

Good morning

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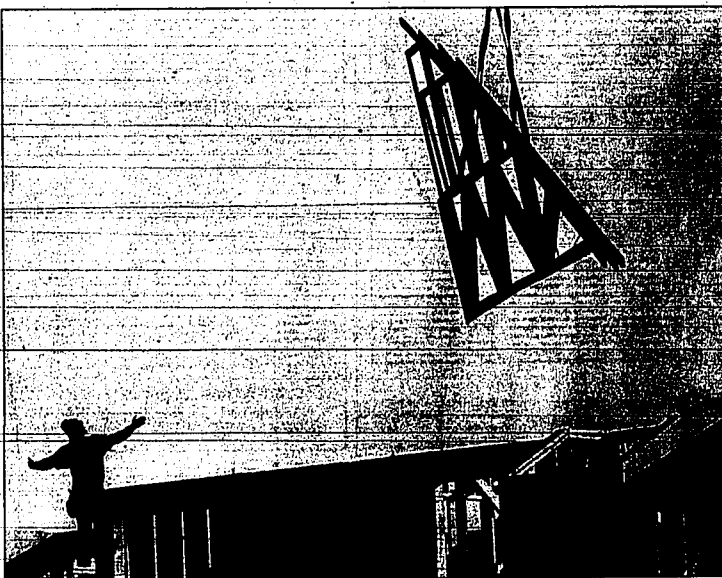
The young woman who would be the first female cadet in the history of The Citadel, the South Carolina military school, is ready to start classes. The school is making a last stand in federal court against her admission.
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Meeting a demand



Construction worker Dan Barret guides a truss onto a roof Friday at the \$2.38 million expansion of Pacific Housing's Fawnbrook Apartments in Twin Falls.

Single-family home construction up 13% in Twin Falls during 1993

By Mick Normington
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Increased construction activity in Twin Falls in 1993 was possibly most evident in the number of new houses, which increased 13 percent. Commercial construction was steady.

The city's Building Department issued permits for 189 single-family homes. That compares to 167 the previous year.

And despite the increased supply of single-family homes, heavy demand from buyers is causing new homes to sell quickly, according to many builders.

"At our subdivision we haven't had a house sit for more than a month before selling," said Chuck Hansen, a partner in K-Tek Inc., which builds homes in the Hillcrest II subdivision at Filer Avenue and Eastland Drive on the northeast side of Twin Falls.

And Hansen said he expects demand to

increase again this year. In 1993, K-Tek sold 10 houses. This year he said he expects his company to sell 20 to 30 homes.

Hansen also said that the vast majority of new houses he sees selling are going to local families moving into larger homes rather than new people moving into Twin Falls.

"We really expected to see an influx of Californians to the area. But we've yet to sell once to a Californian," he said.

Cindy Houser, a Realtor with Gem State Realty, said she's been especially busy selling homes, even in the winter. She added she believes another factor for increased demand is that local companies are performing well and expanding.

Another factor in the increased demand from home buyers in 1993 was especially low mortgage rates. Interest rates on home mortgages fell from January through October, when they dipped to a 21-year low of 6.83 percent. This

week, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. lists the national average mortgage rate at 7.23 percent.

While single-family home construction was up in 1993, multi-family construction was down 38 percent, according to Building Department records.

In 1992, 22 buildings containing 148 rental units were built. In 1993, 14 buildings were constructed with 92 units. And that included the second phase of a \$2.38 million expansion of 64 new apartments at Pacific Housing's Fawnbrook Apartments, which began in December.

And new commercial construction was about even, with 24 new commercial buildings erected in 1992 and 23 in 1993. Total construction swelled in 1993 with 498 total construction projects compared to 403 in 1992.

Idaho Power Co. also noted the growth in Twin Falls. Idaho Power had 18,707 residential customers in 1993, up 2.1 percent from 1992.

Clinton plans to slash public housing funds

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - President Clinton will propose cutting more than \$2 billion for public housing next year - particularly slashing aid to the elderly, congressional sources said Friday.

At the same time, the administration will call for boosting spending for the homeless by nearly 50 percent and nearly doubling a rent subsidy program for the poor, said congressional aides and lobbyists who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The cuts for public housing construction and renovation are certain to create an uproar among members of Congress and advocacy groups that support those programs. About 5 million families get federal rental assistance or live in dwellings that were built or rehabilitated with federal funds.

Clinton is putting the finishing touches on his \$1.5 trillion budget for the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1. And though he plans to unveil it Feb. 7, details are beginning to emerge.

Aides said other proposals include:

- Increases of nearly 3 percent for the departments of Education and Health and Human Services, although some programs within each agency are cut.

- Shrinking the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's budget slightly from \$14.5 billion this year to \$14.3 billion next year.

- Increasing the budget for the National Science Foundation, which finances many of the country's research scientists, to \$3.2 billion from \$3 billion this year.

Death penalty in focus

The Associated Press

BOISE - Idaho's first execution in more than 36 years, coming four days before the 1994 Idaho Legislature convenes Monday, is focusing lawmakers' attention on law-and-order issues.

"Since this was the first execution in 36 years, it probably heightened public awareness of the death penalty," said Senate President Pro Tem Jerry Twigg, R-Blackfoot.

The execution of Keith Eugene Wells early Thursday left 20 men and one woman on Death Row at the state prison. Many have been there 10 years or more. Some lawmakers are talking about tightening laws.

Others have mixed feelings. "I don't know how other people will see it but I was stunned as I watched it on TV," said House Speaker Michael Simpson, R-Blackfoot. "People who were in favor of the death penalty counted down and then cheered like it was a New Year's celebration. It just makes me sick."

"I understand that some people commit crimes that are so heinous that they have forfeited their right to live. I don't know how you can cheer anybody's death. There is something seriously wrong with those people," Simpson said.



Darlington

Attorney General Larry Echohawk expects renewed focus on the death penalty. He expects bills dealing with the "proportionality" issue that caused the Idaho Supreme Court to overturn at least one death sentence, and with lengthy appeals.

"I don't think the execution of Keith Wells in any way has reduced support for the death penalty in Idaho," he said.

Although Echohawk doesn't plan his own legislation on most "law and order" issues, he figures to have much to say on the subject this session.

With a series of statewide rallies, he unveiled a proposed constitutional amendment giving victims far more specific rights in criminal cases. Sen. Roger Madson, R-Boise, opposed putting so much detail in the Constitution.

Echohawk, Deputy Steve Tobiasen and Madson have been trying to reach agreement on a proposal for lawmakers.

"I commend them for being willing to listen to my ideas," Madson said. "I still have trouble with the concept of putting statutory language in the Constitution."

Madson plans to work with Echohawk and Tobiasen on a bill to cut the time needed to carry out an execution. Current law says a judge must set an execution date within 30 days.

"I think we need to set the death penalty at seven to 10 days at the longest so this doesn't become a media circus," Madson said. "We need to get it carried out with dispatch."

Sen. Denton Darlington, R-Declo, chairman of the Senate Judiciary and Rules Panel, is working on bills that would give schools more authority to ban gang-related clothing.

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Court set to release Iran-Contra report

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - A special prosecutor's final report on the Iran-Contra scandal should be released to the public even though it is "rife with accusations" against people never indicted, a federal appellate court said Friday.

The court denied requests by some former high-ranking officials involved in the scandal to withhold all or most of the report by independent counsel Lawrence Walsh.

A special panel of three appellate judges said it will release the report in 10 days unless those seeking its suppression appeal to the Supreme Court. In that case, release would be delayed until the high court acts.

The ruling did not say whether the report should be released. The request to delete all or most of the report was "a tempting but impractical" one, the court said.

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But sources have told The Associated Press that secret court filings seeking major deletions from the massive report were made by lawyers for former President Reagan, former Attorney General Edwin Meese, and ex-White House aide Oliver North.

The appeals court said it found "considerable merit" in the arguments of those seeking suppression on grounds of fairness.

"It is rife with accusations of guilt of criminal conduct against persons never indicted or convicted," said the opinion written by Judge David S. Siler.

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Area, state, nation unemployment low

By Mick Normington
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Unemployment levels in Gooding, Jerome and Twin Falls counties fell in 1993 to an average seasonally adjusted rate of 6.1 percent, down from 6.7 percent in 1992.

The three-county area is used by the Idaho Department of Employment to track employment levels for the Magic Valley.

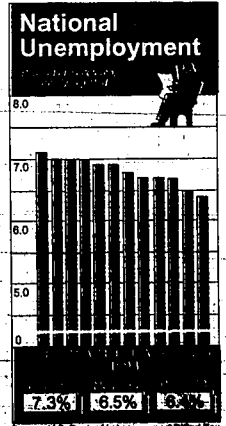
But the unemployment was lower this year in all but one of the eight local counties, despite a growing population, said Lon McDonald, labor analyst for the Idaho Job Service.

"Our labor force is growing and continues to grow," McDonald said.

Unemployment levels in most of the Magic Valley counties rose in December from their November levels, but that's normal, he said. Business activity slows down in December because of the cold weather and holidays.

