shays were no match to the resolution of the new country to remain united, their concern over equal justice and liberty helped to populate the ranks of the anti-federalists, who wanted to see a bill of rights added to the Constitution.

The anti-federalists were suspicious of the entrenched urban power that the federalists, such as Alexander Hamilton and James Madison, represented. Anti-federalists thought the Constitution had formed a government that wouldn't ensure the rights of the individual.

Hamilton felt that a more generalized Constitution guaranteed a longer life: "Constitutions should consist only of general provisions; the reason is that they must necessarily be permanent, and that they cannot calcu-



Shay's rebels take over a Massachusetts courthouse.

Historical Picture Service

late for the possible change of things."

Madison thought the structure it laid out for the federal government guaranteed liberty. With the system of checks and balances in the new government system, Madison believed, the Constitution took into account human fallibility.

"But what is government itself but the greatest of all reflections on human nature? If men were angels, no government would be necessary. ...

"A dependence on the people, is no doubt, the primary control on the government; but experience has taught mankind the necessity of auxiliary precautions."

But for the anti-federalists, the Constitution wasn't enough to ensure liberty. After the passage of the Constitution, but before a Bill of rights was added, anti-federalist Patrick Henry warned, "[T]he rights of the conscience, trial by jury, liberty of the press, all your immunities and franchises, all pretensions to human rights and privileges are rendered insecure, if not lost by [the Constitution becoming the law of the land]."

Henry's idea of a bill of rights was historically ground-breaking, but its ideas were born of still other rebellions against authority.

The Magna Carta, signed in 1215 by King John, was a stepping stone.

Though written only for the nobility, it carried a powerful clause: "[N]o freeman shall be taken or imprisoned ... or exiled or in any way destroyed ... except by the lawful judgment of his peers or the law of the land."

The English Bill of Rights in 1689 guaranteed freedom from arbitrary government under James II. Acts made illegal under this bill were: dispensing with the law in certain cases; having a standing army without consent; and eliminating the interference of Parliament in free elections and censoring speakers.

The Enlightenment philosophers, whose ideas drove those Americans supporting the Bill of Rights, were Thomas Hobbes, John Locke, and Jean-Jacques Rousseau.

These philosophers all advanced the ideals of the social contract, in which, instead of the divine right of kings, people would choose their governors, who, in turn, had to rule according to the will of the people.

The American Bill of Rights added to the U.S. Constitution these liberties that, through the sitting of history, remain inalienable.

The Bill of Rights that passed in 1791 helped quell the accusations by the anti-federalists that the new Constitution, by not spelling out individual liberties, did not protect them.

The notion of ensuring rights would be recognized throughout this country's history. Supreme Court Justice Robert Jackson, in a 1943 case, stated: "The very purpose of a Bill of Rights was to withdraw certain subjects from the vicissitudes of political controversy, to place them beyond the reach of majorities and officials and to establish them as legal principles to be applied by the courts."

"One's right to life, liberty, and property, to free speech, a free press, freedom of worship and assembly, and other fundamental rights may not be submitted to vote; they depend on the outcome of no elections."

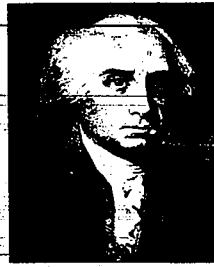
—John Kruger

Mason, Madison: a world apart

George Mason, left, was the principle author of the Bill of Rights. His words, however, were not agreed upon by all. In fact, Federalist James Madison, right, said at one point that he would rather "chop off his right hand" than use it to sign a Constitution strengthening central government while leaving the liberties of the people unprotected.



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What the courts do

Everyone knows that courts are vitally important to the rule of law in a democracy, but most people probably learn about courts from "The People's Court"—or "L.A. Law"—on TV.

Here's a quick guide to what courts do. Courts basically hear two kinds of cases—civil and criminal.

