

Good morning

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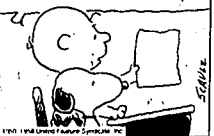
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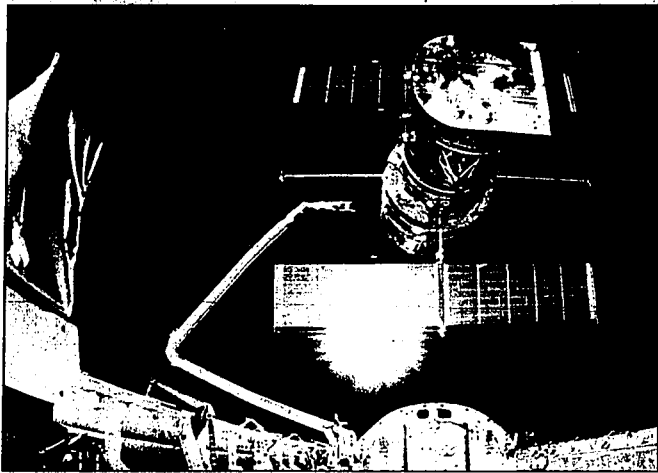
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Big mission at hand



The Hubble Space Telescope is deployed in this photo taken April 25, 1990, by a camera in the payload bay of Space Shuttle Discovery.

What if ... ?

That's the key question for Hubble repair flight

The Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — It's one of the most important missions in space shuttle history and by far the most complex.

Repairing the Hubble Space Telescope — a colossal job — has NASA fretting over two "little words."

What if space shuttle Endeavour can't rendezvous with the near-sighted Hubble?

What if the shuttle robot arm breaks and can't grab the \$1.6 billion telescope? What if the telescope's solar wings don't fold up?

What if the telescope is in worse shape than expected? What if one of the seven astronauts gets sick? What if the shuttle toilet breaks and forces an early return?

Put it all together and you've got a nightmare of astronomical proportions for a \$629 million repair mission.

Nightmares — and imagination — were running rampant Monday at Kennedy Space Center as NASA counted down toward the scheduled 2:57 a.m. MST Wednesday liftoff of Endeavour. The chance of good launch weather was a dismal 30 percent.

During the 11-day flight, astronauts are to take a record five spacewalks to try to fix Hubble's problems as well as NASA's image, battered repeatedly over the past several years and in desperate need of a big win. If necessary, the crew could conduct seven spacewalks to install 11 new telescope parts and yet another spacewalk to deal with a shuttle emergency.

Hubble program manager Ken Ledbetter said his biggest fear is that "something might happen that would preclude us from even trying to fix the telescope."

"I think we can handle anything that will happen once we're out in the bay and start working (on Hubble). But if something were to happen before, a problem with the shuttle, a problem with the crew, an attack of appendicitis or whatever ... that would be tragic."

NASA's associate director of flight projects for Hubble, Joe Rothenberg, shares those fears.

If for some reason the astronauts can't capture the bus-size telescope some 360 miles above Earth and anchor it in Endeavour's cargo bay, "we don't even have a chance to get up to bat," Rothenberg said.

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Pets die in Twin Falls store blaze

By Phil Salm
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Fire left an estimated \$50,000 in damage and killed several animals at the Pets and Plants store at 143 Main Ave. E. early Monday.

The fire call came in at 7:42 a.m., said Twin Falls Fire Department Battalion Chief Ron Clark.

Store workers, firefighters and others rushed to get animals out of the store and away from the flames and smoke. Two cats and a dog died from smoke inhalation.

Firefighters tried unsuccessfully to revive a couple of the animals, Clark said.

The fire appears to have started electrically in the building's upstairs, but Clark could not pinpoint a specific cause Monday.

Smoke escaped into businesses on either side of Pets and Plants, Clark said. Businesses along that stretch of Main Avenue share common basements and attics, and the fire could have spread, he said.

Pets and Plants had moved into the building recently, and a grand opening was scheduled this week. Business owner Stephanie Young could not be reached for comment Monday.

Sixteen firefighters and four engines responded to the fire. It took two hours to put out the fire, Clark said.

Supreme Court says Idahoan entitled to damages for detainment in 1987

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court Monday refused to shield an Idaho county and two law enforcement officers from being sued by a woman kept in jail six days after her car was stopped for a broken taillight.

The court, without comment, left intact a 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling that Sue Hallstrom of Boise is entitled to monetary damages from Ada County Sheriff Vaughn Killen and jailer Mike Roberts stemming from her 1987 incarceration.

The justices were asked to use the case to expand the qualified immunity from such lawsuits given to local governments and their officials.

At issue was how judges, in determining whether local governments and their officials should be legally immune for violating someone's rights, are to decide what the "clearly established law" was at the time.

Mrs. Hallstrom's car was stopped after an officer in Garden City noticed a broken taillight. She was arrested after refusing to show her driver's license or proof of liability insurance.

According to court documents, Mrs. Hallstrom describes herself as a self-taught "legalist" active and vocal in defending her constitutional rights.

While in custody, Mrs. Hallstrom was cited for motor vehicle violations. She repeatedly requested to be taken before a judge or mag-

istrate, and refused to answer booking questions or submit to routine booking procedures.

Arrested on a Friday morning, Mrs. Hallstrom was not taken before a judge until the following Monday afternoon. The judge ordered her released on bail, but she was not released until Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Hallstrom sued, contending, among other things, that her jailing violated her constitutional rights.

U.S. District Judge Harold Ryan threw out her lawsuit. He ruled that the county, Killen and Roberts were shielded from being sued because they had reason to believe keeping Mrs. Hallstrom in jail until she allowed her

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High court will hear church-state test

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — In another test of the line separating church and state, the Supreme Court said Monday that it will rule on whether New York officials can create a small, separate school district to accommodate the needs of disabled Hasidic children.

A ruling in the case, expected in the spring, will give the high court a chance to revise its strict approach to separation of church and state and to give public officials more leeway to take steps that benefit religion indirectly.

But the outcome is likely to be a modest change that reflects the current makeup of the court and permits limited efforts to accommodate the needs of a minority religious sect.

In recent years, the court's leading conservatives have pressed to relax the strict separation of church and state but they have failed to muster a clear majority.



Parents assist a pupil leaving the Kiryas Joel Parochial School in New York which is at the center of a case before the Supreme Court.

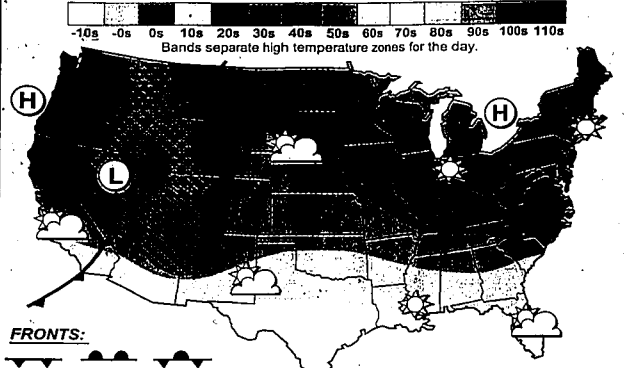
But the Satmar Hasidic parents in the village of Kiryas Joel, about 40 miles from New York City, refused to send their children to

classrooms with non-Hasidic pupils. Officials of the Monroe-Woodbury Central School. Please see SCHOOL/A2

Weather

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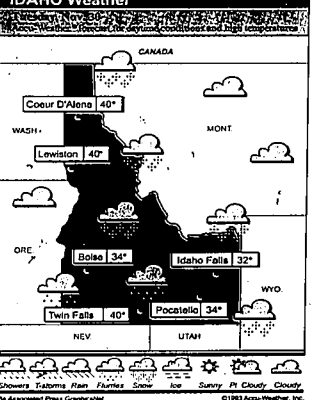
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Forecasts

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding: Today rain and snow showers likely. Snow level rising to near 6,000 feet. Additional accumulations up to an inch. Highs around 40. West winds 10 to 20 mph. Tonight mostly cloudy and cooler. Scattered snow showers. Lows 20 to 25. Wednesday cloudy. Widely scattered rain and snow showers. Highs 35 to 40.

Coeur d'Alene and Wood River Valley: Today snow showers likely. Additional accumulations up to one inch. Highs in the mid-30s. Tonight cloudy. Scattered snow showers. Cooler with lows 10 to 15. Wednesday mostly cloudy. Widely scattered snow showers. Highs in the lower 30s.

Extended forecast: Southern Idaho - Thursday partly cloudy. Lows in the teens and 20s. Highs 35 to 45. Friday increasing clouds. Chance of rain or snow showers. Lows in the 20s. Highs 35 to 45. Saturday cloudy. Chance of rain or snow. Lows in the 20s. Highs 30s to lower 40s.

Northern Utah and Nevada: Utah - Today good chance of rain. Highs in the 40s.

Visible planets

Evening: Saturn

Winter rolls into the Northeast; snow likely in West

Wintery weather invaded the Northwest on Monday, and snow also fell along parts of the Northeast and in many northern states.

During the day, rain extended over the northern and central Pacific Coast and into the northern two-thirds of the Plateau. Rain changed to snow in higher elevations. Snow advisories were posted for the mountains of Oregon, California and Nevada.

Snow showers were scattered over the northern states

from North Dakota into western New York state. Up to 8 inches of snow accumulated in northwest New York state by midmorning.

There were no reports of heavy rain during the six hours ending at 11 a.m. MST. Snowfall during the same six hours included 2 inches at Watertown, N.Y., and 3 inches at Buffalo, N.Y.

Temperatures around the nation at 1 p.m. MST ranged from 6 degrees at Rosau, Minn., to 76 degrees in Miami.

The low temperature for the Lower 48 states Monday morning was 1 degree below zero at Rosau, Minn.

Truck-size boulder blocks I-84 in northern Utah canyon

MORGAN, Utah (AP) — A boulder the size of a 10-wheel truck blocked one westbound lane of Interstate 84 Monday as transportation officials pondered how to remove it.

The huge boulder rolled onto the highway along with a pile of other debris during a rock slide before midnight Sunday night. The huge rock apparently broke away from the north side of the canyon and fell about 50 feet to the freeway below.

Asphalt buckled where the rock slide hit the road near the Morgan interchange, about 1.5 miles east of Ogden. The westbound lanes of the freeway were closed until about 2 a.m., when one lane was reopened.

Unplug millions of lights in yule display, nettled neighbors ask

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — For years, Jennings and Mitzi Osborne have caused traffic jams as they've dazzled passersby with their vast and ever-growing Christmas displays, which twinkle with more than a million lights.

But when they bought the houses next door to expand, neighbors decided they had had enough electricity hogged by their neighbor's displays. They've now demanded that the Osbornes pull the plug on their holiday display, went to trial Monday.

The Osbornes say their light show, begun in 1986, is their constitutional right of sharing the season's cheer.

They haven't disclosed their electric bill, but one year they blew a transformer and blacked out part of their affluent neighborhood.

The lawsuit was filed after the Osbornes, who own a medical testing laboratory, strung 1.6 million lights last year and bought the houses on both sides of them with the promise of a bigger spectacle this year.

"It involves the construction and operation of an enormous and spectacular Christmas light display, in a residential area, of such size and extravagance that it has become a tourist attraction," attorney Gary Corum said in his opening statement on behalf of the neighbors who are suing.

The Osbornes' lawyer, Sam Perroni, said shutting down the display would violate his clients' First Amendment rights to freedom of speech and religion.

He said that apart from the normal increase in Christmastime traffic, neighbors suffer no harm from the display. The Osbornes' house-turned-Christmas card sits on Cantrell Road, a thoroughfare technically designated as a state highway and heavily used by commuters.

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Three previous lawsuits by people jailed while refusing to be booked had been thrown out, Ryan noted.

But the 9th Circuit last April ruled that the county and its officers were not entitled to qualified immunity. "At the time of Mrs. Estroff's incarceration Supreme Court precedent clearly established that an arrested individual must be taken before a magistrate promptly after arrest," the appeals court said.

The 9th Circuit court returned the case to Ryan, with orders to assess compensatory damages against the county, Killeen and Roberts. He also was ordered to consider punitive damages against Killeen and Roberts.

Killeen said the jailer, who is now the county's risk manager, was following procedure used at the time. It

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Several taxpayers challenged the arrangement for the disabled children as a violation of the First Amendment's ban on "an establishment of religion." In July, the New York court of appeals agreed with them on a 4-2 vote.

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has been changed, so that anyone who refuses to identify themselves or give religious information is taken before a judge or magistrate as quickly as possible and the judge decides whether the person should be detained or released.

"We've been under that rule for years," the sheriff said. About the lawsuit, he said, "It's one of those things that comes up when you're in this business."

Satmar Hasidim as an endorsement of their religious choices or by non-adherents as a disapproval of their individual religious choices," the state court said.

It also concluded that the state's action was unconstitutional because it had the "primary effect" of advancing religion.

Those words were drawn from the 1971 case of Lemon v. Kurtzman, in which the Supreme Court set out a formula for deciding when public aid to religion becomes unconstitutional.