But with the exception of Jerome and Gooding counties, each Magic Valley county saw its unemployment rate for December 1993 lower than in December 1992. McDonald said Jerome County is moving toward becoming an "urban" economy and the effects from the Tupperware plant shut down in June 1988 still felt in the county's economy.

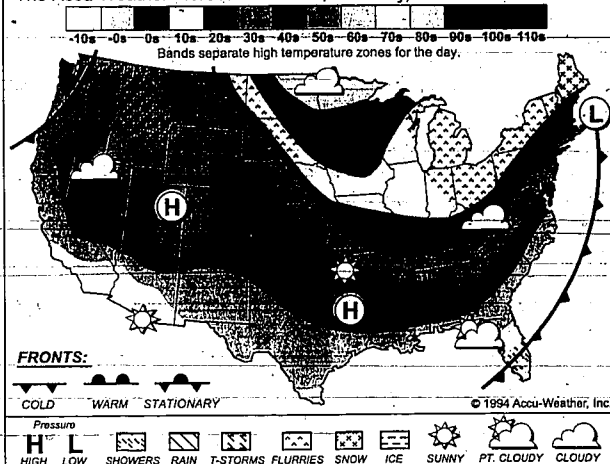
The Gooding-Jerome-Twin area saw a 1.2 percent drop in unemployment from 7.3 percent in 1992 to 6.1 percent in 1993.



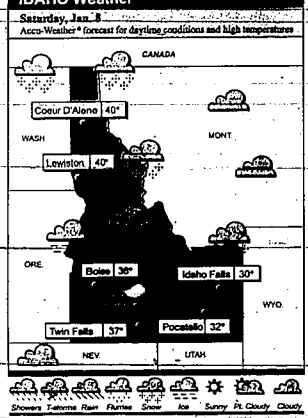
Weather

NATIONAL Weather

The Accu-Weather® forecast for noon, Saturday, Jan. 8.



IDAHO Weather



Temperatures

Albuquerque	43	24	Max Min Pcp	Seattle	47	41
Atlanta	66	51	17	Spokane	35	30
Boston	21	11	47	Washington	37	33
Chicago	26	-1	25			
Dallas	40	24	25			
Denver	43	7	27			
Des Moines	4	-10	25			
Detroit	21	14	06			
Honolulu	80	68	08			
Houston	51	45	25			
Indianapolis	29	12	05			
Kansas City	17	0	20			
Las Vegas	53	29	28			
Los Angeles	75	51	04			
Memphis	38	38	49			
Miami Beach	76	69	03			
Milwaukee	27	3	03			
Minneapolis	0	-13	47			
New Orleans	74	47	18			
New York	25	21	17			
Oklahoma City	28	14	04			
Omaha	1	-6	28			
Phoenix	65	38	08			
Pittsburgh	36	22	22			
Portland, Me.	16	7	12			
Portland, Ore.	47	33	24			
Reno	39	19	28			
St. Louis	13	7	06			
Salt Lake City	38	24	24			
San Francisco	53	44	25			

Forecasts

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding:
Today cloudy. A slight chance of rain showers. Highs 35 to 40. South to west winds 5 to 15 mph. Tonight and Sunday mostly cloudy. A chance of snow showers. Lows 25 to 30. Highs in the mid-30s.

Camas Prairie and Wood River Valley:
Today cloudy. A slight chance of snow. Highs 30 to 35. Tonight and Sunday mostly cloudy. A chance of snow showers. Lows in the teens. Highs 30 to 35.

Extended forecast: Southern Idaho - Monday and Tuesday mostly cloudy with a chance of rain or snow. Lows in the teens and 20s. Highs in the 30s and lower 40s. Wednesday partly cloudy. A slight chance of snow in the mountains. Lows in the teens and 20s. Highs in the 30s to mid-40s.

Northern Utah and Nevada:
Utah - Today and tonight mostly cloudy. Highs mid- to upper 30s. Lows 20 to 25. Sunday chance of snow. Highs 30-35. Chance of measurable snow is 30 percent Sunday.

Visible planets

Morning: Jupiter
Evening: Saturn

Snow, ice, cold chill nation from Rockies to Northeast

The Associated Press

Snow and ice wracked much of the Northeast on Friday, more snow whacked the western Great Lakes, and arctic air smacked the northern Plains.

A mixture of snow, sleet and freezing rain fell from northern Virginia and Maryland into southern New England, where snow accumulations of up to 7 inches were reported.

To the south of the weather front causing that mixture, up to 2 inches of rain splattered eastern Kentucky and parts of West Virginia. Combined with melting snow and ice jams, it caused some flooding of creeks and streams.

Across the western Great Lakes, snow continued as a trough of low pressure slowly drifted across the region, with lake effect conditions along Lakes Superior, Huron and Michigan enhancing the snows.

The biggest snowfall arrived at Finland, Minn., where 36 inches had piled up since noon Thursday. Total snowfall at Duluth reached 23 inches.

In Michigan's Upper Peninsula, 17 inches piled up at

Elko County - Today mostly cloudy north with a slight chance of snow near the northern border. Partly cloudy elsewhere. Highs mid-30s to mid-40s. Tonight mostly cloudy. Slight chance of snow north. Lows lower teens to mid-20s. Sunday mostly cloudy. Slight chance of snow north. Highs from the mid-30s to the mid-40s.

Weather summary

Mostly higher pressure continued across Idaho as a weather system off the coast makes its way into the state with arrival expected over the weekend.

The state experienced mostly higher clouds in advance of the weather system on Friday. However, some locations were reporting some lower clouds, mostly in the mountain areas.

Conditions over southern Idaho were brisk at times when the winds gusting to bring the wind chill temperature down into the teens. Some showers could be expected across the state into the weekend as the weather system tracks along the northwest states.

On Friday, only two stations reported any precipitation. Grace in southeastern Idaho showed .16 inch and Mullin in the panhandle recorded .10 inch.

The highest temperature in the state Friday was 44 degrees at Hagerman. Stanley reported the lowest at 17 degrees below zero.

Elsewhere in the nation Friday, the highest temperature was 81 degrees at Hollywood, Fla. Plentywood, Mont., reported the lowest temperature at 33 degrees below zero.

Shepherson, 16 inches at Hancock and 12 at Hubbell.

Elsewhere around the nation, arctic cold spread through much of the northern and central Plains and the upper Mississippi Valley.

Early afternoon temperatures were in the single digits as far south as northern Missouri and central Illinois, with brisk westerly winds adding considerable chill.

The National Weather Service said another storm system approaching the Pacific Northwest will spread rain and snow inland. A foot of snow was possible in the Cascades of Washington.

Warm weather was generally limited to the south Atlantic and eastern Gulf coasts.

The coldest air hit North Dakota and eastern Montana, where lows at several locations were in the 20s and 30s below zero.

Bohannon, N.D., bottomed out at 34 degrees below zero for the lowest temperature in the Lower 48.

But despite the bone-chilling cold, the weather service said, there were no reports of record-breaking temperatures.

Briefly

CIA finds no record of human testing

WASHINGTON - A preliminary search of CIA records found no cases of humans used in radiation experiments, the agency said Friday.

It pledged to continue searching as part of a governmentwide effort to uncover the extent of such testing.

The agency said it is conducting a "major inquiry" in conjunction with a White House-directed task force that was formed after the Energy Department recently acknowledged Cold War-era testing on humans.

The CIA said all the information it has collected so far "reflects what was already revealed" to the 1975 presidentially appointed Rockefeller Commission and to congressional investigators in the 1970s.

Oregon joins Idaho in salmon suit

SALEM, Ore. - Oregon will join Idaho in a lawsuit challenging federal findings on Columbia River dams' harm to salmon runs, Gov. Barbara Roberts said Friday.

The governor said Oregon officials decided to intervene in the legal action because the state has not been given an adequate chance to relate its views to the National Marine Fisheries Service.

"We simply were not afforded a meaningful role in this consultation," she said.

The fisheries service evaluates federal plans for operating the river's hydroelectric dams to determine whether the plans would harm any threatened or endangered salmon runs.

Roberts said the state argues with a fisheries service finding, under which it approved 1993 dam operations, that a death rate as high as 90 percent of migrating fall chinook did not jeopardize the run.

Court to reconsider gay case order

WASHINGTON - A federal appellate court will reconsider a ruling that ordered the Pentagon to grant

an officer's commission to a midshipman ousted from the U.S. Naval Academy after revealing he is gay.

The full U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia said Friday it will reconsider the ruling issued by three of its judges last November in the case of Joseph Steffan, who resigned under pressure from the academy in 1987 after acknowledging his homosexuality.

The Clinton administration had sought only a limited review of the Nov. 16 ruling, which said the Navy could not expel a midshipman solely on the basis of his sexual orientation.

The administration's appeal asserted only that the three judges exceeded their authority when they ordered the Pentagon to commission Steffan as an officer.