Civil cases mostly involve settling private conflicts among people or businesses. Criminal cases involve upholding public or official codes of behavior that society believes necessary to protect its citizens or society itself.

Many civil cases involve domestic relations issues—divorce, child support, custody and the like. Personal injuries probably account for more claims, called tort actions, than any other cause. And businesses often sue each other.

In a criminal case, the government brings charges against the person or business who supposedly committed the crime. In civil cases, the people or businesses involved in the disputes file suits.

Most cases never get to trial. About 90 percent of the cases where a lawsuit is filed are settled without a trial.

Negotiations between the parties account for this, which is as true in civil cases as in criminal cases. Furthermore many disputes that raise legal issues never result in lawsuits.

The next point to understand is the difference between state courts and federal courts. One of the most confusing aspects of our courts is that we have two distinct, but co-existing, court systems: state courts and federal courts.

The state courts handle most cases. In a typical year, for example, all courts handled about 3.3 million civil cases. Of this total, state courts

received just under 3 million (92 percent). Federal courts saw only about 275,000 (8 percent).

Each state establishes its state courts under the authority of the state constitution. As long as the courts follow the U.S. Constitution, each state may decide its own kind of court structure, under its own constitution and laws.

No two states have exactly the same system. However, many state systems are similar. State courts decide almost every type of case. They exist in many towns and almost all counties. State courts are the ones that most citizens use. They handle most of the divorces, probates of estates, and all other matters, except those started in or assigned to federal courts.

There are far fewer federal courts than state courts. Most federal courts are in the larger cities. A federal court may hear a case only if a federal law or the U.S. Constitution gives the federal court authority to hear the case. Nevertheless, the federal courts hear some important types of cases, including civil rights, discrimination, antitrust, Social Security and veteran's affairs. State and federal courts usually exist in three layers.

"Limited jurisdiction" or "general jurisdiction" courts, where cases



A lawyer argues a case before the Minnesota Supreme Court. AP photo

"intermediate" (appellate) courts that first hear appeals; and "Supreme" courts that have final judicial authority.

This country organizes the court systems as hierarchies. Higher courts have the power to review the work of lower courts. However, higher courts use that power only on a small number of cases. Thus appellate courts, and especially supreme courts, deal with only a very small percentage of the total number of cases filed. For example, of the millions of cases handled each year by American courts, the U.S. Supreme Court fully reviews only about 150 cases.

Trial Courts: These are the courts most familiar to the general public, since they are the scene of most courtroom dramas. In trial courts, lawyers present evidence, examine and cross-examine witnesses, and introduce exhibits. The purpose of trials is to determine the facts on which the judge or jury makes decisions. Judges or juries find a defendant "guilty" or "not guilty" in criminal cases and decide liability in civil cases.

A trial in a federal court probably would be very similar to a trial in a state court, except that federal district courts see more civil than criminal cases because there are fewer crimes under federal law.

Appeals Court: In both the state and federal systems, the party who loses at the trial level may appeal to an

intermediate appeals court. There is an exception when the government fails to convict a criminal defendant. The government may not appeal a "not guilty" verdict in a criminal case and obtain a conviction of the defendant, since that would subject the defendant to double jeopardy.

A defendant convicted in a criminal case usually may appeal a guilty verdict. For example, a defendant who has lost a criminal case and faces a prison sentence may believe that the prosecutor got the conviction by using improperly obtained evidence. The defendant would seek to have the verdict reversed and have the case tried again following the rules. Similarly, someone who must pay money because of losing a civil case may believe that the judge or jury did not apply the law correctly. Both state and federal appeals courts sit to review the procedures of lower court trials.

Despite popular belief, appeals courts do not retry the cases they hear. They also don't hear witnesses or weigh evidence in the same way a trial court does. Instead, the appeal is usually restricted to questions of law relating to the facts and the record of the case made at the trial level. The role of appeals courts is to make sure that trial courts followed the laws correctly.