Under that approach, a public program may not have a "primary effect" that advances or inhibits religion" nor may it "foster an excessive entanglement" between church and state.

School

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District refused to provide the special education site other than in a public school building.

As a compromise, the New York legislature in 1989 agreed to create a tiny district in the Hasidic village with one public school that would

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Idaho road report

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Department of Transportation reported hazardous conditions on most major routes throughout the state Monday afternoon.

Road conditions:

U.S. 95 - Riggins-Whitebird Hill, wet, raining; Whitebird Hill, wet; Grangeville-Moscow, wet, raining; Weiser-New Meadows, wet, broken snow floor, snowing; Marsing-Oregon line, wet.

Interstate 90 - Wet, raining.

Interstate 84 - Oregon line-Glenns Ferry, wet; Bliss-Utah line, dry.

U.S. 20 - Horseshoe Bend-Donnelly, wet, broken snow floor, raining, snowing; Donnelly-New Meadows, broken snow floor, snowing.

U.S. 20 - Mountain Home-Fairfield, wet, raining; Fairfield-Fairfield-Carey, wet, snowing; Arco-Montana line, icy spots.

U.S. 25 - Idaho Falls-Wyoming line, icy spots; Blackfoot line, wet.

Idaho 51 - Wet, icy spots.

U.S. 93 - Nevada line-Twin Falls, dry; Twin Falls-Carey, dry, wet, snowing; Carey-Reno, wet, snowing; Arco-Salmon, icy spots; Lost Trail Pass, icy spots.

Idaho 75 - Shoshone-Ketchum, wet; Galena Summit, broken snow floor, raining, snowing.

Interstate 86 - Dry.

Interstate 15 - Utah line-Idaho Falls, dry; Idaho Falls-Dubois, icy spots, broken snow floor; Montida Pass, broken snow floor.

U.S. 30 - Wet.

For current road conditions, call these numbers: Twin Falls, 736-3072; Boise, 336-6600; Pocatello 232-1426; Idaho Falls 522-5164; Utah 801-964-6000; the Elko, Nev., area, 702-738-8888.

Hubble

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Hubble scientist Edward Weiler is miffed about the unknowns: The project's record has shown "it's the things you didn't prepare for that will get you."

Like so many others at NASA, Weiler has been living with stress ever since the Hubble was found to have an improperly polished mirror that blurred its vision of extremely remote objects in the universe. That discovery came two months after the 1990 launch.

Besides a mirror that's too flat along the edge, Hubble's troubles include flapping electricity-generating solar panels, three broken gyroscopes, several failed computer memory boards, and a balky power-supply for an ultraviolet-light detector.

"You lie awake and think of what else can go wrong," Weiler said. "You think about it when you're driving home, and you go talk to the engineers again. I've done that about 12 or 15 times the past year."

Habitat

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Local people and companies donate the such as toilets, kitchen sinks and more, Groom said. But Groom said he still needs volunteers, donated items and money.

A family with three children is waiting to move into the second Habitat for Humanity home.

Habitat for Humanity builds homes for local families of parents with low-wage jobs who may live in substandard housing, Groom said.

He added that Habitat for Humanity wants to finish these homes and build more in other areas of the Magic Valley.

"The need is definitely here."

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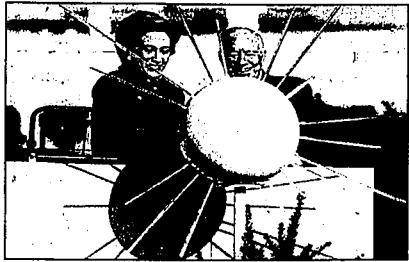
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Christmas decorations



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Hillary Rodham Clinton and Joseph Riley, president of the Pageant of Peace, place a fiber-optic starburst ornament atop the National Christmas Tree Monday.

Millions with bad teeth can't afford dentist visit

WASHINGTON (AP) — Millions of Americans with rotting teeth and other oral diseases can't afford to see the dentist, the government reported Monday.

Americans' overall oral health has improved dramatically with the advent of fluoride and better dental education, said the report by the Public Health Service.

But minorities, the poor and the elderly still have too many cavities, untreated and decaying teeth and diseases from gingivitis to oral cancer, the service concluded.

"It's a rather stark comparison," said Dr. Robert Collins, the service's chief dental officer. "About 150 million people do not have dental insurance ... and very little is provided by the government to the poor."

More than half of children ages 5 to 17 have cavities, the report said.

A fourth of them — mostly minorities plus the poor and those whose parents didn't finish high school — get 75 percent of the cavities: Ninety-one percent of Indian and Eskimo children have at least one by age 15, making them the most affected group.

About 12 percent of white children have decayed teeth, compared with 27.2 percent of minorities; less than 1 percent of white children lose teeth by age 17, compared with 3.2 percent

of minorities; and only 69.6 percent of minority children get cavities filled, compared with 87.5 percent of white children.

Adults fare no better. About 7 percent of white Americans have decayed teeth, compared with 22 percent of black Americans. Ninety-three percent of whites had their cavities filled, compared with 78 percent of blacks.

In 1989, about 7.2 million Americans ages 18 to 64 had lost all of their teeth. And last year, doctors diagnosed 30,000 new cases of oral cancer, which killed 8,000 people.

The main problem is cost, the health service concluded. Americans pay 56 percent of their dental bills out of pocket, compared with only 19 percent of doctor bills.

Drug abuse in the workplace declines

WASHINGTON (AP) — Drug use at work is declining, but the reasons are not yet clear, federal researchers said Monday.

There is not enough evidence to attribute the change to more drug testing of workers, a shift in attitude toward drug use or other factors, said Charles P. O'Brien, head of psychiatry at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center and chairman of a committee of the National Research Council and Institute of Medicine.

The deterrent effects of drug testing never have been clearly demonstrated, the committee said. It called for more comprehensive studies and better evaluation of programs aimed at creating a drug-free workplace.

"Clearly workers entering the workforce in the 1990s are likely to have substantially less experience with illicit drugs than did their counterparts in the 1980s and the late 1970s," the committee said.

The committee said a 1990 survey indicates that abuse rates in the workplace are now relatively low. The survey found that about 7 percent of U.S. workers used an illegal

drug during the preceding month and about 6 percent abused alcohol.

A 1979 study showed that as many as 14 percent of the general population had used one or more illegal drugs during the preceding month.

Businesses ought to do a better job determining what works in checking drug abuse, and studies also should focus on whether occasional drug use affects productivity, he said.

The committee also said that nearly \$1.2 billion is spent annually on urinalysis tests of workers. But there is not much scientific evidence to show the tests are very good at detecting drug use or dependence.

For example, said Marian Fischman of Columbia University, traces of marijuana can be found in urine even months after use. There is no scientific proof that such amounts would affect behavior, she said.

Added Bryan Finkle of the University of Utah, urine testing "tells you a very limited amount. It doesn't distinguish between use and abuse."

The test results have been over-

interpreted, primarily by lawyers and crime-fighters, he said.

The committee also found that on-

the-job drug intervention programs may have limited value, in part because they do not include system-

atic follow-up.

Congressman Grams to seek senate seat

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican Rep. Rod Grams, a former television news anchor in Minnesota, is going to run for the Senate after one term in the House, a spokesman said Monday.

Grams will be the third Republican to enter the race to succeed Republican Sen. Dave Durenberger, who faces a trial next year on charges that he abused his Senate expense account.

Durenberger is not seeking re-election. Grams was elected to the House last year by defeating the Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party's Rep. Gerry Sikorski, whose career was crippled by his overdrafts at the old House bank.

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Briefly

Doctor may be charged in death

PONTIAC, Mich. — A prosecutor announced Monday he was seeking a warrant charging suicide doctor Jack Kevorkian in the death of a 72-year-old woman last month.

Oakland County Prosecutor R. hard Thompson said Kevorkian was expected to surrender to police in Royal Oak. Merian Frederick died Oct. 22 in Kevorkian's Royal Oak apartment by inhaling carbon monoxide. Thompson did not announce any charges in the death last week of Dr. Ali Khalili in the same building.

The charge would be the third facing Kevorkian. In neighboring Wayne County, he faces assisted-suicide charges in two deaths. The charge carries up to four years in prison and a \$2,000 fine on conviction.

Domestic non-military spending doubles

WASHINGTON — Defense spending on domestic non-military activities doubled to more than \$4.6 billion in fiscal year 1993, partly because of the costs of closing bases, according to a government report.

The Defense Department was allocated at least \$10.4 billion over the last four years for civil activities, with 96 percent for programs authorized by Congress such as counternarcotics operations, defense conversion and medical research, the General Accounting Office said in a report released over the weekend.

Law would establish paternity earlier

WASHINGTON — Unwed fathers would find it easier to acknowledge legal paternity, before their newborn child leaves the hospital, under regulations proposed Monday by the government.

The regulations will implement part of President Clinton's deficit-cutting legislation, enacted earlier this year.

The administration believes a simpler process for establishing paternity, particularly at hospitals, could increase child support collections and reduce welfare payments to single parents.

Under the new law, states are required to establish a simple civil process for voluntarily acknowledging paternity. States also must set up paternity establishment programs in every public and private hospital with an obstetric ward and at birthing centers associated with hospitals.

Ukraine may become non-nuclear state

WASHINGTON — President Clinton was personally assured Monday by the president of Ukraine that the Kiev government will take another look at keeping its promise to become a non-nuclear state, the White House said.

Clinton spoke to President Leonid Kravchuk for about half an hour, said White House Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers.

Compiled from wire reports

Death 21 years after attack could be murder

FOLCROFT, Pa. (AP) — The three men who pushed a teen-ager senseless with chains and boots were convicted long ago and did their time.

For Danny Centrone and his parents, the sentence was life.

On Nov. 6, more than two decades after the attack by motorcycle gang members left him brain-damaged, Centrone died choking on a steak sandwich. He was 38.

The medical examiner's office may declare the death murder and a prosecutor could decide once again to charge the three onetime Warlocks gang members in the 1972 beating.

"The worst part of this is the victim served a worse sentence than the perpetrators," said Greta Centrone, Danny's mother. "They served their sentences, lived their lives. But Danny just went on and on."

Delaware County Medical Examiner Dimitri Costantovos expects to rule on the case before year's end.

"Physically there's no question: He had an impaired ability for eating and a tendency to choke that stemmed directly from his assault," Costantovos said. "My gut instinct is to certify it as a homicide."

Such a ruling could prompt District Attorney William H. Ryan Jr. to reopen the case, though the prosecutor said he's never known another like it.

Danny Centrone was 17, a basketball player and an aspiring carpenter when his life took its terrible turn the night of July 19, 1972.

He was hanging out with friends in a shopping center parking lot in this working-class Philadelphia suburb. Some Warlocks drove up and fanned out, demanding revenge from the youth who had beaten one of their members.

It wasn't Danny. They chose him anyway.

"His only mistake was not running fast enough," said Danny's sister

Christine, 24.

The beating left Danny with a fractured skull, damaged organs, a back full of stab wounds and a devastated brain.

He lay comatose for 19 days. When he emerged, he couldn't talk. Then came therapy, retraining, frustration. Finally he went home.

"The boy that everybody knew as Danny Centrone wasn't there anymore," said Theodore Pastore, the investigating officer and now police chief of the community of 7,200.

Danny regained some speech, but it was slurred and labored. He had little muscle control, and his short-term memory was nearly gone. When he became angry and unable to find the words, he'd punch fist into palm.

"He was a prisoner in his own body. Everything he learned in high school he remembered. But his body wouldn't remember," his mother said. "He was 17 forever. He just stopped."

William Franchi, Robert McCabe and Augustus Wayne Lochman were convicted in the beating and sentenced to seven to 14 years. Franchi and McCabe are now 41 and served about 14 and 13 years, respectively. Lochman, who protested his innocence during his 6½ years in prison, is 42.

Today, Franchi is in federal prison on an unrelated drug conviction. Attempts to reach McCabe and Lochman were unsuccessful; telephone books do not list their names.

After the attack, Danny's parents struggled to care for a boy lost on the verge of manhood who suddenly needed constant supervision.

Thinking of what might have been was hard on his father, Joseph Centrone, a construction worker.

"For me to go out and watch boys Danny's age grow up, see them with a wife and a kid, see them the job he had such plunk for Danny," Centrone said. Danny stayed home with his par-

ents for 19 years until he began to deteriorate. In 1991, they placed him in a nursing home. He died during a weekend visit home.

While Centrone wants his son's attackers tried for murder, his wife is less sure.

"The hatred's gone. The bitterness is gone," Mrs. Centrone said. "And they're still horrible. That's their punishment."

Her son is at peace, she said, adding, "If the system can work properly this time, then let it be."



Greta Centrone's son Danny choked to death at the age of 38 earlier this month. He was brain damaged at the age of 17 when he was attacked by Warlock gang members.

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Germany, Poland carved up at Tehran summit

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From Nov. 28 to Dec. 1, 1943, U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Marshal Josef Stalin of the Soviet Union met to discuss strategy.