But the appeals court, in an unsigned order, said a member of the court proposed that the entire case be reheard, and a majority of the court's members agreed. The judge who suggested an entire rehearing was not identified.

Reno denies interfering in probe

WASHINGTON - Attorney General Janet Reno denied Republican suggestions Friday that there is political interference in a Justice Department probe of President Clinton's role in an Arkansas real estate venture. She refused once again to appoint a special prosecutor.

"Who really is in charge of the Justice Department's investigation? Is it the White House or is it the Justice Department's career prosecutors as you claim?" Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole asked in a letter.

Reno fired off a response to Dole, writing: "The answer is that the investigation is being conducted by career prosecutors of the Department of Justice and that as attorney general I have ultimate responsibility for all matters in this department."

Compiled from wire reports

Jobless

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Falls statistical area has seen its annual average unemployment rate fluctuate in recent years. The area posted the following seasonally adjusted unemployment rates: 1993 - 6.2%; 1992 - 6.7%; 1991 - 5.6%; 1990 - 4.9%; 1989 - 5.4%; 1988 - 6.1%

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Idaho in December was 5.9 percent, according to the state Department of Employment. That compares to 5.5 percent in November and 6.2 percent in December 1992.

The national unemployment rate in December was 6.4 percent, according to the U.S. Labor Department. That compares with a 6.5 percent unemployment rate in November and a 7.3 percent rate in December 1992.

Magie Valley unemployment

Here are the seasonally adjusted unemployment rates in percentages by county:

	Dec. 1993	Nov. 1993	Dec. 1992
Blaine	5.5	5.1	7.3
Camas	5.1	6.7	8.6
Cassia	7.3	5.6	8.1
Gooding	4.8	4.2	4.8
Jerome	6.8	5.5	5.5
Linedon	5.2	5.5	5.3
Minidoka	5.2	6.0	8.3
Twin Falls	5.0	4.9	5.8
Idaho	5.9	5.5	6.2
Nation	6.4	6.5	7.3

Source: Idaho Job Service

Death

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He also wants to toughen truancy laws. "Superintendents are crying out for this," he said.

Some laws and order "proposals" were pre-filed in the House. Included was a bill from the Commission for Pardon and Parole allowing early release of nonviolent prison in-

mates if the system becomes overcrowded.

But EchoHawk may have problems with it. He's pushed for year-for-mandatory-minimum-prison terms for certain offenders.

"I just don't want violent criminals or certain types of offenders released," he said. "It might be a

milder form of what they tried last year, but it still will raise the concerns of people who believe very strongly in the Truth in Sentencing laws."

Regardless of the issues, anything EchoHawk proposes may run into resistance from the GOP-dominated Legislature because of his Democratic gubernatorial candidacy.

Republican legislative leaders acknowledge that will be a factor in anything EchoHawk proposes.

Idaho lottery

BOISE (AP) - Winning numbers drawn Friday in the Fantastic Five game are:

2-21-22-28-29 (two, twenty-one, twenty-two, twenty-eight, twenty-nine).

Estimated jackpot: \$151,882.

Correction

A headline Friday contained incorrect information. Halley environmentalist Jon Marvel does not own cattle. He leases land to someone who runs cattle on the land.

The Times-News regrets the error.

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Clinton reviews old photos before mother's funeral

HOT SPRINGS, Ark. (AP) — President Clinton pored through old family photo albums and consoled his tearful half-brother Friday as he oversaw final preparations for their mother's funeral.

Hundreds of friends and relatives from Arkansas to Washington came to Clinton's boyhood home to pay their final respects to Virginia Kelley.

With snow on the ground and tem-

peratures below freezing, the president, his stepfather Richard Kelley and half-brother Roger Clinton paid a private, 15-minute morning visit to the funeral home in advance of a public viewing.

Roger Clinton, 37, wept as he walked out of the funeral home. The president, 10 years older than his half-brother, put his arm around the younger Clinton's shoulder. The three then climbed into a waiting

limousine.

The president, wearing a brown leather jacket, looked sad as he comforted his brother.

Funeral services for Mrs. Kelley, who died in her sleep Thursday after a long battle with breast cancer, are planned for today.

As he awaited the arrival of first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and their daughter Chelsea, Clinton visited with neighbors and friends in the

small, three-bedroom lake-front home where his mother had lived with her husband. Many of the well-wishers carried covered dishes of food into the house.

Clinton took a one-hour nostalgic ride around Hot Springs with three former high school classmates. They stopped at Clinton's old high school — now closed — and walked through the classrooms, then drove through neighborhoods Clinton frequented as a young man.

They finished the tour with a trip up Hot Springs' West Mountain. There they got out of the presidential limousine and looked down at the city from an overlook.

A public viewing was held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Gross Funeral Home, a two-story white building with large columns in the front.

The president, who is staying at his mother's home, spent much of the day going over final arrangements for the funeral and reminiscing with friends, said presidential spokesman Jeff Eller.

"They're going through old photo albums," Eller said. "He seems to be bearing up pretty well."

The president did not plan any public appearances Friday. The road to his mother's house was blocked off by police and reporters were kept at a considerable distance.

The Secret Service set up a command post in a carport. And the few White House aides who accompanied the president here were using a garage shed to keep warm, drink coffee and make plans.

More than 1,000 mourners were expected at Saturday's funeral at the Hot Springs Convention Auditorium. White House aides said the funeral will be there instead of at a church because of the number of those expected to attend.

Three Methodist ministers with close ties to the Kelley and Clinton families will preside at the services.

After the funeral, there will be a 90-mile funeral procession to Hope, Ark., where Mrs. Kelley will be buried in the same cemetery as other members of her family, and where Clinton's father — William Jefferson Byrd — is buried.

The president as of now does not plan to speak at the funeral but might change his mind, Eller said.

Clinton was expected to fly back to



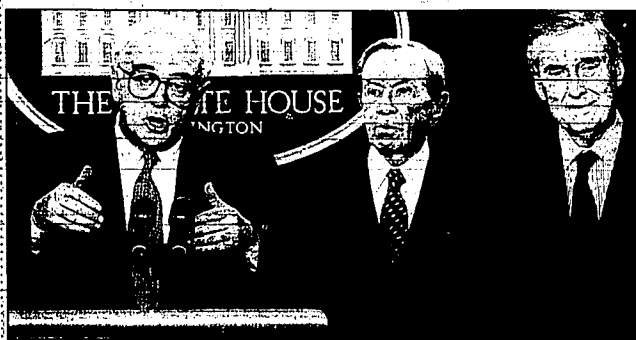
Roger Clinton leaves the Gross Funeral Home in Hot Springs, Ark., with his brother President Clinton Friday after paying respects to their mother, Virginia Kelley, who died Thursday.

Washington this evening. Aides said he will try to keep to his original schedule, which calls for him to leave late tonight on a 10-day trip that includes a NATO summit in Brussels and a meeting with Russian President Boris Yeltsin in Moscow.

It was the third time in less than a year that Clinton and his wife have been back to Arkansas because of the death of a loved one.

Mrs. Clinton's father, Hugh Rodham, died in April following a stroke. In July, Vincent Foster, the Clintons' longtime friend and deputy White House counsel, committed suicide.

Clinton was born in Hope but moved to Hot Springs with his family when he was 6.



From left, Defense Secretary Les Aspin, Secretary of State Warren Christopher and Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen discuss President Clinton's first trip abroad as president, set to begin next week.

Christopher: President takes go-slow approach on NATO

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton will propose only limited NATO access for former East European adversaries at the alliance's summit in order to avoid new risks that full membership could open.

Secretary of State Warren Christopher said Friday.

As Clinton prepared for the NATO meeting in Brussels, Belgium, next week, Christopher provided reporters with the result of a debate within the administration on how wide to open NATO's doors to Russia and other one-time Warsaw Pact members.

"Not so wide and not so fast, is the conclusion."

The clear aim of the go-slow approach on the "partnership for peace" proposal, which Defense Secretary Les Aspin said could lead to full-scale joint military exercises by the end of the year, is to ease concerns in Russia that the Western alliance would creep closer to a potentially hostile bloc.

However, the decision, assuming it is endorsed by Clinton's 15 NATO partners in Brussels on Tuesday, may not sit well with the Eastern and Central European governments who want immediate admission to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Clinton would be pressed hard when he meets Wednesday with the leaders of Poland, Hungary, Slovakia and the Czech Republic in Prague.

But Christopher, at a White House news conference with Aspin and Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen, said, "The United States believes

that the objective of promoting security and stability in Europe could be undermined if NATO were to be expanded too rapidly."

The Eastern and Central European nations, which already participate in some NATO sessions on a limited basis, would join with the Western allies in humanitarian projects, consultations in managing crises and in military exercises.

Christopher called it an arrangement "that will allow the nations to demonstrate their credentials for potential future membership."

Russian leaders themselves are divided on whether their country should join NATO. They are in basic agreement, however, in their sensitivity to any suggestion of encirclement.

