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Fair with highs in the low 60s. Light east winds. Lows near 30 degrees.

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Clinton backs off call for higher grazing fees

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON—Heading Western senators, President Clinton has backed off his call for Congress to enact higher grazing and mining fees as part of his current budget blueprint.

Clinton still wants to increase grazing fees on federally owned rangelands and impose royalties on minerals extracted from public lands, but he will not insist that Congress hear to those proposals now, administration officials said Tuesday.

Instead, the administration will seek the revenue increases through separate legislation and administrative actions.

"The administration's policy has not changed. The process has changed some,"



Kempthorne



Craig

said White House Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers. "We're still committed to pursuing reform in grazing, mining and below-cost timber sales."

The shift — in essence agreeing to drop the fee proposals from the fiscal 1994 bud-

get resolution — was portrayed by administration officials as a way to buy more time to debate the use of Western lands.

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Rep. George Miller, D-Calif., chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee and a longtime backer of Western land re-

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Fred Trenkle Coaching era comes to close

Trenkle resigns CSI post

By Mike Mallor Times-News sports editor

TWIN FALLS — After 10 years and 329 victories with the College of Southern Idaho, the Fred Trenkle era of Golden Eagle basketball has ended.

"It is with mixed emotions that I announce my resignation of the position as head basketball coach at the College of Southern Idaho," Trenkle said in a news release Tuesday, ending weeks of speculation that he would leave the job.

Trenkle, who has compiled some nearly unmatchable records during his time at CSI, cited family concerns and educational goals as the reasons for his quitting.

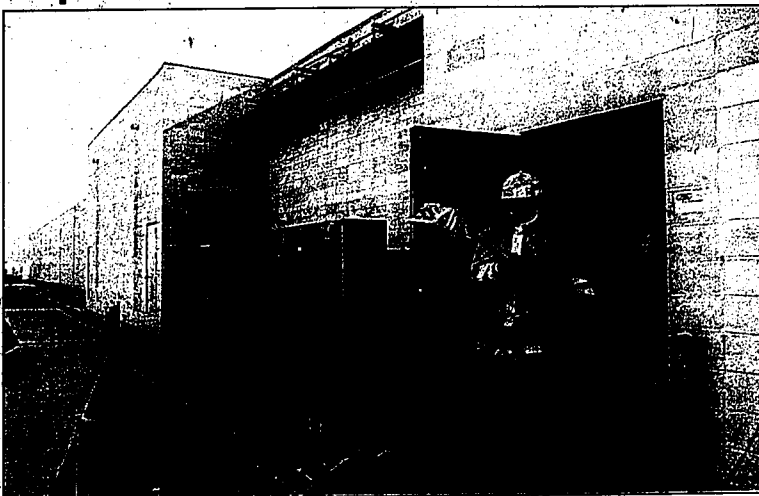
"My wife and I have appreciated the opportunity given us to raise our family and live in this great community and coach basketball for the finest junior college program in the nation."

Speculation that Trenkle might leave CSI began before the Golden Eagles participated in the National Junior College Athletic Association tournament March 16-20.

"I've known Fred for 10 years, and I've never known him to be more sure of a decision or more calm about it," said CSI President Jerry Meyerhoeffer. "The board and

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Explosion site



Jerome firefighters responded to the scene of an explosion Tuesday at Moore Business Forms and Systems Division.

Electric blast at Jerome plant sends 3 workers to hospital

By Brad Bowlin Times-News writer

JEROME — Three men were burned when an explosion in a large electrical panel cut power to much of the Moore Business Forms plant southwest of Jerome Tuesday afternoon.

Two employees were changing a 1-foot-long fuse in a power box or transformer inside the plant at 40 West, 100 South when the unit exploded just before 3 p.m.

"Right now, we don't know how it happened," Jerome Fire Chief Jim Auclair said. "Something shorted or the fuse rolled into the panel or something."

Officials will know more after an electrician examines the electrical system, Auclair said.

Leo Vanourney, 52, of Jerome was the

most severely burned. He was taken to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls and then flown to the burn unit at the University of Utah Medical Center in Salt Lake City, said Larry Wood, director of Jerome County Emergency Medical Services.

Kevin Gellings, also of Jerome, and Bob Tedder of Twin Falls, were taken to St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome, Wood said.

Gellings remained in the hospital in stable condition after being treated for second-degree burns on his arms, a nursing supervisor said. Tedder was treated and released.

The explosion did not cause a fire inside the plant, and no equipment other than the electrical system was damaged, Auclair said.

Officials evacuated the building, and

no one else was injured in the accident. The power surge caused by the explosion also damaged an outside transformer, which sparked a roadside brush fire that was quickly extinguished.

The electrical panel is located in the plant's pressroom, where business forms are printed. The damaged unit is supposed to be a backup, meaning the plant should be able to re-open as soon as the electrical supply can be rerouted, Auclair said.

Moore Business Forms is one of the area's largest manufacturers, employing more than 200 people.

Plant manager Cal Jensen declined to comment on the incident or how long the plant may be closed.

"We're trying to assess the situation right now. I'd rather not give out any information right now," Jensen said.

House, Senate agree on deficit-cutting plan

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — House-Senate negotiations ended Tuesday to a compromise plan for cutting the deficit by just under \$560 billion, a measure that would lay the foundation for enactment of President Clinton's economic program.

Congressional sources said the agreement would be announced today and followed quickly by House and Senate votes. Few details of the compromise were immediately available. The plans were similar to begin with since both were based on the rich, defense cuts and other savings, along with increased spending on certain domestic programs, including highways and federal research.

Majority Democrats hoped to pass the legislation in the House as early as Wednesday, and the Senate the next day. It would be the earliest a deficit-reduction plan was approved since the budget law was enacted in 1974.

In reaching a compromise, the Senate agreed to lower its total tax increase by roughly \$22 billion to about \$273 billion over five years. The House, meantime, backed away from the tough limits it sought on cost-of-living increases for federal workers and retirees, said the sources, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Like the House-passed version, the compromise package would also hold spending on defense and most domestic programs over the next five years to no more than the \$548 billion the government will spend this

year. Excluded from this freeze would be benefit programs like Social Security and Medicare.

The outline of the savings package was included in a \$1.5 trillion budget for fiscal 1994, which starts on Oct. 1. The measure, which does not require the president's signature, sets goals for tax and spending bills lawmakers will consider later this year.

The agreement came as Democrats craved an embarrassing setback the Senate had dealt to Clinton's jobs bill, another important piece of the president's recovery economic program. The \$16.5 billion measure would provide money for mass transit, job and other employment-heavy programs.

In a 52-48 vote, the Senate reversed itself and killed a Republican amendment trim-

ming \$104 million from the bill. Lawmakers had given the GOP provision preliminary approval on a 48-44 vote the night before.

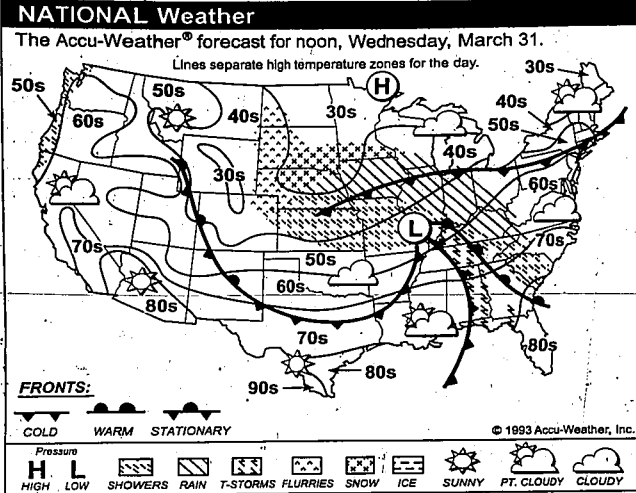
The tally showed that the chamber's majority Democrats will probably be able to keep enough of their 57 members together to muscle the jobs measure through the Senate largely intact.

As if to demonstrate that, senators then cast aside another Republican provision that would have removed the \$2.5 billion in the legislation for community development projects. The strict party line vote was 54-43.

But even before those votes, Clinton sounded undaunted when asked if the Senate would pass the legislation.

"I'm optimistic. I think so," he said.

Weather



IDAHO Weather

Wednesday, March 31
Accu-Weather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures

Coeur D'Alene	60°
Lewiston	60°
Boise	64°
Twin Falls	61°
Pocatello	58°
Idaho Falls	56°

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Temperatures

San Francisco	88 52
Seattle	58 40	12
Spokane	51 33
Washington	89 52	06

Twin Falls

Yesterday	58 34	.....
Last year	65 37	.....
Normal	56 31	.....
Sunset today	7:03 a.m.	.....
Sunrise tomorrow	6:21 a.m.	.....
Lunar phase: First quarter	.....	.....
March 30; full April 6; last quarter April 13; new April 21.	.....	.....
Visible planets: Evening, Venus, Mars, Jupiter. Morning: Venus, Jupiter, Saturn, Mercury.	.....	.....

Idaho

Boise	57 29	.....
Burley	54 35	1r
Hagerman	63 40	.....
Idaho Falls	51 33	02
Lewiston	58 38	1r
McCall	47 19	.....
Pocatello	52 34	1r
Salmon	56 38	.....
Sun Valley	49 24	.....

Weather summary

Variable clouds moved through the Gem State Tuesday with the southwest a little sunnier than other areas under scattered clouds, the National Weather Service said.

Light snow was reported at Soda Springs, and in the Idaho Falls-Rexburg area but no precipitation was indicated elsewhere either on radar charts or from any station observations.

Precipitation amounts included Bear Lake .05 inch, Grangeville and Rexburg .03, Coeur d'Alene .02 and Moscow a trace.

Aftershock winds were in the 40s and 50s, with brisk westerly winds tempering the moderate temperatures.

The warmest temperature in the state Tuesday was 68 degrees at Lowell. Stanley reported the coldest at 16 degrees.

Elsewhere in the nation Tuesday, the highest temperature was 91 degrees at McAllen and Lajitas, Texas. The lowest was 18 degrees at Alamosa, Colo.

Pollen count

106; mostly elm

Thunderstorms pummel central states with rain, hail

The Associated Press

Thunderstorms broke out over the southern Plains for a second day Tuesday, and rain was scattered from the Rockies to New England.

Showers and thunderstorms extended over the lower Mississippi Valley, southwestern Alabama and the Florida Panhandle.

They triggered strong winds that caused some tree damage in central Oklahoma and Meridian, Miss., as well as bringing hail, funnel clouds and heavy rain to the region.

There were no immediate reports of injuries or major damage.

Hail about 1 1/2 inches in diameter fell at Spanish Fort, Ala., and hail about an inch in diameter fell near Piedmont, Okla., and near Quitman, Miss., the National Weather Service said. Large hail also fell in parts of Arkansas.

Light snow fell across western North Dakota during the morning, with an overnight accumulation of about 2 inches at Dickinson.

Rain was likely to change to snow in western Nebraska early Wednesday, and several inches of wet snow could

Forecasts

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding: Fair today. Highs in the lower 60s. East winds 5 to 10 mph tonight partly cloudy. Lows from 30 to 40. Thursday partly cloudy. Highs in the mid-60s.

Camas Prairie and Wood River Valley: Mostly sunny today. Highs in the mid-50s. Tonight clear. Lows in the mid-20s. Thursday partly cloudy. Highs in the mid-50s.

Extended forecast: Southern Idaho - Friday through Sunday mostly fair and mild. Lows mid-30s to mid-40s. Highs mid-50s to mid-60s.

Northern Utah and Nevada: Utah - Fair through Thursday. A little warmer days. Highs today near 60 and Thursday lower to mid-60s. Lows in the 30s.

Elko County - Partly cloudy with highs from the upper 50s to near 70. Tonight mostly cloudy north and partly cloudy elsewhere. Lows in the upper 20s through the 30s. Thursday mostly cloudy. Highs from the lower 50s to mid-60s.

extend from southwestern Nebraska into north-central Nebraska by midday Wednesday, the weather service said.

A winter storm watch was in effect into Wednesday across northwestern Kansas.

Rain changed to snow Tuesday over western sections of the northern Plains and at higher elevations of the Rockies. Showers with thunderstorms extended over lower elevations of the central Rockies, the central Plains, eastern sections of the northern Plains, and the upper Mississippi Valley.

Rain was scattered over central and southern New England.

Elsewhere, rain was scattered along the northern Pacific Coast.

Heaviest rainfall during the six hours up to 11 a.m. MST was .75 inch at Russell, Kan., the weather service said.

Temperatures around the nation at 1 p.m. MST ranged from 33 at Garrison and Minot, N.D., and Laramie, Wyo., to 89 at McAllen, Texas.

Marquette, Mich., warmed to a record high of 57.

Tuesday morning's low for the lower 48 states was 18 at Alamosa, Colo.

Grazing

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These calls, called it a "fundamental mistake by the administration."

He said the administration will be "losing an enormous opportunity to begin the reform process in earnest," and weakening those efforts by taking the subsidy issue out of the budget process.

"The gridlock normally associated with Western land battles will continue to dominate this Congress," Miller said.

But Western land interests and their congressional allies welcomed the policy shift.

Idaho Republican Sen. Larry Craig and Dirk Kempthorne were part of a bipartisan group of Western senators who pushed the White House to reconsider.

Craig said Clinton "should be congratulated for making a good decision," but Kempthorne "urged" caution.

"We won this round; but we must continue to be diligent in our efforts to oppose future fee hikes," Kempthorne said. "This gives us more time to make our case, and hopefully removes the issues from the larger budget battle."

Clinton's shift — in essence agreeing to drop the fee proposals from the fiscal 1994 budget — was portrayed by administration officials as a way to buy more time to debate the use of Western lands. It was greeted by Western senators as a victory, and was quickly criticized by environmentalists.

"President Clinton has recognized

the adverse impact that his plan would have on Montana and other Western states and has moved boldly to address this injustice," said Sen. Max Baucus of Montana, one of several Democratic Western senators who met with Clinton, Vice President Gore and other top administration officials on the issue two weeks ago.

Sen. Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., said the mining laws "are not perfect" and need reform, but said he was "extremely pleased the White House has demonstrated a willingness to work with the people who would be most directly affected by this provision."

Clinton's shift brought swift criticism Tuesday from environmentalists who had cheered his earlier proposal in last October.

"They've run up the white flag before the battle has even begun," said Wilderness Society spokesman Mike Francis. "They came out swinging in the right direction and got the environmental community behind them. As the first sign of the enemy on the horizon they wilted from the battlefield," he said.

The administration remains committed to the goal of charging more for use of government lands, and Clinton's budget projections will retain the target revenues he proposed, officials said. But privately some officials have said those targets, set by Office of Management and Budget Director Leon Panetta, especially in mining, would be hard to achieve without congressional action.

"We're not going to insist that these be done as part of the budget bill Congress ultimately passes," said a White House official who spoke on condition of anonymity. "The administration will pursue it as part of mining reform legislation" and an administrative regulation on grazing, he said.

Mining reform legislation, including not only royalty increases but also environmental protection provisions, already is pending in Congress, but has failed several attempts to pass.

"It allows for a more reasonable approach," to discuss the issues separate from the budget debate, said Interior Department spokesman Kevin Sweeney.

Clinton's plan called for raising \$48 million over four years by increasing grazing fees, and \$471 million by charging royalties for gold, silver and other minerals that private companies mine from federal lands.

To meet the mining revenue target, the administration had proposed a 12.5 percent royalty on gross mining revenues, despite furious opposition from the mining industry and its Western congressional supporters.

Increasing grazing fees can be handled without congressional action, although Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt is contemplating giving credits to ranchers for improvements to the rangeland. That approach may require legislation.

Federal grazing fees now are well below those charged on private lands.

Trenkle

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myself, we wish Fred nothing but the very best, because he's given CSI nothing but the best."

While Trenkle also indicated that he will pursue head coaching opportunities at the NCAA Division I level, he said in his statement, "It is time now to pursue certain educational goals that I have and spend some quality time with my family."

That time would include chances to see games involving his sons Swede, a junior at Fort Hays State in Kansas; Eddie, a senior at Twin Falls High School, and Brady, a junior at Twin Falls.

"I am fully convinced that CSI will continue to provide a great educational and athletic program for the people of the Magic Valley," Trenkle's statement added. "My only

wish is that our loyal fans will continue to support the programs of CSI with the same great spirit that has been displayed since the start of the college in 1965."

During his stint at CSI, Trenkle's teams won or tied for the Scenic West Athletic Conference championship every season, going 329-34 overall (906).

Under Trenkle, the Eagles won the last eight District 13 (Region 18 before 1992) tournaments and went to the National Junior College Athletic Association Final Four of the last eight seasons, winning the championship in 1987.

His string of eight 30-win seasons is unequalled in college basketball, as is the 137-game home winning streak that ended in 1992.

"I think Fred is deserving of a Di-

vision I job," Meyerhoeffer said. "I think he's shown that by what he accomplished at CSI."

Meyerhoeffer noted that Trenkle's resignation was not surprising by CSI. "It has anything to do with comments attributed to the coach in a story from a North Idaho newspaper that said he was unhappy with the situation in Twin Falls."

The search for Trenkle's successor will begin immediately with a new coach to be named in two or three weeks Meyerhoeffer said. He added that the school has received several applications already that have been ignored until now. Meyerhoeffer expects more applications to arrive as news of Trenkle's resignation spreads.

When Trenkle won the job, the college received more than 300 applications.

Standoff

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able. I'm hopeful that David feels comfortable so."

Koresh, a doomsday preacher who has claimed to be Jesus Christ, has been holed up inside his compound with more than 90 followers since a February gunfight there killed four federal agents and at least two cultists. The U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms was attempting to arrest Koresh, 33, and search the compound for illegal weapons and drugs.

On Tuesday, a grand jury indicted three cult members who left the compound after the shootout on charges of conspiracy to murder federal agents and of possession of firearms.

The indictment named cultists Brad Branch, Kevin Whitecliff and Kathy Schuler.

The three have been held as material witnesses since leaving the cult, and Branch's attorney, Richard Ferguson, complained that the indictment was a "tactic" to keep them in jail.

"They are losing the battle on material witnesses — they had to come up with another strategy," he said.

U.S. Attorney Ron Ederer said only. The indictment speaks for itself.

Fourteen adults and 21 children have left the compound since the standoff. Five of the adults have been ordered held at a Salvation Army halfway house. No one has left the compound since March 23.

FBI special agent Bob Ricks said DeGuerin has told authorities his talks with Koresh involved "what his rights are under the criminal justice system."

"We are cautiously optimistic that this will be one of the significant events necessary to bring this to a final resolution," Ricks said.

DeGuerin met with cult members for two hours Monday, two hours Tuesday and then four hours on Tuesday afternoon. He was hired by Koresh's mother and is the first person authorities allowed into the compound since the standoff began.

Idaho road report

The Idaho Transportation Department report at road conditions was not available Tuesday evening.

For current road conditions, call these numbers: Twin Falls, 736-3060; Boise, 336-6600; Pocatello 232-1426; Idaho Falls 522-5141; Utah 801-964-6000; the Elko, Nev., area, 702-738-8888.

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Idaho lottery

BOISE (AP) - Winning numbers in the Fantastic Five game Tuesday night are:

1-13-21-22-24 (one, thirteen, twenty-one, twenty-two, twenty-four).

— Estimated jackpot: \$119,550.

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Defense Secretary Les Aspin testifies on Capitol Hill Tuesday before the House Armed Services Committee on the Defense Department's fiscal 1994 budget, a proposal that leaves some communities dependent upon military installations vulnerable.

Defense-dependent towns awakened to reality of cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) — It's no secret that the Cold War is over or that the military is shrinking.

But many communities whose prosperity was built on defense dollars are discovering that the cutbacks will strike close to home.

"Most people don't have any idea what cuts in defense spending mean for their local economy," said Virginia Mayer, who wrote a book on the subject for the National League of Cities.

In some areas of the country, such as southern California and southeast Connecticut, communities know full well the sting of defense reductions and are responding. Mayer says they are the exceptions. Most assume they'll be spared or don't realize how vulnerable their economies are to military cuts.

"Now, it'll never happen here," is a common attitude, said Don Jordan, vice mayor of Seaside, Calif., a town of 39,000 which was caught flat-footed when it, indeed, did happen at nearby Fort Ord.

In 1991, the Army decided to move the 7th Infantry Division out of Ord, cutting the base population from 20,000 to 2,000. Jordan said the move stripped Seaside, which is 90 miles south of San Francisco, of about 30 percent of its economic base.

"The word's out now: You better start assessing the economic vulnerability if your area has a particular mil-

itary installation in it," Jordan said.

The word has been heard in Grand Prairie, Texas, and none too soon. Gary Gwyn, the city manager, said he was "stunned," and without an adjustment plan, when the Pentagon this month recommended closing a base adjacent to Grand Prairie, which is between Dallas and Fort Worth.

"We had been under the impression that the chance of Naval Air Station Dallas being closed was pretty remote," he said. "We really didn't see this coming."

Closure of the naval air station would mean losing 1,700 active duty military and 800 civilian jobs at the base — a big blow for Grand Prairie, a city of 105,000 people that also is beginning to feel defense industry cuts.

"We wish we'd seen the warnings up ahead, but we didn't, and now we'll have to deal with that," Gwyn said.

"It's not hard to see why many local governments have been slow to respond.

Although the demilitarization of the economy is well under way, the biggest declines in defense spending and cuts in defense industry jobs are yet to be seen.

Defense spending began its decline in 1987, but more than two-thirds of the cuts planned through 1997 are still to come. And while the third in a series of military base closings is in the

works, only a handful have actually been shut.

Another problem is misplaced confidence among local officials in the importance of their local installation to the nation's defense. They are surprised to learn that the facility is no longer vital.

"A lot of people just believe it will never happen," Ms. Mayer said.

In many cases, community leaders put all their energies into fighting a base closure when they should be planning to adjust to the loss, said Paul Knox, manager of Washington state's Community Diversification Program, a state effort to help communities adjust. His was the first of its kind when it started in 1990.

Knox cites the case of Oak Harbor, a community of 17,000 on a Puget Sound island.

The Whidbey Island Naval Air Station, which provides 35 percent of the jobs in Island County, of which Oak Harbor is the largest town, was put on the "hit list" of bases to be closed two years ago. It eventually was taken off the list, and it is not among the bases targeted for closure this year. There is no assurance it won't get the ax during base closings in 1995, yet efforts to diversify the economy have lost steam.

"The old-time town leaders can't envision the town being anything other than a Navy town," Knox said.

Air Force families say 'bye to 'an old friend'

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. (AP) — Huge hangars that once housed A-10 Warthog jets at the Myrtle Beach Air Force Base are empty.

Hundreds of houses for Air Force families stand deserted. A base playground is empty.

The air base closes its gates today, 51 years after it opened.

During a brief ceremony, there will be the requisite speeches and flags will be furled. Then a last flight of A-10s will thunder overhead.

For some, it will be a tearful passage.

"We'll take our tissues but we'll be going," said Doris Buffkin, who has worked in the accounting office for four years. "It's like saying goodbye to an old friend."

The 3,800-acre base was targeted for closing two years ago under military budget cuts. At the time, there were 72 aircraft and 3,800 civilian and military workers.

The last jets took off in September. This week, only about 200

workers remained on base and only about a dozen of the 311 buildings were open.

Among the last workers was Nellyne Schmidt, who worked at the base 26 years, longer than anyone else.

Sitting at a table in a nearly empty office, she fled not to think about Wednesday and didn't know if she could bear attending the ceremony.

"It's just very sad. It's kind of like a wake," said Ms. Schmidt, who starts another job Thursday at Shaw Air Force Base in Sumter.

Christopher calls for oil embargo

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher told Congress Tuesday the administration would try to organize a worldwide oil embargo against Libya because it has refused to turn over the alleged bombers of a Pan Am passenger plane.

He accused Libya of stalling by offering intermediaries to deal with the situation. "The time has passed for that," Christopher told a Senate Appropriations subcommittee.

"I think the time has come to start on the oil embargo against Libya,"

he said in a move that could cause reverberations in world oil markets and also test the resolve of U.S. allies, some of which purchase large quantities of Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi's oil.

He also slammed Iran, calling it an "international outlaw" and said U.S. allies would be encouraged to avoid any trade with Tehran.

On a third front, Christopher demanded any easing of U.S. policy toward President Saddam Hussein of Iraq. There's been no softening and no relenting, Christopher said.

Clinton plan to end Medicaid abortion ban stirs opposition

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House plans to end the ban on federally financed abortions for poor women, which critics say would put taxpayers into the "grisy business" of abortion.

Both sides predicted a heated battle in Congress.

White House spokesman George Stephanopoulos said Tuesday that Clinton would not include the ban when he sends his fiscal 1994 budget to Congress next week.

For 16 years, the ban, which originated in Congress, has been written into the budget. It bars federally paid Medicaid abortions except when there is a threat to the woman's life.

"It simply goes too far," Stephanopoulos said of the so-called Hyde amendment, named for its sponsor, Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill. "The President believes that this is the right thing to do, ... and that's why he's not having it in his budget."

The policy shift was welcomed by the National Abortion Rights Action League (NARAL), which said current law shortchanges poor women.

"The issue here is fairness and equity," said NARAL President Kate Michelman. "It's one of ensuring that we do not have a two-tiered health care system — one for poor, low-income women and one for those of us with means."