Supreme Courts: If the appeals court agrees with the verdict, the loser often appeals to a higher court. At the top of every state court system is the court of last resort—the state "supreme" court. In all state systems and in the federal system, the highest court has the final authority to interpret the law.

The U.S. Supreme Court may reverse the highest courts of the states. But only on interpretations of the U.S. Constitution or of federal laws. Only the U.S. Supreme Court itself or an amendment to the U.S. Constitution may overrule a constitutional decision by the U.S. Supreme Court.

—Charles J. White

'Cruel and unjust' often has different definition

By Brad Bowlin
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS—The amendments to the Constitution, like all laws, are subject to the whim of the courts, and the Eighth Amendment is no exception.

The definition of "cruel and unusual punishment" has changed throughout America's history as Supreme Court justices came and went.

Even now, states like Idaho are involved in a struggle over whether their capital punishment statutes are constitutional or merely words on paper.

The 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, the last stepping stone in the Northwest before the U.S. Supreme Court, recently set aside a death

sentence for murderer Thomas Creech.

The court's decision said the section in Idaho's death penalty law that allows capital punishment only if a killing is performed "with utter disregard for human life" is too vague.

That ruling will be appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court, and a decision there may determine whether the death penalty in Idaho, dormant for 34 years, will again be enacted.

Although disappointing, the 9th Circuit's decision was not totally unexpected, said Lynn Thomas, solicitor general for Idaho. Attorney General's office and prosecutor in the Creech case.

The appeals court is dominated by judges appointed by former President Jimmy Carter and has long been opposed to the death penalty, Thomas said.

One reason executions are so few in the United States is the ability of defendants to return to the courts to challenge their sentences each time the courts issue a new ruling, Thomas said.

But the right to appeal to a higher court is necessary, especially in cases where a person may be sentenced to death not because the crime warrants, but because of who he is, said Rolf Kehne, the Creech's attorney and a death penalty opponent.

Creech's 1981 killing of prison inmate David Jensen would not warrant a death penalty if carried out by someone else, Kehne said.

Jensen attacked Creech and was killed in the heat of passion, the attorney said. Killing Creech for using too much force in a fight

with another inmate would be "cruel and unusual punishment," Kehne said.

The history of the eighth amendment is fraught with contradiction and reinterpretation. In 1962, for example, the Supreme Court ruled it was cruel and unusual for the state of California to imprison drug addicts. This year, the court upheld a sentence of life without parole for a Michigan convict convicted of possessing 675 grams of cocaine.

In 1987, the court said statements from victims impacted by a capital crime could not be used in sentencing. This year, the court decided those statements can be used.

A 1972 Georgia case effectively quashed most of the state's death penalty laws and temporarily shelved capital punishment, but the court reversed itself in 1976.

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Looking to the United States

Bill of Rights now being shared all over the world

As we celebrate the bicentennial of our Bill of Rights, we share with people all over the world an awareness of the essential importance of human rights—something many of us tend to take for granted in our relatively open and tolerant society.

But most of the world's people cannot, even for a moment, take their rights for granted. And, as we toast a system based on the rights of the individual, a system that has matured during the last 200 years, we ought to think about what our enshrinement of individual rights has meant to other people.

Perhaps the best illustration of our influence can now be seen in Eastern Europe, where several countries are engaged in the laborious task of recreating their governments by drafting new constitutions. In every case, those constitutions will include an enumeration of individual rights, and in every case the drafters are looking to the West for guidance in their task.

They look to Western Europe, to which they feel a natural kinship because of geographical and cultural ties. But they also look to the United States, for our Bill of Rights is the genealogical ancestor of all modern bills of rights.

Today, very few countries lack a written bill of rights. Among those that do are countries influenced by the United Kingdom—including Australia and New Zealand—as well as Israel.