Without referring to Russia directly, Christopher said, "We want to avoid premature selections or hasty judgments. Such a course as that would risk dividing Europe by creating new blocs and unintentionally replicating a bit further to the East a line of demarcation that NATO has fought for such a long time to erase."

Aspin, meanwhile, said the "Eastern and Central Europeans' participation in some NATO activities would create 'a framework for detailed military cooperation.'" And, he said, NATO also will set up a joint European task force to deal with such crises as the war in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

"This will give the Europeans 'a capability for independent action,'" he said, meaning they could deal with problems in Europe without U.S. involvement.

"The subject in Bosnia, which has claimed about 200,000 lives and left two million of so people homeless, rages on despite stern warnings from the United States and the North Atlantic Council that force may be used against the Serbs."

With reports circulating that two U.N. commanders, Gens. Jean Cot and Francis Briquemont, have urged air attacks on the Serbs, the president's most ambitious overseas trip is bound to be shadowed by the war in the former Yugoslav republic.

Christopher said he expected NATO to "come forward with a coordinated position," but he gave no indication the administration was ready to prod NATO to act against the Serbs who have the Bosnian capital, Sarajevo, in a hammerlock.

"The subject is under constant review by the United States and NATO," Christopher said.

On another contentious issue, Bentsen indicated Clinton will urge Russian President Boris Yeltsin to pursue his economic and political reform programs with undiminished fervor despite the hardships many of the people are experiencing.

"The sooner we get the reform done and over with, the sooner that you'll see stability and that you'll see less pain in the transformation to a market economy, the sooner you'll see stabilization," Bentsen said.

"I think those two things go together."

Young woman wants to march at, not destroy, military college

SPARTANBURG, S.C. (AP) — Shannon Faulkner, fighting to become the first woman in the Citadel corps of cadets, says she wants to march behind the white stone walls of the military college, not tear them down.

"I'm not trying to kill the Citadel. I just want to benefit from it," she said.

The Citadel is not surrendering its 152-year-old all-male tradition easily, however. It is taking a last-ditch appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court to keep her from enrolling next week.

"Most people think I'm just an attention-seeker — that I want publicity," Ms. Faulkner said. "Ten or 15 years from now, my name will just be a footnote in history."

Almost two decades after the nation's military colleges admitted women, The Citadel and Virginia Military Institute have been battling to keep the gender barrier. VMI, the only other state-supported, all-male military college, also is fighting a court challenge.

"It's a tradition the South has held on long enough," Ms. Faulkner said. "With every passing year, traditions end. This is 1994."

In August, U.S. District Judge C. Weston Hooker issued a preliminary injunction saying Ms. Faulkner can take dry classes while her lawsuit challenging the all-male policy is pending. So far, the school's appeals have failed to overturn that order.

"I don't believe I'm actually in, until I've registered and am standing in a classroom," Ms. Faulkner said Thursday outside her Spartanburg apartment.

While the court maneuvers dragged on, Ms. Faulkner, 18, spent the first semester of her freshman year at the University of South Carolina-Spartanburg.

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Studies peg crime cost at \$41,000

WASHINGTON (AP) — A single crime-related injury costs an average of \$41,000 for medical and psychological problems, and the nation's toll is over \$202 billion a year for gunshot wounds alone, new studies estimate.

Add all the injury-causing crimes that occur in a single year in this country and the bill to society — in medical, psychological and productivity losses — ultimately is \$202 billion over the victims' lifetimes, conclude the studies in this week's health policy journal *Health Affairs*.

And those estimates probably are underestimated because the nation lacks better data on violent crime, the studies' authors say.

"These are preventable injuries," Wendy Max of the University of California, San Francisco, said Friday. "They represent a real potential savings of health dollars."

The studies are the first to calculate the economic impact of violent crime on such a large scale. Previous efforts have looked at the impact on a particular hospital or at the national burden of murder. But calculating the costs of all crime-related injuries is difficult because many hospitals don't keep records showing their patients were crime victims unless they die, researchers say.

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Lookalike cars lead woman to drive home other vehicle

AMHERST, Mass. (AP) — The cars looked exactly alike, even down to the ignition keys.

Call it a case of mistaken auto identity.

Ian Quinn, a '20-year-old New University of Massachusetts student, reported his 1986 blue Chevrolet Nova stolen early Friday when it wasn't where he parked it.

An officer noticed a 1986 blue Nova parked on the same street about 50 yards away. A registration check identified the owner, Tanya Hannon of Amherst.

Sure enough, Hannon had mistaken Quinn's car for her own, said Detective Ron Young.

She entered the unlocked door, started the ignition with her own

key, and headed home.

Chevrolet spokeswoman Melissa Garman said keys sometimes work in more than one car, even in new vehicles, because the number of different keys is limited.

Hannon returned the car to Quinn downtown a short while later, accompanied by her boyfriend so she'd have a ride back home.

Unfortunately, Quinn's Nova nightmare wasn't over. As he drove away, a car making a U-turn hit him. Who was in the other car? Hannon and her boyfriend.

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Funk singer sentenced for assault

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Singer Rick James was sentenced Friday to nearly 5½ years in prison for what prosecutors called violent, drug-induced attacks on women.

James, best known for the 1981 hit "Super Freak," was convicted of assaulting a woman and holding her against her will in November 1992. He also was found guilty of giving cocaine to a woman authorities said he assaulted in July 1991.

During a brief hearing in suburban Van Nuys, James was sentenced to five years, four months in prison. James, 45, could have been sentenced to nine years.

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Analysts see uneven benefits from Clinton plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — Economists studying President Clinton's plan to reform health care say that even if it works exactly as promised, the economic benefits will be spread unevenly across regions and industries and painful side effects will be felt first.

Though much is likely to change as the plan moves through Congress, there's little dispute that it will compress its main goal of providing health insurance to nearly 39 million uninsured, nearly a third of them children.

The president says the plan also will curb the alarming growth of health care expenditures, which consume 14 percent of the \$6.4 trillion U.S. economy. That will unleash new job and productivity growth and curb both inflation and the federal budget deficit, he says.

But many economists are skeptical that the plan will truly contain health care costs. And even if it does work, they say, the path to the ultimate benefits will be anything but smooth. Analysts stress that too little is known about the plan's final shape to forecast its impact with any accuracy. Nevertheless, they've been running data through their computer models.

Here is an early look at the plan's possible economic side effects, both pleasant and unpleasant.

ECONOMIC GROWTH: According to economist Kurt L. Fahl of the WFAA group of economists in Twin Falls, the plan initially would slow economic growth. Small businesses such as retail stores and restaurants that don't provide their employees insurance now would be hurt. Offsetting that, the previously uninsured would move more medical services, creating an initial burst of employment in health care. Also, costs may decline for companies that already pay for insurance, particularly smaller ones. That would free up money for wage increases or investments. Big businesses may not notice much difference in their costs. Tallying the probable pluses and minuses through 1998, Fahl estimates economic output would be just 0.2 percent lower overall.

JOBS: Optimists, such as the Economic Policy Institute, a liberal think tank, predict a gain of 76,000 jobs by the fifth year of the

Comparing plans on containing costs

Here are major features of six leading health reform plans:

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Containing costs	Establishes annual national budget for health care. Sola physician fees, hospital and nursing home budgets and negotiates prescription drug prices.	Promotes competition among health plans. Sets limits on growth of insurance premiums. Sets limits on subsidies. Malpractice reform.	Promotes competition among health plans. Malpractice reform. Restructures Medicaid.	Promotes competition among health plans. Malpractice reform. Restructures Medicaid.	Encourages competition. Preempts state-mandated insurance benefits. Malpractice reform.	Administrative savings. Malpractice reform.
Financing	Assesses 7.9% payroll tax on employers. Increases individual income taxes. Imposes long-term care premium on elderly above 120% of poverty level. Increases amount of taxable Social Security benefits.	Raises cigarette tax by 75¢ a pack. Assumes Medicare, Medicaid savings. Eliminates tax breaks for flexible benefits plans. Requires employers to pay 80% of workers' average premiums.	Assumes Medicare, Medicaid savings. Caps tax deductibility of health plans.	Assumes Medicare savings. Repeals Medicaid. Imposes 1% premium tax on health plans.	Phases out Medicare subsidies for elderly with incomes over \$100,000. Increases federal retirement age from 55 to 62.	Replaces tax breaks for employer-provided insurance with tax credits for individuals. Medicare and Medicaid savings.
Federal costs	\$900 billion a year in federal taxes, replacing insurance premiums.	\$380 billion over five years in federal outlays.	\$213 billion over five years in federal outlays.	\$125 billion over five years in federal outlays.	\$17 billion over five years in additional federal outlays.	\$133 billion over five years.

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plan, primarily through companies investing savings from reduced health care costs. A pessimistic projection, from Joel Pratkanis of Laurence H. Meyer and Associates in St. Louis, shows job losses of around 245,000. This includes workers employed at their minimum wage whose employers eliminate their jobs rather than pay for health insurance. And it includes some workers who have health insurance but would quit if they knew they were guaranteed coverage. The bottom line is even the most optimistic gains and pessimistic losses amount to only a tiny fraction of the 110 million people currently working.