The location of this historic first meeting of the Allied Big Three was Tehran, the capital of Iran. Roosevelt and Churchill had been anxious for some time to hold such a summit but Stalin had always refused on the grounds that he could not leave Russia while the Germans were advancing. But now the Germans were being pushed back.

the summit. FDR and Churchill were at a military disadvantage, for while their armies had captured North Africa and Sicily, these victories did not match the Soviet triumphs at Stalingrad and Kursk. And the fighting in Italy was going slowly.

Stalin's first concern was that the U.S. and Britain invade France in 1944. FDR and Churchill assured Stalin that such an invasion would be launched but gave no details. They did request a Soviet offensive to prevent the Germans from shifting reserves to defeat the invasion.

Stalin's view of a post-war Europe was taking shape. He had been demanding since 1941 that the USSR keep the land taken from Poland in 1939 when Stalin and Adolf Hitler had invaded Poland as allies. Stalin wanted to reclaim the land lost during the 1920 Russo-Polish War.

The need of the Western allies for Soviet military coordination was a major reason that Stalin was able to make substantial political gains during

FDR suggested at Tehran how Poland could be compensated for this loss. The new Polish border in the west would be moved to the Oder River, giv-

ing Poland an area of German territory about equal to what was lost in the east to the Soviets.

Stalin also strongly denounced the Polish government-in-exile in London. He wanted a "friendly" government in Poland. Though British Foreign Minister Anthony Eden wanted assurances that the Poles would be free to choose their own government, neither FDR nor Churchill felt it was the proper time to press Stalin on this.

Just before the Tehran conference, German radio announced that the remains of 4,000 Polish officers had been found in mass graves outside Smolensk. Stalin denied that the Soviets had killed any of the Poles taken prisoner in 1939. However, later investigations now supported by materials recently found in Soviet archives confirms that as many as 15,000 Polish officers had been killed on Stalin's orders in an attempt to cripple any nationalist movement.

The Big Three did agree that Germany should be carved into several independent states after the war. FDR suggested five states. Stalin was less concerned about the number than about

a guarantee that Germany would never be reunited into a single power.

"It is far better to break up and scatter the German tribes," he argued. Stalin also wanted the USSR to be given the German port of Königsberg in Prussia in order to "put Russia on the neck of Germany." The three leaders drew lines on several maps before giving their staffs the job of formulating specific proposals.

Discussions about a formal United Nations organization were postponed. The Big Three left Tehran certain that victory over the Axis was inevitable but unsure what that victory would mean.

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Editorial

There's more than one way to sober up drivers

While Idaho smarts under the shame of a "D-plus" rating from Mothers Against Drunk Drivers, a neighboring state is considering an innovative approach to drying out the highways.

Last week MADD ranked Idaho 48th among the 50 states for its efforts to reduce alcohol-related accidents. One of MADD's complaints is about our failure to lower our intoxication standard.

In Idaho, you're considered intoxicated if your blood is at least 0.10 percent alcohol - one-tenth of 1 percent. MADD wants that reduced to 0.08, as 12 other states have done.

The change would reflect a growing belief that 0.10 is simply too tolerant - that a person can be under the legal limit but still too impaired for safe driving.

It's a good point, and one that Idaho's Legislature ought to consider come January. Meanwhile, though, Utah already is taking the idea a step further.

Utah's booze limit is .08, but one Utah lawmaker is proposing to penalize drivers for alcohol levels as low as .04.

This is not just a matter of Utah living up to its strait-laced reputation. The idea recognizes something previ-

ously drunken-driving laws have not: that there's no magic definition of intoxication.

The Utah proposal has a three-tiered structure:
• Driving with a blood level of 0.04 to 0.07 would be a minor traffic violation, comparable to driving without a seat belt.

• Hitting 0.08 would lead to a more serious charge, as it does now.

• And drivers at even higher blood levels - those who are really sloshed - would qualify for a reckless endangerment charge.

That third tier is similar to California's standard, which allows a reckless endangerment charge for a 0.17 level, or for other factors, such as driving drunk with children in the car.

What's interesting about these ideas is that they recognize the differences between tipsy, drunk and blotto. But why not go further still? Why not a small penalty - more than a warning, but maybe not much more - for driving with even a trace of blood alcohol?

If you blow a 0.02, you pay a \$10 fine and go home feeling chastened.

Our laws shouldn't be harsh. But they should steer us toward an understanding that even one drink is a poor idea if it's one for the road.

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The world hungers for laughter

Rena Pederson

While the situation at American Airlines was no laughing matter, passengers at South-west Airlines were chucking away. It was hard to resist a laugh and a smile when the landing instructions were delivered by a flight attendant to the tune of "Rawhide."

"Landing, landing, landing. Sit down, no more standing," attendant Matt McCauley sang out. As the plane from Dallas touched down in Houston, he provided sound effects over the PA system that sounded like a horse clippety-clopping to a halt. And after landing, he played a rousing rendition of "Deep in the Heart of Texas" on his harmonica.

The passengers applauded and cheered. Even the middle-aged businessman sitting across from me, who had ordered a scotch on the rocks and stared at it glumly most of the flight, managed a laugh.

McCauley, 34, also does imitations of Bob Dylan and Elmer Fudd. He is a 12-year veteran at Southwest and says he stays because the airline allows its employees to be creative.

Companies that provide services to people are wise to keep those providing the services with a smile on their faces and vice versa.

That's not to say that you need David Letterman in the cockpit. But that Southwest has discovered a truth: People are hungry for a laugh. The world is too much with us. There's taxes. More taxes. Higher taxes. Teen-agers with guns killing people in parking lots. The tedium of hard, relentless work. Bills to pay. Cars and furnaces and washing machines that need repair. Prostate cancer. Cholesterol. Voice mail. Politicians with oleaginous smiles.

Merely. As humorist Dave Barry observed on "60 Minutes" the other week, there's something in human beings, a sort of nutty escape valve for pressure, that compels them to see the ridiculous even in grim circumstances.

Hence, there were jokes even about the tragic explosion of the Challenger shuttle and about mass murderers like Jeffrey Dahmer. Like Dorothy Parker used to say, you might as well laugh. Life must go on.

Perhaps that's why one of the hottest stories of the year was those late-night talk-show program would win in the ratings. Laughter is the best medicine and doctors Letterman and Leno are practicing on us. ("Did you see where President Clinton is thinking about offering Ross Perot a place in his Cabinet? We've got millions of people out of work and he's giving a job to a billionaire?")

Perhaps that's why one of the hottest books in the country right now is by someone who is essentially a political entertainer, Rush Limbaugh. His latest book, "See I Told You So," has his own politically correct liberal lexicon: "Prayer: the only kind of speech the First Amendment does not protect."

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Whether you think that is inadvertently funny or candid truth, millions are buying it for either comic or psychic relief.

No wonder many of the politicians elected with populist support have a way with words and humor. Texas Gov. Ann Richards is a natural comedian. (She greeted one crowd of Washington big-wigs in white tie and tails with the observation "As my grandmother would say, you look as good as a freshly peeled carrot.")

Ross Perot used to be funny. A cartoon in the New Yorker before the Gore-Perot debate presaged Perot's descent into becoming a caricature of himself. In the cartoon, one man standing at a bar is telling another man with a drink, "I think you may be getting them mixed up - Perot is the one with charts, and Perdue is the one with chickens."

Perhaps this all goes to prove that we all need to take our problems seriously, but not ourselves. As we count our blessings this season, don't forget to smile. It makes the politicians nervous.

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Letters

Fight dumping of spent fuel

Remember "Alice's Restaurant"? After garbage filled the church, our happy hippies loaded it up and looked for a dump site. In their search, they did not consider cultural, social or economic factors. They certainly didn't evaluate environmental impacts. The sole criterion they used to choose their dump site was that there was already garbage there anyway.

The Department of Energy is using the Alice's Restaurant standard aim more nuclear waste at Idaho. Over the next 15 years, the DOE proposes to receive, store for 40 years, and (eventually) dispose of up to 15,000 spent fuel elements from foreign reactors. The Idaho National Engineering Laboratory is a target storage site.

The DOE claims that proliferation threats will decrease if we bring spent fuel back, primarily by assuring that it is not reprocessed to recover highly enriched uranium (HEU), a nuclear bomb ingredient. Other DOE activities contradict its proliferation policy.

The DOE operates seven reactors in Idaho that use HEU. The nuclear navy deploys about 150 HEU reactors all over the world (two more for Idaho). Based on the DOE's own standards, these reactors are proliferation threats. Reprocessing HEU fuel is indeed a proliferation threat. The U.S. has not taken a strong stand against reprocessing in England, France or Japan. Its timidity is partly based on its failure to officially close the DOE's reprocessing operations at Savannah River, another target site for the foreign fuel.

The DOE offers other arguments for dumping spent fuel here. It says storage space in other countries is nearing capacity. Storage space here is, too. It says other countries don't have long-term disposal sites. Neither do we. All the DOE has is facilities for indefinite storage that, though they pose present environmental threats, seem to attract nuclear waste like flies to garbage. Like Alice's Restaurant.

All nations must work to stop the spread of nuclear weapons. The U.S. can do its part. It can stop trafficking in nuclear materials, halt the use of HEU in its own reactors, and

explicitly and absolutely eschew reprocessing. I send your comments on the DOE's latest spent fuel plan by Dec. 8 to Foreign Research Reactor Spent Nuclear Fuel Environmental Impact Study, EM-7, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585. BEATRICE BRAILSFORD Poacetto

Consider abuse case carefully

Mel Rayborn, a sixth-grade teacher in Jerome, has been put on probation. I have known him since 1978, when he substituted in a class next to mine. He has always been competent, caring and professional. He has helped make teaching a profession of which we can be proud. I cannot fathom Mr. Rayborn talking to, far less touching, a child or anyone else inappropriately.

No one abhors child abuse or neglect more than I. I have worked for children and children's causes all my life professionally and otherwise, but abuse and slander by children is equally dangerous. It will hurt the accused, the accused, and society at large. Teachers, preachers and doctors are prime targets. The medical community attests that 20 percent of medical costs are attributed to "defensive medicine." Do we want to lose 20 percent of educators' time, energy and efforts in self-protection from the few?

I plead that the administration and School Board consider Mel's case very carefully. He has been hurt, but he will recover. If this child is making false accusations and gets by with it, she will be hurt permanently and so will the teaching profession. EDNA KUIKEN Twin Falls

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Letters

Whitton's resignation in order

Thank you, Times-News, for the timely editorial of Nov. 24. I concur exactly. It is time that we, as citizens, take a stand and send a message to all those elected officials and to those who have aspirations in that direction that they must keep their personal lives above scrutiny.

The great country was founded on prayer, debate and heroic battles, out of which came the Constitution of the United States of America. In 1787, John Adams called the Constitution "the greatest single effort of national deliberation that the world has ever seen." For 160-something years, the 55 delegates to the Constitutional Convention debated the nation's future behind closed doors, hammering out the superstructure under which the United States has flourished ever since. It was, indeed, a work of collective genius that still commands our utmost respect.

Elected officials who flaunt their positions for personal gain effect a direct insult to those constitutional delegates - indeed, to all who have lost their lives in battle, at home and abroad, defending this great document, and last but not least, to those thousands of settlers who came west and forged the lifestyle that we have today.

Unscrupulous elected officials should not have a place in this great society. I feel very sad

that Mr. Whitton, who is well-known in wide circles, chose to demean his credibility by deceitful acts. He could have been a leader whose life was exemplified by righteous actions and been a hero to a young generation.

He should pick up his Bible and read of Kings, Saul, David and Solomon, how their actions brought down their political and spiritual downfall. So far, I have respect for the four men who serve on the Rupert City Council, and I think it befalls them at this time to call for Mayor Whitton's resignation. CAROLE ANN BESSIRE Rupert

Attacks serve purpose

Of course, your continuing and vicious attacks on my husband have everything to do with the fact that Farm Times is quite formidable competition for your life agriculture publication and nothing to do with Bob Packwood. CAROL WHITTON Rupert

Commissioners spend on selves

It is the contention of Sheriff Wayne Tousey that the county commissioners have not allocated enough funding in the 1993-94 budget to adequately run the sheriff's office. Besides the fact that Sheriff Tousey is a professional in his

field, our current crime rate in Twin Falls County more than supports his claim.

The county commissioners say they won't use taxpayers' funds to provide him private attorneys in his effort to obtain additional funding. Yet they'll pay for private attorneys for themselves to fight him in his request. Go figure!

Not to mention the fact that public monies are spent in vast amounts every day to defend every penny ante criminal in the United States. GLENDA A. THOMPSON Twin Falls

Make life better for everyone

Over the last 10 months, I've read your letters in the paper. Some I agree with and some I don't, but that's life.

The main thing is we are Americans and have a right to believe what we think is right in our own hearts. Sometimes we are wrong and sometimes we are right. So what, life goes on. All I want is to make life better for our young people and old alike. God bless them all. Let's stop the drugs, drinking, etc., and make Idaho a state to be proud of. We can do it if we all pull together. I want to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. BESSIE FARROTT Twin Falls

Double 'Doonesbury': Monday's "Doonesbury" is being published today because of a postal delay.