The atrocities of World War II and the oppression that followed in Soviet-dominated Europe spurred a worldwide awareness of just how oppressive governments can be in a modern technological era. In the past, an emperor or a czar may have wished to rule every corner of his kingdom



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Above, a workshop on the Romanian Constitution covers aspects of the American Bar Association's input to the Central and East European Law Initiative. At left, Russian President Boris Yeltsin votes in the republic's first democratic presidential election last June. In the wake of August's failed coup, many Soviet republics, like the nations of Eastern Europe, are looking toward the West for guidance in developing democratic constitutional frameworks.

with absolute control, but it wasn't until the 20th century that developments in telecommunications and transportation made the administration of such a far-reaching despotism an achievable reality. Witness Hitler and Stalin.

Eastern Europeans did—first hand. Now they contemplate the necessity of guaranteed individual rights, pens at the ready to draft documents that will mandate these essential freedoms.

But bills of rights alone, however

well-intentioned or well-worded, cannot guarantee that government will have a limited role in people's lives. For that, a nation must have an independent judiciary to interpret constitutional provisions and enforce compliance. We have that tradition, but it didn't appear overnight. Beginning in 1803 with the case of *Marbury v. Madison*, which established the power of the Supreme Court to rule on the constitutionality of an act of Congress, the American judiciary has steadily

grown to its current level of independence. That independent spirit—which is manifested in what is known as the doctrine of judicial review—is not only essential, but it is uniquely American. To understand the concept, Eastern Europeans must look to America.

"It is easier to draft a respectable bill of rights than it is to create an independent judiciary," says A.E. Dick Howard, professor of constitutional law at the University of Virginia. Howard has traveled widely in Eastern Europe, advising governments on constitution-making. "Drafting is the easier step; Putting in place the means to enforce it is not so easy. But Eastern Europeans are intensely interested in how we do it; they want to know what our judges do, how they're appointed, how they remain independent."

Paul Verkuil, president of the College of William and Mary, who has consulted in Bulgaria, puts the situation this way: "The big question is, do they really appreciate what it means to be a judge and render a decision against the state? If not, then individual rights will remain in jeopardy."

Like Howard, Verkuil sees reason for hope. In Bulgaria, traditionally one of the more closed countries in Eastern Europe, he found an amazing degree of knowledge about democratic traditions. Law students at the University of Sofia, where he lectured, were well-versed in such concepts as the separation of powers, judicial review and the necessity of an independent judiciary. They knew all about John Marshall, the path-breaking chief justice who wrote the opinion in *Marbury v. Madison*.

"It was stimulating and surprising to see how alive these concepts are over there," Verkuil says. "I said to the students, 'There is sitting among you the next John Marshall. Who is going to rise to the challenge?' What made Marshall so great is that he had a great independent spirit. That's what is needed over there. But, of course, it won't happen overnight."

—Steven Keeva

Should the death penalty be enforced in Idaho?

Should the death penalty be enforced or should it be prohibited under the Eighth Amendment as cruel and unusual punishment? *Times-News* reporter Brad Bowlin recently took that question to the streets of Twin Falls.



Yeah (the death penalty) is okay. Sometimes that's the only way to get rid of them. It depends on the crime. The punishment should fit the crime.

—William C. Miller



You bet, for rape and murder. If they've taken a life, they don't deserve to have a life.

—Debbie Johnson



Yes. If they murder someone, they deserve it.

—Jeannie Whitely



It depends on the crime, but I definitely believe in the death penalty. Especially for the most brutal crimes, like the ones that involve child abuse, the killing of children and things like that.

—Fritz Kort

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Challenges to the Bill of Rights

Editor's Note: These comments are excerpted from longer articles.



Warren E. Berger, former chief justice of the United States and chair of the Commission on the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution.

With the human urge for freedom breaking out all over the world, repressive governments are toppling as their people reach those basic rights we in this country have enjoyed for more than 200 years. Historians may someday refer to these times as the "Epoch of Human Rights."