WORKFORCE CHANGES: The administration says some people, emboldened by guaranteed health coverage, will quit their jobs to start new businesses that eventually create more jobs. Employees who now can't switch jobs and keep insurance because they

or a family member has a chronic illness would be more willing to move to start-up firms. And thousands of welfare recipients would find it worthwhile to take low-wage jobs because they no longer would be required to give up Medicaid.

There could be fewer temporary and part-time jobs. Some employers hire part-time workers to avoid health insurance premiums. Under the Clinton plan, employers would have to pay a pro-rated share of premiums for part-timers. That would increase the incentive, for instance, to hire one full-time worker instead of two part-time workers. That's good for employees working part time who would rather work full time but bad for those who want to work part time.

RETIRES: Laura D. Tyson, chairwoman of the White House Council of Economic Advisors, says about 350,000 to 600,000 people might decide to retire early as a result of

guaranteed health coverage. She said that would open jobs for younger people. Pratkanis questions that reasoning.

"At the same time that you're trying to extend coverage, it doesn't make sense to spread the cost of insuring everybody among a smaller group of people who are actually productive," he said.

REGIONAL SHIFTS: According to economist Mark Zandi of Regional Financial Associates in West Chester, Pa., states in the Northeast and Midwest have the most to lose if the plan eventually succeeds in reigning in health care costs. North Dakota's economy is most reliant on the health industry, which provides 11 percent of its jobs, followed by Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, South Dakota and Rhode Island.

The health care industry in states where the percentage of uninsured is high — Texas, New Mexico, Louisiana, Mississippi and

Nevada — will benefit as the once-uninsured start using medical services. However, these same states sell themselves as low-cost places to do business, in part because fewer companies offer health insurance. Guaranteed health coverage means fewer businesses will relocate and expand in the South and West at the expense of the Northeast and Midwest, Zandi said.

States with lower percentages of smokers, such as Utah, Colorado and California, will benefit. Their regional health alliances will have to pay for fewer smoking-related illnesses. States where the tobacco industry is important — Virginia, the Carolinas, Kentucky and Georgia — will be hurt by the \$65 billion in new tobacco taxes in the plan.

Depending upon how Clinton's proposed regional alliances are set up, health care could be more expensive in urban areas, which have higher concentrations of the elderly and more drug addiction, violent crime and AIDS.

BUDGET DEFICIT: Tyson told Congress the health plan would reduce the budget deficit by \$58 billion between 1995 and 2000. That's based largely on the assumption that restraining medical inflation overall will reduce the cost of Medicare and Medicaid. However, other economists don't believe the working mechanisms in the Clinton plan will work, so they don't believe the budget savings will occur. Meanwhile, the government is adding spending. It will allow self-employed people to deduct all of their health insurance expenses. It will provide assistance to small firms to pay for insurance. And it will pay for prescription drugs and home health care for the elderly.

Economist Martin Feldstein of Harvard University, who held Tyson's job during the Reagan administration, predicted the plan would add \$120 billion to the budget deficit in 1997 alone.

INFLATION: While the plan's long-term effect on inflation is in dispute, economists say the threat of it already has helped. Medical care inflation this year has been running at a 5.5 percent annual rate, compared with 6.6 percent in 1992. The overall inflation rate for the two periods is virtually unchanged.

"People are scared of it and as a result hospitals and drug companies are trying harder to control wages and costs this year," said economist David Wyss of DRI-McGraw Hill in Lexington, Mass.

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Coverage	Everyone would be covered by a government-sponsored health insurance plan administered by the states.	Everyone would be covered, most through employer-provided insurance, others through government subsidies.	Everyone would be required to obtain insurance. Government subsidizes premiums for low-income people. Employers would be required to offer, but not pay for, coverage.	No requirement that everyone be insured. Employees required to offer, but not pay for, coverage. Designed to improve access to insurance through market reforms.	No requirement that everyone be insured. Employees required to offer, but not pay for, coverage. Designed to improve access to insurance through market reforms.	Individuals would be required to carry catastrophic health insurance protection. People who fail to buy insurance would face tax penalties. Employers not required to offer insurance.
Benefits	Mandates benefits package. Includes hospital and outpatient services; preventive services; nursing home care; long-term care; dental care for children; mental health services; prescription drugs.	Mandates benefits package. Includes hospital and outpatient services; preventive services; nursing home care; long-term care; dental care for children; mental health services; prescription drugs.	Allows choice of standard or catastrophic benefits. Standard plan designed by independent commission.	Basic benefits package established by Health Care Standards Commission. Allows individual plans to offer additional benefits.	To be determined by National Association of Insurance Commissioners.	Minimum coverage must include physician services, inpatient and outpatient care; prescription drugs.
Out-of-pocket expenses	No payments by individuals. No deductibles, no copayments and no coinsurance. All financing through taxes.	Requires employers to pay 80% of average premium. Workers pay no cost. Patient copayments for preventive services. Annual limits on out-of-pocket costs.	Doesn't require employer to pay a share of premiums. No copayments for preventive services. Government subsidies for low-income phased in as they become affordable.	Doesn't require employer to pay premiums. Government subsidies for low-income. Copayments required for services except preventive care.	Not specified.	\$1,000 deductible for individuals; \$2,000 for families; \$5,000 limit on out-of-pocket expenses.

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Dole issues challenge over Medicaid plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole said Friday Congress should review whether it really intended to force all states to pay for Medicaid abortions for victims of rape or incest.

Utah and Louisiana officials have said they will defy the federal order to bring their Medicaid programs into compliance by March 31. Idaho said it would comply.

Dole, responding to a protest by Medicaid directors in several states, said there is confusion about whether the revised Hyde Amendment makes coverage of abortions in those circumstances optional or compulsory. "I think we need to have Congress review that. I don't think that was the intent of the law," the Kansas Republican told reporters.

The Clinton administration on Thursday stood by its interpretation, saying states must pay for Medicaid abortions for rape or incest victims even if their state laws say otherwise.

"The decision to implement this policy nationwide was not discretionary," Bruce C. Vladeck, the head of the Health Care Financing Administration, wrote the Arkansas Medicaid director who has led the protest.

Vladeck said abortions for rape or incest victims now are considered a Medicaid necessity, a category that Medicaid must pay for.



Dole

for the Hyde Amendment. I didn't know we mandated states (to cover rape and incest). I think that's the problem."

"There is some confusion that maybe can be straightened out with appropriate hearings," the GOP leader said. There was extensive debate last year over the changes in the Hyde Amendment. The Clinton administration had sought to lift the abortion funding restrictions altogether. Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., instead got the ban extended, but with the new exceptions for rape or incest.

Arkansas Medicaid Director Ray Hanley, chairman of the State Medicaid Directors' Association, complained to Vladeck last week that the Clinton administration had blind sided states with the rule change. He said a dozen states have legal or constitutional restrictions on abortion funding.

But Vladeck, in a three-page letter, said, "Under the Supremacy Clause of the Constitution, when state statutes or constitutions conflict with federal law, the federal law takes precedence by pre-emption."

Hanley, in a telephone interview from Little Rock, Ark., said Vladeck's letter was "a lot of convoluted legal jargon that probably has a dozen lawyers put together. I don't know whether it's legally correct. Some states will accept it, some will legally challenge it."

FDA cites medical device plants for violations

WASHINGTON (AP) — A major manufacturer of ventilators and other medical devices was ordered by the government to close two of its plants Friday after recurring violations are corrected.

The Food and Drug Administration said it had found violations at Puritan-Bennett Corp. facilities nationwide dating back to 1985, but only ordered the company to close plants in Boulder, Colo., and Carlsbad, Colo., because violations there were the most serious.

The plants make portable ventilators and a device called a blood-gas monitor that ensures critically ill patients get enough oxygen. But the products often were faulty because the plants did not conform to federal regulations, the FDA said.

"We have documented a longstanding pattern of manufacturing violations that have not been

corrected despite repeated warnings," said FDA Commissioner David Kessler.

A typical problem was the failure of an alarm to sound when a ventilator stopped working, leaving one patient to be resuscitated, said Joe Levitt, FDA's deputy policy director for medical devices. Proper quality-control systems would have detected the problem before ventilators with defective alarms were sold, he said.

Puritan-Bennett signed a consent decree to comply with the injunction, which also subjects its other plants to closing if further violations are found.

This was the FDA's first corporate-wide injunction against a medical device manufacturer, and signals a new strategy for the regulatory agency. Instead of just citing individual plants, the FDA will target an entire company when it sees a pattern of problems, Levitt said.

Such citations can come whenever the FDA sees violations in "good manufacturing practices" that could potentially cause problems — before serious harm is done, Levitt said.

"This injunction is to nip the problem in the bud," Burton A. Dole Jr., president and chief executive officer of the Overland Park, Kan., company, said. "We remain confident in the safety and efficacy of all of our products, including those manufactured in the affected plants."