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU

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Magic Valley

Around the valley

Clogged chimney causes smoke to fill house

TWIN FALLS — A chimney badly in need of cleaning sent smoke billowing through a Harrison Street home Monday afternoon.

Firefighters arrived shortly after 3:30 at 447-Harrison St., said Twin Falls Fire Department Battalion Chief Ron Clark.

The smoke was coming from a wood stove, Clark said.

The homeowner apparently has been staying in Texas. A girl who has been watching the home, Kristy Mace, was in the basement and smelled smoke.

She went upstairs to investigate, saw the smoke and called the fire department, Clark said.

It appeared that the chimney was so clogged with creosote that the smoke was forced back into the house, Clark said.

Martial arts instructor pleads innocent to lewdness charges

TWIN FALLS — A longtime martial arts instructor pleaded innocent Monday to two charges of lewd and lascivious conduct with two girls under the age of 16.

Eugene Duane Starr Sr. entered his plea before 5th District Judge Roger Burdick. Starr, 45, 225 Locust St. N., was charged in early November.

An affidavit by Twin Falls police Detective K.C. Dudley alleges that Starr molested one girl in 1987 and another girl as late as September of this year.

Starr's trial was set for Feb. 1.

The maximum sentence for lewd and lascivious conduct with a minor under age 16 is life in prison.

Filer man pleads innocent to sexual battery charge

TWIN FALLS — A Filer man pleaded innocent Monday to a charge of sexual battery of a girl 16 or 17 years old.

Terry Merl Schmoor entered his plea before 5th District Judge Daniel Mechl.

Schmoor, 50, 908 Yakima in Filer, is accused of having sexual intercourse with a 16- or 17-year-old girl last June.

Schmoor remains out of jail but is not to contact the girl. Sexual battery of a minor carries a maximum sentence of 15 years in prison.

Magazine reports Clintons are buying Ketchum home

KETCHUM — So far, it's just gossip: President Clinton and his family are buying a Ketchum vacation home for \$3 million, says George Christy, a columnist for The Hollywood Reporter magazine.

"We have no information on that, we haven't heard anything like that," said a spokeswoman for the White House. Officials for First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton also pleaded ignorance Monday.

Christy couldn't be reached for comment.

A \$3 million purchase hasn't been reported in the Wood River Valley this year, local Realtor Cindy Ward said.

And the Clintons don't have \$3 million. Clinton received \$35,000 a year as governor of Arkansas, making him among the lowest-paid governors in the nation. And as president he makes a little more than \$200,000 a year.

Program teaches consequences of selling alcohol to minors

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Crime Prevention Association and the Twin Falls Police Department are sponsoring a free educational program at 7 p.m. Thursday in the KMYT Community Room, 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

"The Consequences of Selling Alcohol to Minors" will include an overview of the potential negative results to businesses and their employees, youth, schools and the community from the sale of alcohol for consumption by minors. People who own, manage or work in businesses that sell alcohol are encouraged to attend.

For more information, call Pete Snyder at 734-6760 or 1-800-657-8000.

Campaign to support drug awareness in schools a scam

JEROME — A campaign for donations to support drug awareness in Jerome schools is a scam.

Debbie Walsh, drug awareness director and elementary school counselor, said businesses in Jerome have received phone calls asking for donations for a drug awareness program, generated by Red Ribbon Week.

"We are not asking for donations—this looks like a scam," she said. The caller indicates she is representing Walsh, which is "not true," she said.

Anyone receiving a request for the funds should call the Jerome Police Department at 324-4313.

Compiled from staff reports

Court official wants county to run youth jail

By Sen L. McCarty
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The new regional juvenile lockup might be more cost-efficient if management is kept out of the hands of state bureaucrats.

That is what Linda Wright, the 5th District trial court administrator, told the Twin Falls County commissioners Monday.

But the county already has committed itself to a contract with the state Department of Health and Welfare for management of the first year of the lockup's operation, Commissioner Norma Bliss said.

The new lockup's management needs to be controlled "under one umbrella," Bliss said.

Duplication of services by the sheriff's office and the state cost the county too much time and money, she said. Centralizing control with the health department may solve some of those problems, she said.

"We need to get representatives from the sheriff's office and Health and Welfare together to see why they don't use each other's resources," Wright said.

"The question is just where should that central authority be?" asked Judge J. William Hart, the administrative judge for the 5th District.

Hart suggested that the county keep that authority "in-house."

An informal survey of Idaho's other trial court administrators has found that no juvenile lockups are run by Health and Welfare, Wright said.

The Kootenai County sheriff's office runs an over-crowded five-county detention center in Kootenai County, she said. The 18-bed lockup — which holds an average of 23 juveniles daily — has an annual budget of approximately \$770,000.

Health and Welfare provides money and counseling for that facility. But volunteers counsel most juvenile offenders

placed in the Region VI and Canyon County lockups, she said.

Ada County's 30-bed lockup is run by a detention supervisor who reports indirectly to the trial court administrator, according to Director Art Dodson.

A part-time nurse and full-time staffers counsel those juveniles, Dodson said. Ada County spent \$895,530 to run the lockup in fiscal year 1991-92, he said.

Commissioner Marvin Hempelman said that preliminary figures from Health and Welfare are "in line" with budgets for the other state lockups.

Costs have been estimated at just over \$600,000 for the 12-bed facility to be built in the city's industrial park, and almost \$750,000 for an 18-bed lockup.

Scheduled for completion by September 1994, the 12-bed facility will be available to hold juveniles arrested from six counties: Blaine, Camas, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln and Twin Falls.

Predator perches



After a golden eagle brought a piece of barbed wire into a power pole nest, electrocuting its young, Idaho Power Co. installed perches atop this pole and above high-voltage lines, according to company engineer Lee Bunch. A Monday examination of the site showed eagles have been using the perches, Bunch said.

Utility's efforts bring raptor deaths to low

By Brad Bowlin
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The number of eagles, hawks and owls electrocuted in southern Idaho has dropped to a 10-year low, and perhaps the lowest level since Idaho Power Co. began stringing electrical lines decades ago, a company official reported.

"There are a lot of success stories" in Idaho Power's 11-year effort to protect rare raptors, said company engineer Lee Bunch. "It's been really good lately."

Since 1982, Bunch has been identifying areas where raptors are most likely to be injured or killed by power lines and finding ways to protect the birds.

And two Twin Falls companies make some of the devices the utility uses to protect the birds.

The devices prevent birds from landing on danger spots on electrical poles and transformers. In some instances, safe perches atop the poles provide the birds a place to roost above dangerous high-voltage lines.

Bunch's 1993 files show only 12 reported electrocutions of hawks, owls and eagles in Idaho Power's southern division, which stretches from Jackpot

to Ketchum and from Oakley to Bliss.

That's a lot of open area, and much of it is prime habitat for Idaho's avian predators, including red-tailed hawks, great horned owls and majestic golden eagles. Four eagles have been reported killed this year, and the total of 12 is about one-third of the 1991 total, he added.

Raptors, and especially eagles, usually land on the highest perch they can find. Over much of the southern Idaho desert, the highest perch is a power pole.

In areas where natural habitat butts against farmland, such as in the Bell Rapids area, the birds have ample prey and are frequent visitors to the power poles, Bunch said.

"The eagle comes up there and says, 'Gee, look what they put out here for me. I can just sit up here and look to see where my lunch is coming from,'" Bunch said.

Owls like to sit on the transformers during nocturnal hunting forays.

But whenever a bird touches a high-voltage line and a grounding device, such as a second wire or a transformer, the bird is electrocuted, Bunch said.

Most adult eagles can take off from a

Please see RAPTORS/B2

Woman's disappearance still baffles police officers

By H.R. Weixel
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — The whereabouts of a Wyoming woman, missing since October, continues to baffle Gooding and Jerome County law enforcement officials.

Rose Lee Migdal, 45, of Riverton, Wyo., was last seen at the Holiday Motel in Jerome on Oct. 20.

She has brown hair, green eyes, is 5 feet 4 inches tall and weighs about 160 pounds. She was last seen wearing dark clothing and white cowboy boots.

Her red 1992 Chevrolet Corsica was found abandoned about 18 miles northwest of Jerome in a remote desert area in Gooding County.

Search and rescue crews, a tracking dog from Idaho Falls, and deputies searched the desert area and canals.



Migdal

"The Civil Air patrol flew over the area for about four days, but didn't find anything. We've exhausted every effort to locate the woman in the area near where we found the vehicle," Gooding County Sheriff Jim Jax said.

"I had Deputy Lance VanderMeiden on the case full time—but we're no closer to solving the thing than when we started," Jerome County Sheriff George Silver said.

Due to heavy workload and lack of funds, both sheriffs have had to reduce the amount of time spent on the case.

"We simply run out of budgeted search and rescue funds," Gooding County Jax said.

'As leads materialize, we'll follow up on them, but so far all we have is a tangled web of mystery. I've actually got a bushel basket full of correspondence on this case.'

— Jim Jax, Gooding County Sheriff

"As leads materialize, we'll follow up on them, but so far all we have is a tangled web of mystery," he said. "I've actually got a bushel basket full of correspondence on this case."

"We haven't ruled out foul play," Silver said. Anyone hiding or assisting in hiding the missing woman could be charged with resisting, obstructing and delaying an investigation, which is a misdemeanor, Jax said.

Anyone with information about the woman should call the Gooding County Sheriff's Department at 934-4421, or the Jerome County Sheriff's Department at 324-8844.

Edna Moore, the missing woman's mother, said her daughter always let her know where she was, but this time no contact has been made.

"I thought maybe Rose would call me on Thanksgiving, but she didn't," the mother said from her home in Wyoming.

On Oct. 10, her daughter had dinner with a friend in her apartment in Jerome, then went to a church service in Riverton (Wyo.) with him," the mother said. The Sunday dinner guest was an evangelist from Oregon who was Rose's high school classmate, the mother said.

"Between that Sunday and Thursday (Oct. 14) Rose hired a moving truck and some men to move all her things into my garage," Moore said.

Rose Migdal left Lander, where her mother lives, on Oct. 14, drove all night, and arrived in Jerome on Oct. 15. Upon arrival, she paid for one night's stay at the motel, then on Saturday she paid \$540 for a month's rent at the motel, according to Moore.

She also applied for a job at a nearby restaurant. She was not hired at the restaurant, Silver said.

"Rose called collect on the 18th and I thought she said she got a job," Moore said.

Married and divorced three times and the mother of two boys, "Rose sometimes talked about going underground, losing her identity. Maybe she went to Jerome to start over," Moore said.

Her abandoned car, high-centered on a rock, was reported by horseback riders and motorcycle riders, Jax said.

"Extremely valuable things were left in the car, and some of her things were found about 100 yards away from the car," Jax said.

Acrossing the canal and driving to the area where the car was located would be difficult, Jax said.

"There are only a few places to get into that area, and you gotta know where they are. We feel the car was driven in from the Jerome side," he said.

"All I have is an abandoned car. The rest is a big mystery," he said.

Railroad company hopes to make 2 former UP lines more efficient

By Mick Normington
Times-News writer

RUPERT — After its first week of operating two branch railroad lines in Idaho, Eastern Idaho Railroad wants more customers.

"It's going well so far. Start-ups are always hectic," said Rick Webb, general manager of Eastern Idaho Railroad.

Eastern Idaho Railroad took over the branch rail lines in the Magic Valley and around Idaho Falls from Union Pacific on Nov. 20.

"This is one of the best UP lines in the country and we got it," Webb said. "Now we plan to operate the lines as the most efficient, customer-oriented lines we can."

Union Pacific ran the two 280-mile branches with about 40 employees and 18 locomotives. Eastern Idaho Railroad has a staff of 30, about 15 of them were Union Pacific workers — and has brought in 22 locomotives, Webb said.

The company brought in some of its own locomotives and bought more from ConRail, the Santa Fe Railway, as well as some that Union Pacific was leasing from General Electric, Webb said.

In the Magic Valley, the rail line's biggest customers include Amalgamated Sugar Co., Universal Frozen Foods Co., Longview Fibre Co., Boise Cascade Cor-

rugated Container Operations, Coors of Magic Valley, as well as smaller companies such as potato packers, Webb said.

Webb said he wants to haul more freight to other agriculture-related companies in the Magic Valley — local dairies buying livestock feed from out of state, for instance.

But he said that will be an uphill battle. The railroads have lost market share to trucking companies for the past 30 years, and only in the past five years have railroads tried to regain those markets, he said.

Still, his company is experienced at running short-line railroads.

Eastern Idaho Railroad's parent company, Watco Inc. of Coffeyville, Kan., was the first company to buy a Union Pacific branch railroad, in southeastern Kansas in 1987. Webb said business on that line went from 650 railcar loads in 1987 to 3,500 loads last year.

"So we've done quite well with the UP, and we want to continue that," Webb said.

Watco and its subsidiary railroads own and operate branch rail lines in Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Washington and Oregon.