According to NARAL, 9 percent of women of reproductive age get their medical care through Medicaid.

Douglas Johnson, legislative director for the National Right to Life Committee, predicted that dropping the ban would require taxpayers to pay for hundreds of thousands of elective abortions each year, including many late in pregnancy.

The government paid for 300,000 elective Medicaid abortions a year before the ban was adopted, Johnson said, and 15 states now voluntarily pick up the tab for poor women.

Rep. Chris Smith, R-N.J., a leading abortion oppo-

sitioner in the House, said Clinton was trying to force taxpayers to get into the "grisy business" of abortion. And Rep. Cliff Stearns, R-Fla., chided Clinton for making abortion rights such a priority.

"He said he would focus like a laser beam on the economy," Stearns said. "Apparently he believes that taxing all Americans to pay for abortions is one of our nation's top priorities."

Stephanopoulos said the administration had no estimate on what repealing the ban might cost.

Both sides portrayed themselves as the underdog in Congress while claiming to have the support of the American people.

— Polls show sharp divisions on the issue: A New York Times-CBS News survey last July, for example, found that 52 percent of Americans opposed using tax dollars to pay for poor women's abortions and 42 percent favored it.

Clinton's action sparked intense speculation about the broader issue of whether his health care proposals would include abortion as a "basic benefit" for all Americans.

Hyde predicted Clinton would seek to make abortion a "mandated benefit" and warned that would make it more difficult to enact his health care package.

Michelman saw Clinton's action as a "clear sign that President Clinton does ... support reproductive health as part of his reform plan, including abortion."

"We feel very strongly it must be part of any basic benefits package," she said, noting that most private insurance policies cover abortions as part of pregnancy-related care.

White House aides declined to comment on how abortion would be handled in the president's health care package. However, Clinton said a day after his inauguration that he would present a plan that guarantees all Americans access to quality, affordable health care — including abortion services.

Christopher pledges innovative Russia aid

WASHINGTON (AP) — The chairman of the Senate's foreign aid panel urged Israel and Egypt to give up some of their combined \$5 billion in aid Tuesday as Congress and the Clinton administration sought ways to expand help for Russia.

Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., made his suggestion as Secretary of State Warren Christopher pledged a frugal but "innovative" foreign aid bill that would support reform in Russia without reducing assistance to the Middle East nations. Israel and Egypt together account for more than one-third of the total foreign aid budget.

President Clinton is expected to announce new aid to Russia when he meets Russian President Boris Yeltsin in Vancouver this weekend.

Christopher provided no figures, but Leahy told reporters it was his understanding that Clinton would propose extending Russia \$1 billion to help solidify democratic and economic reforms.

Foreign aid, unpopular among many Americans concerned with budget cuts at home, must be linked to "improving the daily lives of our citizens," said Christopher, testifying before the Senate Appropriations Foreign Operations Subcommittee.

Leahy, speaking to reporters before the hearing, said American taxpayers annually provide the equiv-

alent of \$700 for every Israeli citizen, compared with \$3.50 for every Russian.

He said he hoped Israel, Egypt and other major aid recipients "will do everything possible to help the United States meet what is one of the biggest if not the biggest challenge we face in the post-Cold War period."

"I find myself very reluctant to continue support for foreign aid to countries unwilling to respond to the security and economic needs of the United States when we have responded to their security and economic needs for decades," Leahy said.

Christopher said the new money "will come from diversion from other accounts," adding without giving specifics that there are some Cold War military assistance programs that might be reduced.

But, he said, "we do not intend to find that money in aid to Israel or Egypt."

Another possible source, Leahy suggested, would be the Andean anti-narcotic program, funded for about \$250 million.

The ranking Republican on the subcommittee, Sen. Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, said the United States should finance public-works projects in Russia instead of displacing Russian soldiers to work building roads and houses.

Court strikes down speaking fee ban on federal workers

WASHINGTON (AP) — An appeals court Tuesday struck down a ban on speaking fees that Congress imposed on federal workers, saying it was an unconstitutional infringement on free speech.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia called the prohibition on outside fees "for occasional speeches or magazine articles" "unduly overinclusive" when applied to career civil service workers' speaking or writing about topics unrelated to their jobs.

"It is clear that the ban reaches a lot of compensation that has no nexus to government work that could give rise to the slightest concern," Circuit Judge Stephen F. Williams wrote in a 2-1 ruling by the three-judge panel.

He cited examples of a Nuclear Regulatory Commission lawyer who writes about czarist Russian history, a

Labor Department lawyer who lectures on Judaism, a mail handler who writes about Quakers and a Navy electronics technician who advocates ironclad vessels in the Civil War.

"The topics appear not to be such that the employee could have used information acquired in the course of his government work," the majority said. And "there is no suggestion that the institutions that have paid or are likely to pay for the speeches or writings would have some relationship with the employee's agency that would make them wish to curry its favor."

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Gay rights laws face backlash in many states

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — When state Sen. Dean Johnson voted to protect the rights of Minnesota's homosexuals, the Republican lost, friends who warned he'd become a pariah in his hometown.

"It is the right thing to do," said Johnson, a Lutheran minister from Rural Willmar, 90 miles west of St. Paul. "Not because we totally understand, but because we want to be a state that doesn't discriminate against its people."

This may seem natural for historically tolerant Minnesota. Elsewhere, a tide is turning against gay rights.

The legislation Johnson voted for, which would make Minnesota the eighth state to adopt gay rights guarantees, is in conference committee with votes expected later this week in the House and Senate. Gov. Arne Carlson has said he will sign the measure.

While similar legislation was filed this year in at least 11 other states, efforts to counter gay rights are under way in seven states.

"The gay and lesbian movement is in a new era," said Robin Kane, spokeswoman for The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force in Washington, ticking off gains in state civil rights legislation and an ally in the Clinton administration.

Two decades of pushing for civil rights protection for homosexuals have produced statewide guarantees on housing, employment and the like in California, Connecticut, Hawaii, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Vermont and Wisconsin. Similar measures have been approved in the District of Columbia and other major U.S. cities, and for government workers in 10 states.

"However, we are also facing a tremendous backlash from the right wing... to shut the closet doors on the gay and lesbian movement," Kane said.

Opponents of specific civil rights protection for homosexuals are raising money and gathering signatures hoping to get measures banning gay rights on statewide ballots next year in California, Florida, Idaho, Oregon

and Michigan among other states.

More immediately, on April 20, voters in Anchorage, Alaska, will decide whether to throw out gay rights protection their City Assembly gave to municipal employees.

Anti-gay rights bills currently proposed in the Rhode Island legislature would bar civil rights protection "solely in response to his or her behavior."

In Oregon, in addition to a 1994 statewide ballot measure, the Oregon Citizen Alliance is working to get anti-gay rights measures on ballots in more than 30 county and municipal elections this year.

Colorado voters decided in November to repeal gay rights ordinances and ban any such laws. The matter is being challenged before the Colorado Supreme Court.

"The Colorado referendum prompted a boycott that has cost the state a \$34 million in canceled conventions, but at the same time it inspired hope for gay rights opponents. So did the successful repeal of gay rights in Tampa, Fla., last November and the

near-success of an Oregon referendum that would have denounced homosexuality as perverse in that state's constitution.

The backlash is further fueled by debate over President Clinton's plan to remove the military's ban on gays and lesbians.

"Unlike other issues marking deep social divisions in America, this one is fairly clearly drawn."

On the one side, homosexuals say they need protection like other minorities vulnerable to loss of jobs, housing and peace of mind.

New York Assemblywoman Deborah Glick, urging passage of a gay rights bill for her state, said such protection "simply gives lesbian and gay New Yorkers the same rights to provide for their families, live safely in their homes and walk the streets as other New Yorkers."

Just as vehement are such opponents as the Rev. Lou Sheldon of the Traditional Values Coalition, based in Anaheim, Calif. There's no such thing as discrimination

against homosexuals, Sheldon said. "This is a fantasy and a decoy to try to make their lifestyle acceptable."

Or there's David Cason, director of the American Family Political Committee of Florida, which just filed a petition for a state referendum proposing to bar gay rights ordinances and laws.

"Homosexuality is not a civil right," said Cason, whose group led last fall's successful "Take Back Tampa," campaign that dumped that city's gay rights protection.

About 200 homosexual activists and their supporters met last weekend in Orlando to discuss strategy for fighting the Florida measure and raising \$2.5 million needed to see it through.

At stake, they said, are human rights and civil rights.

Said Susan Glickman, Florida coordinator for People for the American Way and one of the meeting's organizers, "I think an anti-gay ballot measure has the potential of just ripping the state in half."

Briefly

Union files complaint against airline

CHICAGO — A union has filed a federal complaint against United Airlines over the company's decision to reinstate weight restrictions for flight attendants.

The guidelines were suspended in late-1991 while the Association of Flight Attendants and United were in contract negotiations. No agreement on the weight restrictions was reached, so United decided to reinstate the guidelines as of Thursday, spokesman Joe Hopkins said.

The union filed the complaint Monday with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

As many as 1,600 of the carrier's 19,000 flight attendants would be forced to lose weight, said Amy Grubbe, vice president of the union's Chicago council.

Scientists create medicine to stop cancer

SAN DIEGO — Scientists have developed the first medicines intended to stop malignancy by disarming a rogue cancer gene, an approach that could help control many forms of tumors.

The new treatment is intended to block a cancer-causing gene — a so-called oncogene — that appears to play a role in cancer of the breast and pancreas, among other organs.

Although the ultimate cause of cancer is often a mystery, scientists have learned in recent years that mutations in several genes are critical steps on the path to malignancy. When these normal genes go bad, cells lose control over their growth, and cancer results.

The latest approach is intended to short-circuit this process by attacking an oncogene known in scientific shorthand as *ras*.

NASA to send Discovery on mission

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — NASA will try to send space shuttle Discovery on an atmospheric research mission next week, pushing Columbia's German-sponsored science flight into late April.

All goes well, Discovery would lift off at 11:32 p.m. MST Tuesday on the eight-day flight. A nighttime launch is necessary to catch orbital sunrises and sunsets at the right spots for ozone measurements.

Columbia was supposed to be the next shuttle up, but a stuck valve caused a main engine shutdown three seconds before liftoff on March 22, NASA said Tuesday that Columbia will be launched no earlier than April 1.

The same kind of engine valve failed in testing on Discovery over the weekend, and NASA replaced the bad component Tuesday. Discovery's other engine valves tested fine, said spokesman George Diller.

Study: Child poverty rises in Midwest

BOSTON — Child poverty has climbed most quickly in the Midwest and fallen fastest in the South in the last two decades, another sign of economic erosion in the Rust Belt, according to a study released Tuesday.

The report showed Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin and Illinois experienced the sharpest growth in child poverty in the 1970s and 1980s.

Southern states, some of which still have relatively high child poverty rates, nonetheless registered significant declines.

The report was done by Tufts University's Center on Hunger, Poverty and Nutrition Policy. The center's director, J. Larry Brown, said the report reflects broader economic trends.

Research to focus on women's health

BETHESDA, Md. — A \$625 million research program to overcome what was described as decades of neglect in studying women's health was announced Tuesday by the National Institutes of Health.

More than 160,000 women ages 50 to 79 will be invited to take part in the 15-year study to be conducted at 16 university medical programs across the nation.

"For far too long research on women's health has been neglected," Dr. Bernadine Healy, director of NIH, told a news conference. "Men were the normative standard for medical research and treatment. The corollary for this, of course, is that men's hormones set the standard for us all."

Calling the new federally funded study "the mother of all (clinical) trials," she declared: "Today we are entering a new age in women's health research."

Landslide kills man, injures another

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. — A landslide on a rocky beach killed a beachgoer and injured another man who splinted his shattered leg and spent more than a day sealing a cliff to safety.

Thomas Laberge, 31, crawled onto Highway 101 on Monday afternoon and a passing motorist called authorities, said Fire Capt. Michael Hipes.

"With a broken leg, I'm surprised he was able to make it, even in a day and a half," Hipes said. "His friend was half buried in the cliff and boulders. He couldn't get him out."

Laberge was in fair condition at a hospital Tuesday. The name of the dead man was not released.

Compiled from wire reports



Pamela Hoary holds her daughter Allyson, 2 1/2, Monday in Wauconda, Ill. Allyson survived a 6 1/2-mile trip, clinging to the back of her father's van at speeds of up to 60 miles per hour Sunday.

Toddler clings to rear of van

WAUCONDA, Ill. (AP) — A toddler who climbed onto the back of a moving van before her father pulled out of the driveway clung there for 6 1/2 miles as the van clipped along at about 60 mph.

Allyson Hoary didn't have a scratch from her ride Sunday. The 24-year-old climbed onto a lodge about 4 inches wide, hanging onto a strap attached to one of the van's rear doors.

Two motorists spotted her but they couldn't get the attention of her father, Michael, who honks and waves. Finally, one of the motorists, an off-duty fire captain, cut off the van at an intersection and Hoary pulled to the side of the road.

Hoary's wife, Pamela, said she was shaken and did not want to talk about what happened.

She said the family considers driver Peg Ramson and firefighter Richard McGill heroes.

McGill was traveling in the opposite direction when he spotted the child. He made a U-turn and joined Ramson in pursuit of the van.

"I whipped around and started following," he said.

He also grabbed the fire department radio in his car to call for help. As he did, he heard a radio transmission about a young child who had just been reported lost. Her name: Allyson Hoary.

Americans: Health workers overpaid

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans are angry over how much money medical specialists, hospital chiefs and health executives make, and they don't even know how high their pay really is, according to a survey released Tuesday by a consumer group.

"They are angry, but they'd be angrier still if they understood what the health care profiteers are actually making," said Ron Pollack, executive director of Families USA.

The advocacy group released a survey by Democratic pollster Celdina Lake that asked people what they thought what the average anesthesiologist or radiologist make, as well as what the people running major hospitals, insurance and drug companies earn.

Those surveyed thought the doctors make \$100,000 a year and they suggested \$50,000 would be a fair income. In reality, according to American Medical Association figures, the average 1991 income of anesthesiologists was \$221,000 and of radiologists \$229,000.

The people guessed that the heads of large hospitals make \$150,000 a year, and they rated \$100,000 as fair. The actual average income of the chief executives at hospitals with more than 500 beds is \$235,000.

And while the public thought drug

company chief executives make \$600,000 and \$150,000 would be fair, a half-dozen drug CEOs make million-dollar salaries. The highest paid makes \$12.8 million.

The major insurance companies also pay their chief executives more than \$1 million, the group said. Americans thought the insurance executives make \$400,000 and fell \$115,000 would be fair.

The average physician in private practice earned \$191,800 after expenses in 1991, or more than six times the average full-time worker's wage of \$29,748, said Pollack.

"When doctors complain about price controls, they are unlikely to get a sympathetic ear from the average consumer and worker," said Pollack, who makes \$10,000 himself as head of Families USA.

AMA leaders last week defended physicians' pay, arguing that doctors undergo long, expensive training and work, on average, 48 percent longer each week than the typical American worker.

Lake said those surveyed considered the doctors and executives overpaid "even when they take into consideration the training, the pressure, the responsibility of these jobs."

"People are angry about the prof-

iteering in the health care industry," said Lake of the Greenberg-Lake polling firm. Her partner, Stan Greenberg, does polling for the White House said for by the Democratic National Committee.

Pollack said he was not seeking to cut doctors' salaries, but favors "some kind of limitation on how those incomes will be allowed to grow."

President Clinton is considering various ways to hold down medical costs, including a freeze on hospital and doctors' fees. He has promised to send Congress his proposal for comprehensive health reforms by May 3.

The telephone survey included interviews with 1,000 registered voters contacted Feb. 28-March 1 and had a margin of error of plus or minus 3.1 percentage points. The figures for actual compensation were taken from surveys by the AMA, the American Hospital Association and other sources.

Families USA is a non-profit group that advocates health care reforms to ensure coverage for all Americans.

Frigate goes through overhaul

BOSTON (AP) — The oldest vessel in the Navy, the USS Constitution, doesn't have iron sides after all.

The frigate, sitting in dry dock since September and veiled in scaffolding, is getting a top-to-bottom facelift to prepare for its 200th birthday celebration in 1997.

"The ship will be stunning once it's done," said Catic McCool, a marketing coordinator for the Constitution. "It will look like new."

The Constitution, which earned its nickname "Old Ironsides" in the War of 1812, is the world's oldest fully commissioned warship.

Copper plating has been peeled from the hull and will be replaced with a new layer. The sagging hull has been straightened. And crews are using X-rays and sonic testing to pinpoint rotting planks, broken pegs and corrosion in the copper pins that hold the vessel together.

Such methods are much less destructive than traditional ways for testing a ship's structure. In the past, repairs would have bored holes in the wood or randomly removed the copper pins, McCool said.

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On Monday, they used an age-old technique for bending a wooden plank to fit on the hull. The 25-foot long, 54-inch-thick slab of white oak, placed in a steam bath for several hours, was shaped into a curve by six men using chains and pulleys. "The wood loses its memory of being straight," Turner said.

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Stop giving a press conference or be arrested, a London policeman warns American anti-abortion activist Caroline Syversen outside the International Planned Parenthood Federation office Tuesday.

British authorities stamp out U.S.-style abortion protests

LONDON (AP) — Authorities moved forcefully Tuesday to keep U.S.-style anti-abortion militancy out of Britain, arresting the founder of the Rescue America group and stopping a counter-demonstration. Anti-abortionists have fire-bombed U.S. abortion clinics and harassed women clients, and an abortion opponent has been charged with murdering a doctor outside a Florida clinic. Family planning workers fear the same could happen in Britain, where abortion has been legal since 1967.

Strained by the arrest of their leader, Don Treshman of Houston, anti-abortionists from the United States and their British allies called off a demonstration Tuesday outside the London offices of the International Planned Parenthood Federation.

About 60 police showed up, and they arrested some 20 abortion rights demonstrators intent on confronting the Americans. A few anti-abortionists also were arrested.

Rescue-America said it would go ahead with protests at British abortion clinics later in the week and would lobby Parliament — with or without Treshman.

"Don is a pro-life Christian missionary with a very important message for this country," said the Rev. James Morrow of Rescue U.K., a Rescue America affiliate. "We are

trying to save babies. No mother has the right to the choice to kill her unborn child."

Morrow said the group was not linked to any violent attacks on abortion clinics in America or the March 10 shooting death of Dr. David Gunn outside an abortion clinic in Pensacola, Fla. "We do not behave in any way unreasonably," he said.

Rescue America sponsored the demonstration where Gunn was killed.

Mark Laskin, assistant secretary general of International Planned Parenthood Federation, said family planning groups were consulting authorities about security. "This is terrorism by tourism," he said.

In the House of Commons, former actress Glenda Jackson and five other members of the opposition Labor Party introduced a motion urging the government to deport any American protesters who break the law.

Morrow said about 30 Americans had come to demonstrate with British groups against the law that permits abortions through the 24th week of pregnancy.

Treshman was arrested early Tuesday outside British Broadcasting Corp. studios after a TV appearance and was served with a deportation order. In the interview late Monday, he refused to condemn the killing of Gunn.

The Home Office, which controls immigration, said his presence in Britain was "not conducive to the public good." A spokeswoman, speaking on condition of anonymity, said it was likely Treshman would be confined during his appeal of the order, which she said could take two to three months.

A lawyer for Treshman, David Brocklesby, said the Home Office had "shot itself in the foot" because of publicity about the case. He said Treshman did not advocate violence and "he feels his detention was completely unjustified."

Treshman left the Hammersmith police station Tuesday, smiling and dressed in a suit and tie, and was taken in the back of a white police van to a detention center for illegal immigrants.

Police moved swiftly to clear a demonstration organized by the left-wing newspaper Socialist Worker. Shouting protesters were dragged to police vans.

"I believe in a woman's right to choose and I am not going to allow bigots that firebomb abortion clinics and murder doctors to come here and get their views across," said one protester, Maddy Cooper.

The National Abortion Campaign distributed leaflets calling Rescue America "a bunch of women-hating, Bible-clutching, hymn-singing terrorists."

Yeltsin backers unsure

MOSCOW (AP) — Reformist lawmakers advised President Boris Yeltsin on Tuesday not to hold his own referendum and cautioned about discontent in the army as he plots strategy in the battle with parliament.

But Yeltsin's chief of staff said the president might hold a plebiscite to counter an April 25 referendum on his leadership that was approved Monday by the Congress of People's Deputies.

After the president's narrow escape from a determined impeachment attempt by hard-line lawmakers, many of his supporters seemed uncertain about how to proceed.

"I still don't know whether I should take part in the April 25 referendum or oppose it," legislator Gleb Yakunin, a Russian Orthodox priest and staunch Yeltsin supporter, told the ITAR-Tass news agency.

The four-day emergency Congress session, which ended Monday, failed to decide the fight between the president and parliament, although Yeltsin's opponents did succeed in eroding his powers. The opponents fell only 72 votes short of the 689 needed to remove him from office in a vote Sunday.

Bitter attacks on Yeltsin have become a habit with the 1,033-member body, which is dominated by members elected before the Soviet Union dissolved. Many oppose Yeltsin's free-market reforms and West-oriented foreign policy.

The Congress approved the April 25 referendum, which Yeltsin himself had proposed as a way to resolve the political crisis. But the lawmakers added a question on whether Russians support the painful economic reforms he launched 15 months ago.

Yeltsin's chief of staff, Sergei Filatov, told the newspaper Izvestia that the Congress could not block the president from "carrying out his simplest and most democratic plan" — a parallel referendum. It would ask voters to approve the basic principles of a new constitution that would strengthen the presidency and replace the Congress with a smaller, bicameral legislature.

Yeltsin held a strategy session in the Kremlin with about 100 constitutional supporters. They urged him to ask the Constitutional Court to strike the economic question off the April 25 ballot, on the grounds that Russian law forbids referendums on specific economic policies such as taxes and budgets.

"Most of the speakers said it would not be expedient to hold two separate referendums," said lawmaker Nikolai Arzhanovskiy, who had proposed that Yeltsin put his own questions on the referendum."



An Egyptian policeman atop his camel passes tourists in front of the pyramid of Chephren Tuesday after an explosion went off near the pyramid. Two workers were injured in the incident.

Accidental blast in pyramid injures 2

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — An explosion inside one of the famed Giza pyramids injured two workers Wednesday, prompting police to arrest three dozen possible suspects before investigators indicated the blast was accidental.

The monument of Pharaoh Chephren, the middle of the three pyramids comprising Egypt's greatest tourist attraction, was not damaged in the noon blast. It was undergoing restoration at the time, and no tourists were inside.

The Interior Ministry said the explosion occurred when acetone, a flammable liquid being used to clean salt from the monument's inner walls, ignited from a spark. Police said two workers suffered

undisclosed injuries.

But police, on the alert over Muslim extremist attacks on tourist facilities and foreign tourists, already had detained four men on Giza Plateau and more than 30 elsewhere in the Cairo area for questioning.

Such arrests have become routine over the last few months during apparent unrest.

Muslim extremists seeking to overthrow the secular regime targeted foreign tourists last year to embarrass the government and strip away its main source of foreign currency. Tourism has since dropped by more than 50 percent.

Two hours after the blast, tourists going in and out of Chephren said they had not heard of the incident.

Judge rules scroll books violate scholar's copyright

JERUSALEM (AP) — A judge ruled Tuesday that a scholar's copyright protection was violated by the unauthorized publication of his deciphered version of one of the Dead Sea Scrolls.

The lawyer for the American editor who lost the case said the ruling threatened scholarly studies by raising questions about the longstanding practice of scholars using previous work as long as the author is credited.

Attorney Dov Frimer, who represented editor Hershel Shanks, said he knew of no previous case involving a copyright for the reconstruction of an ancient document.

In her ruling, District Judge Dalin Dorner said the work by biblical scholar Elisha Qimron in translating and piecing together adjacent scroll fragments did "not require originality" and thus could not be protected

by copyright.

But, she added, "putting together the composite text on the basis of research in Jewish law and linguistics by the author ... is an original work."

Qimron said that it took him years to assemble the fragments of the scroll and that he had to fill in missing parts through scholarly deduction.

He filed the suit in January 1992 after Shanks and his Washington-based Biblical Archaeology Society included his transcription of a scroll known as MMT in "A Facsimile Edition of the Dead Sea Scrolls."

The book was part of Shanks' campaign to break the monopoly of a selected group of scholars who controlled access to the scrolls, which include poetry and legal texts as well as books of the Bible.

Bush to visit Kuwait in April

KUWAIT (AP) — Former President Bush will visit the emirate April 13-15 and receive an honorary degree from Kuwait University.

Kuwait's minister of education said Tuesday that Bush was invited by the ruling emir, Sheik Jabr al-Ahmed al-Sabah.

WHO issues skin cancer warning

GENEVA (AP) — The number of cases of a potentially deadly form of skin cancer is increasing 5-10 percent per year in some countries, the World Health Organization said Tuesday.

In the United States and Australia, this rise is because more people go to the doctor with early symptoms of the cancer, known as melanoma. But in Switzerland and Scandinavia it is because the sun-seeking mentality still persists, the U.N. agency said.

On the eve of a meeting of melanoma experts in the Italian city

of Venice, WHO reiterated its advice that people should limit exposure to the sun's ultraviolet rays.