The company laid off about 150 employees this week because of the injunction and said the Boulder plant will not reopen. Instead, production of the 2801 Portable Ventilator will be moved to Galway, Ireland. The ventilator will be sold only outside the United States.

Puritan-Bennett has two plants in Carlsbad; the plant known as FOx5 was closed.

Abortion-rights group expands cause

WASHINGTON (AP) — One of the nation's oldest abortion-rights groups is changing its name and expanding its agenda to address the social conditions that cause unwanted pregnancies.

The 25-year-old National Abortion Rights Action League added the words "and Reproductive" to its title Friday, becoming the National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League. "America must change course," NARAL President Kate Michelman said at a news conference. "Our nation's focus should not be on abortion but on giving people the information and tools they need to make informed choices about their lives and their families."

Each year, there are three million unintended pregnancies in America, and 1.5 million abortions, she said.

"We intend to lead the way in

making abortion less necessary by addressing America's epidemic of unintended pregnancy," she said.

The group — which will continue to use the acronym NARAL — and its state affiliates will press for "comprehensive human development and sexuality education programs in grades kindergarten to 12," Michelman said.

"We want to ensure that our educational programs encourage young people to develop the skills they need to postpone premature sexual involvement and prevent pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases," she said.

NARAL also will lobby Congress to fund contraceptive research and development, which Michelman said was gutted under 12 years of Republican presidents' opposed to abortion.

The organization also will work to

ensure that Congress stresses pregnancy prevention, access to prenatal care, family planning and abortion services as it considers health care reform.

"We will also lobby Congress and the statehouses to fund preschool programs that support parents and help low-income children stay healthy," she said.

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U.S. Marines may remain off Somali coast after pullout

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — The United States likely will keep 2,000 combat-ready Marines off Somalia's coast after it withdraws American troops from the country, the U.S. commander said Friday.

U.N. officers are concerned the American pullout by March 31 will leave their troops more exposed to militia attacks, particularly because no country has offered to replace the U.S. attack helicopters that patrol over Mogadishu.

"I think that the U.S. will keep a Marine amphibious group offshore for some period of time," Maj. Gen. Thomas Montgomery told reporters at his headquarters. "I cannot tell you how long or how short that time will be."

In an emergency, the Marines could be

ashore within a few hours, said Montgomery, who leads the 9,300 U.S. military personnel stationed around Somalia and is second in command of the 26,000-soldier U.N. force.

He stressed that Washington policymakers, not the military, would make the ultimate decision about whether the Marines might be sent back to Somali soil.

President Clinton decided to withdraw American troops after an Oct. 3 battle between U.S. Army Rangers and militia men loyal to clan leader Mohamed Farrah Aidid killed 18 Americans and wounded 70.

About 3,000 U.S. soldiers left before New Year's and the remaining 1,000 are expected to ship out over the next two months. The Americans serve as a rapid reaction force to

protect other U.N. soldiers and provide air cover and reconnaissance.

On Thursday, U.S. and Pakistani snipers shot a Somali who they said was manning a machine gun mounted in the rear of a pickup truck. Later in the day, U.S. soldiers shot another Somali walking with a rocket-propelled grenade 200 yards from the main U.N. compound, U.S. Army Col. Steve Rausch said Friday.

Both Somalis were presumed to have been killed. There were no shots fired at the U.N. troops, but U.N. rules of engagement allow soldiers to kill any Somalis armed with such weapons.

Rausch also announced that almost all the remaining Americans would leave by char-

tered ship instead of passenger plane because of the threat of Somali attacks. There have been unsubstantiated rumors that Somali militia men have surface-to-air missiles, a possibility that worried U.S. commanders.

In addition, some Marines now on ships within sight of the Mogadishu port will come ashore to help protect the withdrawal, Montgomery said.

"I am keeping a significant combat capability all the way down to the end," he said. "Anybody who would choose to interfere with the withdrawal of U.S. forces would do so at very great risk."

Most other Western countries, including France, Italy, Belgium and Germany, are also quitting the U.N. operation, and few countries

have volunteered to increase their commitments. U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali is reportedly ready to recommend that the Security Council cut its force in Somalia to 15,000 soldiers, most of whom likely would be Pakistani or Indian.

U.N. commanders are considering moving many of their troops out of the capital to areas of Somalia that have shown more progress toward clan reconciliation, such as Baidoa and Kismayo in the south.

"Does that mean people will give up on Mogadishu?" Montgomery said. "That's the risk that Mogadishu is taking if it doesn't get its act together. The international community is tired of trying to help people who are killing



An unidentified man guides an elephant along a New Delhi road Friday. 'Tuskers' are used for joy rides for kids and tourists.

Conflict between man, elephant deepens in Indian land struggle

CALCUTTA, India (AP) — In the growing fight for space between man and elephant, casualties on both sides are rising.

The struggle in India came into sharp focus last week when a herd of 50 wild elephants fled a brush fire in an eastern Indian forest and stumbled into human space.

Attacked by frightened men with stones, spears and torches, the elephants trampled through 200 villages, crushing six people to death and damaging crops.

The elephants, who can run as fast as 40 mph, came as close as 60 miles to Calcutta.

"The situation is alarming. The man-elephant conflict is on the rise," said Tariq Aziz of the World Wildlife Fund.

Man is winning the battle. Wardens are erecting electric fences to pen elephants into forests. Villagers are digging deep trenches and building innovative alarms to protect their homes from roguish elephants.

Some mis-police in salt to kill marauding elephants.

India's 20,000 wild elephants are protected by law and none can be killed unless it is declared a rogue.

But with the human population

'As India is losing forest cover pretty fast, the living areas of the elephants are also shrinking.'

— Mohit Agarwal, Traffic India

growing at more than 2 percent a year, India's 880 million people are ripping into forests and increasingly encroaching on the turf of the elephant, tiger and rare species of deer.

Indian elephants, which are smaller than their African cousins, need a quarter of a ton of food per day.

"As India is losing forest cover pretty fast, the living areas of the elephants are shrinking," said Mohit Agarwal of Traffic India, which tracks the fate of protected species.

The government says 19 percent to 33 percent of India is covered by forests.

"It is a blatant lie. One-fourth of

the total declared forest area in the country is without a blade of grass," said Chandiprasad Bhatt, an award-winning environmentalist.

Not only are forests shrinking, the natural corridors from one forest to another are being erased. Herds migrate when they have eaten most of the forest food, allowing nature to regenerate.

"What happened in West Bengal is the herd got lost as they could not find their normal corridor," Agarwal said in an interview.

In the past three months at least four elephants reportedly died in agony after eating salt mixed with poisonous fertilizer in Assam, in India's northeast.

During the same period, six elephants were electrocuted when they tried to break through an electric fence, also in Assam.

For unexplained reasons, one elephant went berserk and killed 35 people over a two-week period last October before it was shot down.

Naturalists also believe elephant behavior is being affected because so many male elephants have been poached for their ivory tusks that they are now outnumbered 50-to-1 by females.

Conflict tests NATO

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — The Bosnian war will loom large at next week's NATO summit for alliance leaders who have been unable to agree on a plan to end the carnage.

One diplomat on Friday called the issue a "festering sore."

France renewed a call for a U.S.-backed military intervention after five more French peacekeepers were wounded by Serb artillery attacks on Sarajevo, Bosnia's capital.

Foreign Minister Alain Juppe said he wanted President Clinton and other leaders of the 16-nation North Atlantic Treaty Organization "to take a strong position to break the war machine" in former Yugoslavia.

"You can't make peace with people who systematically are looking for war," he said on the Europe-1 radio network.

There was no sign the Clinton administration was any less reluctant to get involved in Bosnia's bitter ethnic conflict, particularly after the trauma of American losses in Somalia.

The key issue at the two-day summit, opening Monday at NATO headquarters in Brussels, will be the alliance's future relations with eastern Europe.

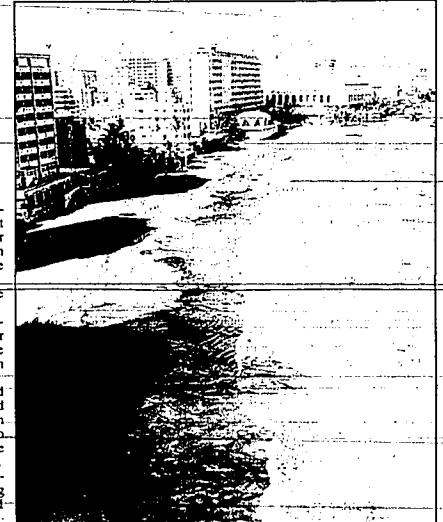
These include a "Partnership for Peace" initiative and plans for NATO forces to team up with East European units for peacekeeping missions.

NATO has dithered over Bosnia since the civil war began 21 months ago over its secession from Yugoslavia. Since then, an estimated 200,000 people have been killed.

The allies have argued over who should command an intervention — NATO or the United Nations — pitting the United States, which prefers the former, against European partners.