"There's still a lot of growth potential here," Webb said.

The railroad will have offices in Twin Falls, Rupert and Idaho Falls.

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Senator: Resolution near on gaming act

SPARKS, Nev. (AP) — One final hurdle is all that remains before the Indian Regulatory Gaming Act receives its first major revision since Congress enacted it five years ago, Sen. Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii, said Monday.

"In my view, the parties are close, very very close, to resolution," he said in a speech to the National Congress of American Indians. "I believe that a breakthrough on the last remaining issue, the scope of Indian gaming, is close at hand."

Inouye, who chairs the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, said the governors of states in which tribes are seeking gaming compacts had submitted their proposals and they were being reviewed.

"Once that is resolved, I believe

that the whole package will somehow mesh," he said.

Under the 1988 law, tribes in states which permit any form of gambling, including lotteries and parimutuel betting on horse and dog races, may seek to join with the state in a compact that would allow gaming on their reservations.

Some states have permitted tribes to operate only a limited number of slot machines and traditional Indian games, while others have permitted full-scale casinos.

That is the issue the remains to be decided, Inouye said.

"As sovereign governments, tribal governments may certainly qualify to raise money through gambling, just as many states have lotteries," he said. "They are sovereign, you are sovereign," he added to applause.

"Sovereigns should deal with sovereigns and that's what they're doing," Inouye told the audience of about 500 meeting this week at the Sparks Nugget that after long being largely ignored, Indian concerns were being heard on Capitol Hill.

"There was a time when Indians thought the only way they could be represented was to have a non-Indian for an attorney," he said.

But in this year's discussions of reservation casinos, he said tribal leaders and Indian attorneys won the admiration of state and federal officials.

"They learned more about Indian gaming and Indian country than they ever thought they would," he said.

Less than two decades ago, Inouye said the slow process of mailing correspondence produced mistakes in Congress.

Clearcut on company's land angers residents

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Panhandle residents in the Twin and Spirit lakes areas are complaining about a highly visible clearcut on land owned by the subsidiary of a Spokane publishing company.

The criticism came after a newspaper owned by the publishing company called for an end to clearcuts on public land.

But Shaun Higgins, a spokesman for Cowles Publishing Co., disputed suggestions that a double standard exists between the editorial positions advocated by The Spokesman-Review and the land management practices adhered to by the Inland Empire Paper Co. Inc.

Higgins said the recent newspaper series focused on a public policy question involving public resources

and not on the issue of private personal property rights.

But while foresters give the Cowles's logging company generally high marks for its forestry practices, Ken Kohli of the Intermountain Forest Industry Association said there does appear to be some contradiction.

"I think they're practicing acceptable forestry," Kohli said. "But they're not practicing the forestry that they're advocating for public lands."

The Upper Twin Lakes Water Association is currently fighting to block logging activity by Inland Empire on land it owns in watersheds above its wells following past clearcuts in the area, including one on 50 acres right above Twin Lakes last year.

"I'm watching the whole hillside disappear from the front of my house," said a former Inland Empire logger, who asked to remain anonymous because another family member still works for the company.

But Inland Empire forester Dennis Parent said clearcuts in the 5 percent to 15 percent of the logging circumstances where they are used each year are justified and will continue. Clearcuts on National Forest lands in northern Idaho average about 7 percent of the annual harvest.

"We're doing it for a good reason, and I'm not going to try and cover it up," Parent said. "But if you're looking at it from across Twin Lakes, it's too much."

Rupert sewer repairs begin

By Liz Wright
Times-News writer

RUPERT — Bulldozers began ripping apart streets Sunday as part of an effort to replace old and leaky pipes in the city's sewer system.

A state study conducted six years ago showed deterioration of some of the city's clay pipes, which could allow sewage to contaminate groundwater, said Greg Misbach, a water-quality engineer for the state Division of Environmental Quality.

But Don Dustin, the city public works director, said water-quality

tests last year in deep wells by the Environmental Protection Agency showed no contamination.

Misbach said the city's problem is that groundwater floods the underground pipes, increasing the volume — hence the costs — for the city to treat sewage.

The city is spending about \$200,000 of its own money on the project, Dustin said. The city hopes that \$270,000 borrowed from the state will bring matching federal grants of \$500,000 toward improving the city's infrastructure.

The city has to pay back the loan

in 20 years, with 4 percent interest, Dustin said.

Workers from the city's street and utility departments will continue the project through the end of January.

Other construction will begin along Ninth Street stretching from A to D streets from Jan. 4 to 14; and B Street between Eighth to 10th streets from Jan. 17 to 27. Theo Schut, city project coordinator, said.

The sewage construction will be followed by street improvements next spring, Dustin said.

Paper to publish name of father who raped kids

SPOKANE (AP) — At readers' urging, The Spokesman-Review this week will publish the name of a man who raped his four children.

Worried that publishing the man's name could lead to harassment of the four daughters, ages 4 to 8, the newspaper last week did not identify the man, his wife, or a man called "Uncle Tom" in a story about their convictions in sexual assaults on the children.

But more than 300 people called or wrote the newspaper, and by a 2-1 margin, said the names should be printed, Managing Editor Chris Peck said in a column Sunday.

"Indeed the foster mother of the two oldest girls, who were victims in this case called to say that the name of the failed father should be published," Peck wrote. "This will help the girls understand, she said, that their father has been caught, punished and now is known by all so he will find it more difficult to ever hurt them again."

The decision was not universally accepted, Peck noted, but said to 8, the newspaper asked that the names be published said they wanted all the facts about what is going on in their community.

The decision was made easier because three of the four children have last names that are different from the father's and probably can be protected from harassment, Peck said.

Mini-Cassia hospitals

CASSIA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Admitted
Alexandria Barela, Caryl Hoffman and Wayne Moncur, all of Burley; Nancy Halford and Nina Osterhout, both of Rupert; Jaytin Harper of Malta; and Vicki Isak of Paul.

Released
Leslie Olsen, Cheryl Berg and Lisa Stephenson, all of Burley; Pat Fisher and Jerry Goodwin, both of Heyburn; and Alex Fisher of Rupert.

Births
A baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Tim Osterhout and to Nancy Halford of Rupert; Alexandria Barela of Burley; and to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Harper of Malta.

MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Admitted
Donna Cameron, Verma Olson and Benjamin Firkins, all of Rupert; Ivan Christensen and Herbert Ram, both of Paul; and Woodrow Williams of Burley.

Released
Maria Ramirez, Sharon Simpson and Donna Cameron, all of Rupert; and Angelic Cruz of Minidoka.

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Former minister, teacher to lead anti-gang project

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — A former minister and Los Angeles school teacher has been named to lead Ogden's anti-gang community project.

Shirley Jones, who taught school for 16 years before coming to Utah in 1987, is a former minister for the Ogden Church of Religious Science, and was a Standard-Examiner religion columnist, outreach minister and a community consultant.

Ogden Police Chief Mike Empey said he picked Jones in part because of her experience coordinating a \$2 million project for the Los Angeles school district, which taught administrators, teachers and staff to work with a diversified community.

The new gang coordinator position will be funded by a \$30,000 allocation from the last Legislature as part of an anti-gang package.

"She has a lot of contacts in the community, experience and organizational skills and has worked on projects with a diverse community," Empey said.

As community coordinator, Jones' job will be to serve as a liaison between law enforcement and local and state agencies, mobilize neighborhood programs, set up job placement programs for at-risk youth and provide alternatives to gang activities.

Jones earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from California State University and graduated from the Ernest Holmes College of Ministry in 1986.

"There is no limit to the possibilities," she said Monday. "It's the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of kids and parents."

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World
Snow drifts hinder aid convoys

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — A U.N. aid convoy — one truck piled high with shoes — reached the eastern Muslim enclave of Srebrenica on Monday, but snow drifts stranded relief efforts throughout much of Bosnia.

Icy roads contributed to the deaths of two Canadian peacekeepers. They were on the way to escort an aid convoy near Zenica in central Bosnia when their armored vehicle slid and rolled into a ditch, the defense department in Ottawa said. A third Canadian soldier was injured.

Nine people, including a 4-year-old boy, were being flown from Sarajevo to the United States for medical treatment. It was the second U.S.-bound evacuation this month.

As peace talks resumed in Geneva in hopes of ending the 19-month war, a shell slammed into a residential area of Sarajevo, killing two people, Bosnian radio said. One other person was killed by a sniper.

On Sunday, more than 150 shells hit Sarajevo, mostly the downtown area, killing six people and wounding 11.

Lt. Col. Bill Aikman, the U.N. military spokesman, said shelling tended to be heavier on the weekends because Serb weekend replacements were more aggressive than troops on the hills around Sarajevo during the week. Sarajevans believe the replacements come from Serbia.

Aikman said Serbs in recent days had been using cluster bombs against Muslims in northern Bosnia, an escalation in the fighting. The bombs are carried up to 30 miles by rockets and explode over a wide area.

Ray Wilkinson, spokesman for the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, accused all sides of hindering relief convoys, but he focused on problems attributed to Serbs.

The warring factions — Bosnia's Serbs, Croats and its Muslim-led government — agreed Nov. 18 in Geneva to allow free movement of relief convoys. Central Bosnia had received no aid in a month.

Wilkinson said the U.N. relief agency feared "an increasingly restive and aggressive civilian population" and warned that unless there were a dramatic increase in the amount of aid, people might attack U.N. warehouses in search of food.

Egypt approves 11 death sentences for Muslim extremists

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Death sentences imposed on 11 Muslim extremists for trying to overthrow Egypt's secular government received approval Monday from President Hosni Mubarak.

Two of those sentenced by military courts were tried in secret and specific charges against them were not made public.

The other nine belong to the Vanguard of Conquest, a revival of the Jihad group that assassinated President Anwar Sadat in 1981.

Eight of them were sentenced to death for attacking soldiers and stealing weapons. Two of those were tried in absentia and are still at large. The ninth suspect was tried separately and charged with being a leader of the group.

The death sentences were approved four days after the Jihad group claimed responsibility for an assassination attempt on Prime Minister Atef Sedki. He escaped injury from the car bomb, but a 12-year-old girl died and 21 people were injured.

Police said they arrested a suspect Monday, saying he was caught carrying explosives and a remote control device. His name was not released.

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BUSINESS

Existing home sales reach 14-year high

WASHINGTON — Continued low mortgage rates and an improving economy helped push the sales of existing homes to the highest level in more than 14 years in October.

WASHINGTON — Interest rates on short-term Treasury securities fell in Monday's auction.

Rates fall on short-term T-bills

The Treasury Department sold \$13.6 billion in three-month bills at an average discount rate of 3.12 percent, down from 3.14 percent in Monday's auction.

Markets

Dow-Jones

Table with columns for Dow Jones, S&P 500, NYSE, and NASDAQ. Includes a table for New York (NY) Final Dow-Jones averages for Monday, Nov. 29, 1993.

Beans

Table listing various bean prices including Soybean Meal, Soybean Oil, and other types.

Most active

Table showing the most active New York (NY) futures markets including various agricultural and industrial contracts.

Local interest

Table listing local interest rates for various banks and financial institutions.

Closing futures

Table showing closing futures prices for various commodities such as wheat, corn, and soybeans.

Table listing various market data including oil prices, natural gas, and other commodities.

Grains

Table listing grain prices for wheat, corn, and soybeans, including various grades and origins.

Cattle

Table listing cattle prices for various types of livestock including feeders and steers.

Hog

Table listing hog prices for various types of livestock including hogs and pigs.

Other

Table listing other market data including various types of livestock and commodities.

The Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages averaged 6.83 percent in October, down from 6.91 percent a month earlier and the lowest on record.

And they predicted 3.7 million existing home sales by year's end, up 5 percent from the 3.52 million sold in 1992.

Potatoes/onions

Table listing prices for potatoes and onions, including various grades and origins.

Cattle

Table listing cattle prices for various types of livestock including feeders and steers.

Hog

Table listing hog prices for various types of livestock including hogs and pigs.

Other

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Livestock

Table listing livestock prices for various types of animals including cattle, hogs, and sheep.

Market

Table listing market prices for various commodities including oil, gas, and metals.

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Metals

Selected world gold prices, Monday. London afternoon bid, \$375.75; off \$1.00.

Stock listings

New York

Large table listing New York Stock Exchange listings including company names, prices, and market data.

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Table listing stock listings for various companies including prices and market data.

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Comics

Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

WELL, I'LL BE! THIS IS THE SAME LITTLE BUG I SAW OVER ON THE PLAYGROUND TWO DAYS AGO.

HOW DO YOU KNOW?

I HAVE A GOOD MEMORY FOR FACES

Calvin and Hobbes By Bill Watterson

YOU MEAN ITS BEDTIME AND YOU HAVEN'T EVEN STARTED WRITING YOUR PAPER FOR SCHOOL? WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN DOING ALL EVENING?

WELL FIRST, HOBBS AND I INVENTED AND CONSIDERED A THINKING CAP THAT AUGMENTED MY BRAIN SO I COULD THINK UP A GOOD TOPIC, AND THEN WE DREW ILLUSTRATIONS OF...