[The U.S.] Constitution was not perfect; it is not perfect today even with its amendments, but it has continued to provide ordered liberty longer than any other written document of government.

For 200 years this system of government has unleashed the energies and talents of people to create a good life. Except as to fundamental concepts, it provides no rigid blueprint that fits all people in all lands; each people must itself discover its own course. But the American experience offers an inspiring example of ageless ideals realized and made to work, and a reminder that men and women everywhere were intended by their Creator to be free to carve out their own destinies.

As Henry Steele Commager said, "Nothing in all history has ever succeeded like America." Our duty is to pass on this achievement to succeeding generations.



Julius Chambers, director/counsel of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund Inc.

The Bill of Rights has been applied to an ever-widening circle of Americans in the last 200 years. In this century the document has begun to have real meaning for African-Americans' criminal suspects, and a wide variety of other citizens who previously didn't enjoy—all of its protections.

However, in recent years the circle of people protected by the Bill of Rights has begun to shrink. For example, the Supreme Court has stripped away many constitutional protections from death-row inmates, including the right to appeal many violations of the Bill of Rights in federal courts through the habeas corpus process. That is chilling news to all of us. Because once the rights of one vulnerable group of Americans are eroded, all of our rights are in danger.

In the 21st century, our most daunting challenge will be to ensure that the liberties and protections of the Bill of Rights are extended to all Americans—no matter how unpopular they are.



Catherine Crier, CNN anchor and former state judge

Time and again the majority of U.S. citizens sit on the sidelines while the battle to shape our nation's future is waged. But democracy is not a spectator sport—it requires participation, not passive observers, if it is to survive, much less flourish.

Ultimately, the Bill of Rights is only paper if the American people fail to understand, embrace and exercise the precious freedoms promised to us.



Alan M. Dershowitz, Harvard Law School professor and author of "Reversal of Fortune"

The most important right in any democracy is the right to know about one's rights. This right is not contained explicitly in our Bill of Rights, but it is implicit in our structure of open government and in the equal protection clauses of the Constitution.

This important principle is now under attack by a majority of the Supreme Court, especially in the context of governmentally funded programs. In *Rust v. Sullivan* the High Court ruled that doctors and other professionals who work in federally funded clinics must read from a federally drafted script when asked about the constitutional right to have an abortion.

The Supreme Court's majority ruled, in effect, that the old saw about "he who pays the piper calls the tune" is now a doctrine of constitutional law powerful enough to override the principle articulated in *Ex parte* that citizens—even poor citizens—should not be denied access to knowledge about their rights.

The invidious principle underlying the decision—that indigent Americans can be denied the right to be told about their constitutional rights—poses a considerable threat to our Bill of Rights as it begins its third century of service to Americans.



Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh CSC, president emeritus of the University of Notre Dame

These rights have served us well over the past two centuries, and indeed have been enlarged. But the needs of our times and the assaults against human freedom demand of us eternal vigilance to protect and enhance these rights.

Who knows what assaults still lurk in the future? One can imagine some, but undoubtedly there are others, still unknown but yet to come. Let us be ready to confront them as they occur, knowing that the case for the freedom underlying democracy will be as true in the future as it was at the beginning, when the author of the Declaration of Independence declared that we could not exist as a nation without this declaration of our rights as citizens of this great country.



Lee Iacocca, chief executive officer and chairman of Chrysler Corp.

What I can't understand is how as a country we've neglected to pass on to our kids knowledge of their own fundamental rights. The Bill of Rights has lasted for 200 years because men and women have made it work. It can't keep working if half the people don't know what their own rights are.

Two hundred years ago the congressmen were smart enough not to try and tell us how to solve our problems. They just gave us the freedom we need to find our own solutions. It's pretty obvious the solution this time around is a better educational system. I don't think we need to turn every kid into a Bill of Rights scholar, but a few more lessons in history and government couldn't hurt.