A trans-Atlantic rift also developed when Washington proposed last summer lifting the embargo on arms sales to Bosnia's Muslim-led government and staging air strikes on Serb forces. The Europeans objected, fearing Serb retaliation against their troops protecting aid supplies on the ground.

NATO has promised to send 50,000 soldiers — half of them



Oil washes up on the beach on San Juan's Atlantic coast after a barge carrying more than 1.5 million gallons of oil struck a coral reef just off shore Friday.

Puerto Rico's beaches stained by big oil spill

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) — A barge carrying more than 1.5 million gallons of heavy oil struck a coral reef off San Juan Friday, spilling oil on resort beaches on the Atlantic coast of the Puerto Rican capital.

The oil spread across 1½ miles of coast, blackening Escambron Beach in San Juan's Puerta de Tierra section and a private beach owned by the exclusive Caribe Hilton. Currents moved the spill and its overpowering stench west, toward the walled, colonial city of Old San Juan, and east, toward the Condado and Ocean Park tourist sections. Gov. Pedro Rosello, inspecting the site, called the spill "a catastrophe that will have a significant impact on tourism."

U.S. Transportation Secretary Federico Peña, Environmental Protection Agency administrator Carol Browner and Coast Guard Commandant J. William Kime flew from Washington to San Juan to inspect the damage.

The spill began about 4 a.m. (1 a.m. MST), when the line broke on the tugboat towing the Morris J. Berman barge and the barge struck a reef. The barge was carrying less than one-sixth of the amount leaked in 1989 from the Exxon Valdez in Alaska's Prince William Sound, the biggest oil spill in U.S. history. At least two of the barge's nine tanks ruptured, spilling more than 30,000 gallons of heavy oil.

The spill comes at the height of Puerto Rico's winter-tourist season. Vacationers began planning to leave early, said Ralph Perez, a manager at the Radisson Northridge Hotel.

Nearby hotels moved people to higher floors to escape the sickening fumes, and some chartered buses to other beaches on the island.

"I just don't believe it. I walked down here just ready to lay in the sun. It's terrible," said Betty Sue Cooper of Dallas, who stood on the Caribe Hilton beach carrying sunglasses, a towel and fashion magazines.

The court completed the count of 7.3 million votes cast in the Dec. 11 election, and said Frei received 57.99 percent. The candidate for the right-wing opposition, Arturo Alessandri, received 24.42 percent.

Frei, 51, will be sworn in March 11 for a six-year term succeeding President Patricio Aylwin.

Frei confirmed Chilean president

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) — Christian Democratic Senator Eduardo Frei was confirmed Friday.

Frei, 51, will be sworn in March 11 for a six-year term succeeding President Patricio Aylwin.

North Korean nuclear mystery

Reactor shutdown holds clue to bomb

LONDON (AP) — International inspectors want to find out what really happened when North Korea shut down a small nuclear reactor for 100 days.

Was Pyongyang telling the truth when it said technicians removed just one or two damaged fuel rods?

Or are U.S. and South Korean analysts correct in assuming they unloaded most of the used nuclear reactor fuel during the 1989 procedure?

The answer holds an important clue to the number of nuclear bombs North Korea could make.

In a step toward solving that mystery, the Clinton administration announced Wednesday that North Korea had agreed to allow renewed international inspections of seven nuclear facilities.

Lynn Davis, undersecretary of state for international security affairs, called the development "very good news."

Still, North Korea's nuclear program is shrouded in such secrecy that intelligence analysts and defense experts will still have to do a lot of guessing.

"Nobody in his right mind would say that we know where all of the parts of the North Korean bomb program are," said Gary Milhollin, director of the Washington-based Weapons Project on Nuclear Arms Control.

"For one thing, they have thousands of tunnels which Westerners haven't explored — to put it mildly."

There is no evidence that North Korea has a bomb, but a growing number of analysts believe Pyongyang has enough plutonium to make one.

"If they can match 1950s technology, they have the ability to build both nuclear weapons and ballistic missiles to deliver them. We know they can build ballistic missiles because they're selling them on the open market," said Peter Zimmerman, a visiting senior fellow at Washington's Center for Strategic and International Studies.

CIA Director James Woolsey says North Korea could have enough plutonium for one or two bombs. South Korean analysts at the Korea Institute for Science and Technology said Pyongyang could have enough for double or triple that number.

David Albright, president of the Washington-based Institute for Science and Security, said estimates of North Korea's weapon-grade plutonium range from 3.5 ounces to 88 pounds.

"There is so little information about North Korea's nuclear program that no one outside of that country is likely to know the truth," Albright wrote in the current issue of The Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists.

Whatever plutonium North Korea has accumulated comes from a gas-cooled, graphite-moderated research reactor at the Yongbyon complex, 65 miles north of Pyongyang. It started operating in 1986 and is the only reactor known to be functioning in the country.

One of the big mysteries is how much plutonium this reactor has produced.

North Korea said the reactor has operated erratically, and in 1989 was shut down for 100 days.

The CIA assumes 22 to 35 pounds of plutonium was removed in 1989, enough for a bomb or two, North Korea says. It unloaded one or

two damaged fuel rods, which would produce minuscule amounts of plutonium.

Inspectors from the International Atomic Energy Agency, by analyzing the fuel in the reactor now, can determine whether it is the first load or the second, Albright said.

"That is why inspections are really critical at this time — because the North can unload this reactor at any time," he said in an interview.

When that happens, Milhollin said, the North Koreans will have plutonium for "a couple of bombs more."

If the North Koreans have taken the used fuel out of the reactor before the inspection it will be more difficult for inspectors to determine how much used fuel has been removed.

Each load of fuel contains weapon grade plutonium which, when reprocessed, can be used in nuclear weapons. In order to make a nuclear weapon, plutonium must be separated from the rest of the used reactor fuel, a complex process.

North Korea must also create a trigger mechanism with conventional high explosives, but experts say that is well within the capability of mining engineers who work with explosives.

North Korea has been building a large plant at Yongbyon which it calls a "radiochemical laboratory." Western experts say it is a plutonium separation plant, which could produce enough for 10 or more bombs a year when finished.

The North Korean government told the IAEA that it had separated only about 3.5 ounces of plutonium in 1990. But IAEA inspectors, using U.S. technology similar to that which exposed Iraq's nuclear ambitions, discovered that Pyongyang had lied.

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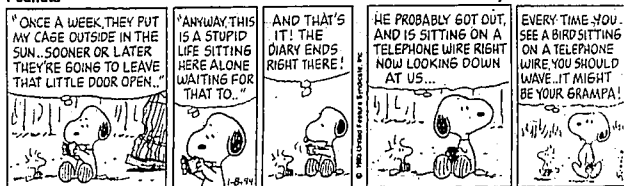
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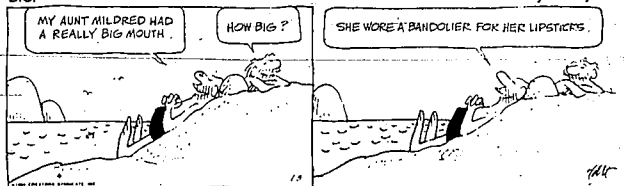
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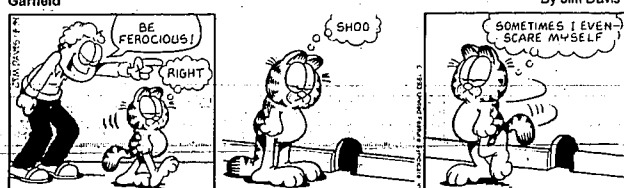
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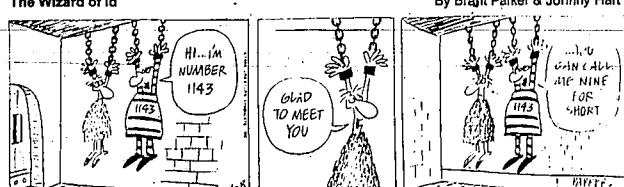
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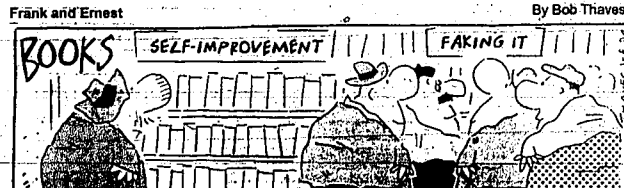
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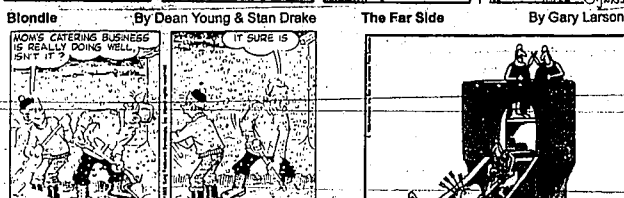
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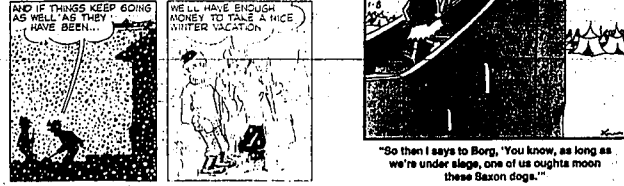
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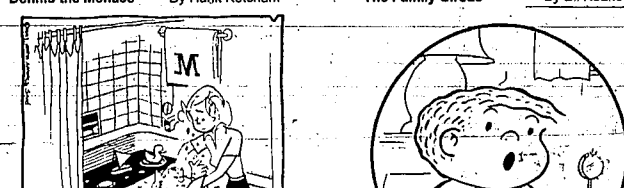
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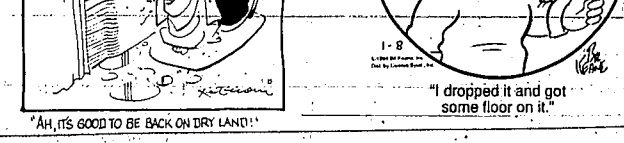
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Horoscope