In Australia, New Zealand and southern parts of the United States there are up to 40 cases of melanoma per 100,000 people every year, according to WHO statistics. In the United States there are more than 27,000 cases of the disease and a further 6,900 deaths per year.

By comparison, there are 8.9 melanoma cases per 100,000 people in Switzerland — one of the worst-affected European nations.

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Opinion

Editorial

Idaho exec carries valuable insight to Clinton's summit

As CEO of a company that offers an alternative to harvesting old-growth timber, Idaho's Walt Minnick has an unusual perspective to offer President Clinton.

Minnick is an industry leader but also a long-time member of the Wilderness Society. He is a wood-products manufacturer who believes in saving old-growth forests — and who believes that saving them need not rule out economic survival for the Northwest.

"My view is that it would be unwise and unnecessary to wipe out all of the remaining old-growth timber land in Oregon and Washington," he said this week. He suggests, instead, a compromise approach that relies on limited, selected logging.

Clinton and Minnick will both head to Portland on Friday, where Clinton will wade into a seemingly insoluble controversy pitting forest preservation against timber jobs. If the president is smart, he'll give a listen to Minnick's perspective.

Minnick's company (which runs a window plant in Twin Falls) specializes in "engineered wood." It laminates strips of wood cut from small, fast-growing trees in structural beams. These beams can replace large timbers traditionally cut from ancient and increasingly scarce old-growth trees.

That specialty puts Minnick in a unique position. Unlike most of his brethren in the forest-products field,

Minnick actually stands to benefit from restrictions on cutting old-growth forests. If restrictions mean higher prices for solid lumber, his products will be more competitive.

That perspective annoys some forest-products executives. In an article about Minnick in the March 29 Business Week magazine, Richard B. Parrish of Boise Cascade Corp. delivered this stinging comment:

"It's easy to take an environmental stance when they have no dependence on public timber. I don't think it should be cloaked in holier-than-thou statements."

But Minnick's position is not so easily assailed. His reply to Business Week was this: "I'm not a hypocrite. I don't have to be. We and others have developed a way to build houses out of forestry resources that are independent of the spotted-owl forest."

TJ-style technology could indeed be an important component in a long-term solution to the old-growth crisis. Even if endangered jobs win out over endangered owls, the Northwest economy cannot prosper for long if it stakes its future on harvesting America's tiny remnants of old-growth forests.

Sooner or later, when the last available old-growth log goes into the last operating sawmill, America will be forced to change the way it builds things. Minnick's company offers a glimpse of that future.

The Times-News

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The members of the editorial board and writers of editorials are Stephen Hartgen, Clark Walworth, Steve Crump and Mark Kind.

Clinton seeks 1st-rate lawyer with lot of heart

The smash hit of last week's annual Gridiron show — the spoof of official Washington performed by several dozen journalists who do not mind making fools of themselves in public — was the song about the Supreme Court.

Written by the Los Angeles Times' Ronald Ostrow to the ballad "Maria" from "West Side Story," it had a mock Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist (masterfully sung by Gridironer John Duval) revealing his passionate desire for "just one more Scalia."

It brought down the house and none of the 600 diners seemingly enjoyed it more than President Bill Clinton. When he rose near midnight to deliver the closing speech of the evening, Clinton turned to the real Rehnquist and said with mock seriousness that if the chief justice were really hoping Clinton might name someone as conservative as Justice Antonin Scalia, "forget it."

A moment later, Clinton described the dilemma he faces in picking a successor for Justice Byron "Whizzer" White, the Kennedy appointee and frequent Rehnquist ally who has announced his retirement at the end of this term. Clinton explained that he had made two campaign promises about his court appointees — which he now discovered were mutually contradictory. "The first was that they would be lawyers, and the second, that they would have big hearts."

Joking aside, let's hope that Clinton's criteria are real — that he is looking for a first-rate lawyer who has a lot of heart. In other words, the ideal appointee would be a person with the intellectual confidence of a Scalia but one who has lived sufficiently in the real world to convey to the sheltered sanctum of the Supreme Court an acute sense of the impact of the law on people's lives.

Scalia aside, the high court is notably lacking in justices with rigorous, probing minds and powerful rhetorical tools. I do not pretend to be a court scholar, but reading opinions, even on major cases, these days is too often a tedious business, unrelieved by flashes of brilliance or insight, let alone felicitous phrases.

Talk to Supreme Court reporters and they will tell you they have a terrible time finding in most justices' opinions the concise sentences or paragraphs that clearly define the issue or the ruling.

Clinton has the opportunity to serve his old profession of the law — and benefit the country — by naming someone who will elevate the level of discourse among the justices and between the high court and the nation.

At least as important, however, is to reconnect the court to the heart of the American experience by naming a justice who has been immersed in the concerns of everyday Americans. To me, that speaks for appointing at this time a justice who comes not from academia or a lower level of the judiciary but from political life.



David S. Broder

The last Supreme Court nominee with experience in elective office was Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, a former member and majority leader of the Arizona state senate. She had been six years removed from that position, serving in the state judiciary, when President Reagan named her to the Supreme Court. But I still think her role as a leader of the centrist, swing bloc on the court, along with Justice David H. Souter (a former appointed attorney general of New Hampshire) and Justice Anthony Kennedy, reflects some of that practical wisdom she learned in balancing rival interests as a politician.

Seeking such a person might well lead Clinton to pick New York Gov. Mario M. Cuomo (D), the only person he mentioned by name during the campaign as a prospective Supreme Court appointee. Cuomo writes as powerfully as Scalia, which is saying a lot, and he obviously has an acute sense of the lives and needs of people in his old and beloved neighborhood of Queens.

But Cuomo is far from the only person who fits that description. The former governor of Virginia, Democrat Jerry Ballew, has that same sensibility — and is moderate on abortion and other social issues and tough on crime, a combination with obvious appeal to Clinton.

But I am even more taken with a suggestion, from my colleague Fred Barbash, a former Supreme Court reporter for The Washington Post, that Baltimore Mayor Kurt Schmoke might be a possible appointment.

A Rhodes Scholar graduate of Yale and of Harvard Law School, a former state and federal prosecutor and a successful big-city mayor, the 43-year-old Schmoke would, if selected, bring exactly the combination of high intellect and street smarts one wants to see.

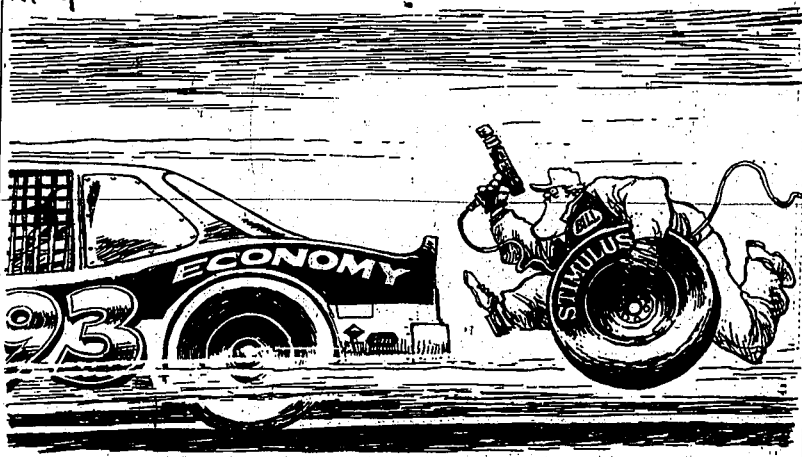
If appointed to serve alongside the court's junior member, Justice Clarence Thomas, Schmoke would also end the foolish notion that there can be, or needs to be, only one African-American on the court at a time.

The Economist had it about right, I think, when the British newspaper said in an editorial last week, "Not among the dry textualists, nor among the social crusaders, but somewhere in the middle is the sort of judicial wisdom and flexibility America needs."

Clinton can provide that if he makes a truly political appointment by naming a practicing politician to the high court.

David S. Broder writes for the Washington Post.

WALWORTH



Letters

Comic may have benefited some

I applaud Managing Editor Clark Walworth's column regarding "For Better or For Worse," which appeared in the March 22 issue of The Times-News. It was a thoughtful and responsible explanation of your decision not to run this comic strip for the next few weeks.

I am 61 years old and am trying to learn more about this sensitive issue, which is touching so many families and affecting so many lives in our society today. I feel this is a cultural issue which needs to be explored in its many aspects in order to bring about a better understanding of how, what and why homosexuality is. But, as you say, perhaps the comic page is not the place to do so.

However, I also believe that one of the reasons "For Better or For Worse" is such a popular strip is that it does deal with human relationships — marriage, family, siblings, peers — in all its many aspects of everyday life. It seems to be more than "just" a comic strip. We see ourselves, our parents, our children and our grandchildren in the different situations depicted, and we feel a sense of continuity from generation to generation.

Although I, too, grew up in the era of "funnies," which most comic strips were, there were those even then, such as "Gasoline Alley," which dealt with the trials and tribulations of day-to-day living and helped us to realize that we were not unique in trying to cope with our own, similar problems.

Therefore, while I respect your decision to not run this particular series and appreciate your compromise of making it available to those who request it, I believe that many will not take advantage of your offer and, perhaps, these are the very persons who would derive the most benefit from this episode.

DORIS F. LANSBERRY
Twin Falls

Parents can choose reading fare

I would have thought that being managing editor of a regional newspaper would be a fairly busy position. It frankly surprises me that Mr. Walworth has the extra time to take on responsibility for parenting Magic Valley children too. Parents need to take responsibility for their own children, including choosing which media is allowed into their homes and which is viewed by their children.

I am qualified to make these choices as the parent in my home, without any unsolicited advice or assistance from The Times-News staff. My values don't always mirror the far right of the Magic Valley, and that's OK, folks.

I suspect the motivation behind the recent decision to censor "For Better or For Worse" has more to do with protecting subscriptions and advertising contracts than protecting children. The editor has tried to justify the decision with eloquent rhetoric, but censorship is still censorship, and the only acceptable censors of children's reading material are the children's parents.

Mr. Walworth's time might be far better spent worrying about the tremendous number of Magic Valley children who aren't

reading anything, rather than obsessing on the silly idea that a few might read something controversial on the comics page of the local paper.

KACEE O'CONNOR
Buhl

Thanks for not running comic

Thank you for your decision on the "For Better or For Worse" comic strip.

Some may call it censoring, but I call it using good taste and allowing parents a say in what comes into their children's hands. We oppose homosexuality and believe such practice is a sin; however, that does not mean we hate the person involved.

We appreciate your sensitivity in this area.

STEVE AND JULIE JONES
Twin Falls

Comics no place for issue

Thank you for your sensitivity and courage in withholding the "For Better or For Worse" series which involves homosexuality.

While I have usually found that comic strip to be enjoyable, I certainly would not appreciate having my family members, especially the younger folks, reading a comic strip which makes light of homosexuality.

JOHN MORRIS
Twin Falls

Issue dealt with fairly, honestly

Thank you for having the guts to deal fairly and honestly with the cartoon issue of "For Better or For Worse."

It's good not to have some "politically correct" stuff crammed down our throats.

I, for one, am grateful for your consideration of our younger generation. If some wish to teach this stuff to their children as "normal," let them do so without dragging in everyone else's children.

You'll probably get some heat for this, but be assured, you'll have more support than grief.

PASTOR CORNIE D. KEUNEN
New Life Community Church
Wendell

Thanks for keeping funnies light

Congratulations on your decision regarding the comic strip, "For Better or For Worse."

I, too, think the "funnies" should be funny.

Thank you
RUTH DILLE
Shoshone

You were right to cut strip

Thank you for not printing the "For Better or For Worse" comic strip dealing with the homosexual issue.

I believe that you were right in your decision to make a substitution. The comics should continue to be a source of pleasure and laughter.

LORI OSBORNE
Hagerman

Comic meant to educate, help

America has its share of extremists, and gay America is no exception. But the vast majority of gays and lesbians are healthy, caring people. I have several relatives and friends who are gay or lesbian, and none has exhibited the kind of behavior Helen Snyder and Rick Curtis wrote of in their March 25 letters.

The religious right has taken the deeds of a handful of disturbed people and made these actions (supposed recruiting of children, etc.) seem to be the norm. It's just not so, just as cult leader David Koresh in no way represents the view of most Christians.

Most gays and lesbians are, in the words of a Boise-based civil rights group, your "family, friends and neighbors." Just as sexuality is but a tiny part of a straight person's whole self, so it is for homosexuals. My gay and lesbian friends seek no special rights. They simply want to know they will not be fired from their jobs or be forced to move from their apartments because of their sexual orientation — problems they could very well have if the Idaho Citizens Alliance's absurdly named "Civil Rights Act" becomes law.

I must also comment on The Times-News' decision not to print the "For Better or For Worse" comics dealing with a teenager's decision to tell his parents he is gay. The suicide rate among gay and lesbian teens is particularly high, precisely because these kids feel lonely, isolated and "bad." "For Better or For Worse" creator Lynn Johnston apparently recognized this and wanted to help teens find a way to handle the issue of "coming out" to parents.

Some of those kids live in the Magic Valley, and they are struggling with this decision. I don't understand the paper's reluctance to put such weighty matters on the comics page — but printing those comics might have saved some lives. Perhaps "For Better or For Worse" could have joined "Doonesbury" on the editorial page until the present segment ended.

JULIE FANSELOW
Twin Falls

Help me find Mr. O.R. Bunn

I have recently received a letter from the Scout Association of Australia, an organization equivalent to the Boy Scouts of America. It has begun restoration of the Camping Reserve which was occupied by the American military during World War II and plans to erect, in the main camp building, a permanent display indicating the part the American forces played in the history of the camp.

A dog tag was found at the camp with the name of Verne A. Bunn 20926583 T-2-B inscribed, and his parents identified as Mrs. O.R. Bunn, 360 Fifth Ave. E., Twin Falls. If anyone has information concerning Verne or Mrs. Bunn, please contact me by writing to P.O. Box 863, Twin Falls, ID, 83301-0863.

ROLAND L. GARDNER
Adjutant, American Legion Post 7
Twin Falls

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

Doonesbury



POOR

Opinion

All the Clintonian self-help programs can't substitute for 2-parent families

Joanne Jacobs

"If you believe in fairies, then clap your hands," Peter Pan (played by Mary Martin) said. I was just a kid. I clapped. But I didn't really believe in fairies.

Do you believe in Head Start?
Do you believe in "Independent living skills" for adolescents who've left home?
Do you believe social programs will make a significant difference for children who grow up in unstable, insecure, impoverished households with a shifting population of stepparents, live-ins, step-halves and foster-siblings? Tinkerbell is dead.

With the Clintons in power, the social salvation machine is cranking up: Head Start as a vaccine against school failure, juvenile crime, drug abuse and welfare dependency; free vaccinations as a vaccine against disease; new and improved educational programs to teach self-esteem, conflict resolution, drug-alcohol-pregnancy-AIDS prevention, "living skills," etc.

I'm clapping, but I don't really believe. Oh, I think early childhood education is good and immunizations are good and education is certainly good.

But Mom and Dad are better. More than half of American kids are growing up without the moral, emotional and financial support of two parents who've made a commitment to each other and to their children.

The new freedom to divorce without stigma, to have children outside the bounds of wedlock, was good for adults, expanding their choices and their chances for self-fulfillment, writes Barbara Dafoe Whitehead in the April issue of Atlantic.

"What had once been regarded as hostile to children's best interests was now considered essential to adults' happiness. In the 1950s, most Americans believed that parents should stay in an unhappy marriage for the sake of the children. ... By the mid-1970s, a majority of Americans rejected that view."

The divorce rate soared. The out-of-wedlock birth rate soared. The second-marriage divorce rate soared.

Do you believe single-parent families

are just as good at raising children as two-parent families?

The rise in the number of stepfamilies, "alternative" families, never-married families, dad-disappeared-often-divorce families and grandmother-headed families is a tolerable trend, perhaps even a sign of social enrichment and diversity?

Listen closely and you can hear the clapping fade.

The Clintonian millennium of social programming has prompted an eruption of reports, studies, papers and articles saying that families are very bad — really horrible — for kids, and social programs won't work if families don't.

The rise in fatherless families is linked to the rise in child poverty, crime, drug abuse, school failure and mental illness, concluded the National Commission on America's Urban Families, and government programs that try to patch things up don't do a lot for kids raised in these insecure, unstable households.

The solution, said the commission, is: "To increase the proportion of children who grow up with their two married parents in supportive communities and to decrease the proportion who don't."

"Sharp Criticism for Head Start. Even by Friends" is a front-page headline in the March 19 New York Times, over a story pointing out that the educational benefits of Head Start fade in a few years and the health and social benefits are questionable.

In other words: No quick fix here. Significant numbers of schoolchildren — perhaps 20 to 30 percent — are not emotionally equipped to learn "over a story pointing out that the educational benefits of Head Start fade in a few years and the health and social benefits are questionable."

"Dan Quayle was right" is the headline of the Atlantic cover story by Whitehead, of the Institute for American Values. Quayle was right that the dramatic rise in

single-parent families — whether headed by Murphy Brown or, more likely, by a financially struggling woman — is linked to serious social problems.

The "Index of Leading Cultural Indicators," William J. Bennett's study, reports that as divorce and out-of-wedlock birth rates soared in the last 30 years, so have juvenile violent crime, teen suicide and reported cases of child abuse.

Psychologists' studies say: Overall, children from disrupted families do substantially worse on any indicator of social well-being you can name.

The old consensus was: Every group of people who share a refrigerator is a family, and hey! let's not be judgmental.

The new consensus (including one of Clinton's family advisers, William Galston): Look for policies to encourage marriage and discourage divorce for couples with kids.

What's easiest is to give families with kids more money, by increasing the earned income tax credit or by changing rules for dividing marital assets in a divorce. What's hardest is to get them to be families. Especially when all the social signals tell us that adult desires come before children's needs.

"Ready Eddie" Murphy, pictured on the cover of People smiling at his 3-year-old daughter, is now ready for marriage to his 3-year-old daughter's mother. His daughter is 3 years old, in case you missed it.

Murphy is being hailed by a national magazine as a loving father and family man because, three years after his daughter was born, he is now "ready" to make a commitment to family life.

Those of you above the age of 35 understand what I'm saying when I say: AAAAAARRRRRRGH! Those of you who are younger, gather 'round and I'll tell you a fairy tale about a time long ago, when Peter Pan wasn't a self-help book about "Men Who Don't Want To Grow Up," when children lived with their fathers, who were married to their mothers ...

Joanne Jacobs is a columnist for the San Jose (Calif.) Mercury News.

GRIDLOCK, RUSSIAN STYLE...



Letters

Find out about sex ed

I have recently been introduced to the fact that "sex ed" has finally hit public schools (something we did not have growing up in the '70s), and there are several boards trying to purchase curriculum for such. As one concerned parent to another, I would like to share a few statistics before that decision should be made.

The following is excerpted from a nationally published article for Dr. James Johnson/Focus on the Family:

Since 1970, the federal government has spent almost \$3 billion of four taxes to promote contraceptives and "safe sex" among our teen-agers. What have we gotten for our money? These are the facts:

The Federal Centers for Disease Control estimate that there are now 1 million cases of human immunodeficiency virus infection nationwide.

The rate of heterosexual HIV transmission has increased 44 percent since September 1989.

Sexually transmitted diseases infect 3 million teens annually.

63 percent of all STD cases occur among persons less than 25 years of age.

1.3 million new cases of gonorrhea occur annually; strains of gonorrhea have developed that are resistant to penicillin.

500,000 new cases of herpes occur annually; it is estimated that 16.4 percent of the U.S. population ages 15 to 74 is infected, totaling more than 25 million Americans.

Among certain groups, the infection rate is as high as 60 percent. To date, more than 20 different and dangerous STDs are rampant among our young. Add to that the problems associated with promiscuous behavior — infertility, abortions and infected pregnancies, both in human suffering and in expense to society, yet epidemiologists tell us we've only seen the beginning. There is only one safe way to teach our children to remain healthy in the midst of a sexual revolution.

If you want to find out more? Call 324-5278, and let's start teaching the truth. RICK AND ROBIN FAHEY

Real estate tax detrimental
An open letter to our esteemed Legislature:

My purpose is to voice vehement opposition to a Real Estate Transfer Tax in any form. I have no objections to the amount of increase from another form.

A Real Estate Transfer Tax would be particularly damaging to first-time home buyers and aspiring farm or business owners, a drag on the state's economy and contrary to the principles of the free enterprise system which we subscribe.

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Therefore, inasmuch as we all have equal access to the state's bounty and the good life available to us here, I submit to you that each of us should pay our proportionate share, within the limits of our expendable funds, rather than resort to a tax that is, in reality, a regressive tax and only a scheme for the equal distribution of wealth from the haves to the have nots.

Any tax law that hinders or discourages the formation of capital is detrimental to the public good and tends to turn the American dream into the American nightmare.

L.S. "TIP" TIPPETT
Twin Falls

Public schools not labs

Pam Dowd, in her reader comment "Bring back the good ol' days?" (March 24), says the "Outcomes Driven Developmental Model gives kids better opportunities." What she doesn't say is exactly how to do this. Nor does she mention Chicago, the largest city to abandon an ODDM-style program because it lowered kids' opportunities.

Comparing Japan's educational programs to ours is a mistake for those who support ODDM. Japan emphasizes excellence in academics, the opposite of ODDM's "less is more." Creativity is useless without the academic skills to

express it. Mentioning home schools is also a mistake. Idaho's home-schooled students scored 30 points higher than Idaho public school students (on the Iowa Achievement Test) for two reasons.

Academic achievement is stressed and the parents aren't handicapped by crackpot educational theories. Because they aren't trained in the latest "new and improved" National Education Association method, parents can use their common sense. And it works.

A public school should not be an educationist's laboratory. Children are not rats, they don't need "directed outcomes" (i.e., "behavior modification," "indoctrination," "brainwashing"); they need to be taught a body of knowledge.

Armed with this knowledge, they can make logical value judgments instead of being swayed by herd instinct and emotional appeal.

Teachers are not to blame for the mess our schools are in, it's the so-called "professional" educationists, the amateur psychologists and the NEA bureaucrats who have done this to us. The most effective and memorable teachers are those who ignore the "lowest common denominator" theory and demand excellence from their students. More often than not, they get it.

In 1913, the NEA Commission on the Reorganization of Secondary Education met and ultimately produced the "Cardinal Principles of Education." The "Principles" attacked "elitism" (in other words, learning for the sake of knowledge) and promoted teaching to create "... attitudes and habits important in a democracy." In other words, "outcome directed education. This is the cornerstone of modern so-called "education" and the grandfather of ODDM.

The true "good ol' days" of education are much further back than Pam Dowd imagined.

RON BLIZZARD
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Letter

Americans hypocritical

The American people are being very hypocritical about the closing of U.S. Army, Air Force and Naval bases. Citizens of this country are criticizing President Clinton's actions in this situation, while he is only doing what is necessary.

People don't understand that the national debt can't be reduced without cutting funds to the largest user of government money,

which is the military. People have no right to complain about the \$4 trillion debt if they aren't willing to make sacrifices to get rid of it.

The problem is compounded by the media. The media is supposed to inform people, not try to opinionate them — which is exactly what is being done. Instead of trying to educate the public, the media should inform them of the reasons for the base closings.

The United States is no longer fighting a cold war, and no, the United States does not need to police the world every time there is trouble in a little country. Since money for the military and its policing projects comes from the taxpayers, taxpayers should realize that their money could go to better causes.

I like reducing the national debt, improving education or medical research.
BRANDON BROWN
Shoshone

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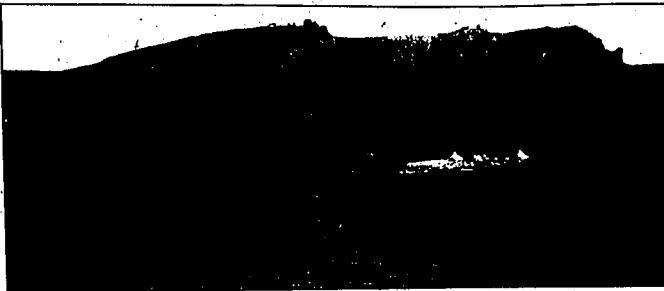
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Researchers unearth artifacts at continent's oldest inhabited site

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — Government archaeologists excavating a remote hilltop in northern Alaska said Wednesday that artifacts and carbon dating showed a camp there may be the oldest inhabited site in North America.

The find, known as the Mesa Site, was announced by the Bureau of Land Management, which oversees the unpopulated region in the Brooks Range, about 400 miles northwest of Anchorage.

BLM said spear points and wood charcoal from cooking hearths dated to 11,700 years ago, making it the first arctic site linked to paleoindians of the American Southwest.

The agency also said it had recommended the camp, near the Nigu and Iterink rivers, for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places.

Paul Martin, a University of Ari-

zona professor of geoscience, said BLM's discovery "fits" with theories that early Alaskans moved into the American Southwest in as short as 500 years. Paleoindian sites in the lower 48 states date to around 10,000 to 11,000 years ago.

"It's nice in Alaska to have something a little bit older," Martin said.

The Mesa Site, within the National Petroleum Reserve, was discovered in 1978 during what BLM called routine archaeology work in connection with oil and gas exploration.

BLM officials said Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt had begun the process of withdrawing the site and 2,500 acres surrounding it from development, including mineral exploration.