THAT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE A VERY GOOD TIME BUDGET TO ME.

I WASN'T EXPECTING TO GET AUDITED SO SOON.

B.C. By Johnny Hart

HA HA HA HA HCO HA HEE HEE HAR HAR HO HO

HO HO HEE HEE HAR HAR HA HA HA

WHAT HAPPENED?

'HAPPY HOUR' JUST ENDED.

Garfield By Jim Davis

GLASH!

THINKING OF YOU

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

LOCKING UP! I DON'T WANT JUST ANYONE WALKING IN HERE!

UH... MAYBE I'D BETTER EXPLAIN HOW THIS WORKS AGAIN

OPEN JUST TODAY!

FOR SALE!

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

WOW! THIS IS A REAL BREAKTHROUGH!

WHAT IS IT?

...A RETROACTIVE CURSE!

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

I'M HOME, HELGA!

GOOD! DO YOU WANT TO EAT RIGHT AWAY OR WOULD YOU LIKE TO FRESHEN UP FIRST?

I THINK I'D LIKE TO FRESHEN UP FIRST.

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

LOUISE, BRING ME SOME COFFEE

HEY! I'M NOT YOUR WIFE!

I KNOW YOU'RE NOT

IF YOU WERE I'D PROBABLY BE BRINGING YOU COFFEE

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

NEED 2 TICKETS

The Borri Loser By Art Sanson & Chip

I'M SUPPOSED TO FIND OUT WHAT GENETIC MEANS FOR MY HOMEWORK TODAY

GENETIC? AH, THAT'S AN EASY ONE, MY BOY!

THAT'S THE CHEAP STUFF WITH-OUT BRAND NAMES IN THE GROCERY STORE

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

WOW! YOU CAUGHT APRIL'S COOL, HUH!

HOW DO YOU FEEL, MOM?

AWFUL. MY HEAD ACHES, MY THROAT HURTS - I CAN'T WATCH BUBBLES.

WE'VE BEEN IN BED ALL DAY.

SEE - THAT'S TOO BAD.

WHAT'S FOR SUPPER?

Blonde By Dean Young & Stan Drake

WHAT'S FOR DESSERT?

RUM CAKE

IS IT ANY GOOD?

IT'S SUPER! IT'S THE BEST RUM CAKE THE CHEF HAS EVER MADE!

The Far Side By Gary Larson

Keep a watchful eye on the way out of this spot and every eye of those animals.

At the Federal Mole Penitentiary

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketcham

I'LL TRY

TOO LATE... IT'S ALL GONE

The Family Circus By Bil Keane

I don't know all their first names, but their last name is Saurus."

*WHEN I WAS A LITTLE GIRL, THE BOYS LOVED TO PULL MY PIGTAILS!
 **I KNOW, MARGARET YOU'D LOOK GREAT IN PIGTAILS!

ACROSS

- 1 Stirce back and forth
- 5 Good position
- 9 Semiprecious
- 13 Adict
- 14 A die red...
- 16 Encourage
- 17 Wharf
- 18 "Carman," o-g
- 19 Age prefix
- 20 Lent a hand
- 22 Soft spots
- 24 Require
- 25 Certain ray
- 26 Leaves
- 28 Art of teaching
- 32 Prohibit
- 33 Component of a stable
- 35 Embarkment
- 36 Jason's ship
- 39 Nut protection
- 40 Herb
- 41 Food fish
- 43 Relieves
- 45 Small drink
- 46 By surname
- 48 Paired
- 50 Cans
- 51 Out person
- 52 It ends a sentence
- 55 Relative
- 59 First man
- 60 Actress
- 61 Tynnessas
- 62 Roman garment
- 63 Telegram
- 64 Spoke loosely
- 65 - Knivell
- 66 Look at suggestively
- 67 Study carefully
- 68 Secretary

DOWN

- 1 Insect stago
- 2 Sale condition
- 3 Average grades
- 4 Making a meal up
- 5 Objects
- 6 Plan with a steady gait
- 7 Secondhand
- 8 Debussy's "La -"
- 9 Greatly, offended
- 10 Exec.
- 11 US author
- 12 Camera part
- 15 Rescued
- 21 Wontnessas
- 23 Common abbr.
- 25 Ringers
- 26 Italian city
- 27 Iro
- 28 Entrances
- 29 Synapple
- 30 Very cold
- 31 Sharp cry
- 32 Foundation
- 34 Attention-galters
- 37 Veteran
- 39 Summer drink
- 42 Small music
- 44 Garment for a Hindu lady
- 47 Gait
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- 55 Kind of hly
- 56 Adoration
- 57 "Rock of -"
- 58 From name find
- 61 Circuit

11/30/93

Sydney Omarr Horoscope

IF NOVEMBER 30 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: During December, you'll be active in business, social areas will command more than usual attention, relationship is strong, controversial, might lead to change of marital status. During 1994, new love, new enthusiasms will be on horizon - July will prove outstanding. You possess intellectual curiosity, excellent sense of humor, are super-sensitive concerning appearance, body image.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Out of weller of confusion emerges orderly process - you're able to state, "I know where I am going, why I am here!" Make fresh start, imprint style, ignore hoags, holders of "lessor people."

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Focus on collections, payments, organization - review Aries message for clear picture. Keep abreast of tax, license requirements. Building materials, marital status command spotlight.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Under a Gemini Moon, accelerated social activity, opportunities relating to publishing, travel. Be direct, get to heart of matters, refuse to be "taken for granted."

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Emphasis on repair work, sharpening tools, testing recipes, transforming roadblocks into steppingstones.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Individual who previously opposed you will now become ardent booster. You again realize power of written word - love relationship "heats up." Short trip involves relative in search of papers.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Emphasis on domestic affairs, flowers, music, expressions of love. Controversial views, you're to be liked, accent long-range prospects. Relationship begins of ends, spotlight on partnership, public image, marriage.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Refuse to be limited, accent long-range prospects. Relationship begins of ends, spotlight on partnership, public image, marriage.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You'll be saying, "This is my kind of day!" Scenario features spirited competition, intense relationship, victory in small claims court. Financial status of "opponent" will come to light.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Refuse to be limited, accent long-range prospects. Relationship begins of ends, spotlight on partnership, public image, marriage.

CAPIRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): New deal where employment ends picture - you solve problems with aplomb. Coworker says, "If you were not here, I would leave in a minute!" Focus on fresh start, independence, romance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Emphasis on payments, collections, letting others know, "I have paid my dues!" Fifth House Moon relates to strong physical attraction.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): What appears "sure" is actually be "flimsy." Be alert, aware, don't be afraid to ask questions, examine goods.

Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

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SALON	SARIS	VEE
TREMOR	TENEMENT	
CR	EDITION	LODGER
PROFIT	MODE	LANDS
AUTO	ERROR	DIAL
CITE	ROUSE	UNITO
ENOS	SPEED	WEEP

11/30/93

Astrology earns jail term

Mathematicians' make mistakes. Take Germinio Cardano, an Italian in the strictly religious Italy of the 16th century. He was a mathematician. He made a big mistake. Tried running a horoscope of Christ. Wound up in prison for it.

Spice of falling dominoes has been recalled repeatedly at about 33 per second.

Those who watch a lot of television may be surprised by the findings in a recent study: The subject of "sex" in one form or another turns up on prime time TV once every four minutes, only. Cartoons grow. Butterflies don't.

Volunteer fire departments in cities 150 years ago costumed themselves in splendid uniforms. To appear flashier in parades than their competitors. Later marching bands did likewise. So did the eventual drill teams and cheerleaders, wearing more or less. Whenever people form teams, they compete in style, do they not?

Cicero said only this, his last word, to his assassins: "Strike!"

L.M. Boyd What's what?

Q. In psychiatric talk, what's "the windfall syndrome?"

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Valley life

Collected statistics add up to picture of '90s America

Knight-Ridder News Service

War is safer than it used to be. Walking the streets is riskier. Marriage is on the wane, but births of triplets are on the rise.

The rich are getting richer and the poor are getting poorer. That's been said before, but this time, it's true.

Les Krantz has the figures to prove it. He can also show that train travel is safe, that taxi driving isn't and that being a crime boss ultimately doesn't pay.

It's all part of "America by the Numbers" (Houghton Mifflin, \$10.95), a 231-page paperback Krantz likes to call "a snapshot of America — taken with a very wide lens."

Shuffling through census records, surveys, newspapers, magazines and any stray column of numbers that struck him as interesting, Krantz "tried to keep track of what's important and what's fascinating."

Germans comprise the largest ethnic population in America, at 57.9 million, "and yet who did we fight two World Wars with?" Nearly 39 million Americans give their background as Irish, but the population of Ireland has never topped 4 million. "To me, that's amazing."

Entering into his numerical crystal ball, Krantz sees an America with an increasingly high minority population, an increasingly cranky generation of post-baby boom "baby busters," and increasingly harsh race relations.

Others might look at the same figures and see a different picture. It's all part of being a statistical swami: Interpretation is in the squinty eye of the beholder.

"Take triplets. (Or don't, if you need that extra bedroom for a home office.) Only 61 percent of the adult population is married, compared to 72 percent in 1970. Furthermore, Americans are marrying and having children later than they used to.

So why do triplets occur once in

1,341 births here, compared to once in 9,000 around the world? Older women are more likely to pass multiple eggs than younger women, Krantz says, and more likely to use fertility drugs.

As for how Huey, Dewey and Louie will get through college, it'll help if they were born into a family earning at least \$46,000 per year. The net worth of that group rose 13.6 percent from 1986-90. On average, everyone else's fell.

At least there's good news for Dewey's parents if he decides to join the Army. A horrifying 1 in 16 soldiers died in the Civil War. The odds leveled out to 1 in 55 in World War I, 1 in 170 in Korea and 1 in 3,156 in the Persian Gulf.

"The advent of the helicopter has made an enormous difference," Krantz says, referring more to the evacuation of wounded troops than to the helicopter as a weapon. "I think that's one reason we're going to places like Somalia, the Persian Gulf, Grenada and so on."

Krantz recommends the military as a career. His figures also suggest that there are opportunities in violent crime.

The prison population now tops 800,000, an increase of more than 150 percent in 10 years. But from 1980 to 1990, the percentage of inmates convicted of murder, manslaughter, sexual assault, assault and burglary fell from 60 to 40, while the percentage of drug offenders rose from 10 to 30.

Fill-in-the-void drug dealers are taking up space, Krantz contends, while murderers and rapists are gaining early release. Given that 30 percent of murders are never solved, and that the average convicted killer serves less than 10 years, "one out of every 1,000 people you meet on the street murdered somebody."

Dr. Paige Ralph of Lake Superior State University points out that the 1-in-1,000 estimate doesn't account for multiple murderers — the average

number of people killed by John Gacy (33) and Les Krantz (0) is 16 1/2 — and she doesn't much trust it, anyway.

Ralph, an assistant professor of criminal justice, agrees that there are so many people in prison for drug convictions that they're reducing everybody's sentences. "But most of the violent people serve at least a third of their sentences, so they aren't getting out the next day or anything."

While Krantz is good enough with numbers that he rarely compares apples to oranges, he concedes that some of his produce could be fresher. The most recent statistics on a given subject might date to the late '80s. Most of the numbers come from the '90s, however — and most of them came from his files.

"I'm a compulsive clipper," admits Krantz, 47, whose previous books include "The Jobs Rated Almanac" and "The Best and Worst of Everything." He reflexively cuts out surveys, census reports, polls and charts. "I have a little note pad by the TV, and one by the radio. Sometimes I even carry a tape recorder in my car."

The missing summary The former advertising salesman found the inspiration for "America by the Numbers" at a bookstore near his home in Chicago. Or, more accurately, he didn't find it: "I was browsing for ideas. I saw the 'World Almanac' and the 'Universal Almanac' and 'The People's Almanac.' I thought, 'Hey, there's none on America here.'"

Filling the void "did not require a lot of talent," he says. But at the risk of sounding immodest, "nobody's really looked at America in the perspective I'm doing. Social researchers know these things, but the average guy on the street doesn't."

He loves dispensing trivia: one in 547 men has a hair transplant, one in 31 women has a nose job. But he also sees himself as a pie-chart Paul Revere, and he hopes people are paying attention.

From trivial facts emerge significant truths

of "Everything" and the recently published "Fact! That Matter" and "America by the Numbers."

Take, for example, one of what Krantz likes to call his favorite "gee-whiz megafacts" for the '90s: One of every 1,000 random strangers you encounter has murdered someone.

"Just think about that the next time you're at Wrigley Field," Krantz says with a smile. "And, since only 7 in 10 murders are solved, that means that 3 in 10 aren't and the murderer gets away scot-free."

"Even if the murder is solved, the average convicted murderer serves only about eight years. So there are a lot of people walking around who have killed someone."

"What that tells me is that if someone's giving you a bad time over a parking place or whatever, you'd better be darn careful, because you don't know who you're talking to."