I'm torn on the issue: From a Christian standpoint, it's unethical. From the human standpoint, I don't like the idea of supporting these criminals. I guess I'd have to base my decision on a Christian standpoint, but it's probably a fine line.

—Gary Atkinson



I believe in it. Murder would be at the top of the list. They've got to think of the victims.

—Virginia Eastman



It's really hard for me to think about anybody's life being taken. There can always be chance that a person could turn their life around. No matter what they've done in the past, there's still that chance. It's still a human being.

—Sadie Degloe



Yes. Some can be rejuvenated, but if they're off up here [in the head], some of them can't be helped. Yes I do believe in the death penalty, especially when they get out do it so many times over and over.

—James H. Perry

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What is not in the Bill of Rights?

When Linda Brown was in first grade, she couldn't go to the school near her home. Because she was black, the Topeka, Kan., school board required her to travel across town to attend a segregated school.

Her father, Oliver Brown, and other black parents in four states challenged the practice of segregation and won: The U.S. Supreme Court in 1954 ruled in *Brown v. Board of Education* that "separate but equal" schools deprived minorities of equal educational opportunities. The Court based its decision on the 14th Amendment, ratified in 1868, which guarantees equal protection of the laws to all citizens.

The 14th Amendment was one of three constitutional amendments passed soon after the Civil War. It says: "No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

The other Civil War amendments were the 13th Amendment, which abolished slavery, and the 15th Amendment, which gave black citizens the right to vote.

When the Constitution was adopted, it not only permitted slavery, it also prohibited Congress from restricting the trade until 1808. Blacks were not the only group who had an inferior status under the Constitution and its first 10 amendments. Women were not guaranteed the right to vote until 1920, when the 19th Amendment was ratified.

"As the Constitution was originally drafted, and as amended with the Bill of Rights, minorities and women



Linda Brown, at age 8, and her father, Oliver Brown (inset).

were still excluded from its protections," says Julius Chambers, director-counsel of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund. "The Civil War amendments were crucial for the Constitution to reach African-Americans and other minorities."

In interpreting the 14th Amendment, the Supreme Court has gone beyond striking down segregation.

Under the amendment's due-process clause, the Court has protected privacy rights, including the right to choose to have an abortion, to marry, to procreate, to use contraceptives and to decline unwanted medical treatment. The right to abortion was established by the Court in the landmark case of *Roe v. Wade* in 1973.

The same clause is the basis for protecting citizens from arbitrary government action. The Court has interpreted the clause, for example, as requiring notice and a hearing before the government can take away benefits such as welfare or a government job.

Another often-overlooked benefit of the due-process clause is that it is the basis for applying the Bill of Rights to states and municipalities. "The Bill of Rights when it was written only applied to the federal government," says Erwin Chemerinsky, a law professor at the University of Southern California Law Center. "Without the 14th Amendment, states could, for example, establish churches and conduct unreasonable searches and seizures."

Some critics would like the Supreme Court to expand the role of the 14th Amendment in protecting personal freedoms. One much-maligned privacy case is *Bowers v. Hardwick*, in which the High Court ruled in 1986 that private, consensual homosexual conduct is not protected under the right to privacy.

Chemerinsky calls *Bowers* "one of the really tragic decisions" and predicts that it will be overruled in the future. One who agrees with his view is Justice Harry Blackmun, the author of *Roe v. Wade*. Blackmun, who dissented in *Bowers*, was quoted in a May speech as saying his dissent will eventually be "vindicated."

The Supreme Court also has increasingly permitted government restrictions on abortion, causing some to predict that *Roe v. Wade* will eventually be overruled. For example, in a May ruling the Supreme Court refused to strike down government regulations that prohibit doctors in federally funded family-planning clinics from discussing abortion.