Curtis Wilson, a BLM archaeologist, said researchers had long believed that early people entered the

New World over the Bering Strait land bridge and moved south.

Until the Mesa Site, however, Alaska artifacts were distinct from the sophisticated spear points found in New Mexico and other southwest states.

Wilson said some spear points like those used by paleoindians had been in Alaska before. But those isolated points found earlier were lying on the surface and removed from other identifying artifacts.

Wilson said the Mesa Site points, made of rock and about 4 inches long, probably were dropped where they had been found.

More sites in Alaska were needed to bolster conclusions about human migration, BLM said.

"We now have one good, well-documented site," Wilson said. "There have to be more out there."

Groups launch ad campaign to fight nuclear project

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Two environmental groups have launched an ad campaign to counter efforts by the nuclear industry, which is pushing for a nuclear waste dump at Yucca Mountain.

The environmentalists say the nuclear industry is pressuring Nevada legislators to accept cash in exchange for support of the proposed project, 100 miles northwest of Las Vegas.

Chris Brown, Southern Nevada director of Citizen Alert, calls the effort "low-budget, grass-roots advertising."

Opponents of the dump say the radioactive waste would remain "hot" for 10,000 years.

An ad appearing in newspapers in Nevada Tuesday says: "Your great... great-grandchildren will die because this does." Below is a picture of a nuclear waste drum.

In all, there are 839 "greats," in the ad to represent enough generations to cover the time it would take for a fraction of the radioactive materials found in nuclear waste to decay to safe levels.

The ad urges Nevadans to call their legislators and tell them to oppose storing nuclear waste in the state because "Nevada's environment is not for sale." The ad also seeks donations for Citizen Alert.

Proposed Earth First! session prompts law enforcement plan

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — The prospect of as many as 500 environmental activists assembling this summer atop Mount Graham, the site of a controversial observatory, has prompted law enforcement officials to draft response plans.

Graham County Sheriff Richard Mack says officers from the Arizona Department of Public Safety and the University of Arizona police department will join his deputies on the 10,700-foot mountain during the eight-day assembly planned by the radical environmental organization Earth First!

The group plans to gather from June 27 to July 4 for the 13th annual Earth First! Round River Rendezvous. Mount Graham is located approximately 75 miles northeast of Tucson.

Mack told The Arizona Daily Star that officers from Safford, Thatcher and Pima in Graham County also would be on call.

"We'll play whatever game they want to play, and I believe we'll have

the manpower to address whatever they give us," Mack said Monday.

Earth First! has been a long-time foe of efforts to build the university's Mount Graham International Observatory amid spruce and fir trees at the mountain's upper elevations.

Other environmental groups have argued it will harm an endangered species of red squirrel, and the San Carlos Apaches contend it is being built upon a sacred religious site.

The first two telescopes of three planned initially are nearly finished: the Vatican Observatory's \$3 million optical telescope and the Max Planck Institute of Germany's \$8 million radiotelescope. The University of Arizona is a partner in both instruments.

University spokesman Steve Emerine said it is considering around-the-clock protection for the observatory site.

In 1986, David Foreman, a co-founder of Earth First! but no longer associated with it, told the Star,

"There are people who are prepared to make them put the scopes up there several times, which means the telescope doesn't see the stars very well if its mirror is broken."

Said Emerine: "Obviously we have a multimillion-dollar investment up there — two telescopes that do what we can to protect that investment."

"You'd be foolish to ignore those kinds of threats and pretend that they don't mean them."

Earth First! said in a news release the gathering will be peaceful, to "bring increased attention to the issue and put pressure on the (observatory's) primary sponsors."

Among events scheduled will be workshops and seminars on "direct action" and nonviolent civil disobedience, the release said. It also named one member, Paul Johnson, as saying: "The University of Arizona is a terrorist organization. We're non-violent defenders of this wonderful, threatened planet."

Spokane judge orders 15-year jail term in slaying

SPOKANE (AP) — A Spokane County Superior Court judge has sentenced a man convicted of clubbing his wife to death with a baseball bat to nearly 15 years in prison.

Judge Michael Donohue on Monday ordered the maximum sentence allowed under sentencing guidelines for Donald Snelling, 23, of Spokane. Snelling was convicted of second-degree murder in the death last July of Karen Snelling, 20.

He was convicted of crushing his

wife's skull by striking her several times with an aluminum baseball bat. She died a few feet from the crib of the couple's 16-month-old daughter.

Snelling initially told detectives he had returned to the couple's home to find his wife's body. Investigators tied Donald Snelling to the crime using forensic evidence, including microscopic blood splatters on his clothing.

He later admitted drinking almost

20 beers that night while his wife was away.

When she returned, they argued over his drinking.

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Magic Valley

March wetter than '91-'92 water year

By N.S. Nokkenvent
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - It's the third wettest March since records have been kept in the Magic Valley, according to the National Weather Service.

But summer water supplies may still be below average. More rain has fallen on the Magic Valley this March than during the entire water year from October 1991 through September 1992, said Bill Galkin of the weather service station in Kimberly.

During the 1991-92 water year, precipitation totaled 2.99 inches.

The total so far this month is 3.2 inches - more than 2 inches above the average of 1.06 inches. Since Jan. 1, the area has gotten 4.83 inches, which is 1.82 above average, Galkin said.

For the current water year, which began Oct. 1, the weather station has collected 8.57 inches or 2.51 inches above the average.

The wet month raised snowpacks by 5 to 10 percent across the state, but warmer weather has accelerated snowmelt at lower elevations.

And that has brought a lot of water down southern Idaho rivers and streams. It has filled up Idaho Power Co.'s Brownlee Reservoir, the utility's key Snake River storage facility.

This year's precipitation means a better year for hydroelectric power generation, but utility forecasters still expect it to be below average, company spokesman Jeff Beaman said.

Mid-March rains brought some dramatic increases in the level of Brownlee - it rose five feet in one 24-hour period. It rose 24 feet - to within four feet of full - in eight days. The remaining space is being saved for unexpected, sudden runoff.

But all that water has come at the wrong time, Beaman said.

The sudden slug of water exceeded the utility's capacity to generate electricity, coming at a time when the demand for power

is low, Beaman said.

A lot of snow melted all of a sudden - some should have melted earlier this year, so some should still be in the hills as snow to melt later during May and June, he said.

The wet month brought up snow accumulations in two key basins. The Upper Snake River Basin went from 77 percent of average on March 15 to 86 percent on March 29.

Big Wood-Big Lost river basins went from 93 percent on March 15 to 102 percent on March 29.

Salmon-Falls-Oakley basins dropped from 107 percent on March 15 to 105 percent on March 29.

Around the valley

Jerome judge applies for appeals court seat

JEROME - Fifth District Magistrate Roger S. Burdick of Jerome is the only Magic Valley bar member to apply for the empty seat on the Idaho Court of Appeals.

Burdick, 44, is among 21 attorneys and judges vying to fill the vacancy created when Gov. Cecil Andrus appointed Appeals Court judge Kathy Silak to the Idaho Supreme Court earlier this year.

The public can comment on the candidates by picking up a questionnaire from any District Court clerk at any county courthouse. Those questionnaires must be in the hands of the Idaho Judicial Council by April 16 to be considered.

The council will interview the candidates in the Supreme Court building in Boise, May 10 and 11.

Hollister city councilman Padgett will keep seat

HOLLISTER - In a 30-27 vote, councilman Edwin Padgett will retain his seat on the Hollister city council, bringing to an end a political firestorm that rocked this tiny town for three months.

Padgett, who has been in office since 1991, was the focus of the recall campaign initiated in January by former Hollister city clerk Cheryl David. In the original recall petition, David accused Padgett of not being the best interests of the city in mind and of possibly incurring unnecessary costs upon the city.

In turn, Padgett accused city officials of tampering with city documents and embezzlement of funds.

Padgett said he was happy to see the latest chapter in Hollister politics end, and hoped to get on with city business.

Hollister city clerk Polly Van Blaricom said the official vote will be approved by the city council tonight.

PUC seeks public comment on low-energy lights proposal

TWIN FALLS - The Idaho Public Utilities Commission is seeking comments on a proposal by Idaho Power Co. to promote energy efficient lighting.

The utility plans to spend an estimated \$540,000 to save 6.6 million kilowatt-hours a year.

The company will provide information, help design and finance part of the cost of lighting system improvements for commercial customers, businesses and multi-family common areas.

Comments should be sent by April 9 to Commission Secretary, IPUC, Statehouse, Boise Idaho 83720-6000.

Jerome council, police issue warnings to clean up trash

JEROME - The Jerome City Council and police department are taking action to clean up the town.

As approved by the City Council, police officers will be patrolling streets to identify areas that contain trash, old cars, litter and other items that degrade the neighborhood.

A warning and request for help cleaning up the area will be given the residents.

"If the warning doesn't work, we'll issue a citation," Chief of Police James Dahl said.

The city will assist in the cleanup effort by supplying trucks for hauling trash. For further information, call city hall at 324-8189.

North Valley Trail System grooming ends today

HAILEY - Grooming of the Boulder Mountain Trail and most other cross-country ski trails on the North Valley Trails System will end today, the Blaine County Recreation District announced.

A total of 1,085 season passes were sold and approximately \$67,000 raised for the trail system this year.

The Rec District and the North Valley Trails Advisory Committee will hold a planning meeting for the 1993-94 season April 6. A cooperative agreement with the new owner of Calma Lodge will be discussed.

For more information, call the Rec District office at 788-2117.

Tax Commission extends hours to help taxpayers

TWIN FALLS - The State Tax Commission will be offering extended hours for the tax season.

The commission's office at 1038 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. Suite C will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on two Saturdays - April 3 and April 10 - for taxpayers who need forms or answers to tax questions. The office also will be open until 7 p.m. from April 12 to April 15.

The Tax Commission's phone number in Twin Falls is 736-3040.

Compiled from staff reports

Secret nuke train heads for valley

By N.S. Nokkenvent
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - More highly radioactive waste is headed for Idaho, activists report.

The Snake River Alliance expected a trainload of spent U.S. Navy reactor fuel to pass through Shoshone late Tuesday or early today, Director Kerry Cooke said Tuesday.

The waste is believed to be from the Bremerton Naval Shipyard near Seattle, Cooke said. The waste is on its way to the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory, where it will be stored indefinitely.

The statewide citizen activist group, working with a nationwide network of activists, expects another trainload of waste to roll through Pocatello later this week, Cooke said.

The shipment is believed to be from the naval shipyard in Newport News, Va., where the nuclear aircraft carrier USS Enterprise is having its eight reactors refueled.

The alliance and its network report two more train cars left Newport News Tuesday morning.

The network last week tracked a shipment across the country from Virginia to INEL.

The Naval Reactors Facility, where a portion of the spent fuel is examined before being sent to the chemical plant for storage, will not discuss the spent fuel shipments, INEL spokesman Brad Bugger said.

Gov. Cecil Andrus, in legal action with the federal Energy Department, has asked the department to halt further shipments of waste into the state until the department completes an environmental impact statement. The department on March 19 renewed its request for the federal court to dismiss the state's claims.

The U.S. Navy sends all its spent reactor fuel to INEL, where it is stored in water-filled basins until a permanent disposal facility can be built. It expects to send an average of 20 shipments per year over the next 10 years.

The department has started an environmental analysis of the long-term storage of spent naval fuel at INEL's Chemical Processing Plant.

The governor says the analysis should include the naval fuel shipments, and they should be halted until the analysis is complete.

The Navy says its shipments must be kept secret for national security reasons - to protect them from foreign spies and saboteurs. It has sent more than 500 shipment to INEL since the 1950s.

Speaking freely



ANDY ARENZ/The Times-News

Six young abortion opponents, including Grace Byron, right, protest in front of The Times-News building Tuesday.

Pickets air anti-abortion views

By Brad Bowlin
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A half-dozen young people chose the sidewalk in front of The Times-News offices Tuesday to show their opposition to abortion.

The newspaper's pro-choice editorial stance made it a logical place for the group to "exercise our First Amendment right to freedom of speech," said Christopher Byron of Jerome, father of three of the young demonstrators.

Byron and the children, ranging in age from 11 to 17, sang songs, carried signs bearing pictures of aborted fetuses and waved to passing motorists.

"We don't have a beef with the newspaper," Byron said. "We are hoping to encourage others to make a stand."

The newspaper's editorial board has "pretty consistently" supported the right of women to choose abortion, Times-News managing editor Clark Walworth said.

"We editorialize on a lot of subjects, and people who disagree with our editorials are always free to picket," Walworth said. He added that he is "always glad to see young people getting involved with political issues."

Byron, 14-year-old son, David, leads a Bible study class at O'Leary Junior High School. A lot of young people oppose abortion, David said.

"All of my true friends feel this way," he said.

Young people have the opportunity to lead the country back to its strong moral base, Byron said. After demonstrating for about half an hour in front of The Times-News, the group was going to the College of Southern Idaho campus to hand out anti-abortion literature, he said.

'We don't have a beef with the newspaper. We are hoping to encourage others to make a stand.'

— Christopher Byron of Jerome

Man petitions for 1 toll-free calling area in valley

By Phil Sahn
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A Twin Falls man wants residents of 20 Magic Valley towns to be able to call each other without paying long-distance charges, but some Filer residents don't like the idea.

John Garber recently led petitions in towns throughout the Magic Valley.

"We believe the Magic Valley is one community, and thus a toll-free calling area is long overdue," the petition states.

The Idaho Public Utilities Commission would have final

say over removing the toll areas.

The petition states that signers would accept a slightly higher bill for basic phone service to pay for the toll-free calling area.

A spokesman for the commission said US West's rates are only partly regulated, and the company would have to be compensated for toll charges it would lose. And Filer Mutual Telephone Co. would not have to take part at all because it is not regulated.

Callers now pay a toll charge to call from Twin Falls to Gooding, for example. These charges hamper the area economy by making it too expensive for smaller businesses to call from one area to the next, Garber said.

"They're stifling the free flow of business," he said. The calling area would include Twin Falls, Filer, Buhl, Castleford, Hollister, Jackpot, Hagerman, Bliss, Kimberly, Hansen, Murtagh, Hazelton, Eden, Jerome, Wendell, Gooding, Shoshone, Dietrich, Richfield and Carey.

Eden, Hazelton, Murtagh, Kimberly and Twin Falls are already toll-free.

Garber said he also thinks that his personal phone bill is too high. If the toll charges were removed, he would be willing to accept a reasonable increase in his basic monthly rate because in the long run he would pay less, Garber said.

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McRoberts, Newcomb praised for leadership

By Drew DeSilver
Times-News writer

BOISE - Local lawmakers gave new Republican leaders in the House and Senate good marks for managing the Legislature this past session.

House Speaker Mike Simpson and Senate President Pro Tem Jerry Twigg, both R-Blackfoot, headed new GOP leadership teams this year. Because Republicans held heavy majorities in both chambers, they effectively control most of what the Legislature does.

Sen. Joyce McRoberts, R-Twin Falls, and Rep. Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley,



McRoberts

Newcomb

both moved up to majority leader of their respective chambers, from assistant majority leader last year.

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Help Idaho manage land

By Craig Lincoln
Times-News writer

Land Board meetings set

TWIN FALLS - The state of Idaho wants you to help it manage its land, including a large chunk north of the Perrine Bridge that could be used for a shopping center.

At meetings Thursday, the public can tell the Land Board how it can do a better job of listening to citizens before making decisions. The meetings in Twin Falls, Sun Valley and other southern Idaho cities were organized by State Auditor J.D. Williams, whose job includes serving on the Land Board.

"I guess that some people thought the Idaho Department of Lands wasn't doing everything it could possibly do about keeping every segment of society informed about managing its endowment lands," said Mit Williams of the Department of Lands.

Magic Valley residents have new opportunities to tell the Land Board how it could listen better to the public.

1 p.m. Thursday in the conference room at the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare office, 601 Poles Line Road.

7 p.m. Thursday, Sun Valley, City Hall, at the corner of Dollar and Elkbow roads.

The Lands Department and the Land Board, which sets policy for the department, are thinking about developing more effective procedures to gather the public's views on its actions. The meetings will be informal, Mit Williams said, and people can "just show up" to talk about their concerns.

State lands in Southern Idaho haven't caused as much controversy as lands in

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Inside

LaRocco unveils wilderness plan, hears criticism on parts

By Ned Martel
States News Service

WASHINGTON — Democratic Rep. Larry LaRocco Tuesday unveiled a wilderness plan for the half of Idaho he represents and heard early criticism over the "special management areas" contained in the plan.

"This is an issue that I don't think can make everyone happy," LaRocco said in an interview.

"The wilderness proposal in all the forests is extremely defensible," he said, adding his support of the Clinton administration's new-found concern for ecosystem values.

But the proposal came under fire from all sides.

—Mike Bader, head of the Alliance for the Wild Rockies, said the bill would open the door to "unrestricted clear-cutting and destruction of the National Forest ecosystem in the northern Rockies."

LaRocco's plan is a violation of a legislative cease-fire agreement among Northwest members of Congress not to introduce forest legislation until after President Clinton's Forest plan on Friday, said Bader, whose group includes 3,800 members in western Montana and northern Idaho.

Timber industry advocates worried that the bill would not prevent litigious meddling in U.S. Forest Service lumber sales for loggers.

"We're looking for language that would make clear that those (timber sale) decisions could be counted on," said Jim Hinson of the Intermountain Forest Industry Association. "We're seeing appeal upon appeal of the Forest Service efforts to get into those areas."

The proposal, which will be introduced Wednesday on the House floor, would preserve 1.25 million forest acres as wilderness. Nearly half the 1st District's 4.85 million total roadless acreage would be released for development under forest plans.

Controversy seems focused already on the 557,970 acres to be deemed "special management areas." Specific land-use "prescriptions" would be approved by Congress under the bill, and some environmentalists worry such a policy turns legislators into timber brokers.

"The special management language is what killed the Wilderness Society's opposition to the last major wilderness package, proposed by the retired veteran Republican. They legislated how many million board feet you could get out of a wilderness area," Gehrke said. Such decisions would ordinarily be dictated by forest plans.

Gehrke hastened to describe LaRocco's proposal as marking the most progressive advance for conservation in the 30-year history of Idaho wilderness debates.

Such details are likely to be haggled over in House Natural Resources Committee hearings, which could begin this spring. But the committee leaders might have problems with any language insulating Forest Service timber sales from review by the courts, a public lands subcommittee aide said.

LaRocco said he did not wait for Republican Rep. Mike Crapo to conclude his wilderness town meetings in Idaho's second district before he released his proposal because he had made a promise to his own constituents to move quickly.

"I wanted to move the process along," LaRocco said. Crapo has conducted two town meetings to date, in Pocatello and Idaho Falls, and will preside over a third in Twin Falls on Friday. The congressman had no comment on LaRocco's bill because he had not yet seen it, according to Crapo spokeswoman Susan Hawkes.



'This is an issue that I don't think can make everyone happy.'

—Democratic Rep. Larry LaRocco

Buhl, Filer rural fire districts undecided on new tax rate

By Beritilia L. Redfern
Times News correspondent

The Buhl and Filer rural fire districts have not determined a new tax rate yet, but members of both of the newly formed districts are organizing their ranks and deciding their futures.

So far, both districts plan to share firefighters and equipment with city departments. A bill that allows five rural fire districts in Twin Falls County to borrow money during their first year of operations was passed by the Legislature and is now awaiting Gov. Cecil Andrus' signature.

That debt — whether in the form of a bond issue or bank loans — could be paid off later or whether the new districts start to collect taxes. The other districts include ones in the Salmon Tract and Rock Creek areas, along with Twin Falls. The districts formed last year after the Twin Falls County Mutual Fire Insurance Co. dropped out of the firefighting business.

Martin M. Smith, president of the Buhl rural fire district, said the group is in the process of putting together an agreement with the city of Filer and are now trying to put together a budget, according to Fred Decker, chairman of the district.

Both districts are also trying to determine how much equipment is needed, where trucks can be housed and are also considering water storage stations in the district.

Decker also said the district is working on a map that will help determine the extent of the taxing district and the funds available.

Andrus, developers clash over hydro projects

ASHTON (AP) — Gov. Cecil Andrus claims new mudslides in eastern Idaho's Fall River reinforce his opposition to the Marysville hydro project where a canal 10 miles long would divert thousands of tons of silt into the river.



Andrus

"It's not safe," Andrus said. "It's not properly engineered." But Kip Runyan, chief executive officer of Ida-West Co. and a partner in the hydro project, rejected the suggestion that it was the power development that caused the slides. The engineering had been reviewed and approved, Runyan said, and none of the engineered embankments were involved in the slides.

Two slides occurred last week when river banks eroded, sending mud into the river. "There's a lot of sensationalism, a lot of misinformation about this," Runyan said. "It's just a political ball that's being thrown around to achieve the objectives of special interest groups."

But Andrus said politics is responsible for allowing the project to proceed. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's ruling in January to allow construction came only days before the Bush administration left office.

"It wasn't a scientific evaluation, it was a political decision," Andrus said. The project would divert water from the Fall River into a canal, run it to a power plant about five miles east of Ashton and return it to the river.

The state Division of Environmental Quality and the Fish and Game Department officials were never notified of the slides, that occurred about five miles upstream from the power plant construction site, officials said.

Services

Robert Lynn Stroud, of Lake Havasu City, Ariz., formerly of Buhl, graveside service 11 a.m. today, West End Cemetery in Buhl. (Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl).

Joanne Lauman, of Rupert, memorial service, 10 a.m. Monday, Hansen Mortuary in Rupert.

Dorothy Mae Uhl, of Rupert, 2 p.m. today, Trinity Lutheran Church, 909 Eighth St., (Hansen Mortuary in Rupert).

George Lowry Kyle, of Hailey, memorial service 7 p.m. today, Wood River Funeral Chapel in Hailey.

Katherine C. Thomas, of Jerome, 10 a.m. Thursday, Howe-Roberson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Herman DeLozer, of Burley, 11 a.m. Thursday, Unity LDS Ward

Chapel, 250 E. 275 S. in Burley. (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Wilma Hecker, of Ogden, Utah, and formerly of Hailey, memorial graveside service, 4 p.m. April 16, Hailey Cemetery, (Wood River Funeral Chapel in Jerome).

Homer J. Robertson, of Jerome, graveside service, 2 p.m. today, Jerome Cemetery, (Howe-Roberson Funeral Chapel in Jerome).

Death notices

Cecile Dean

GOODING — Cecile Dean, 92, of Gooding, died Tuesday, March 30, 1993, at the Twin Falls Care Center. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Lucille Ahern Mathaeus

TWIN FALLS — Lucille Ahern Mathaeus, 85, of Maple Valley, Wash., and formerly of Twin Falls, died Saturday, March 27, 1993, at her home. The funeral will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday at St. Barbara Catholic Church in Black Diamond, Wash. The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Births

A baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Konrad and to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Clayton, both of Burley.

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Marla Critchfield, Helen Park, Dana Quale, Kendra Mobley, Alfred Jeff Robinson and Gray Wilson, all of Twin Falls; Carl Barthelme and Ellen Datter, both of Jerome; Santos Fuentes of Rupert; Edyris Garrison and Harold Vance, both of Buhl; and Zachariah Hodge and Alice Johnson, both of Heyburn.

Released

Catherine Archer, Beatrice Birchard and Leonard Peterson, all of Twin Falls; Patricia Buchanan of Gooding; Jamie Green of Heyburn; John Kiebe of Filer; Misty Makay of Kimberly; and George Parks of Buhl.

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Carrie Clayton, Fionella Fillmore, Vernon Graff and Tabatha Konrad, all of Burley; and Thalia Diaz of Heyburn.

Released

Raymond Hull, Jean McCarty, Frances Robbers, Sherry Shell and Mae Woodall, all of Burley; Alice Johnson of Heyburn; Kelly Parkin of Rupert; Denise West of

Obituaries

Vernal L. Smith

RUPERT — Vernal L. "Smitty" Smith, 76, of Rupert, died Tuesday, March 30, 1993, at the Minidoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert.

He was born June 2, 1916, in Havre, Mont., the son of Ervin and Ethel Strong Smith. He attended schools in East Watahatchee, Wash. He had lived in Tacoma and Moses Lake, Wash., where he was a trapper. He married Myrtle Jones in 1941, in Spokane, Wash., and they moved to Boise in 1945. She preceded him in death in 1967. He then married Emma Horn in 1960, in Boise, and they moved to Rupert in 1964, where he owned and operated A&W until his retirement. His wife preceded him in death in 1980.

He was a member of the Lion's Club and the Boise Masonic Lodge No. 1 AF and AM. He enjoyed fishing and camping.

Surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, Carter and Linda Smith of Rupert; three grandchildren, Kurt Smith of Fruitland, Paula Goodsell of Logan, Utah, and Ailin Smith of Morristown, Tenn.; and 11 great-grandchildren. In addition to his wives, he was preceded in death by his parents. The funeral will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, April 2, 1993, at the United Methodist Church, 605 H.

St. in Rupert, with Pastor William Lineberry officiating. Burial will be at 3:30 p.m. the Cloverdale Cemetery in Boise. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Hansen Mortuary in Rupert and one hour before the funeral on Friday at the church.

Don J. Smith

FILER — Don Jay Smith, 53, of Filer, died Monday, March 29, 1993, at his home.