Here's something else to consider: "A Hershey's chocolate bar gets 52 percent of its calories from fat, but Good & Plenty licorice candy has zero grams of fat," Krantz states authoritatively. "That's important,

because I'm watching my weight and I love licorice."

Krantz, 47, spent more than a decade in advertising before moving into publishing with a series of guides to art galleries in Chicago, New York and Washington. In 1985 he came up with the idea for a reference book that would rank hundreds of jobs by criteria such as salary, stress level, security and benefits.

Three years and countless hours spent poring over Bureau of Labor Statistics data, government information and private surveys later, "The Jobs Rated Almanac" hit the bookstores and went on to sell more than 50,000 copies in hardcover and paperback.

"If I got so much publicity on that one, it bogged my mind," recalls Krantz, whose growing reputation as an icon of information means he often gets requests from media types in search of juicy facts to spice up a story or rat show. Unfortunately, the usually good-natured Krantz notes with annoyance, some reporters can be slow when it comes to giving credit where credit is due.

Server's request takes birthday cake

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to the letter from "Joy in Pittsburgh," the waitress who told about six women coming into the restaurant with a cake, ordering coffee only, and asking the waitress to serve the cake. I think I can top that.

For my birthday, my mom took my sister and me to a restaurant for lunch. Mom had brought a small, decorated birthday cake along to celebrate the occasion.

When we finished with lunch, the waitress brought out a knife and three plates for our cake; then she told us that the kitchen help asked if we would let them have a piece, too. Thinking that a couple of pieces of cake wouldn't hurt, Mom said, "Sure, how many pieces do you need?" The waitress said, "Ten pieces should do it."

Needless to say, we were appalled that she had the gall to ask for that many pieces, but Mom had already said yes, so she cut 10 pieces and ended up with just enough cake to serve the three of us.

KATHY IN PORTLAND
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DEAR ABBY: I think I can top the story about the ladies who brought a cake into a restaurant and asked the waitress to cut it and serve it.

I was on duty as head cook in a cafeteria one Sunday afternoon when the cashier came back and asked how much she should charge for a cup of hot water.

I told her we didn't charge for hot water. Then she said, "But the customer wants 12 cups!"

I went out to the dining room and saw 12 people seated around two tables they had pushed together. They had taken plates, silverware and napkins from the buffet table and wanted us to serve the chow mein they had purchased from a takeout restaurant down the street. They had brought their own tea bags to steep tea in our cups! Dessert was fortune cookies from the Chinese restaurant.

Abby, when they left, would you believe they didn't even leave a tip for the person who wiped the tables?

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See Regular Ad for Matinee Times

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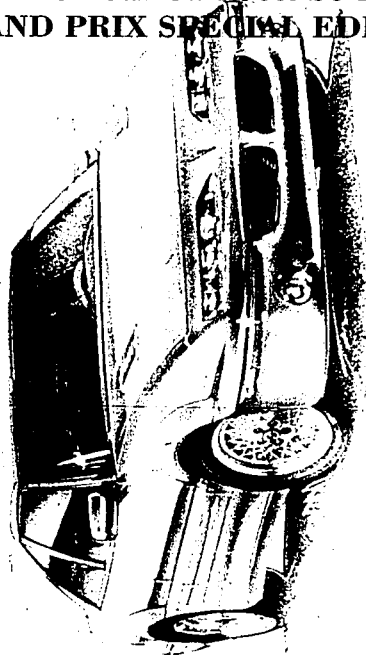
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Sports

No. 3 West Virginia sweet on Sugar Bowl

The Associated Press

So what'll it be, West Virginia — the Cotton or Sugar Bowl?
The undefeated, third-ranked Mountaineers appeared headed to the Cotton on Sunday, but apparently are now leaning toward the Sugar. If the switch occurs, it would send Notre Dame to the Cotton against No. 7 Texas A&M and West Virginia to the Sugar against No. 9 Florida or No. 16 Alabama.
The major reasons: money and television.
The Sugar Bowl pays \$4.15 million per team, compared with \$3 million for the Cotton. The switch also would benefit NBC, which televises the Cotton Bowl and

has a multimillion-dollar deal to show Notre Dame home games.
NBC, which will televise the expected showdown between top-ranked Florida State and No. 2 Nebraska in the Orange Bowl, denied playing a role in the West Virginia situation. But NBC clearly prefers televising Notre Dame in the Cotton instead of having the Fighting Irish play in ABC's Sugar Bowl, which competes with the Orange Bowl for TV ratings on New Year's night.
There was no official word Monday on the bowl destinations of West Virginia and Notre Dame. But several bowl sources said the Mountaineers plan to turn down an invitation from the Cotton and go to the Sugar.

"We'd be honored to play in either one of those," West Virginia athletic director Ed Pastilong said. "And if those invitations are extended, then we certainly will discuss them with our administration and coaches and react accordingly."
Under the bowl coalition system, the Cotton Bowl will probably have first crack at West Virginia when the official selections are made Sunday. But the Mountaineers, champions of the Big East, have the right to decline because they can get more money from the Sugar Bowl.
"West Virginia University is a self-supporting athletic program and finances are obviously important to us," Pastilong said. "Our fans and our team also are important."
Please see BOWLD2

Walter Camp Foundation honors Ward

The Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Record-setting quarterback Charlie Ward of Florida State was honored Monday by the nation's outstanding football player as the Walter Camp Football Foundation.

Individual awards come from team goals and team achievement during the presentation at the school.
Ward (27), the catalyst of the nation's highest-scoring team, was selected for the award in a poll of coaches and sports information directors from the country's Division I-A schools.

"Charlie Ward matches up exactly with the qualities of self-discipline, unselfish team play, desire to excel, mature judgment and respected leadership that we expect in an individual considered for this award," said Robert Gargiulo, president of the Walter Camp Football Foundation.

Ward is the first Florida State player to win the trophy. Last year's winner was quarterback Gino Torretta of Miami.
In leading Florida State to an 11-1 record this season, Ward completed 264 of 380 passes for 3,032 yards, with 27 touchdowns and only four interceptions. He also rushed for 339 yards and four TDs.

"How many players in the world can you name that played a 12-game schedule and didn't have a bad game?" Florida State coach Bobby Bowden. "He is, in my opinion, the most dangerous player in the country."

Ward not set several Florida State records this season, he became the leader in three Atlantic Coast Conference categories: most touchdown passes in a season (27), highest single season passing percentage (69.5 percent) and highest career completion percentage (62.3 percent).



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Richfield at Shoshone, 7:30 p.m.
Hegeman at Castleton, 7:30 p.m.
Ruff River at Rockland, 7:30 p.m.

Sports on TV

8:30 p.m. — Channel 13, NHL hockey, Washington at NY Islanders
9 p.m. — Channel 31, NBA basketball, Phoenix at Chicago
7 p.m. — Channel 23, Bojtg, Jones-Chirco (midweek nights)

Briefly

Wolves change fee for tonight's girls' game

CASTLEFORD — Instead of charging the regular admission fee at the Hagerman-Castleford girls' basketball game tonight, Castleford High School will ask for a donation of one non-perishable food item or a small cash gift.
The food and money collected will be used to assemble and distribute holiday food baskets through the West End Ministerial Association in Butte.
The junior varsity game starts at 6 p.m. with the varsity contest to follow at about 7:30 p.m.

Keanaaina transferred from Valley to Minico High

RUPERT — The Times-News sports page incorrectly identified Farrah Keanaaina of Minico as a foreign exchange student.
She is a transfer student, having attended Valley High School in Hazelton last year.
Keanaaina, a basketball player, voluntarily transferred to Minico High School after completing her sophomore year at Valley. The Times-News regrets the error.

Holyfield's future offers 2 bright spots: Quitting, Lewis

LONDON — Evander Holyfield's next fight could be a unification bout against WBC champion Lennox Lewis.
Frank Maloney, Lewis' manager, said the possible matchup is contingent on whether Holyfield decides to fight again. After beating Riddick Bowe for the WBA and IBF titles this month at Las Vegas, Holyfield said he might retire.
Maloney said he was in contact with U.S. promoter Dan Duva, who reported that Holyfield is undecided on his future. A decision is expected by Christmas.

Russian powerlifting pair caught carrying steroids

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — Two members of the Russian team sent to the Powerlifting World Championships were caught by Swedish customs carrying large quantities of anabolic steroids, the national news agency TT reported Monday.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Sportsquote

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I thought someone put a cellophane cover on our basket.

99
— Coach Bob Weiss, after the Los Angeles Clippers scored only 10 points in the first quarter of a loss to the Houston Rockets last Saturday

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Going down



San Diego Chargers' Leslie O'Neal sacks Indianapolis Colts quarterback Jeff George during second-quarter action Monday night in Indianapolis. The Chargers won, 31-0.

Chargers zap Colts, 31-0

The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The slumping San Diego Chargers needed a victory, and a healthy Stan Humphries gave it to them.
Making his first start since he bruised his right shoulder eight weeks ago, Humphries passed for 216 yards and two touchdowns Monday night, sending the Chargers to a 31-0 romp over the Indianapolis Colts, a team in even more dire need of a victory than San Diego.
San Diego (5-6), the AFC West champion a year ago but hurt by injuries this season, had lost five of its past seven games, including four since John Friesz replaced Humphries as the starter. But Humphries, who appeared in relief last week in a loss to the Los Angeles Raiders, was ready this time.
The Colts (3-8) have lost four straight games and seven of their last eight.
Keeping the Colts guessing by going to eight different receivers, Humphries hit

12 of 19 attempts for 171 yards in the first half, including five straight for 81 yards on the Chargers' second possession. The 97-yard drive was San Diego's longest of the season, and a 39-yard TD pass to Shawn Jefferson on the second play of the second quarter was Humphries' longest completion this season and Jefferson's longest reception and first touchdown of the year.
For the game, Humphries hit 16 of 25 attempts with no interceptions and no sacks.
The Colts lost the ball on an interception and twice on fumbles, including one that set up the Chargers' third touchdown on a 1-yard run by Marion Butts on the first play of the fourth quarter.
The interception by Stanley Richard of a pass by Colts running back Anthony Johnson stopped the most serious Indianapolis scoring threat at the San Diego 3 in the first quarter.
Another drive after Jefferson's touchdown took the Colts to the San Diego 24

before Jeff George was sacked by Leslie O'Neal and Dean Biasucci missed a 53-yard field goal attempt.
Runs of 16 and 25 yards by rookie Natrone Means started the Chargers' second scoring drive late in the second quarter after the Colts punted on fourth-and-1 from their 48. Humphries, who came in as the NFL's lowest-rated quarterback, hit three passes on that drive, including 18 yards to Johnnie Barnes and 8 yards to Nate Lewis for the touchdown 34 seconds before halftime.
The 14-0 lead marked San Diego's most points in the first half of a game this season.
The Chargers lost the ball on downs at the Indianapolis 12 on the first drive of the second half, but they scored on their next three possessions including a 36-yard field goal by John Carney late in the third period and the 1-yard TD run by Butts three plays after Colts rookie Roosevelt Potts fumbled at the 8.

Kentucky slips into No. 1 spot, look ahead to next games

The Associated Press

Kentucky has to hope its stay at No. 1 is longer than the last time.
The Wildcats moved up from No. 2 in the college basketball poll Monday following North Carolina's loss to Massachusetts and their own victory over Louisville.
Kentucky's time at the top last season lasted just one week. In fact, the Wildcats, just hours after being elevated to No. 1, lost on the road to then-unranked Vanderbilt.
This week, Kentucky has two games — Tennessee Tech at home Wednesday night and Indiana at the Hoosier Dome on Saturday.
"We're so far from No. 1 it's not funny," coach Rick Pitino said. "It's really important now to be No. 1. It's only relevant in football."
Kentucky received 30 first-place votes



and 1,536 points from the nationwide media panel with fellow Southeastern Conference member Arkansas second. The Razorbacks got 14 first-place votes and 1,478 points.
It's the first time two teams from the same league held the top spots since Michigan and Indiana of the Big Ten were 1-2 in the second regular-season poll last year. Both lost the same week, Michigan to Duke and Indiana to Kansas.
"Players always want to be No. 1," Kentucky guard Travis Ford said. "But there's so much time left in the season. It's fun for the fans."
Kansas, which beat three ranked teams in

winning the Preseason NIT, moved from sixth to third. The Jayhawks received 13 first-place votes and were just three points behind Arkansas.
North Carolina (3-1), the runaway preseason No. 1 which lost in the NIT semifinals, dropped to fourth. But the Tar Heels still got two first-place votes.
Michigan, No. 1 on three ballots, held fifth. Duke and Temple, with one first-place vote each, occupied the next two spots. Oklahoma State was eighth, while Massachusetts and UCLA — the last of the eight teams to receive a first-place vote — rounded out the Top Ten.
Louisville dropped from seventh to lead the Second Ten, and was followed by Virginia, California, Purdue, Minnesota, Illinois, Georgia Tech, Syracuse, Arizona and Vanderbilt.
Indiana, shocked by Butler in its opener,

dropped from 11th to 21st. The Hoosiers were followed by George Washington, Cincinnati, Wisconsin and Georgetown.
Massachusetts' jump from 18th to ninth puts the Minutemen (4-1) in the Top Ten for the first time ever. They followed the victory over North Carolina with a strong showing against Kansas in the Preseason NIT championship game and then won at Oklahoma two days later.
Purdue made the week's second-biggest jump. The Boilermakers went from 21st to 14th following their title run at the Great Alaska Shootout, which Glenn Robinson by averaging 32.3 points a game for three games.
Both Indiana and Georgetown dropped 10 places. The Hoosiers lost to Butler for the first time since 1958, while the Hoyas (1-1), who fell from 15th to 25th, lost their opener to Maryland in overtime.