Chambers, as well, says "there

are still questions about the full reach of the Civil War amendments." One question, raised in a pending Supreme Court case involving state colleges in Mississippi, is when government must aggressively act to remedy the effects of past discrimination. The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that Mississippi had done enough to integrate its colleges simply by adopting good-faith, racially neutral policies.

Other unanswered questions, Chambers says, are whether the 14th Amendment prohibits discrimination against the handicapped, the poor or those of a foreign national origin.

Chemerinsky would like the Supreme Court to resurrect the little-used privileges-and-immunities clause of the 14th Amendment to guarantee new rights. Because the Supreme Court in an 1873 case gave a narrow construction to the clause, no law has ever been declared unconstitutional under it. "I hope someday that will be overruled," he says, "and that we'll find the privileges-and-immunities clause safeguarding fundamental things like a right to education ... and to food, shelter and medical care."

Among those who feel that equal protection and due process are not always a reality is Linda Brown herself: now Linda Brown Buckner.

"I think the vestiges of segregation are alive and well," she said at a panel discussion on *Brown v. Board of Education* last year in Abilene, Kan. "All you have to do is look at Topeka to see that the east side is mainly black and the west side is mainly white."

In fact, Brown responded in 1979 by plaintiffs who objected to the concentration of black children in just a few Topeka schools. The 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled last December that the school district had not done enough to end desegregation. Buckner testified in the trial that she thought the predominantly minority schools were inferior to schools with mostly white students.

—Debra Cussins Moss

Rights not ensured by feds retained by people, says Ninth Amendment

Our founding fathers knew the source of rights that fired their fiercely independent lives. Not wanting to limit their exercise of fundamental rights to those expressly guaranteed in the Constitution, they boldly proclaimed in the Ninth Amendment that fundamental rights not specifically guaranteed by government were nonetheless retained by the people.

Rights specifically guaranteed by government through enumeration in the Constitution and its first 10 amendments



Dennis S. Voorhees
Commentary

— the Bill of Rights — included the freedoms of speech, press, conscience, assembly and a fundamentally fair trial process.

Rights retained by the people and later recognized in court decisions include

a right of privacy in marital relations, personal autonomy in procreative decisions, public access to pretrial hearings, a right to travel interstate and freedom from arbitrary and capricious legislation.

The founders believed that the rights to life, liberty, property and the pursuit of happiness was ordained by the law of nature. No king, governor or legislative body could rightfully lay claim to au-

thorship.

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Quiz a true test of knowledge

1. Why was the Bill of Rights added to the Constitution?

2. Select one of the following—the Bill of Rights:

- a. An introduction to the original Constitution.
- b. Any bill involving personal rights that passed through Congress.
- c. The first 10 amendments to the Constitution.

3. The Bill of Rights originated with the Constitution—true or false?

4. The Third Amendment sets limits on quartering soldiers in persons' homes. Why was this amendment included?

5. All the framers of the Constitution agreed that the first 10 amendments to the Constitution should be a bill of rights—true or false?

6. True or false—all our rights are listed in the Constitution.

7. According to the Bill of Rights, what happens to the "other powers" not listed in the Bill of Rights?

8. What was the last state to ratify the Bill of Rights?

9. In addition to listing certain rights, what policy was established by the manner in which the Bill of Rights was added?

10. Under the Sixth Amendment, all citizens accused of a serious crime are guaranteed the right to:

- a. Privacy
- b. Bail
- c. Counsel

11. Which amendment in the Bill

of Rights forbids the government from compelling a person from testifying against him/herself?

12. A student who has religious objections to saying the Pledge of Allegiance does not have to say it—true or false?

13. If a citizen has his house taken away from him without a court hearing, it would be a denial of:

- a. Right to a trial
- b. Due process
- c. States' rights

14. Which amendment in the Bill of Rights abolishes slavery?

15. Under the First Amendment, you have the right to practice the _____ of your choice. You can give _____ (even critical) of the government without the threat of imprisonment. You can try to have a law changed by getting other people to sign a _____.