He was born July 16, 1939, in Castleford, the son of Clyde and Ada Skildmore Smith. He served three years in the U.S. Navy Submarine Corps. On Sept. 30, 1962, he married Jean Brackett in Twin Falls. He worked with his father at Jasper's Gas & Oil in Filer for many years. He also worked as a ditch rider for Twin Falls Canal Co. for several years, worked for eight years as a substitute mail carrier for the U.S. Postal Service, and for the last two years, had been a full-time carrier.

Don was a longtime member of the Salmon River Cattlemen's Association, serving three years as a director, and one year as president. He was a member of the Magic Valley Cattlemen's Association, Idaho Cattle Association, National Cattlemen's Association, Filer Booster Athletic

Club, and was actively involved in the 4-H beef program.

He was an outstanding husband, father and grandfather. Survivors include his wife, Jean Smith of Filer; two sons, Clint Smith of Rogers and Chad Smith of Filer; two daughters, Marilyn, wife of Thomas of Filer, and stepmother, Clyde G. and Beverly Smith of Twin Falls; three brothers, Glen Smith of Palouse, Wash., Thomas Chandler of Filer and Timothy Chandler of Rastonia, Wash.; and one sister, Marilyn Patterson of Twin Falls. He was preceded in death by his mother and one sister, Pamela Starling.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at the Filer LDS Stake Center, Thurman and Midway, with President Thomas L. Chandler officiating. Interment will follow at the Filer IOOF Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. on Friday at the church.

The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to a charity of the donor's choice. The family also suggests that anyone may write down a memory they would like to share with the family. These may be left with White Mortuary personnel or mailed to: Don J. Smith, 2072 E. 4200 N. Filer ID 83328.

Calling

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He expects to get at least 10,000 signatures on the petitions to give to the utilities commission.

But customers of the Filer Mutual Telephone Co. who are not required to change. As a mutual company, it is owned by its customers and they receive a refund every year.

Filer resident Tom Lancaster is collecting signatures on petition at his service station this week. Filer Mutual not to participate in toll-free calling.

"We have the lowest base rate in the state. All the petitions say is that some of us here in Filer are pleased," Lancaster said.

Lancaster said he has about two pages of signatures.

Filer Mutual General Manager John Gunn said the company refunded its customers 58 percent of their total phone bill last year. It would take a lot of savings for toll-free calling to do better than that, he said.

The trade-off would be quite a bit vs. the refund we give our customers," Gunn said.

Filer Mutual serves about 2,400 customers in Filer, Hollister, Jackpot, Nev. and up to the edges of Buhl and Twin Falls. The company has not taken an official position on the issue, Gunn said.

PUC spokesman Gary Richardson said the commission looks at several factors in deciding whether one calling area is merited. One of these factors is "communities of interest."

Communities of interest are places where people do most of their shopping, receive medical services and where centers of government are located, for example.

It might be hard to argue an area that large is one community of interest," Richardson said.

A spokesman for US West could not be reached on Tuesday. Garber said he believes the trend is for telephone companies to remove toll charges.

Leadership

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As majority leaders, McRoberts and Newcomb had responsibility for leading their chambers through the thickets of parliamentary procedure.

"Senator McRoberts did an excellent job of leading from the floor," said Sen. Denton Darrington, R-Deer, a stickler for proper procedure. "She's efficient and tough, and I give her very high marks."

Simpson, Newcomb and the other House leaders kept the chamber moving faster than last year, several

lawmakers said.

"Simpson moves a little faster than (former Speaker Tom) Boyd, and he kept us longer on the floor," said Rep. Steve Atmore, R-Rupert, whose 25-year career in the House spans six different speakers.

"But he did get legislation moved off the board (the large board in the House chamber that lists pending bills) in a more timely manner" than Boyd's sometimes-leisurely pace, Atmore added.

"Unlike past years, when lawmakers sometimes left for home with dozens of bills waiting to be voted on, both the House and the Senate had completely cleared their boards by the time they adjourned March 27."

That was despite — or perhaps because of — a Legislature that had 21 fewer members than last year. The workload was heavier: The House considered 524 separate pieces of legislation, compared with 514 in 1992, and the Senate dealt with 324 assorted bills and resolutions, up from 316 last year.

At 76 days, the 1993 session was the shortest since 1985. Getting out early was a goal of both sets of leaders, even though Simpson missed his original goal of March 19.

Several lawmakers noted that the GOP leaders got along better with each other, their caucuses and the

Democratic minority.

"They were capable and cooperative," said Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly, adding that there was less partisan tension in the Senate this year than last. Last year the Senate was evenly split between Republicans and Democrats and President Pro Tem Mike Crapo was running the Senate.

"I think the leadership this year has been more effective in consolidating the direction of the House," said Rep. Jim Kempton, R-Albion.

"They kept the House focused on the budget," Kempton attributed that singleness of purpose to the decision not to develop a legislative revenue projection but to accept Gov. Andrus' estimate.

"This time there was a very clear, definitive line we were working toward, instead of having two numbers and fluctuating between them," he said.

Rep. Clint Stennett of Ketchikan, one of only 20 Democrats in the House, said the Republican majority didn't steamroll his colleagues — at least, not maliciously.

"I think we were treated fairly on a personal level," Stennett said. "We had a conciliatory working relationship, but that didn't make any difference on legislation. They'd smile as they killed your bill."

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Mini-Cassia/West

Minidoka Memorial Hospital plans public perception survey

By Eric Goodell
Mini-Cassia News Service
RUPERT - Within three months, Minidoka Memorial Hospital Administrator Randy Holom will have an idea of how area residents perceive his facility.
The hospital's Board of Directors recently approved conducting a survey throughout the Mini-Cassia area to see how the facility's marketing plan is developing.
"I think there are a lot of misconceptions about the hospital," Holom said.
He added when the survey results

are tabulated, officials will be able to tell, within a plus or minus 5 percentage points, how residents feel about hospital services.
If misconceptions are found, the hospital will seek ways to "either change them or change ourselves," Holom said.
He said he is waiting for bids from two companies wishing to conduct the survey. It will probably be about 90 days before survey results are in hand, according to Holom.
Questions in the survey will be almost identical to those in a survey conducted two years ago by the hospital.

"It might be tweaked a little to clarify some wording, but it will be essentially the same survey," Holom said.
It will contain 35 questions, and one area for general comments, he said.
The survey two years ago found that people served by the hospital were generally satisfied, but there was a perception by those who hadn't that the facility wasn't as good as some others, Holom said.
"It represents our ongoing effort to continually improve ourselves and the health care we provide," Holom said.

Raking it in



Pablo Vargas of Rupert rakes up some leaves and other debris Tuesday while doing a little spring cleaning.

Briefly in Mini-Cassia

Utah woman dies in I-84 accident

MALTA - A Utah woman died Tuesday afternoon when she was thrown from a vehicle after it veered off Interstate 84, officials say.
Cassia County Sheriff Billy Crystal said the 66-year-old woman, whom he declined to identify pending notification of relatives, was a passenger in a Chevrolet Suburban that was pulling a travel trailer.
While southbound near Milepost 238 near Malta, a strong gust of wind caused the trailer to begin weaving, causing the vehicle to go off the highway. The Suburban rolled twice, and the woman, who was pronounced dead at the scene, was ejected from the vehicle, Crystal said.
The accident occurred at about 1:30 p.m.
The driver of the suburban was a 70-year-old male who was transported to Cassia Memorial Hospital in Rupert. He was not seriously injured, Crystal said.

2 receive minor injuries in crash

BURLEY - Two Burley residents received minor injuries Tuesday afternoon when their vehicles collided at an intersection, deputies say.
According to the Cassia County sheriff's department, Gary Dee Jones, 60, failed to yield at the intersection of Miller Avenue and 19th Street and collided with Teresa Vela, 26.
Vela and passenger Marlene Campos, 24, Burley, received minor injuries but weren't taken to a hospital. Jones was uninjured, deputies say.
There was \$1,500 damage to Jones' pickup and \$4,000 damage to Vela's car, deputies said.

3 motorists injured when view blocked

BURLEY - A semi-tractor trailer that blocked the vision of motorists is being partly blamed for an accident Monday afternoon that injured three people, deputies say.
According to the Cassia County sheriff's department, Angela Bentley, 17, Salt Lake City, was stopped on West Seventh Street N. while she attempted to turn north on Overland Avenue. Bentley told deputies her vision was obstructed by a truck when she turned into the path of Leslie Douglas, 16, Paul.
Both drivers were taken to Cassia Memorial Hospital, including passenger Melissa Bentley, 14, Salt Lake City.
There was \$5,000 damage to Bentley's vehicle, and \$4,000 to Douglas', deputies said.
Bentley was charged with failure to yield, deputies said.

Heyburn bicyclist hit by car

RUPERT - A Heyburn resident was treated at Minidoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert last week after he rode his bicycle in front of a pickup, deputies say.
According to the Minidoka County Sheriff's Department, Blair Russell, 65, Rupert, was attempting to turn onto 200 South from Highway 10 when Jerrod Anderson, 19, failed to yield for the vehicle, deputies said.
There was \$50 damage to the bicycle and \$300 damage to the pickup, deputies said.

Mower, slide missing from residence

RUPERT - A lawnmower and a small children's slide were reported missing Saturday from a residence south of Rupert, a report said.
Kerrie Terry, 460 South 300 West, said she noticed the items missing Saturday afternoon, according to the Minidoka County Sheriff's Department.
Loss is reported at \$230.
Compiled from staff reports

Defense seizes on grain of sand to show King injured in fall

LOS ANGELES (AP) - A single grain of sand removed from Rodney King's face months after his videotaped beating shows that his injuries were caused by a fall, a lawyer for one of four police officers on trial said Tuesday.
Dr. Dallas Long III, an emergency room physician who didn't treat King, said he examined medical records and found that on May 15, 1991, King had some scar tissue removed from his face.
During the procedure, a particle of sand was found embedded in a scar, Long said.
"How could a piece of sand become embedded in the flesh?" asked Michael P. Stone, the lawyer for one of the officers.
"It has to be driven in with some force," Long said. "It's associated with falls on some sort of gravel."
Asked for his opinion about King's massive facial fractures, he said the

majority were "most consistent with a fall against a flat surface."
However, Long said that one cut on the right side of King's scalp was probably caused by a baton blow.
Long was called as a witness for Stone's client, Officer Laurence Powell, accused of inflicting the most baton blows on King during a videotaped beating March 3, 1991.
Stone was attempting to rebut the damaging testimony of California Highway Patrol Officer Melanie Singer, who wept as she testified that she remembered Powell bashing King in the head repeatedly with his baton.
She described King cowering under the blows with his hands over his face, as Powell struck him on the knuckles.
Stone showed Long a picture of King's hands after the beating. The doctor said he could detect no injuries.
Powell is on trial in federal court with Sgt. Stacey Koon, Officer Theodore Briseno and former Officer

Timothy Wind. They are charged with violating King's civil rights in the beating at the end of an auto chase.
Stone showed Long photos taken of King's face shortly after the beating. Pointing to a scrape on King's right cheek, he asked the doctor's opinion of its cause.
"I don't believe that is a baton injury delivered by an adult male," said Long.
He was the first medical witness in six weeks of testimony to say that King's injuries resulted from a fall. Doctors who treated King and a biomechanics expert testified for the prosecution that King's facial bones were shattered by blows from a baton. They said it was impossible to receive such injuries in a fall.

Jury to decide Sudafed tampering case

SEATTLE (AP) - Joseph E. Meling is a man "devoid of moral or social conscience" who deliberately set out to poison his wife so he could collect \$700,000 in life insurance, a federal prosecutor said Tuesday.
But a defense attorney said the government lacks hard evidence, failed to follow up leads and built a case by focusing on the flaws and failings of Mr. Meling's life and marriage.
"The comments were made during closing arguments in Meling's Sudafed tampering trial, in his fifth week in U.S. District Court. Meling is accused in the 1991 drug-tampering deaths of two boys and the near-fatal poisoning of his wife.
U.S. District Judge Barbara Rottstein said jurors would begin deliberating this morning.
Assistant U.S. attorney Joanne Maids book jurors through a step-by-step

rendition of coincidences that she said pointed to Meling being the Sudafed tamperer. Those included the unusually large amount of insurance he purchased for his wife, testimony that Meling was the first to suggest suicide poisoning after his wife was taken to a hospital; and testimony about Meling's "extreme indifference" to his wife's condition when she was hovering near death.
At some point the number of coincidences as cited against Joseph Meling means these aren't coincidences at all," Maids said. "These facts all coincide with guilt."
His acts reflect a human being devoid of moral or social conscience... who was willing to adopt a horrendous course of action" to meet his goal, she said.
Meling, 31, of Tunwata, is charged with six counts of product tampering, two of perjury and three of insurance

fraud. He faces up to life in prison if convicted on the tampering charges.
Prosecutors contend Meling put cyanide capsules into packages of Sudafed 12-hour decongestant in an attempt to kill his wife, Jennifer, and collect life insurance benefits. Jennifer Meling survived the Feb. 2, 1991 poisoning, but two other people died after taking cyanide-filled capsules from tampered Sudafed packages.
Jennifer Meling filed for divorce shortly after her poisoning, but later reconciled with her husband and testified on his behalf.
Defense attorney Cyrus Vance Jr. attacked the government's lack of hard evidence. He said there were no fingerprints found on the document Meling allegedly signed to purchase cyanide; no traces of cyanide in his home, car or office; and no admission of guilt on secret tape recordings.

Legislative log

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SB 1100 (Judiciary and Rules) - Increases fee on fines and convictions to support the Crime Victims Compensation Fund.
SB 1126 (Local Government and Taxation) - Allows counties to pay penalty and interest on excess taxes levied against a resident.
SB 1155 (Health and Welfare) - Clarifies existing medical waste combustor law to define emissions covered by the regulations.
SB 1162 (Commerce and Human Resources) - Restricts optional retirement program to faculty and officers of the four colleges and state Board of Education and makes initial selection of state system or optional system irrevocable.
SB 1179 (Education) - Requires every school in session on veterans day to conduct a program remembering and honoring veterans.
SB 1185 (Local Government and Taxation) - Extends the 30 percent-\$30,000 exemption of residential value from property taxes to newly built homes.
SB 1195 (Judiciary and Rules) - Removes any licensing requirements for persons who advise people on their health but do not engage in certain treatments.
SB 1226 (Judiciary and Rules) - Makes technical changes in the drunken driving law.
SB 1231 (State Affairs) - Revises use-fee schedule for commercial vehicles.
SB 1233 (Judiciary and Rules) - Clears way for women to serve on the Aeronautics Advisory Board.
SB 1236 (Judiciary and Rules) - Brings state clean air laws into compliance with federal law and requires legislative approval of any regulations exceeding federal standards.
SB 1252 (Finance) - Sets the 1994 budget for the state School for the Deaf and Blind.
SB 1254 (Finance) - Sets the 1994 budget for the state Industrial Commission.

AUCTION CALENDAR through April 14, 1993

Table listing auction events from Thursday, April 1, 1993 to Wednesday, April 14, 1993. Includes dates, locations, and descriptions of items for sale.

Logan's mayor wants Sunday beer sales

LOGAN, Utah (AP) - Mayor Russ Fieldstad wants Logan to change its laws to allow beer sales on Sunday so residents and tourists aren't forced to drive to Idaho or other Utah counties to buy beer.
Fieldstad said it's not as if people don't drink on Sunday. City taverns and retail stores should not have to give up business to other communities, and the city could use the sales tax revenue, he said.
Marty Judd, owner of Marty's Distributing, estimated that \$65,000 in sales tax revenue is lost every year.
That doesn't take into account sales of other items such as food at local taverns and grocery stores, Judd said.
It's an inconvenience to local residents who have to plan ahead and buy their beer on Saturdays or drive to Box Elder, Weber or Franklin counties, he said. It also annoys tourists who might be passing through Logan, Judd said.

Logan restaurants with state liquor licenses, such as Oia's and Tony Roma's, already sell beer and liquor on Sundays, prompting complaints from beer taverns that are forced by local laws to be closed on Sundays.
City Attorney Scott Barrett said store and tavern sales of light beer, with 3.2 percent or less alcohol, are governed by local laws in Logan. Restaurants, on the other hand, can obtain state liquor licenses and abide by state laws.
The Logan Municipal Council is to take up proposed changes in Sunday beer sales laws Thursday night.
In an unrelated matter, the golf professional at the new Logan River Golf Course is pressing to sell beer in the clubhouse.
Jeff Johnson said his goal is to provide a country club atmosphere at a public golf course.
Logan Parks and Recreation Department Director Bob Tate said every municipal golf course in the state, including Smithfield's, serves beer at its clubhouse.
But there's a problem. Logan allows a limited number of tavern licenses, based on the population, and there are none now available.
The city golf clubhouse isn't a private club, so it can't get a state liquor license.
Another barrier is that beer and liquor are prohibited in city parks and recreation facilities.

RAYMOND COFFMAN ESTATE AUCTION FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 1993

Auction advertisement for Raymond Coffman Estate Auction on Friday, April 2, 1993. Lists items for sale including a 1990 pickup, tractors, travel trailer, ground equipment, hay equipment, and other equipment & grain bin. Includes contact information for the auctioneer.

Police seek mother of abandoned baby

VERNAL, Utah (AP) - Vernal police are looking for the woman who abandoned a newborn infant Monday night at the Ashley Valley Medical Center.
The baby boy, dubbed "Andy" by hospital nurses, appears to be in good health.
Authorities said the child was found in a bathroom stall, its umbilical cord still attached.

Advertisement for Kim Hansen's 1993 Geo Tracker Convertible. Features the car and contact information for Kim Hansen in Burley and Rupert, Idaho.

Idaho

Briefly

Officials: Area needs to be logged

BOISE — Boise National Forest officials say a roadless area near Cascade needs to be logged to keep it from dying.

The Idaho Conservation League opposes the sale because the land is part of an area it wants protected as wilderness.

Steve Mealey, supervisor of the Boise Forest, said trees in the Needles Roadless Area, about 27 miles northeast of Cascade, are too dense.

There's not enough water and nutrients to go around, which makes the whole forest unhealthy and susceptible to insects, disease and fire, he said.

Logging the area in 1994 would "improve the resilience of the forest by reducing risk of catastrophic effects of insects and disease," Mealey said.

"It clearly treats the health of the forest."

The Boise Forest proposes logging 15 million board feet of timber — enough wood to build about 1,500 average homes — involving 2,200 acres, Mealey said.

Better public radio could be offered

POCATELLO — Enhanced public radio service could be offered across the state within a year if the state Board of Education and participating parties agree, says the general manager of Idaho Public Television.

Jerold Garber attended hearings last year on the possibility of increasing the broadcast area of existing radio stations by sharing their signals with areas not served by public radio.

Garber said the timing is still uncertain because a report has not yet reached the board. If the board approves, some stations could be sharing signals in six months.

The board last year received a grant of about \$32,000 from the U.S. Department of Commerce to solicit public opinion on ways to enhance radio service.

The leading option for expanded radio service in Pocatello would be KRRC, KRCR, College's National Public Radio affiliate in Rexburg, to share its signal with Idaho State University.

Andrus names Payette resident to panel

BOISE — Lilla Haro, Payette, has been appointed to the Idaho Commission on Hispanic Affairs.

The governor's office announced the appointment, which runs through July, 1994. Haro replaces Natalie Camacho, Pocatello, who resigned.

Gov. Cecil Andrus also announced other appointments: Rep. Millie Flowers, D-Pocatello, to the Infant and Toddler Interagency Coordinating Council.

Quincy Jensen, Ammon, Idaho Humanities Council and Doug Batt, Welder, Idaho Hop Commission.

Gerald Wannamaker, Caldwell, Uniform Building Code Advisory Board.

Randy Ambuchal, president of the Idaho AFL-CIO, will represent labor on the Idaho Job Training Council and on the state Advisory Committee on Workers' Compensation.

Serelia McAlvain, Boise, was named to the Public Works Contractors License Board.

Linda Miller, Lewiston; Gus Hein, Bob Ford and Ken Patterson of Boise and Randy Kline, Pocatello, were named to the Idaho Job Training Council.

Wayne Olin, Lewiston, was named to the Idaho Housing Agency board.

Gem court upholds award against doctor

BOISE — The Idaho Supreme Court has unanimously upheld a \$30,000 damage award against Boise physician Phillip Krueger.

The court on Tuesday upheld lower court rulings for DiAnn and Patrick Adams — against Krueger and an employee, nurse practitioner Leila Parker.

A jury awarded the Adams \$30,000 in damages after deciding that DiAnn Adams was 49 percent negligent, Parker 41 percent negligent and Krueger 10 percent negligent.

The lawsuit alleged that Parker diagnosed DiAnn Adams as having genital herpes but another doctor later determined it was a severe yeast infection.

Krueger's appeal said he should not have been held liable since his negligence was less than that of DiAnn Adams. But the Supreme Court unanimously agreed with lower court rulings that the negligence of Parker and Krueger should be combined, since she was his employee.

The court also held that there was no prevailing party in the lawsuit and declined to award the Adams attorney fees and costs.

Teen-ager dies in 1-vehicle accident

BOISE — A Boise teen-ager died in a one-vehicle accident as she returned by her family from a spring break vacation in California.

Dayonehea Betts, 17, a Capital High student, was traveling with her mother, Annette Betts, and three siblings when the accident occurred about 7 a.m. on Interstate 84 near the East Boise Port of Entry weigh station, Idaho State Police said.

Another daughter of Betts, Shaneka Davis, 12, was listed in fair condition Monday at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center. She suffered a broken left toe, cuts on her right hand and internal injuries, said a relative, Delma Grimes of Nampa.

Betts and her two other children, Christopher Davis, 10, and Cathy Grimes, 4, were treated and released.

Job Service employee appeals firing

ST. MARIES — The former manager of the St. Maries Job Service office has appealed his firing in the wake of charges that he made personal use of a state car, telephone and computer.

Court allows death penalty for killing

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. Supreme Court, ruling Tuesday in the case of condemned killer Eugene Crech, allowed Idaho to impose death sentences on murderers who showed "utter disregard for human life."

Crech, 42, who admitted killing as many as 40 people, pleaded guilty to beating fellow inmate David Jensen dead at the Idaho State Penitentiary on May 13, 1981, while Crech was serving time for three murder convictions.

Under Idaho law, no convicted murderer can be sentenced to death unless at least one of seven aggravating factors — including "utter disregard" — is found.

Tuesday's 7-2 decision, overturning a 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling, said utter disregard — interpreted by the Idaho Supreme Court to mean a "coldblooded, pitiless slayer" — is not too vague to be constitutional.

The ruling means Crech's case will go back to Idaho courts for a new sentencing hearing, at which the "utter disregard" factor can be used.

"The phrase 'coldblooded, pitiless slayer' refers to a killer who kills without feeling or sympathy," Justice Sandra Day O'Connor wrote for the court.

O'Connor acknowledged "the question is close," but said the phrase properly narrows the type of defendant eligible for the death penalty.

Justice Harry A. Blackmun dissented, likening the majority's logic to "nonsense upon stilts." The phrase "coldblooded" is too vague to give meaningful guidance to a sentencing judge, said Blackmun, who was joined by Justice John Paul Stevens.

Prosecutors said Crech, a former church sexton, admitted committing 26 to 40 murders, 11 of which have been confirmed by law enforcement officers.

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Minnick joins Andrus at forest conference

BOISE (AP) — Walt Minnick, chief executive officer of TI International, will join Idaho Gov. Cecil Andrus at President Clinton's forest conference in Portland on Friday.

"I got letter signed by the president today," Minnick said on Monday.

Clinton is convening the "timber summit" to break a stalemate that has shut down logging of old growth trees in Oregon and Washington. Ancient forests were placed off limits by the courts in an effort to protect the threatened spotted owl.

Andrus offered no specific agenda when he discussed his participation earlier this month. He said only that he expected Clinton wanted to listen to what the people of the Northwest had to say about the dilemma.

But Minnick said the conference holds several implications for Idaho. For example, if the conference leads to an easing of the timber shortage, that could lower timber prices in Idaho.

The meeting also could help Idaho solve its natural resource conflicts, he said.

"We have old-growth ecosystems, too, and old-growth dependent species. How (the problems) are resolved on the coast may presage how we'll deal with the issue in interior forests."

Hantman doesn't want to return to Oregon

LEWISTON (AP) — Harry Anthony Hantman will not willingly return to Oregon to face charges of kidnapping, rape and sodomy.

The 20-year fugitive from a Washington, D.C., mental hospital for the criminally insane Monday refused to sign a waiver of extradition to Lewiston to Benton County, Ore. Hantman is wanted in Oregon on four felony charges arising from the sexual assault of a 27-year-old female Oregon State University student.

Hantman, 46, was recaptured outside a Lewiston motel Friday by federal marshals and Lewiston police officers. Deputy U.S. Marshal, William Bonk, said Hantman had been a target of an intensive effort to track down violent sexual offenders.

He was found not guilty by reason of insanity in 1969 of the brutal rape and murder of an 11-year-old Washington, D.C., girl. He escaped from St. Elizabeth's hospital on Christmas Day 1973.

In the course of the search, Bonk said Hantman had been living in the Northwest for the past two decades under the alias of "Thomas Andrew Logan," a Washington, D.C., man who died in 1973.