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Yemen releases American diplomat, minister says

SAN'A, Yemen (AP) — Kidnapper U.S. diplomat Haynes Mahoney III was released late Monday by Yemeni tribesmen who had held him hostage at their desert stronghold, Interior Minister Yahya al-Mutawakkil said.

The minister told The Associated Press that Mahoney was released at 10:30 p.m. (12:30 p.m. MST). He was kidnapped Thursday on his way to a Thanksgiving dinner.

"We are met all the demands of the kidnappers. We pledge to carry them out," the minister said in a telephone interview. He said Mahoney already had been returned to the capital, San'a.

The demands included payment to the tribe for an oil-pumping station used by the U.S. Yemen Hunt Oil Co., back salaries for 15 American men who were discharged from the presidential guard, back salaries for a number of similarly discharged officers and an economic development plan for the tribe's region, said al-Mutawakkil, a provincial official of the Yemen Socialist Party, one of the country's main political groups.

Five gunmen abducted Mahoney, the head of the U.S. Information Service office, Thursday in San'a after he left reception at the Taj Sheba hotel and headed to a friend's house for Thanksgiving dinner.

Al-Mutawakkil and some influential tribal chiefs had negotiated with the tribe, holding Mahoney in the desert stronghold at Gahm, 45 miles northeast of San'a.

The Saudi Arabian daily Ashraq Al-Awsat, which closely watches Yemen, reported Monday that authorities had seized "a number of relatives" of the tribal leader, Sheikh Mubarak Saleh al-Sa'idi, in an effort to speed the American's release.

Tribal sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, told The Associated Press that the detained relatives included the sheik's son.

Government officials would not comment on any reports.

Yemen is in the throes of a severe political crisis because of differences between President Ali Abdullah Saleh and Vice President Ali Salem al-Beidh over the pace of reforms, including the failure to rein in an unruly security situation in a nation of armed tribesmen.

Japanese economy looks bleak

TOKYO (AP) — Profits are down, unemployment is rising, the stock market has lost almost 20 percent of its value in the last month.

Winter has come early to the Japanese economy — and there is no promise of revival in the spring.

"The disappointment is pretty complete," says Richard C. Koo, senior economist at Nomura Research Institute. "Nothing on the horizon suggests an economic recovery or recovery in corporate profits. There is nothing to look forward to."

On Monday, the Tokyo Stock Market's key index plunged to its lowest level this year. After hours of panicky trading, the 225-issue Nikkei Stock Average shed 647.66 points, or 3.87 percent, to close at 16,078.71.

Even worse, analysts said the drop was not a reaction to any specific event, just the lack of good news.

It capped a monthlong decline of more than 500 points — and added to snubbing pessimism over the prospects for an economic recovery.

Consider the following:

- In recent weeks, Japanese manufacturers reported sharp drops in profits across the board for the half-year that ended in September.
- Many businesses have announced job cuts or cutbacks in production. Officially, unemployment remains at 2.5 percent. But according to an Asahi Bank report, the jobs

rate would be about 6.5 percent if calculated by U.S. standards.

Department store sales are down. Plant and equipment investment, and machinery orders, all negative.

Lists of economic indicators look like a temperature chart for the North Pole — in December.

Japan's auto exports plunged 25 percent in October, which one industry official attributed to a prolonged slump in foreign demand and to this year's rapid appreciation of the yen.

On the positive side, prices aren't rising. Consumer inflation is running about 1.4 percent annually and producer prices are falling. Help wanted signs appear on most Tokyo city blocks, but they are for jobs no one seems to want: waitressing, clerking, cleaning.

When Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa took office in August, he pledged to wipe out political corruption, promote government efficiency and revive the slumping economy, in that order.

Now he faces mounting pressure to make the economy his number one concern.

"The market's direction depends on what the government is or isn't going to do," says Kathy Matsui, strategist at Barclays de Zoete Wedd. "So far, it just sits smack there and seems to do nothing."

One possible move would be to set aside political reform legislation, which appears headed for trouble in

the upper house, and enact an income tax cut.

Economists disagree, however, whether a tax cut would have much real impact. Many believe thrifty consumers would just sock the extra money away instead of spending it. And cutting income taxes would force the highly unpopular move of raising sales taxes.

Still, some argue that doing anything is better than doing nothing.

"It's worth a try," says Koo. "Hope can be very useful."

Another idea being considered is channeling funds to small and medium-sized businesses hardest hit by the downturn.

So far, however, the economy has resisted all the usual cures.

Public works spending has grown by an average 14 percent in the past three years. 11 percent in 1993. And the discount rate is at its lowest level ever — 1.75 percent — but investment has not picked up.

Despite the bad news, Hosokawa's government is enjoying record high popularity ratings — more than 70 percent in most polls. But the plunge in share prices has shaken confidence in the government's plans to pull the country out of recession.

"The stock market is warning of a bottomless downturn," the newspaper Mainichi warned in an editorial Monday. "To prevent a disaster, effective economic programs need to be implemented quickly."

Ruling party claims win in bitter race

MERIDA, Mexico (AP) — Mexico's longtime governing party declared victory Monday in a bitterly contested governor's race tainted by opposition allegations of voter fraud.

Opposition candidates had said the race for Yucatan state governor would be an early test of President Carlos Salinas de Gortari's promise to hold a "clean and fair" presidential election in August. Salinas' Institutional Revolutionary Party, known by the initials PRI, has not lost the presidency in its 64-year history.

The independent pollster Opinion Professional gave Federico Granja Ricalde 58 percent to opposition candidate Ana Rosa Payan's 41 percent, based on exit surveys from Sunday's voting. Official results were not expected before late Wednesday.

Granja Ricalde, a 53-year-old civil engineer, is promising to create 15,000 jobs, mostly through public works, to combat rising unemployment.

But Payan, the 42-year-old mayor of the state capital Merida, refused to concede defeat, saying her National Action party was manipulated by rural vote fraud. She also claimed victory by her conservative party in the key mayoral race in Merida.

Payan had promised to help Yucatan's impoverished farmers, clean up widespread corruption and shake the state free from the political control wielded by party bosses in Mexico City.

She called for a huge demonstration on Merida's central plaza Monday evening to be attended by the party's presidential candidate, Congressman Diego Fernandez de Cevallos.

Palestinians blast Israel for dragging feet on peace talks

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Israel is stalling at talks on implementing its peace accord with the PLO to put pressure on Palestinian negotiators, the chief Palestinian delegate charged Monday.

Nabil Shaath told reporters that Israeli negotiators did not seem committed to meeting a Dec. 13 deadline for Israeli troops to begin pulling out of the occupied Gaza Strip and the town of Jericho on the West Bank.

The date was set in the Sept. 13 peace accord, which would have Israel turn over the two areas to Palestinian control as a test for a full peace later between Palestinians and Israelis.

But Israel's concern over ensuring security — especially for Jewish settlers — has collided with the PLO's hope for a broad withdrawal to show Palestinians the talks have real meaning.

As the Dec. 13 deadline approaches, the negotiators seem to disagree both on the content of the withdrawal and the urgency of beginning it on schedule.

"There are several Israeli attempts to ease off their commitment to implement the date ... as a way to put pressure on the Palestinians," Shaath said. He accused Israel of complicating the talks.

Shaath and other Palestinians say the deadline is important to prevent the negotiations from being overwhelmed by violence in the occupied lands and to avoid delays in Israel's separate peace talks with Syria, Jordan and Lebanon.

In Israel, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin said his government was working toward the deadline, but added it was more important to come up with a good plan than tied to a specific date.

"First of all from our point of view, security is important," Rabin told a monthly committee. "Therefore, it is preferable to reach a clear agreement so that during implementation we will have as little misunderstandings as possible."

Rabin has to move cautiously because escalating violence between Palestinians and Israelis has eroded public support in

Israel for the pact.

In Copenhagen, Denmark, PLO chairman Yasser Arafat warned that "the whole peace process will be affected" if the Israelis do not beginning their pullout as scheduled.

The Palestine Liberation Organization leader spoke to reporters on the last day of a five-day tour of Scandinavia to raise funds for the Palestinian autonomous zone.

In a new threat to the peace accord, gunmen loyal to Arafat opened fire on five Israeli police and army stations in Gaza Monday. No one was reported hurt in the attacks by the Fatah Hawks vigilante squad, which ended its truce with the army soldiers after Israeli undercover agents killed a Hawk in Gaza on Sunday.

Shaath said Israel had helped to surmount one main obstacle in negotiations Monday by presenting a proposal for the release of about 10,000 Palestinian prisoners. The PLO sees freeing the detainees as vital to maintaining Palestinian support for

the peace talks.

But talks remain stalled on the area of Jericho to be vacated and control of border crossings to Egypt and Jordan, Shaath said.

While the Palestinians see the issues of borders and Jericho's size as a measure of their control, both also involve Israeli security.

Keeping Israeli soldiers on the borders will let Israel know who is going in and out. Vacating Jericho according to the larger borders defined by the PLO would mean putting more settlers within the sectors to be controlled by Palestinians.

In Amman, Jordan, Palestinian radicals opposed to the autonomy accord announced plans to meet in early January to discuss ways to wreck the pact.

The conference is to be attended by 10 hard-line and Muslim fundamentalist groups that consider the accord a sellout because it does not promise an independent Palestinian state.

Warrior takes time out to try his hand at governing Afghanistan

CHARASYAB, Afghanistan (AP) — From this ramshackle roadside village, Prime Minister Gulbuddin Hekmatyar mostly wages war against his enemies.

But he does reserve one day a week to sip tea with them at his regular Cabinet meeting.

In Afghanistan's convoluted civil war, the feuding factions made Hekmatyar head of government in May, including some of the same enemies he now battles.

But he's yet to enter the nearby capital of Kabul for fear of attack from his countless rivals, including the president who put him in power — he's accumulated during almost two decades as a guerrilla fighter.

"Unfortunately, the fighting is still going on, the terse, soft-spoken Hekmatyar said in a recent interview with The Associated Press. "The city needs to be vacated by all armed parties."

Since Hekmatyar and his hard-line Hezb-e-Islami faction are at odds with President Burhuddin Rabbani, the fragmented government comes to him in this dilapidated collection of adobe huts and farm fields 15 miles south of Kabul.

For the Sunday Cabinet meetings, Hekmatyar heads to government in chauffeured Mercedes-Benzes and travel from their Kabul offices to Hekmatyar's base in a heavily armed convoy.

Nine separate factions each hold two seats in the 60-member cabinet, which has limited authority, almost no money and remains hopelessly divided.

The parties agree Afghanistan should be an Islamic state, and some of the ministers manage to function. But more often than not, the ministers disagree. That's not surprising, as the rival parties are often firing rockets at one another from the brown, barren hills that surround the devastated capital.

"Relations in the Cabinet are good," maintains Hekmatyar. But he concedes the current arrangement is not the best way to run a government and hopes his seat of power could move to Kabul.

An estimated 10,000 people have been killed since April 1992, when the Islamic militias started shooting at one another in a bid for power after ousting the Communist government installed by the former Soviet Union. At least six factions



Gulbuddin Hekmatyar says Kabul needs to be evacuated by all armed parties.

nic and linguistic differences even before the Soviet invasion of 1979. Now the various factions have acquired vast stockpiles of modern weaponry to press their demands.

The many-sided battle is seen as a raw power struggle, and no group appears strong enough to deliver a decisive military blow. The 14-year war seems set to drag on, leaving the country a patchwork of fiefdoms ruled by rival warlords.

The fighting in both Kabul and the countryside is sporadic. The capital sometimes feels so calm that it's impossible to find the front lines.

But the next morning awakes to the thunder of rockets raining down randomly on the city. After several hours the attack stops as suddenly as it began, with no ground gained or lost.

It's business as usual on the dirt roads and narrow alleys of Kabul's main bazaar. The wooden vending stalls are packed with shoppers jostling to buy fruit, nuts and fresh bread, all in abundance. One man sells sizzling kebabs, standing next to his wheelbarrow filled with sheep heads, freshly cut.

Yet in the nearby Tagab Valley, 40 miles to the northeast, Hekmatyar's troops have been waging a bloody battle with Rabbani's forces. Hundreds have died, mostly civilians, since the fighting erupted Nov. 1.

Many Afghans saw Hekmatyar as a hero for his key role in the guerrilla campaign that drove the Soviet army out of Afghanistan. Now, many blame him for the ongoing fighting.

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