16. Part of the First Amendment prohibits Congress from making any laws "respecting an establishment of religion." What does that mean?

17. Which amendment protects us against censorship?

18. True or false—a teacher can be fired for refusing to sign an oath that he/she is not a Communist or a member of a subversive organization.

19. On August 28, 1963, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. led a march of 200,000 people in Washington, D.C. This was called a "March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom." Which amendment in the Bill of Rights gave Dr. King and his followers the right to march in the nation's capital?

20. What rights would you have if the police wanted to search your home?

21. Did the Bill of Rights guarantee women the right to vote?

22. True or false—in a criminal trial, the accused person must prove his or her innocence.

23. The Bill of Rights guarantees every citizen's right to which of the following:

- a. A job
- b. Free public education
- c. To preach revolution

24. Which amendment in the Bill of Rights permits unpopular organizations the right to conduct demonstrations, parades, marches, etc.?



A Ku Klux Klan rally in Ephrata, Pa., attracts attention.

Answers

1. Several states refused to ratify the Constitution without the guarantee that these rights would be added.

2. C

3. False: Eight of the 13 original states had bills of rights in their state charters, or constitutions.

4. British troops were quartered in persons' homes without their consent during the Revolution.

5. False: Many thought that enumerating rights would lead future officers of the government to believe those were the only rights citizens had.

6. False

7. The 10th Amendment states that the "other powers" are given to the states and the people.

8. Connecticut, on April 19, 1793, was the last state to ratify the Bill of Rights.

9. It established the fact that the Constitution could be amended and peacefully changed.

10. C

11. The Fifth Amendment

12. True

13. B

14. None: The 13th Amendment abolishing slavery was ratified in 1865.

15. Religion, speech, petition

16. The government can not make special preferences for one or all religions. The clause creates a wall between church and state.

17. The First Amendment

18. False

19. The First Amendment

20. The Fourth Amendment protects people from having their homes searched or seized without a warrant.

21. No: The 19th Amendment did so in 1920.

22. False: You are considered innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

23. C

24. The First Amendment guarantees the right to peacefully assemble.

Score

20-24 legal scholar

15-19 law student

10-14 listened sometimes in school

0-9 go directly to your nearest library.

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Thomas Jefferson immortalized the sentiment of the founding era when he wrote in the Declaration of Independence, "... we hold these truths to be self-evident — that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights, (and) that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness ..."

Jefferson thought that these rights were evident in the structure of nature and the lessons of history. By contrast, his English ancestors first believed that the rights of

"The men of the founding era saw their work as simply the beginning of a great experiment: 'Novus ordo seculorum,' they wrote. A new order for the ages.

man issued only from royal decree. Later generations of Englishmen held the view that the rights of man were determined by the authority of an emerging Parliament. Efforts at securing the rights of man in constitutions on the state level began in earnest with George Mason's 1776 draft of the Virginia Declaration of Rights. Mason's efforts preceded Jefferson's work on the Declaration of Independence by several weeks and established the principles of inherent and inalienable rights, power deriving from the people and guaranteed rights of conscience, press and the due process of law. Jefferson, Mason and James Madison — the principal architects

of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights — saw the world as a giant clock. They reasoned that the same logic used by Kepler, Galileo and Newton in determining the scientific underpinnings of the physical world could be applied in discovering a harmonious social, moral and legal order.

The men of the founding era saw their work as simply the beginning of a great experiment. "Novus ordo seculorum," they wrote. A new order for the ages. The drafters of the Ninth Amendment knew the limits of language and the folly in assuming that they

had — for all time — created a complete charter of essential human rights.

The Ninth Amendment gives continuing counsel to us all: "We are a free people. Government is our servant, not our master."

The recognition of fundamental rights is an evolving process. The limits of language and a declaration of enumerated rights present no obstacle to a people determined to secure essential personal liberties.

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