They also found out Hantman/Dorion was wanted in connection with the Benton County crime and previously had been convicted and served prison time for burglary, kidnapping and assault in Oregon's Multnomah County.

A task force of federal marshals headed by Bonk came to the Northwest in search of Hantman and for the past three weeks had been tracking him as he moved about from Oregon to Washington and finally to Lewiston.

His wife, Linda Lee Cannon, 38, was arrested with him at Lewiston on a Benton County warrant charging her with hindering prosecution. She waived extradition Monday and will be returned to Benton County to face the felony charge.

Hantman and Cannon have lived a quiet life in Joseph, Ore. for some time. Hantman also has attended several Oregon colleges and universities during the past 20 years and currently is enrolled at Oregon State University in Corvallis.

During a court hearing Monday, Hantman told Nez Perce County Magistrate Gary Elliott he owns no property and is unemployed. He said he had about \$1,200 in cash on him when he was arrested Friday.

Elliott appointed the public defender to represent him and set a fugitive hearing for April 7.

\$179,000 goes to housing trust fund

BOISE (AP) — Idaho officials are building a fund to help nonprofit organizations sponsor housing for low-income people.

The Idaho Housing Agency board voted to transfer \$179,000 into the Idaho Housing Trust Fund, the first money put into a fund created by the Legislature last year.

The \$179,000 will remain in the fund as an endowment, with only interest earnings made available to applicants. The revolving loan fund is designed to provide loan and grant help to nonprofit housing corporations.

Idaho Housing Agency Board Chairman Lamont Jones said the endowment money will serve as "seed" money for low-cost housing projects.

The Idaho Housing Agency, created by the Legislature 21 years ago, has helped nearly 25,000 families purchase homes by offering below-market interest rates on mortgages.

Legislative log

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HB8 (Mahoney) — Allows public works contractors to be licensed for a 12-month period.
HB34 (State Affairs) — Clarifies payment of compensation to liquor vendors and special distributors.
HB63 (Business) — Amends laws on certified public accountants and licensed public accountants.
HB97 (State Affairs) — Provides new restrictions on charitable solicitations and provides remedies for violations.
HB71 (State Affairs) — Forbids issuance of retail liquor license to same licensee for two years after license has expired.
HB134 (Judiciary, Rules and Administration) — Provides new 5th District Judge July 1 provides new judges in 4th and 6th districts in March of 1995.
HB278 (Agriculture) — Amends laws on duties of landowners to control noxious weeds.
HB324 (Ways and Means) — Allows publication of the administrative bulletin monthly instead of every other week.
HB376 (State Affairs) — Provides that director of state Lottery Commission shall be responsible for monitoring Class III gaming on Indian reservations.
HB423 (Appropriations) — Allocates \$32.5 million to Department of Law Enforcement for 1994 operations.
HB426 (Appropriations) — Appropriates \$11.5 million from Budget Reserve Account to general fund to cover Medicaid costs.
HB427 (Appropriations) — Allocates \$36,900 to Commission on Women's Programs for 1994 operations.
HB428 (Appropriations) — Allocates \$9.8 million for 1994 operations to Military Division.
SB1019 (Judiciary and Rules) — Provides for alcohol or drug testing for boat operators.
SB1037 (Commerce and Human Resources) — Clarifies disability retirement status under Public Employee Retirement System.
SB1044 (Judiciary and Rules) — Allows Department of Parks and Recreation to enter into reciprocal agreements providing for law enforcement on state boundary waters such as Snake River.
SB1045 (Judiciary and Rules) — Increases maximum value of estate where the collection of personal property may be done by affidavit.
SB1053 (Judiciary and Rules) — Makes it felony to unlawfully discharge a firearm at an inhabited house, mobile home, travel trailer, camper or occupied motor vehicle or building.
SB1054 (Resources and Environment) — Allows for temporary approval of appropriations of water by the director of the Department of Water Resources.
SB1079 (Local Government and Taxation) — Authorizes cemetery maintenance districts to acquire cemeteries from counties.
SB1091 (Resources and Environment) — Increases compensation to members of Outfitters and Guides Licensing Board.
SB1092 (Resources and Environment) — Increases from \$5,000 to \$15,000 maximum amount for which flood control district may incur debt before going through competitive bidding.
SB1093 (Resources and Environment) — Allows irrigation districts to contract with lateral districts.
SB1095 (Resources and Environment) — Provides reciprocity for Idaho licensed outfitters and guides and Washington licensed guides conducting fishing activities on the waters of the Snake River between Idaho, Oregon and Washington.
SB1102 (Resources and Environment) — Provides for contracts between landowners and irrigation districts for construction of improvements to provide water.
SB1104 (Resources and Environment) — Limits grounds for exclusion of lands from irrigation districts when local distribution systems are proposed or contracted.
SB1113 (Judiciary and Rules) — Clarifies laws providing punishment for male rape.
SB1114 (Judiciary and Rules) — Provides sentence enhancement for use of a firearm or deadly weapon while committing or attempting to commit certain violations of drug laws.
SB1116 (Judiciary and Rules) — Provides that claims over treatment at any correctional facility must be filed within one year of the expiration of time for appeals.

Knudsen chairman's 1992 salary falls 17%
BOISE (AP) — The compensation for the chairman of Morrison Knudsen Corp. declined 17 percent last year because his annual bonus was slashed.
The disclosure of William Agee's 1992 compensation in the Boise-based corporation's annual proxy statement comes as a McCall shareholder plans to propose a pay-performance system for executives at Morrison Knudsen's stockholders meeting April 23.
Agee's compensation totaled \$1.7 million in 1992, when the company reported \$71 million in losses. It was \$2.1 million the year before.

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Sports

Report: Pitcher was drunk

The Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. — Cleveland Indians pitcher Tim Crews was legally drunk when his speeding boat crashed into a dock on a darkened lake, killing himself and teammate Steve Olin and injuring Bob Ojeda, investigators said Tuesday.

Crews had a blood-alcohol content of 0.14 percent, surpassing the 0.10 mark considered intoxication under Florida law. Neither Olin nor Ojeda was deemed legally drunk.

Medical Examiner Thomas Hegert of Orange County said a 0.14 reading could be



Crews

the equivalent of six to seven beers in a person the stature of Crews (6-foot, 195 pounds), "but the effects vary considerably in each person."

Col. Bob Edwards, law enforcement director for the Florida Game and Fresh-Water-Fish Commission, called the matter an "alcohol-related accident." He added the commission

does "not anticipate filing any charges." Edwards cited three factors investigators considered in this kind of accident: "careless operation, maintaining a vessel within the speeds consistent with safety and (the lack of) a designated lookout, someone who can be utilized to help look for structures such as this."

Edwards and Lt. Bruce Cooper, in charge of the probe into the March 22 accident on Little Lake Nellie, said evidence indicated the 18-foot bass boat with 150-horsepower motor was traveling at more than 25 mph in the dark — at about 7:30 p.m. EST.

crash is unknown," said Edwards. Investigators earlier said there were indications the boat was going near top speed of about 65 mph. Edwards said Tuesday it was impossible to determine maximum speed.

Olin's blood-alcohol content was placed at 0.02 percent and Ojeda's at 0.006 percent, indicating they had considerably less to drink than Crews.

"Those were good, honest, solid men," Indians manager Mike Hargrove said. "It doesn't alter the fact one way or the other. Those guys are still dead. The hurt is still there. And I think enough is enough."

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Briefly

Signups for Buhl youth baseball set early April
BUHL — Signups for Buhl youth baseball will be held at Popplewell Elementary School 4-6 p.m. Wednesday, April 7 and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 10.
For more information, contact Margie Cooper at 543-6821.

District 6 rodeo season starts with Friday, Saturday rides
TWIN FALLS — The sixth district high school rodeo season starts Friday and Saturday with 7 p.m. performances at the College of Southern Idaho Expo Center.
Admission is \$4 per person. Children 5 and under will be admitted free.
The following weekend, April 9-10, the second District 6 rodeo will also be held at CSI with the same performance times and admission prices.

Buhl Rodeo Association sets benefit dance to raise funds
BUHL — The Buhl Rodeo Association will hold a benefit amateur rodeo and dance Saturday, April 17.
The proceeds will go toward upgrading the Buhl Rodeo Arena. For more information, call Sandy at 543-8708 after 6 p.m.

Bethune-Cookman coach decides to lighten his load
DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — After 31 years, Jack "Cy" McClairen on Tuesday said he will step down as men's basketball coach at Bethune-Cookman College.
McClairen, 62, who was an all-pro receiver for the Pittsburgh Steelers, will become an associate athletic director in charge of fund raising and alumni affairs. Assistant coach Maurice "Tony" Sheals was named as his replacement.

"There comes a point when you want to slow down, but not walk," McClairen said. "I'm not walking, but I am slowing down."
McClairen's record at Bethune-Cookman was 393-430. Last season, the Wildcats went 3-24 and finished in last place in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference. His last winning season was in 1978.

The Panama City native was graduated from Bethune-Cookman, a predominantly black school, in 1953 and went on to play for the Steelers. McClairen returned to the school in 1961 and was head coach in football and basketball coach as well as being athletic director simultaneously for 12 years.
"I can't imagine being in coaching for 31 years," McClairen said. "It's a tough deal. The NCAA won't let us work the players as hard as we used to. The players have changed so much and I haven't."

McClairen said he may coach golf if the school decides to start that sport.
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They broke it to me gently. The manager came up to me before a game and said they don't allow visitors in the clubhouse.
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— Bob Uecker, on the many times he was cut by baseball teams.

Final Four in the Superdome

If you're stuck with the \$275 seats, bring your binoculars

The Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Final Four fans in the Louisiana Superdome's cheap seats — the ones that go for a mere \$275 — will be 20 stories above the action. Not that they mind.

The dome, the tournament's first big-time arena, may not afford all fans a chance to get close to the court, but it still has plenty to offer. It has more seats than just about any other location, a selling point even if some of those seats are roughly 200 feet high.

"We handed out cards to people after the 1982 game," said Superdome spokesman Will Peneguy. "Out of all of them, we got only two complaints about the seats and they weren't about the sightlines. In fact, the only real complaint now is that they can't get one."

When the NCAA basketball committee decided to move the tournament from the intimacy of on-campus gyms, it did so in a big way. In 1982, the Final Four was played under the 280-foot-high, 10-acre roof of the Superdome, and what was lost in atmosphere was made up by the excitement of the thousands who got to see the game in person, if not close up.

"I saw the Indiana-Syracuse game there," said Tyrone Murray, 33, "I was way up there by the roof, but it was great. I'd say \$150 for a ticket up there in a New York second if I could get one."

Unfortunately for Murray, getting one at that price is highly unlikely.
Over 62,000 tickets to the event were sold by lottery last April at prices ranging from \$30 in the stratosphere of the Dome to \$65 closer to court-side.

Tuesday dozens of classified ads in the Times-Picayune announced tickets were available and for sale. Calls to several of the 800 numbers found tickets, when available, priced from \$275 to \$850 each.

Such sales are illegal, according to Sgt. Marlon DeFillo of the New Orleans Police Department, but unlikely to end in prosecution.

"If I had complaints we'd investigate," DeFillo said. "We haven't had complaints. I find it hard to believe, but people will pay outrageous prices to get into the game."
Pleas for tickets range from the mercenary approach, promising quick cash for the tickets, to other ploys aimed at plucking the heartstrings of ticket holders.



Michigan's Chris Webber, right, congratulates Rob Pelinka after coach Steve Fischer, center, announced that Pelinka has been awarded a post-graduate scholarship to attend law school.

Final Four fans in the Louisiana Superdome's cheap seats will be 20 stories above the action. But tournament officials say they've had few complaints.

at plucking the heartstrings of ticket holders. "I have a friend who advertised that his kid was seriously ill and wanted to see the game before it was too late," said Mark Adams. "Even that didn't get them tickets at cost. I think he paid about \$300 each though and that's not bad."

Michigan coach plays down bad-guy image

The Associated Press

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Every play needs a villain. In the Final Four, Michigan is it.

The unmatched talent of Michigan's five sophomore starters has made them easy targets for criticism all season. Add their flamboyant playing style and playground-bred habit of talking trash, and the bad-guy storyline is complete.

"I'm a little surprised," Michigan coach Steve Fischer said Tuesday. "(The image) has kind of come and gone. After the Duke game (Dec. 5) it kind of died off. Now, for whatever reason, it has re-emerged on a national level.

"I don't need to defend our kids. I've had national people as well as officials tell us our kids have been terrific, in addition to their 30 wins. ... You ask coaches in the Big Ten, I think eight, nine, maybe all 11

of them would say positive things about our kids. Not about their ability, but about our kids."

Temple coach John Chancy had nothing positive to say about Michigan (30-4) after the Wolverines beat the Owls 77-72 in the West Regional final.

"I will not comment," he said when asked how Michigan would fare against Kentucky (30-3) in Saturday's semifinal in New Orleans. "It might express a bigger problem I have with Michigan."

Later, Chancy said: "When I see taunting and all kinds of gyrations, I don't like it. I don't like coaches who allow it to happen."

Fischer was reluctant to discuss Chancy's accusations, but staunchly defended his team.
"Our kids have been criticized for not playing with emotion, for playing bored," Please see MICHIGAN/B6

Thompson sits on sidelines in Vandals narrow coaching search

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Thirty years ago, John Thompson played for an NIT champion. Now he is a victory away from coaching one.

Thompson, the center on Providence's 1963 title team, can capture another NIT crown today night when his Georgetown Hoyas play Minnesota at Madison Square Garden.
Thompson still remembers the reception he and his Providence teammates got when they returned home after beating

Utah State on March 16. Cravens, Davis and Antrim will be interviewed this week in Chicago, Liske said. Watson will be interviewed after Idaho officials return to Moscow.

Liske said he planned to narrow the list to two finalists for daylong interviews in Moscow next week.
Watson, 52, has been an assistant at Idaho for three seasons, and was previously Vandals coach currently at Chipola Junior College in Florida; and Steve Antrim, coach at University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.
Idaho athletics spokesman Rance Pugmire said the field had been narrowed from a group of 24 candidates.
The school is seeking to replace Larry Eustachy, who accepted the coaching job at

previously an assistant to former coach Andy Russo at Washington.
Antrim, 45, has compiled a 111-59 record in six years at Wisconsin-Milwaukee, and previously was an assistant at Iowa State under Johnny Orr.

Davis, 33, led Idaho to a 50-12 record and back-to-back NCAA Tournament appearances in 1989 and 1990 before he left to coach two seasons at Texas A&M. He resigned under pressure at the Texas school and was eventually banned by the NCAA for two years for recruiting violations. He's since been an assistant coach at Chipola for two seasons.
Idaho won the Big Sky Conference regular-season title last season and finished 24-8. The Vandals lost to Boise State in the final game of the conference tournament.

Please see NIT/B6

Man who beat Chamberlain in Final Four game never played again

By Joe Gergen
Newsday

For a variety of reasons, Joe Quigg was not the center of attention as North Carolina sought to complete a perfect season and win its first national basketball championship. He had been the tallest player and the pivot man on the top-ranked team in the country but, both in size and stature, he was dwarfed by his Kansas rival. His own coach conceded as much by his choice of Tommy Keams to contest the opening tip against Wilt Chamberlain.

Keams, at 5-foot-11, was the shortest starter on either team. But by promoting such a ludicrous physical mismatch, Frank McGuire hoped to seize the psychological initiative. For those in attendance at the Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City, it may have been the single most unforgettable sight in Final Four history.

The rest of us can only imagine. The networks had yet to discover college basketball in 1957. When North Carolina opposes Kansas in an-NCAA Tournament semifinal at New Orleans on Saturday, there will be a crowd in excess of 60,000. Superdome and a national television audience in the tens of millions. By contrast, their first Final Four meeting 36 years ago — a historic and thrilling encounter that required 10,000 spectators at Carolina residents fortunate enough to receive a ticket — and white feed of the game. It seems to have been the only state in which the game was televised.

Nor was there much in the way of print coverage. Few newspapers outside the area of the competing teams staffed the game and only a handful of still photographers were scattered around the court. Sports Illustrated, then in its third year, devoted a single page (and no picture) to the championship. Reminders are few. "I have a copy of the newsreel," Quigg recalled Monday from his dental office in Fayetteville, "that ran in the theaters." Perhaps the most compelling, most theatrical game in tournament history is preserved in snippets on the late, lamented Movietone News.

Among those who have not forgotten is Chamberlain. In an interview telecast by ESPN on Sunday night, the man who would become the most prolific scorer and rebounder in pro basketball history asserted for the umpteenth time that the game was responsible for creating the public perception that he was a loser, one perpetuated by later "playoff" encounters against the Boston Celtics' Bill Russell. Russell, Carolina's 54-53 victor, by the margin of Quigg's two free throws, had other repercussions. "It started (big-time) basketball in the South," the man said.

Historically, the coach and all five Carolina starters were Yankees. McGuire had moved to Chapel Hill after coaching at his alma mater, St. John's. He continued to recruit in the old neighborhoods. Lennie Rosenbluth was the first big center. Quigg, the 6-9 center from Francis Prep, was the next to sign. He was followed by Keams, Pete Brennan and Bob Cunningham.

"The reason was Frank," Quigg said. "It was right after the scandals and New York basketball had disappeared. Everyone was going out of town to play." The dapper McGuire convinced enough skilled New Yorkers to come on down that, in four years' time, Carolina soared to the top of the national pecking order and overcame Michigan State in the semifinals, also in three overtimes.

So formidable was Chamberlain's presence that Kansas (24-2) was favored to win even though the Tar Heels were undefeated in 31 games and better manned at every position save one. Where the 7-foot sophomore was concerned, however, one against five was excellent odds. "A colossus," Quigg called him after watching some of Kansas' 89-56 semifinal demolition of San Francisco.

Commentary
out, Carolina hung in through two extra sessions. With his team trailing by a single point and time running out, Quigg pump-faked and drove on Wilt. His shot didn't fall but Maurice King was whistled for a reach-in foul. Six seconds remained. McGuire immediately called a

timeout. He wasn't concerned as much about the poise of his center as he was in setting his defense. Nevertheless, Quigg walked over to the man and said, "Don't worry, coach. I'm going to make them."

He sank both for his ninth and 10th points. Chamberlain scored 23 points and accounted for half his team's 28 rebounds, yet suffered for the sins of his team. The other Kansas players combined to shoot nine of 34.

That last free throw, the one that made such an impression on the sport, would be the final point of Quigg's basketball career. Although he had another year of college eligibility, he broke his leg in preseason practice the following fall. The New York Knicks still selected him in the second round of the 1958 NBA draft and signed him to a contract for the munificent sum of \$7,500, but the leg did not recover sufficiently.

Chamberlain, of course, had a lot of shots left. Five years later, he amassed 100 points for the Philadelphia Warriors in a game against the Knicks. His coach was named Frank McGuire.

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LT225/75R-15	C	89.83	8.75R-16.5	sw	93.01
27/8.50R-14	C	78.01	8.75R-16.5	sw	100.12
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Spring ushers in new year

April first is really the start of my year. It's not January, in the middle of winter. It's spring, with stuff growing and the sun lingering longer each day.

Nancy Joy Jones
Valley cooking

This day actually picked me, because it's my birthday. It truly is time for my annual renewal checkup.

Let's see, I make those all important medical appointments and then I open the letter to myself, the one I wrote last year. This letter is sort of an annual mental and emotional checkup. Where was I a year ago compared to where I am today. What can I change, what must I accept, what wonderful sights and people did I meet back then, what resolutions made and kept or broken?

Then I write the letter for next year, seal it and put it away. This is something I've done since I was 16. No, I've not kept all those letters, just some. It's just an idea for something you could do for yourself. Also, if possible on your birthday, send your mom some flowers.

This year I'm trying to eliminate fats in the food as much as possible without letting the good tastes go, so here's a couple of recipes for you to try.

This lower-fat recipe I tried last week on a bunch of guys. Maybe it was because they didn't have any other choice but the plates came back to the kitchen clean. None of them knew they had just eaten vegetarian and liked it.

POTATO LASAGNA

2 10-ounce packages frozen chopped broccoli, thawed and pressed between towels to remove most of moisture

2 15-ounce cartons of non-fat ricotta cheese

2 cups shredded carrots

1 cup minced green onions

2 teaspoons dried leaf oregano

1 teaspoon freshly ground pepper

1 teaspoon salt, or to taste

Vegetable cooking spray

3 pounds potatoes, peeled and sliced thin

3 cups shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese

1/2 cup grated parmesan cheese

Combine the broccoli, ricotta, carrots, onions, marjoram, pepper and salt, mixing well and set aside. I used a 9-by-13-by-2-inch pan. Spray it with the vegetable spray.

Place one-third of potato slices in bottom of dish. Spread with almost half of the broccoli mixture and sprinkle almost half of the mozzarella cheese over this and repeat layers.

Top with remaining potato slices and spread the little bit broccoli mixture over the top and sprinkle the remaining mozzarella cheese and all of the parmesan over the top. Bake covered in a preheated 375 degree oven, for 30 minutes. Then uncover and bake it for about an hour longer or until it's golden and potatoes are cooked.

Let stand 10 minutes before cutting and serving. This should serve 8 (very generous) to 12 or 14.

Three bean salads have never been that popular at our house and I think I've found the secret to making not only a passable but great one. Use freshly cooked dried beans. You can soak them overnight in separate pots and boil them in the morning. Make the salad ahead a few hours to give the flavors time to meld. Yes it takes longer, but is worth it. This recipe is a family size 4-6 side servings. It's easily doubled, etc., for crowds and picnics.

THREE-BEAN SALAD WITH FRESH HERBS

1/2 cup dried white beans (navy or great northern)

1/2 cup dried pinto beans

1/2 cup dried lima beans

1/2 cup minced red onion

1 garlic clove, minced

1 hard cooked egg, chopped

1 tablespoon chopped Italian parsley

2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro (optional, basil and dill)

1 cup diluted sauce (recipe to follow)

1 tablespoon grainy or Dijon mustard

2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil

Freshly ground pepper (white preferred) to taste

In separate pots, soak each of the beans

Please see JONES/C7



Try a Dijon glaze on ham, with pineapple sauce and braided Easter bread.

Easter favorites

Jazz up your traditional dinner with holiday bread, glazes

That special time is here! And nothing celebrates the joyous season more than a delicious meal complete with all the traditional trimmings. This year, why not brighten your family's all-time Easter favorites with a dash of pizzazz? This updated holiday menu not only sparkles with new flavor and appeal, it's as easy to prepare as it is to serve!

Since early times, the crowning touch to any festive Easter meal has been succulent ham.

Today is no exception — it simply wouldn't be Easter without the delicious taste of versatile ham. Always available in a wide range of sizes and varieties, a fully-cooked, boneless is an excellent choice for the on-the-go Easter hostess. It's extra easy to carve, and provides four to five 3-ounce servings per pound. A fully-cooked, bone-in or semi-boneless ham yields about two and one-half to three 3-ounce servings per pound.

When it comes to preparing your holiday ham, the addition of a maple-Dijon glaze gives the whole meal extra-special touch. To make a simple, spectacular pineapple sauce, add crushed pineapple to the reserved maple/Dijon mixture and heat through.

Every bit as fruity, another snappy option for the Easter ham, Apricot-Ginger Glaze, also spotlights the unique goodness of Dijon

mustard. Don't stop at the glaze when you're rejuvenating your Easter favorites. Here, homebaked yeast bread take a celebratory, easy twist for the better, and Braided Easter Bread is the mouthwatering result!

A real baker's choice when it comes to convenience, you can make the eye catching loaves on the day of the dinner. Or you can bake them ahead and store them in the freezer for easy reheating.

Either way, when the bread's fresh-baked aroma reaches the table, you'll love knowing you have not one, but two, company-special loaves to show for your breadmaking efforts.

Braided Easter bread

4K to 5K cups all-purpose flour, divided
3 tablespoons sugar, divided
2 packages, Fleischmann's RapidRise Yeast

1 1/2 teaspoons salt

1 cup very warm water (120 to 130 degrees)

1/3 cup butter or margarine, softened

4 eggs, divided

In large bowl, combine 1 1/2 cups flour, 2 tablespoons sugar, undissolved yeast and salt. Add very warm water and butter; blend well.

Stir in 3 eggs, 1 egg yolk (reserve egg

white) and enough remaining flour to make soft dough. Knead on lightly floured surface until smooth and elastic, about 6 to 8 minutes. Cover; let rest on floured surface 10 minutes.

Divide in half. Reserve one half. Divide remaining dough into three equal pieces; roll to 12-inch ropes. Place ropes on greased baking sheet; braid. Pinch ends to seal. On a separate baking sheet, repeat with remaining dough to make a second loaf.

Cover; let rise in warm, draft-free place until doubled in size, about 30 to 45 minutes.

Lightly beat reserved egg white; brush on loaves. Sprinkle with remaining 1 tablespoon sugar. Bake at 400 degrees for 20 to 25 minutes or until done, switching positions of sheets in oven halfway through baking time. Cover with foil if needed to prevent excess browning during last 10 minutes of baking time. Remove from sheets; cool on wire racks.

Makes 2 loaves.

Preparation time: 45 minutes, excluding rising time.

Cooking time: 20 to 25 minutes.

Dijon glaze and pineapple sauce

2/3 cup maple-flavored syrup

1/3 cup Grey Poupon Dijon or Country

Dijon Mustard
1/3 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1 (20-ounce) can crushed pineapple in its own juice
1 tablespoon cornstarch

In small bowl, blend syrup, mustard and brown sugar; reserve 1/4 cup glaze to brush over ham during last 20 minutes of cooking time.

Meanwhile, in medium saucepan, combine remaining glaze, pineapple and cornstarch. Over medium-high heat, cook until mixture thickens and begins to boil, stirring frequently.

Boil for 1 minute.

Serve warm with ham.

Makes 1/4 cup glaze and 2/3 cups sauce.

Preparation time: 10 minutes.

Cooking time: 3 to 4 minutes for sauce.

Apricot-ginger glaze

1/3 cup apricot preserves, melted

1/4 cup Grey Poupon Dijon Mustard

1/4 teaspoon ground ginger

In small bowl, blend all ingredients. Brush over ham during last 20 minutes of cooking time.

Recipe may be doubled.

Makes 2/3 cup.

Preparation time: 10 minutes.

Cooking big, but keeping that down-home flavor

By Joan Bean
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM — Kitty Shelton is a contributing editor for Taste of Home magazine. She was chosen at the suggestion of her mother, who has had a number of recipes printed in the publisher's other magazines.

For starters, Shelton was asked to send in some recipes for serving large groups of people. They requested this from her, because she is a co-owner of Middle Fork Wilderness Outfitters and plans meals and develops recipes for the 30 people at a time who take six-day trips down the middle fork of the Salmon River. Six of the people are guides who cook for the whole group.

With help from daughters Holly, 15, and Heidi, 13, cookies and breads are baked, cheese is grated and some preparation of vegetables is done ahead. But, to keep the quality high, meals must be prepared from scratch on the river.

One of the guides rows a boat carrying all the food, tents, etc. He sets up camp before the rest of the party arrives.

Then all the guides serve appetizers before cooking the meal in big Dutch

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Ovens stacked up to five high over charcoal briquettes.

When testing recipes at home, Shelton usually puts the Dutch oven into her kitchen oven. But sometimes she tries them first in campfires just to find out how a dish will taste. "Our major cooking endeavor is to develop and do recipes, because it's gourmet food as much as possible on the river," she says. "It's pretty amazing what we manage to do."

The guides make things like chocolate cake, pecan pie and seafood lasagna in Dutch ovens and do rack of lamb and filet mignon on a grill. Shelton says they work hard, but enjoy it.

In the fall, her husband, Gary, will run some of the hunting and fishing trips down the river.

For this, she says, they will probably



STEPHEN SCHWENK/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Kitty Shelton, co-owner of Middle Fork Wilderness Outfitters, tests her recipes at home before taking them on her six-day river trips.

and some chukkar recipes to the menus.

One of their guides helped develop one of the recipes Shelton submitted to Taste

of Home. It is fairly easy to prepare and can be broken down for smaller groups. In

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Valley life

Aspirin for animals strictly for the birds



Dear Abby
Abigail VanBuren

DEAR ABBY: I want you to know that your recent column warning pet owners never to give their pets aspirin saved our dog's life!

Brooke, our 11-year-old German shepherd, was quite sore after a weekend of retrieving Frisbees with my husband. I read your article in the Tacoma news on my lunch break, and told my husband about it as soon as I got home.

As it turned out, he had just given Brooke some Advil. A quick call to our vet confirmed that the dosage was toxic and could endanger her life, so we rushed Brooke to the clinic where she was given a shot to induce vomiting. We were also given a stern warning about giving our pet aspirin.

We are thankful that our dog is well, and we count your column among our blessings this week.

— RICK AND KATHLEEN NORTH, GIG HARBOR, WASH.

DEAR RICK AND KATHLEEN: I'm pleased to learn that the information was helpful. I published it because I found it alarming that over-the-counter drugs that are safe for humans can be lethal to pets.

granddaughter doesn't take her grandmother's advice. If the engagement is broken by either party, the lady should return the engagement ring — or she's no lady.

DEAR ABBY: After returning from a family funeral, the limousine driver who drove us sat parked in our driveway for the longest time. I guess he was waiting for me to come out and give him a tip. Should I have tipped him? I had never hired a limousine myself, so I didn't know what to do.

— NO NAME, PLEASE

DEAR NO NAME: According to Mel Goins, the owner of Ascot Limousine Service in Los Angeles, it was not necessary to tip the driver who drove you for the funeral. A gratuity (tip) had been automatically added to the cost of the service.

After bringing you home, the driver had no business parking in your driveway. Limousine drivers are paid by the hour. Yours should have reported back to his office immediately after taking you home.

DEAR ABBY: Concerning the errors discussed in your grammar

column that ran in The Times-Picayune of New Orleans, may I submit my pet peeve?

"When people say 'in one word,' you expect just that — one word. But instead, they just ran on and on. I'd like to tell them just one word — 'Hush!'"

And by the way, Abby, did anyone ever tell you to be a cheap therapist? For the price of a stamp, people can unload all their problems. They may not get an answer — but it does them a world of good to get it off their chests.

— MRS. VICTOR MICHEL, HOUMA, LA.

DEAR MRS. MICHEL: I've been called an amateur wailing wall without portfolio before, but never a "cheap therapist." I think I'll file this under "damned with faint praise."

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Bigger burgers

McDonald's is test marketing a 5.3-ounce burger called the Mickey D to attract more dinner business. It would be one of the larger hamburger meals offered by major fast-food chains. Weights of most are before cooking.

McDonald's Mickey D 5.3 ounces	Wendy's Big Classic 4 ounces
Hardee's Frisco Burger 4.2 ounces	Wendy's Single Burger 4 ounces
McDonald's Quarter Pounder 4 ounces	McDonald's McLeean Deluxe 3.75 ounces
Burger King's Whopper 4 ounces	McDonald's Big Mac (two patties) 3.2 ounces

Source: Companies AP/Wm. J. Costello

McDonald's tests new, bigger burger

OAK BROOK, Ill. (AP)— Move over, Quarter Pounder. McDonald's Corp. is testing an even bigger burger, a move that might become the latest shot in a fast-food dinner war.

The 5.3-ounce Mickey D hamburger, bigger than the heavyweights at Burger King, Hardee's and Wendy's, is McDonald's latest attempt to crack the dinner market.

"We just want to offer more variety and (the Mickey D) is something that fills the bill," spokeswoman Ann Connolly said last week.

Wendy's largest burger, the Big Classic, weighs in at 4 ounces before cooking. Hardee's Frisco burger weighs 4.2 ounces and Burger King's Whopper has 4 ounces of beef. McDonald's own Quarter Pounder has 4 ounces and the Big Mac is 3.2 ounces before cooking.

"The new burger is served with lettuce, tomato, onions, spicy ketchup and cheddar cheese on a roll, and carries a recommended price of \$2.29.

It has been tested in Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri and Iowa since January, the company said. So far, no tests have been conducted in the Magic Valley, and none are planned at the present time.

Analysts said fast-food chains, while still popular at lunchtime, are adapting to a market overrun with choices by trying to attract diners after 4 p.m.

"Fast food has never been successful at dinner ... this is just the continuation of a quest," said G. Michael Kennedy of IBS Financial Services in Minneapolis, of the new McDonald's burger.

Letters of thanks

Invention Convention says thanks for contributions

On behalf of the Invention Convention Committee, we would like to thank our many sponsors and volunteers for their contributions to the Invention Convention.

A special thanks to US West for its award of the Creativity Grant that provided funds for the invention education speakers' program. Teachers and students received valuable training in inventing skills during the school year.

Thank you to the Magic Valley Mall for hosting the Invention Convention and to Auntie Jo's, First Security, Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co. of Twin Falls, Graffiti's, Schuchback's, Renter Center, Party Time, 50-Minute Photo, Kmart and the parent teacher organizations and associations from each elementary and junior high school for their support.

Many volunteers helped to make the Invention Convention a success. We appreciate the time and energy spent by volunteers, judges and parents in support of this academic activity.

KATIE CUTLER CONNIE PEPPER
Twin Falls

Many helped cartwheel fundraiser be a success

Magic Valley Competitive Gymnasts would like to thank those who sponsored the gymnasts that participated in the Cartwheel-A-Thon Feb. 20 at the Cartwheel Valley Mall and the Sage Gym in Rupert.

We also would like to thank the following sponsors who donated prizes for the participants: Latham Motors, The Bon Marche, JC Pechey, Sears, Shopko, Magic Valley Mall, Idaho Shirt Shop, Burley Racquetters, Burgers Etc. and Hansen Apartments.

The Cartwheel-A-Thon was a huge success. The gymnasts raised more than \$4,000 in Twin Falls and \$1,000 in Rupert. Proceeds from the Cartwheel-A-Thon will enable gymnasts and tumblers to compete throughout the United States of America.

JUDY WOODWARD
Secretary, MVOC
Twin Falls

Firefighters earn gratitude from couple in Eden

We wish to express our gratitude to the First Segregation Fire Department for its quick-response to our recent emergency. The crew that answered our call was courteous, helpful and very professional in its conduct. It is truly comforting to know these dedicated young men are willing to give their time for those in need.

BYRON AND MARYBELL VINYARD
Eden

CAMAS COUNTY

From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, April 8 (only), at the Camas County Sheriff's Office on West Willow Street in Fairchild.

MINI-CASSIA COUNTIES

April 7, and Thursday, April 8, at the Burley Community Action Agency, 1038 Overland in Burley.

JACKPOT, NEV.

From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 7 (only), at the Jackpot Baptist Church in Jackpot, Nev.

Commodity distribution

The South Central Community Action Agency will distribute double cornmeal, vegetarian beans, pork and pears during in April. Following is a list of dates and times participants may pick up USDA commodities throughout the area. Commodities will not be distributed after the dates below.

TWIN FALLS COUNTY

From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 7, and Thursday, April 8, at the South Central Community Action Agency, 713 Shoshone St. S. (across from the agency office) in Twin Falls.

From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 7, and Thursday, April 8, at the Buhl Senior Center, 1010 Main in Buhl.

JEROME COUNTY

From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 7 (only), at the National Guard Armory at the fairgrounds west of Jerome.

From 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, April 9 (only), at the Eden Senior Center in Eden.

GOODING COUNTY

From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 7 (only), at the National Guard Armory at the fairgrounds west of Jerome.

(only), at the Gooding Senior Citizens Organization, 308 Senior Ave. in Gooding.

From 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 7 (only), at the Hagerman Valley Senior Center, 140 Lake St. in Hagerman.

BLAINE COUNTY

From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, April 8 (only), at the Blaine County Courthouse in Hailey.

GOODING COUNTY

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, April 2 (only), at the Golden Years Senior Center, 218 N. Rail St. in Shoshone.

Gooding church plans feed

GOODING — The Trinity Episcopal Church at Seventh and Idaho plans a clam chowder luncheon 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday.

The menu includes clam chowder, cheese bread, salads, and homemade pie. Cost is \$4 per person. The public is invited.

Readings set Friday at Metropolis

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho chapter of Phi Theta Kappa has planned a forum for community expression through readings of poetry, monologues and short stories. The free event is set for 7 to 11 p.m. Friday at the Metropolis on Main Street. Persons interested in reading should arrive at 6:30 p.m. The public is invited.

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Waffles, pastries top toasters pop-up list

By Judith Blaho
Seattle Times

The pop-up toaster has been around for nearly 70 years, but it's working harder than ever today.

Why? Because Americans have taken to toaster foods like lumberjacks to a pancake breakfast. Make that a waffle breakfast, since waffles lead the pop-up parade.

Others: toaster pastries, frozen English muffins and bagels.

Frozen waffle sales were up 15 percent — to \$542.7 million — last year, and pastries and frozen bagels are selling briskly, The Wall Street Journal reported recently.

New toaster products are proliferating. Among them: Pillsbury's Toaster Strudel and many new waffle varieties. They join such long-familiar fare as Kellogg's Pop Tarts and Eggo frozen waffles.

Waffles

Kellogg's Eggo dominates the frozen-waffle case, with many flavors. We tried several. With one exception, tasters liked the Eggo Nutri-Grain variety, favoring flavor and texture.

The other Eggo waffle varieties that we tried — blueberry, Special K and buttermilk — drew lukewarm responses. Tasters said blueberry Eggos lacked much blueberry flavor and tasted "doughy"; the buttermilk variety was bland; and the fat-free Special K variety was a little tough — although some consumers might accept this as a trade-off for being fat-free.

Downyflake Blueberry Waffles drew good marks for tenderness and amount of blueberries. Tasters weren't wild about Krutzeas Golden Waffles, most calling them dry and cardboardlike, although one taster liked them.

Nutritionally, most toaster waffles are similar, precise comparisons are difficult because sizes vary. Three of the Eggo waffles tasted have 5 grams of fat and 120 or 130 calories per

waffle. The exception: Special K, with no fat and 80 calories.

Downyflake Blueberry Waffles have 180 calories and 4 grams of fat per serving (two waffles), and Krutzeas Golden Waffles 110 calories and 3 grams of fat per waffle.

Fiber is low in most of the waffles that list it at all. The highest is Nutri-Grain, with 2 grams per waffle. (A waffle not sampled, Kellogg's Nutri-Grain Multi-Grain, has 2.5 grams.)

All of these waffles are vitamin-fortified; most offer 10 percent of the RDA for such vitamins as vitamin A, thiamin, riboflavin and niacin, although Krutzeas has more thiamine and niacin.

Pastries

Pillsbury's Toaster Strudel — we sampled the apple flavor — fared well with tasters. "I like it. I'd buy it," said several, praising the flaky pastry and apple filling. Each frozen strudel comes with a packet of icing that you add after toasting.

Kellogg's Pop Tarts, not frozen, fared less well. Two flavors — blueberry and S'Mores (a chocolate-marshmallow filling between graham pastry) — were sampled. Most tasters thought both too sweet and the pastry too heavy. Most liked the berry better, although one raved about S'Mores.

Although toaster pastries are sold with breakfast foods, our tasters considered them snacks.

Nutritionally, toaster pastries offer little. Pop Tarts have about 200 calories and five or six grams of fat apiece. Fiber is negligible, but you do get 10 percent of the RDA for several vitamins, including vitamin A, thiamin, niacin and riboflavin. Ingredients include several artificial colors.

Each apple-flavored Toaster Strudel from Pillsbury has 180 calories and 4 grams of fat. Fiber is not listed; there are small amounts of a few other nutrients — the highest being thiamine, with 8 percent of the RDA.

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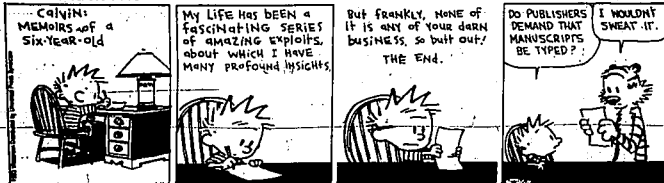
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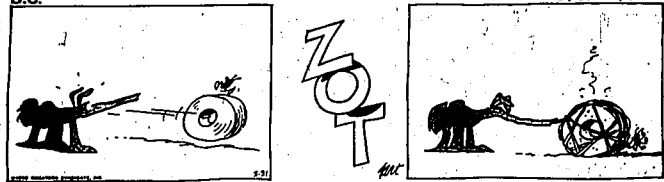
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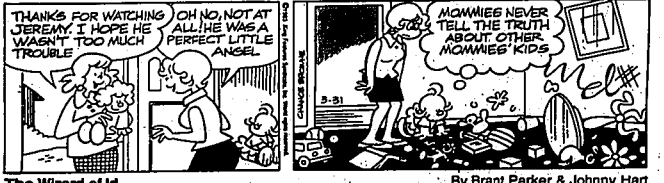
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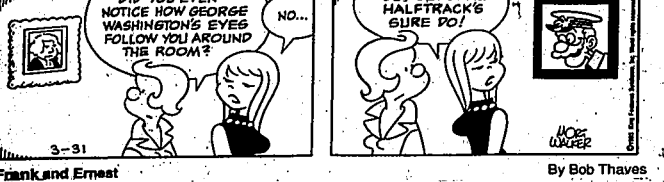
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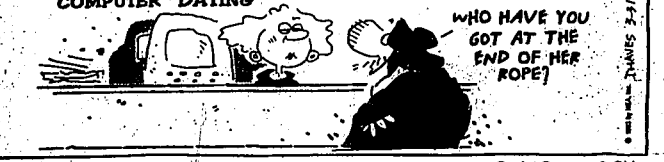
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Sydney Omarr Horoscope

IF MARCH 31 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Emphasis on sale or purchase of property, home. Current cycle also features partnership, direction, motivation, marital status. You broke from family tradition, could have been separated from one or both parents at relatively early age. You are sensitive, attractive, creative, dynamic, your intelligence is well above average.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Someone "new" enters your life. All stops but tonight, you could be singing, dancing, entertaining. Attention revolves around household products, faith of long-standing negotiations, Gemini involved.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Replace outdoor material, machinery, electrical, caution around electricity. Decision made in connection with remodeling, decoration including color coordination.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): What was lost will be voluntarily returned. Catch up on correspondence, call tonight chance meeting or "blind date" could result in new relationship.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Attention revolves around activity in home, excellent news regarding income, dialogue with "designer" who admits, "You probably know more than I do!"

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): With cooperation from Gemini, you learn that cases has not been lost. Focus on secret meeting, information previously withheld, if appearing before the media or in court you win applause, major victory.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Focus on organization, deadline, responsibility, intense relationship. By tonight, many of your wishes will be fulfilled, you'll win friends and gain powerful allies.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Finish what you start, reach beyond previous expectations. Leadership, promotion, aptitude to put across program.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You might be saying, "This is my best bet! I get second chance, implicit style, express independence, originality/coeurage." connections. You might be humming.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Confidence resumes, you no longer stand alone, family member states, "I might be saying, 'This is my best bet! I get second chance, implicit style, express independence, originality/coeurage.'" Sagittarius, originality/coeurage."

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You'll no longer have doubts about language barriers. Spotlight on employment, basic issues, fitness, diet and nutrition.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Blocks removed, you overcome distance, language barriers. Spotlight on employment, basic issues, fitness, diet and nutrition.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Read and write, express your spiritual insights, I have a good idea of what I'm doing, physical attraction, romance that had been withheld will be paid.

Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

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Italians like to stay put

Italians are least likely to switch jobs. Americans most likely. That, according to an outfit called the World Rank Research Team, same group that reported: To make a car takes 67.1 people in the United States, 14.8 people in Europe, and 11.8 people in Japan.

Q. In what proportion of U.S. divorces non-alimony identified as a cause?

A. One out of 50, about.

Moviemakers, please note: In 1863, a Missouri farmer drove his flock of 500 turkeys overland the 600 miles to Denver. Only way to market before mechanical refrigeration. If you flunk it, how about me for an extra? No, as a hired hand.

Typical hamster rate of a woodpecker is 13 per second.

Some people may inherit a predisposition to smoke cigarettes. Or so certain scientists now believe.

When the swift tuna swim, they drive under fishes to the surface, seabirds, spot them, and swoop. Any tuna fisherman will tell you that's their ancient sport. Ticks is not head of the diving seabirds go for the tuna.

L.M. Boyd What's what?

U.S. Army Lt. Benjamin D. Foulois was first to put wheels on an airplane. Specifically, on a wrecked plane the U.S. Army bought from the Wright Brothers. In San Antonio, he did that.

In hand is a stunning report by those who claim to know that more than 200 U.S. teachers are beaten up every day by students.

Q. When's the biggest volcanic mountain in the world?

A. Of all known, Olympus Mons on Mars — 15 miles high.

Q. How many of those Edward cars were made in 1902?

A. Just one. Or so it's repeatedly reported.

There were no strictly female names in ancient Rome, only feminized "male" names: Claudia, Julia, Cornelia, Lucretia, so on.

Food

Feeding children can be frustrating, but parents can head off trouble

By Sharon Crowder
Newport News Daily Press

It's dinnertime. You roast chicken, steam broccoli, mash potatoes and bake rolls. Then, you place it before your children and watch as they painstakingly rearrange the vegetables on their plates, eat two bites of chicken, gulp down a roll and ask to be excused.

Let's face it: What children want to eat and what their parents want them to eat are two distinct things. Children's tastes vary widely from one day to the next. What one child likes another often despises. Dinnertime can be a trying experience. Parents employ a variety of strategies to cope with dinnertime challenges.

Grace Ann Neuhart of Newport News, Va., mother of Ryan, Grant and two new boys, has resolved every day to give up the fancy dishes for simple ones her boys would eat. Though she says she doesn't consider her children to be picky eaters, she's learned to limit the number of ingredients in recipes to three in order to please the family palate.

Some parents find that renaming unappealing-sounding meats or vegetables makes a difference in what their children will eat.

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Dawn Mongarella says her sons, ages 5 and 7, enjoy vegetables. Especially green beans and peas. That's the way Mongarella, a health education assistant at Riverside Wellness and Fitness Center in Newport News, refers to brussels sprouts and broccoli. Her boys also like liver, which she calls "meat."

If she slips, however, the game's over. "Once I said we were having brussels sprouts for dinner. They gagged and said 'We hate those,'" she says.

Karen Ridenour says she won't put her three children in what she calls double jeopardy. If I have leftovers of a dish they didn't like, I'll let them make themselves a peanut butter sandwich," she says. If she's

making a recipe such as sweet and sour pork and she knows her kids don't care for the sauce, she'll reserve some unadorned meat for them.

Don't panic if strategies like these don't work for the picky eaters in your family. Although a few child training books encourage parents to control rather than indulge children's fancies of appetite, most experts, including Janice Payne, a nutrition counselor at Mary Immaculate Hospital, say finicky eating habits are normal for kids.

As long as a child is growing and developing appropriately—which should be determined by your pediatrician—and you're offering a variety of nutritious foods, there's no need to worry about picky eaters—Most kids—says Thomas Payne, a pediatrician at Peninsula Pediatrics in Newport News, will meet their nutritional requirements even though not every meal—or even a day's worth of food—is well balanced.

"Many times kids will just eat one meal a day. It might be breakfast one week, lunch one week or dinner one week. Or one week, all they'll eat is hamburgers or fruit,"

he says. Nevertheless, studies have proven that over the long run, if offered a variety of nutritious foods, children are surprisingly good at choosing a well-balanced diet, Payne says.

If your child is picky and you're concerned, Payne advises giving a multiple vitamin once a day as an insurance measure. Don't hassle them, he cautions. "Put a little of everything on their plates," he says. "If they don't eat it, fine."

It's OK to provide choices within the menu—for instance, offering raw carrots as opposed to cooked ones—but he doesn't advise letting your children come into being a short-order cook. "Introduce foods to them and let them make choices.

Don't fix everything special for them and don't force them," he says.

The surest way to create eating problems is to become overly focused on how much and what sorts of foods kids eat, warns Lillian Lieverman, a licensed clinical social worker at Family Living Institute and Associates of York, Va. If you start picking on children about food, they'll rebel; it's only human nature, she says.

Remember that food is meant as nourishment for more than the body. "It's very important that children like being with the family at dinnertime," she says.

Here are some tips for dealing with picky eaters:

- Introduce new foods at the beginning of meals.
- Present new foods in small portions.
- Don't give up on foods that have been rejected. Items turned down one day might be better received at another time.
- Set a good example for your children by tasting different foods.
- Serve regular meals and snacks.
- Use snacktime wisely by offering nutritious foods.
- Don't worry if a child skips a meal.
- Buy and serve only foods you want your child to eat.
- While it's important not to pressure a child to eat, you needn't allow bad behavior at the table. Whining or complaining about the food or eating in disgusting ways should be dealt with as a behavior problem rather than an eating problem. Let children choose and help prepare meals.

Cooking

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- CHICKEN A LA SALES**
Serves 24-30
3 pounds mushrooms, sliced
4 pound thick sliced peppered bacon, chopped
6 shallots, chopped
1/2 cup olive oil
1 pound butter or margarine
2 cups vermouth or dry white wine
12 ounces tarragon vinegar
4 teaspoons dry Italian herbs
1 pound mozzarella cheese, shredded
1/2 cup chopped parsley
6 large tomatoes, chopped
1 boneless breast of chicken per person

Flour
Flour chicken breasts, and brown in large cast iron skillet, using a mixture of butter and olive oil to keep it from sticking. Transfer to Dutch oven (or casserole) that has been coated with a cooking spray or lightly oiled, dividing equally between 2 Dutch ovens or casserole dishes. Sauté mushrooms and shallots, adding as much olive oil and butter as necessary. Add bacon and cook till it is done. Pour tarragon vinegar over all. Sprinkle mixture with flour and add the vermouth, until a soft consistency is formed. Stir in Italian herbs. Spoon mixture over chicken breasts and sprinkle with mozzarella cheese. Cover and bake at 375 degrees for 30 minutes in Dutch oven or 20 minutes in Dutch oven, using charcoal briquettes. Remove from oven. Sprinkle with chopped tomatoes and parsley. Cover and return to oven for 5 minutes. Serve with linguini and peas, fresh asparagus and a Caesar salad.

For her family, Shelton has cut this recipe in half and even quartered it. "She says the larger amount, cooked and kept moist in a Dutch oven, might taste a little better. But one who hasn't tried it on the river probably won't notice."

"It's basically Italian in flavor, and it's real moist," she says. "The fatness blend really wonderfully." "Next, is a dessert that has also become very popular on the river trips.

comes out clean. If using a Dutch oven outdoors, lift lid slightly, moving pot slightly to check for doneness. It will take 45 minutes to 1 hour. If it jiggles, put lid back on and continue cooking. Let cool at least 1 hour. Heat blueberry preserves lightly and drizzle over top. Slice and serve garnished with fresh blueberries or raspberries.

"It's very light and the lemon makes it real fresh tasting," she says. "We had two people say they didn't even like cheeseecake, but that this is really good."

Shelton says cooking with a Dutch oven is not so much of a trick, but just something to learn by doing. The lid should not be lifted too often or you will lose too much heat. The river guides put their 12-inch Dutch ovens over a bed of about 20 charcoal briquettes, and they ring about 12 to 15 briquettes on the lids. For smaller sizes, they use less charcoal. If they stack the Dutch ovens they use more coals.

Shelton was asked to send recipes for children to Taste of Home magazine. She selected one Heidi first used when she was eight years old. It's become known in the family.

- HEIDI'S BREAD**
1 1/2 cups warm water
1 package quick rising dry yeast
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup sourdough starter or equal amount of flour and water to make 1 cup
2 tablespoons sugar
2 tablespoons oil
5 cups flour (bread flour works best, or use a combination of white and whole wheat)

Dissolve yeast in warm water. Let stand 5 minutes. Stir in sourdough starter, sugar, salt, oil and 2 cups flour. Beat well with spoon. Beat in remaining flour to make a stiff dough. Turn out onto floured board. Knead about 10 minutes, adding additional flour as needed to make smooth ball that is not sticky. Place in oiled bowl and cover with towel. Let rise in warm place until double, about 30 minutes. Punch down and form into 2 round loaves. Place on oiled baking sheet. Cover and let rise until doubled. Bake at 350 degrees for 40 minutes.

Variations:
Add 1 teaspoon ground ginger OR 1 teaspoon Italian herbs OR 1 teaspoon dill
Dough may also be formed into rolls and baked on a sheet or in a loaf pan for about 30 minutes at 350 degrees.



RATINGS
The five category system of the voluntary film industry rating program is now as follows:

- G - General audiences, all ages admitted.**
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- NC-17 - No one under 17 admitted.**

Easter bunny bakes luscious cookie baskets

The pastel tones of spring's first green leaves and small flowers—symbolizing the rebirth of nature—have always been cause for celebration, and this secular outlook overlays the Easter holiday in anticipation of the warmer months to come.

In this lighthearted spirit, decorating with spring flowers, filling baskets with sweet treats, and the fable of the Easter Bunny delight children of all ages.

And while the traditional jelly beans and marshmallow bunnies have great appeal, Easter bunnies all over the country will find that cookies can be just as colorful and delicious, and provide a welcome change from ultra-sweet and sugary candy.

EASTER EGG SUGAR COOKIES

- Cookies**
1/2 cup granulated sugar
2/3 cup Butter Flavor Crisco
1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 egg
2 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon salt

- Icing**
1/2 cups confectioners sugar
4 to 5 teaspoons water
1/2 teaspoon light corn syrup
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
food color

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Put the beans, garlic, onion, egg and herbs in a mixing bowl. In a small bowl, combine the sauce with the mustard, olive oil and pepper and blend well.

Pour over the beans and toss to coat. Cover with plastic wrap and leave for 2 hours at room temperature.

This will take 50 to 60 minutes for the white, 70 to 80 for the pinto and lima beans. Drain the beans and let cool to room temperature.



Cookies fill Easter baskets.

1. For cookies, combine granulated sugar, Butter Flavor Crisco, milk and vanilla in a large bowl. Beat at medium speed of electric mixer until well blended. Beat in egg. Add flour and salt at low speed until well blended. Cover dough.
2. Refrigerate several hours, or overnight.
3. Roll out dough about 1/4-inch thickness on floured surface. Cut out with egg-shaped cookie cutters or pattern.
4. Place 2 inches apart on ungreased baking sheets. Repeat with remaining dough.
5. Bake at 375 degrees for 7 to 9 minutes. Cool 2 minutes on baking sheet.
6. Remove to cooling rack.
7. For icing, confectioners sugar, water, corn syrup, and vanilla in small bowl. Stir until well blended and smooth.
8. Divide icing into small bowls. Add different food color to each bowl, a few drops at a time, until desired color is achieved.
9. Place icing in pastry bag fitted with small writing tip. Pipe designs

on baked cookies. Or, frost entire cookie, then pipe on design. Makes about 3 to 4 dozen cookies.

- ULTIMATE EASTER CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES**
1 1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1/2 cup Butter Flavor Crisco
2 tablespoons milk
1 tablespoon vanilla
1 egg
1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1 1/2 cups candy-coated chocolate pieces

1. Heat oven to 375 degrees.
2. Combine brown sugar, Butter Flavor Crisco, milk, and vanilla in large bowl.
3. Beat at medium speed of electric mixer until creamy. Beat egg into creamed mixture.
4. Combine flour, salt, and baking soda. Add to creamed mixture at low speed just until blended. Stir in chocolate pieces with spoon.
5. Shape dough into 1/4-inch balls. Place 1 inch apart on ungreased baking sheet.
6. Bake at 375 degrees for 7 to 8 minutes. Cool on baking sheet 2 minutes.
7. Remove to cooling rack. Makes about 7 dozen mini cookies.

DILLED SAUCE WITH HOMEMADE SPICY MAYONNAISE

- 1/2 cup soft tofu
1 tablespoon plain low-fat yogurt
1 hard-cooked egg (could use egg substitute)
1 teaspoon lemon juice
1 tablespoon minced shallots or heads of green onions
Pinch of salt or vegetable seasoning
Drop of hot sauce to taste

1 tablespoon chopped fresh dill
Pulse the tofu, yogurt, egg and lemon juice in a food processor or mash with a fork.
Scrape into a small bowl and add the remaining ingredients and let stand for at least an hour.
Enjoy!
Nancy Joy Jones welcomes comments on recipes.
Her address is 1020 E. St., Rupert, Idaho 83350.

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Home/gardening

Dri-Die: The all-purpose insecticide

Wouldn't it be great if there was an organic-based insecticide that could kill everything from ants to yellow meal worms? Something that is virtually non-toxic to mammals? You hear it somewhere, but you can't get it here. Dri-Die and Drione are two products that are made with a combination of diatomaceous earth (say dye-ah-toe-may-shus) and pyrethrin, a chemical derived from flowers. The diatomaceous earth, of DE, is mined from the fossilized silica shells remains of one-celled algae called diatoms. This silica is also packed into electrical equipment packages to keep things dry during shipping or storage.

An article forwarded to me by the Washington State University Cooperative Extension Service says



Green Thumbprints
Cathy Walworth

that silica aerogels are formed by a reaction of sodium silicate and sulfuric acid. These fluffy particles can soak up to three times their weight in insect oil. It is similar to the waxy stuff on insect shells, and 50 percent to 100 percent of their weight in water.

Dri-Die has a couple of other things added to it so that it sticks to bugs better. When it is kept dry, it can be effective for several months. For that reason, the authors of the WSU article recommend that it is

especially good for use in carpets and enclosed areas. Cockroaches, fleas, drywood termites and spiders are some of the bugs that are killed with DE. The sharp diatoms pierce the insect's shell, then the silica dries the insect up.

Although silica aerogel sounds a lot like another silicone that causes silicosis, a lung disease associated with DE, the sharp diatoms pierce the insect's shell, then the silica dries the insect up.

Diatomaceous earth-based products are advertised in some organic gardening catalogs such as Gardens Alive!, but the copy

describing the products is vague, noting that the product is "90 percent diatomaceous earth." No mention is made of other ingredients.

The article from WSU warns that we must not confuse swimming-pool grade DE with natural DE, although they come from the same source. They are processed differently.

"The natural grades are mined, dried, ground, sifted and bagged. The pool-grade diatomaceous earth is chemically treated and partially melted; consequently, it contains crystalline silica, which is a respiratory hazard."

Cathy Walworth is an avid Twin Falls gardener. Write to her in care of The Times-News.

Antique linen, towels give garden a lift

By Jo Werner Knight-Ridder News Service

Dinner in a proper Victorian home during the late 19th Century was always an occasion. The table was draped with beautiful linen, napkins were generous in size, and the mother's monogram often was embroidered on each piece.

Washing and ironing all that nappy wasn't a problem then. Even modest households could afford help and lots of young immigrant girls earned their living by toiling over an ironing board.

Not many people today have time to iron, so they set their tables with antique linens. But Dorothy Ererra not only loves old linen, she enjoys ironing it, too.

"I can do a ton of ironing while watching a telly show," said Ererra, a Miami resident and a volunteer at Fairchild Tropical Gardens for 37 years.

The garden's restoration fund, organized after Hurricane Andrew, will benefit from Ererra's love of ironing. Recently, she received a gift of fine old linens from a friend in Boston; she plans to sell the items and give the proceeds to the fund.

Her friend inherited the collection of monogrammed damask tablecloths, napkins, bath towels and lace from her grandmother. The woman's grandmother was born 113 years ago.

"She probably would have had her trousseau made for her in her teens," Ererra figures. "It took a while to have all these things monogrammed."

With the help of a Miami friend, Frances Lynch, Ererra washed each piece by hand, hung it outdoors to dry, then ironed. "I sprinkle a piece of flannel, put it in the fridge or freezer, then take it out, one at a time to iron it," Ererra said.

One piece she hasn't ironed is a tablecloth that's 15 feet long. "I

don't think I'll attempt it," she said. "Perhaps I'll ask a professional cleaner to do it as a contribution to the garden."

Ererra said antique dealers have told her a cloth that long is rare. Many were cut up to make three cloths, since few homeowners have banquet-size tables. Yet the dealers say they have lists of customers, particularly in the South, who still entertain formally and want cloths this size.

Old linens can be recycled for modern uses. Consider these suggestions:

- Tablecloths can be used as bedspreads.
- Large linen napkins — some are 28 inches square — could be fashioned into decorative pillows.
- Silk or velvet could be used to back the linen, or two napkins could be made into one pillow.
- Dollies and lace can be applied on pillows.
- Linen bath towels would make elegant cafe curtains.

- In addition to a large tablecloth and perhaps a dozen napkins, a set of table linens in Victorian times included small cloths. Less than card-table size, these were used to drape serving tables around a large dining room, Ererra said. These could be used on a dressing table or an up table. "This is a splasher," she said, holding up a piece of linen that's bigger than a towel, smaller than a single bed sheet. "When you stand had railings on the back and this cloth would be hung there so when you were washing your face in the bowl, you wouldn't splash water on the wall."

- Many of the pieces in this collection are made of Egyptian cotton. With the exception of a couple of small darns, there are no weather spots.

For information, call Dorothy Ererra at (305) 666-3010 daytime, weekdays.

Asphalt shingles reveal clues about use

Q. Our asphalt-shingle roof is 16 years old and we'd like to get an independent opinion about whether it needs replacement. Whom can we consult? We feel an appraisal by a roofer might not be objective. —E. Raisen

A. Asphalt shingles can have a lifespan of 15 to 30 years, according to the American Society of Home Inspectors, so there could be a lot of mileage left in the roof if it is not leaking or otherwise obviously damaged.

When asphalt shingles deteriorate, there are usually clear signs, and homeowners can often do a credible roof inspection themselves.

It is not necessary to get on the roof. Most of the inspection can usually be conducted from the ground with the aid of a pair of binoculars.

Here are some of the things to look for:

- Missing, broken, cracked or curled shingles. If there are only a few of these, the roof can often be repaired by replacing the damaged shingles. If the entire roof has some damage of this type, reroofing is the best course.

- Bare spots. When asphalt shingles age and wear, they gradually lose their surface coating of mineral granules. Dark areas on the roof where the granules have



Do it yourself
Gene Austin

become thin are a sign that resins might be needed. If the attic is accessible, check the rafters and underside of the roof sheathing for dark, water-stained areas that can indicate leaks. Leaks can often be repaired if a roof is otherwise in good condition, although it is sometimes difficult to track down the exact point where water is entering. Some roof leaks are the result of defective flashing rather than defective shingles. Flashing is the sealing material, usually metal, around chimneys, vents and other openings in the roof.

If you want an objective outside opinion about a roof, a home inspector can provide one for a reasonable fee. Inspectors are listed under Home Inspection Service in the yellow pages.

Q. I have a swimming pool and am installing a pressure-treated deck that extends right up to it and will be within a few inches of the water. Will swimmers be affected by the arsenate used to treat the deck? —B. Post

A. A spokeswoman for Hickson Corp., of Atlanta, a leading manufacturer of the chemicals used to pressure treat wood, said the company's Wolmanized-brand wood is not only recommended for swimming-pool decks but is often used for pool sidewalks, saunas and similar structures. "We have received no adverse reactions," she said.

Although pressure-treated wood usually contains chromated copper arsenate (CCA), manufacturers say the chemical will not leach out. The preservative gives the wood high resistance to rot and insect attack.

Pressure-treated wood should not be considered safe for any use, however. The Environmental Protection Agency recommends that CCA-treated wood not be used in contact with food or drinking water, including animal-feed structures. Scraps should not be used as firewood.

Many wood dealers can supply a consumer-information sheet with a complete list of precautions for working with and using pressure-treated wood.

Q. I've been working on an old house that had a roof leak. After fixing the leak, I began to paint rooms that had water damage. I used a latex primer over water stains, let

it dry, then used a semigloss latex paint. A day later I discovered the water stains had bled through primer and paint. What can I do about this? —A. Lynch

A. An ordinary primer usually won't stop water stains, greasy marks or wood sap from bleeding through paint. Give the stained areas a coat of a special stain-killer primer. These primers are sold at most paint stores and home centers under a variety of brand names. Most have a shellac base and a white pigment.

Some painters use ordinary shellac as a stain killer, but I think the special primers are better.

Q. Our concrete garage floor was washed to remove mud and footprints, but the floor won't seem to dry out. Any suggestions? —S. Burke

A. Open the garage door and windows on a dry day and run one or more fans to expel moist air and bring in fresh air. Box-type floor fans work well.

I've dried damp basement floors that way, so it should work for a garage.

Readers' questions and comments should be sent to Gene Austin, The Philadelphia Inquirer, Box 8263, Philadelphia, Pa. 19101.

Find happy medium when redoing kitchen

By Barbara Meyer The Associated Press

For those willing to do part the designing and installation work in their kitchens, there's a middling course between the extremes of a custom kitchen or going it alone.

"It's time-consuming, but there is a fair amount of help in the marketplace if you want to do it yourself," says Helen Jones, a food writer in Warwick, N.Y.

She and her husband, Peter, a physical therapist, are renovating an old carriage barn, doing much of the work themselves.

"We wanted as nice a kitchen as we could get, but didn't have a lot of money for the project, so we shopped around quite a bit," Jones says.

They looked in local kitchen showrooms, at Sears and Home Depot before eventually settling on self-assemble cabinets from Ikea, the Scandinavian home furnishings retailer with seven stores in the United States. They shopped at the Elizabeth, N.J., branch, about a 90-minute drive from their home.

The Joneses used Ikea's in-store kitchen planning service and bought the major appliances locally. They had the appliances installed by service people but built and installed the cabinets and counters themselves, with the help of a relative who is a carpenter.

They saved more than \$1,000 on cabinetry by choosing a line of oak cabinets that was being phased out. The total kitchen cost between \$10,000 and \$12,000. Other features in the room include wideboard pine floors (laid by Peter Jones), counters of granite-look plastic laminate and painted walls.

"I was impressed with the kitchen design service," Mrs. Jones says. "You have to make an appointment in advance, but I met with the same consultant on two occasions for about an hour each and also made a number of phone calls to get questions answered."

Thompson, a photographer, and her husband, Clancy Thompson, director of an arts center, made an appointment with the kitchen planner at the Ikea store branch in Hicksville, N.Y.

"We tossed things back and forth, and she came up with the basic design for the main room," recalls Mrs. Thompson. "The pantry I planned myself, and logic dictated how it would be set up."

Once the plan was drawn (it took about an hour and a half), Mrs. Thompson took it home and thought about it for a week or so. Then she and her husband decided to follow it.

The unusual kitchen consists of a pantry and a main room. A double sink, stove and food preparation area are in the kitchen, which is also furnished with a large country table and chairs for dining. The adjacent pantry holds the refrigerator, dishwasher, a bar sink and storage for foodstuffs, dishes and utensils.

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— Helen Jones, food writer

She came prepared with her measurements and a rough sketch of her space. She left with a plan showing the location of cabinets and appliances and a list of specific items needed to complete the room. She filled in the plan home, studied it and ended up returning to have minor changes made.

She found the ordering process, which the customer takes charge of, to be cumbersome. Buying the cabinets took four steps.

She ordered them from the planner, paid for the order at the checkout desk, collected her order elsewhere and then took the flat-wrapped cabinets on a flatted wagon to the shipping department to arrange for delivery.

The bottom line: "Because we were saving so much money, I was willing to put up with it and I am very satisfied with the result."

Soon after buying a house dating from 1913 in Norwalk, Conn., Susan

The Thompsons decided to keep the unorthodox arrangement because it is efficient. The arrangement also allowed them to use the existing cabinets in the pantry.

Before choosing the Ikea cabinets, the Thompsons visited several kitchen shops and a branch of Home Depot. A limited budget made price an overriding concern.

They found the Ikea cabinets were the least expensive, yet the style and quality were acceptable. The cabinets have wood fronts and are painted white. To spread out the expense, the Thompsons bought their unit interiors first and added the doors later.

"Every time I go to Long Island, I buy another door," Thompson says. "I probably won't be finished buying them until spring."

She estimates the kitchen has cost around \$5,000 for cabinets, sink, dishwasher and stove. This also includes professional refinishing of old wooden floors which they found under layers of linoleum. The countertops are butcher block purchased from Ikea. The couple put the cabinets together themselves, but had a carpenter who charged by the hour hang them.

"There was a lot of jerry rigging which I didn't know how to do," she says.

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Accounting rule eats up Fortune 500 profits

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The nation's 500 largest industrial companies barely broke even last year because a new rule on how businesses account for retiree health costs wiped out most of the profits, *Fortune* magazine reported.

Altogether, the companies on the new *Fortune* 500 list earned \$10.5 million, the lowest earnings total since *Fortune* began the rankings in 1955, the magazine said Tuesday. In 1991, the *Fortune* 500 earned a collective \$5.1 billion.

The annual list is in *Fortune's* April 19 issue, to hit the newsstands next week.

This year's list was the first comprehensive assessment of the impact of a new accounting rule on 1992 corporate profits. Without the rule, earnings of *Fortune* 500 companies would have risen to

\$70.5 billion, a year earlier, the magazine said. "If it weren't for this aberrational accounting excise, profits would have advanced quite substantially," said Marshall Loeb, *Fortune's* managing editor.

This year, Loeb said, "companies will be in a much better position to invest money and to create jobs, by expanding their factories, offices and equipment."

Rule 106 was made by the Financial Accounting Standards Board, a government-sanctioned group of accountants that writes regulations for how companies must report their finances to investors.

The rule requires companies to put aside large sums of money to reflect the cost of cumulative liability for retiree health benefits. Previous companies only had reported the costs as they were incurred, which masked long-term liability.

Some companies set aside the money in 1991 and some will wait until a deadline this year, but scores of companies bit the bullet in 1992.

Hardest hit was General Motors Corp., first on the *Fortune* 500 for the eighth straight year with sales of \$12.8 billion.

Without rule 106, the automaker would have narrowed its 1992 loss to \$2.6 billion from \$4.5 billion in 1991, thanks to healthy demand for Saturn cars. With the rule, GM reported a loss of \$2.5 billion, a record for any company.

Exxon Corp. ranked second with sales of \$10.5 billion and Ford Motor Co. was third with sales of \$10.8 billion. International Business Machines Corp., fourth with sales of \$6.1 billion, had a \$5 billion loss due partly to the shrinking market for mainframe computers.

Rank	Company	1992 Sales (\$ mil)	% Change	1992 Profits (\$ mil)	% Change
1	General Motors	132,774.9	7.3	-23,499.3	-
2	Exxon	105,547.0	0.3	4,770.0	-14.8
3	Ford Motor	100,785.6	13.3	-7,385.0	-
4	International Business Machines	100,608.0	2.5	-4,989.0	-
5	General Electric	62,202.0	3.3	4,725.0	79.2
6	Walmart	61,387.0	0.8	862.0	-5.1
7	Phillip Morris	50,157.0	4.3	4,939.0	34.9
8	Merck	47,648.0	1.1	-3,627.0	-379.0
9	Chevron	37,464.0	1.8	1,569.0	21.3
10	Amgen	37,100.0	-1.1	712.0	-45.0

Medical stocks push up market

NEW YORK — The stock market ended broadly higher Tuesday as drug stocks surged late in the session, although disappointing economic news helped dampen other prices.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 2.17 points to 3,457.27. Advancing issues outnumbered declines by about 9 to 8 on the New York Stock Exchange.

The market traded in narrow ranges throughout most of the day, as investors took a cautious view ahead of the quarter's end on Wednesday.

Reports late in the session that a top health-care advisor to President Clinton said he doubted the administration would impose price controls on drugs spurred buying in medical stocks.

Johnson & Johnson jumped 2 to 42 and Eli Lilly rose 24 to 494.

Markets

Dow-Jones

Index	High	Low	Close	Change
Dow Jones	3462.27	3452.77	3457.27	+2.17
S&P 500	1578.33	1569.79	1572.29	+2.01
NASDAQ	4640.00	4620.00	4630.00	+10.00
NYSE	1284.87	1273.74	1274.49	+10.75
Amex	450.00	445.00	447.50	+2.50
Trans	175.00	172.00	173.00	+1.00
Comd	35.00	34.00	34.50	+0.50

Most actives

Symbol	Volume	Price	Change
Walmart	8,115,200	\$11 3/4	+3/4
IBM	3,370,500	\$84 1/2	+1/2
Merck	2,520,000	\$42 1/2	+1/2
Amgen	2,113,000	\$18 1/2	+1/2
Johnson & Johnson	2,000,000	\$38 1/2	+1/2
Amgen	1,844,200	\$38 1/2	+1/2
Amgen	1,753,400	\$38 1/2	+1/2

Local interest

Symbol	Volume	Price	Change
Albermarle	575	\$27 1/2	+1/2
Amgen	1,844,200	\$38 1/2	+1/2
Comcast	1,844,200	\$38 1/2	+1/2
Eastman	1,844,200	\$38 1/2	+1/2
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Beans

Commodity	Price	Change
White beans	\$10.00-12.00	-
Black beans	\$10.00-12.00	-
Green beans	\$10.00-12.00	-

Grains

Commodity	Price	Change
Wheat	\$1.50-2.00	-
Corn	\$1.50-2.00	-
Soybeans	\$1.50-2.00	-

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Grain futures

Commodity	Price	Change
Wheat	3.31 3/4	+3/8
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CHICAGO (AP) — Futures trading

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NEW YORK (AP) — Sugar futures

Commodity	Price	Change
Sugar	21.94	+1/8
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Potatoes

Commodity	Price	Change
Potatoes	18.00-20.00	-
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CATTLE

Commodity	Price	Change
Cattle	85.00-90.00	-
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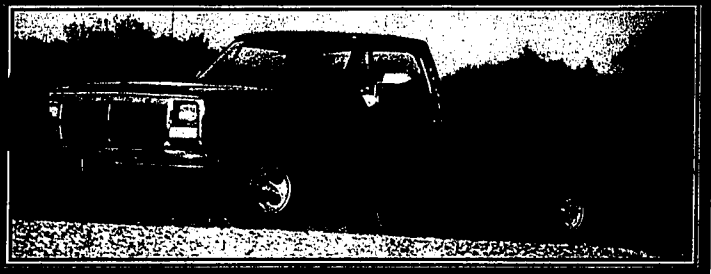
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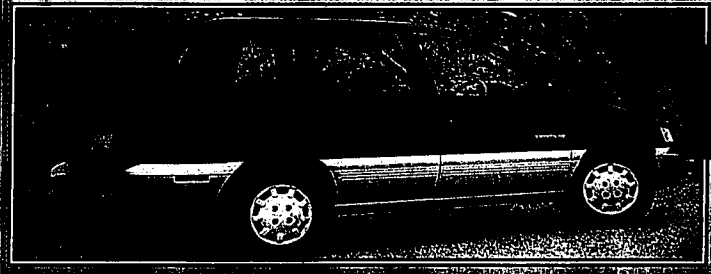
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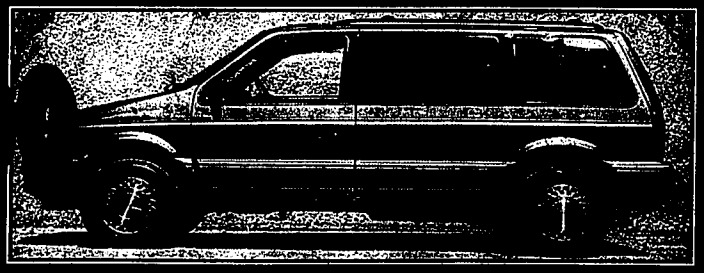
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