IF JANUARY 8 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: When you have to do something, you are a veritable powerhouse! You work extremely well when pressure is on, you meet deadlines, you are intense, passionate, seldom do anything in half-way manner. Current cycle equates to change, travel, variety, written communications, marital status, possible addition to family. Major domestic adjustment occurs in January. December also memorable in 1994.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Long distance communication involves travel, lifestyle, potential income. Domestic adjustment requires expenditures for decorating, remodeling, "brightening atmosphere." Taurus involved.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Play waiting-gamel. Someone is "throwing you a curve." Tangled situation will be straightened out to your advantage. Patience now truly is a virtue. Define terms, make meanings crystal clear.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): New approach necessary in connection with legal affairs. Focus on public image, reputation, credibility, marital status. Imprint style, take initiative in getting to heart of matters.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You'll be dealing with unorthodox. Aquarius. Trust hunch, utilize elements of timing, surprise. Gymnasium workout proves advantageous.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Spotlight on creativity, style, change, challenge, physical attraction. Dynamic member of opposite sex asserts, "I can hardly keep my hands off you!"

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Focus on occultic, family member who pleads, "Don't leave me alone and give me some spending money!" Focus on durable goods, household products, building blocks. Fatherly writer involved.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You might be asking, "Is this déjà vu?" Individual who could be your "twin" appears as if from nowhere. Old flame reignites "take care, dear," find out something of value for thrill.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Cycle moves up take initiative, imprint style, show you are willing to take risks. Claim revealed through writer word — you'll attract favorable attention from superiors. Virgo represented.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Clientele arrangements involve home improvement, expenditures relating to art objects, luxury items.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Very active. Long-distance call reveals your wish is being fulfilled in dramatic manner. Focus on speculation, imagination, creativity, boldness of state quo.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Study Sagittarius; Aquarius messages for value information. Imprint style, emphasize independence, originality, pioneering spirit.

Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

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DOWN

1 Time gone by
2 Tropical plant
3 Airplane
4 How do the best makers rate the top 10 national parks in order of importance now?
5 A Great Smoky Mountains, Grand Canyon, Yosemite, Yellowstone, Olympic, Rocky Mountain, Mammoth Cave, Zion, Acadia, Glacier.
6 The editors of Punch have observed: "Idealists maintain all nations should share the atomic bomb. Realists maintain they will."
7 You know that crown of laurel leaves the old Romans put on the heads of nobles? It gave us a word. The Latin for laurel berry: "Baccantia."
8 "Aboriginal" is a word from the word. Report is the Australian indigenous much prefer to be called what they've long called themselves: the Koort.
9 A computer, run on statistics about basketball players indicates third basement.

THE TITLE MAKES A GREAT QUOTE

The title of Edward Gibbon's "History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire," just the title, is the most quoted line he ever wrote. His second, most quoted line is: "I was never less alone than when by myself."

L.M. Boyd
What's what?

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A. Sixty-five officers in a jurisdiction of one square block where the court building stands.

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People

Hottest country band of the '80s wants to cool down a bit

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Alabama, the country band that has performed across the United States and Canada for 14 years, won't entertain outside the South this year.

"As we all get older, there's a desire to be home as much as you can," said Greg Fowler, a publicist for the four band members, who range in age from 38 to 44. "They wanted to take advantage of this opportunity."

The band, which dominated country music in the 1980s, plans 105 concerts at Nashville's Opryland USA entertainment park, about 20 at the group's own theater in Myrtle Beach, S.C., and one benefit in Fort Payne, Ala., the group's hometown.

Alabama members Randy Owen, guitarist and lead vocalist; Teddy Gentry, guitarist; Jeff Cook, fiddler; and Mark Herndon, drummer, won't necessarily be scaling back their travel permanently.

"We could be back doing full tours in 1995 or in the year after that," Fowler said.

At its peak, Alabama did 200 concerts a year, performing hits such as "Mountain Music," "When We Make Love," "Forty Hour Week," "The Closer You Get" and "Song of the South."

Nicholson donates land to preservation group

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jack Nicholson donated 60 acres to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy to protect an unspoiled wildlife corridor from development.

"It's so wonderful that he did this. You have no idea how vital this

Picture mix-up puts wrong 'poke on stamp

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — "Advisers—to the U.S. Postal Service's upcoming Legends of the West stamp series say a picture mix-up has one of the stamps showing a brother of a legend of the West—not the legend himself."

Black Texas cowboy Bill Pickett is one of 16 Western figures the postal service is honoring in a series issued this year.

Pickett, who died in 1932 after a horse kicked him, became famous in the 1910s for his role in the 101 Ranch Wild West Show for controlling steers by biting their lips, but changed his style and kept bulldozing even after he lost his teeth.

When postal service representatives wanted a photograph to base his stamp on, the 101 Ranch Wild West Show's collectors group forwarded a biography of the cowboy.

The problem is, the book contained a picture incorrectly identified as that of Pickett, and the

Boy helps answer fan mail for president's cat

Nowaday

Socks the cat has a problem. No, not the reports about him clawing at the White House furniture and being banished to the basement.

And no, not the fact that he can't roam around freely like he did in Arkansas.

No, Socks has a much more basic problem: He has no thumbs. Because of that, he can't hold a pen. And because of that, he can't answer the 200 letters a day that he receives. Enter special agent James Garafuis, an 8-year-old from Long Island.

His mission, which he chose to accept, was to help Socks answer his mail during a recent trip to Washington.

Garafuis, known as Jamie, was invited along with other children from around the United States as part of a program sponsored by the Smithsonian. The day included a tour of the White House, including rooms not normally shown to the public, and a personal meeting with Socks. After all, it would be hard to answer someone's mail without knowing more about him.

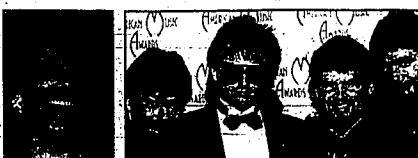
Blaze closes down Hollywood and Vine

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Flames swallowed a two-story commercial building near Hollywood and Vine early Friday, forcing firefighters to close the famed intersection until the blaze was doused.

During the two-hour firefight, water hoses stretched across the city streets, embedded along the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

The building housed the Hollywood Bazaar, a discount electronics and clothing marketplace. No one was hurt and no evacuations were ordered.

"About 120 firefighters battled the blaze," said a Fire Department spokesman Jim Wells.



Judd

Alabama

Popular author
small plot is. It's the only way wildlife can migrate in that area," said Judy Marx, president of the nonprofit L.A. Urban Wilderness Coalition.

The 60 acres is just 10 miles northwest of downtown Los Angeles.

The conservancy, a state agency charged with buying land, was asked by Nicholson to keep his name private as the donor, and tried to do so, but too many people from the area knew he owns the donated land.

"I don't know why he would want to remain anonymous," Marx said. Nicholson's business manager would not comment.

Previously, Barbra Streisand, Warren Beatty, Peter Sarsgaard and Don Henley have donated property to the conservancy.

Former Detroit mayor finds work in academia

DETROIT (AP) — Old mayors don't fade away. They teach.

Wayne State University said

Sticking close to home
Friday it hired Coleman Young, whose 20 years in office ended a week ago, as a half-time professor of urban affairs, a job paying \$40,000 a year.

"His presence at Wayne State will give students and faculty the privilege of learning about governance and politics from one of the nation's most experienced professionals," said Sue Marx Smock, dean of the College of Urban,

Snowplow driver helps deliver baby

Knight-Ridder News Service

ST. PAUL, Minn. — A man helping his wife give birth in a car early Thursday was rescued by a St. Paul Public Works employee who wrapped the baby girl in a blanket, grabbed the car keys and drove the family to St. Paul Ramsey Medical Center.

Bob McNamara was operating a snowplow on University Avenue shortly before 6 a.m. when he was flagged down by the frantic husband.

"He said, 'My wife is having a baby,'" McNamara told KSTP-TV. Neng Moua had been driving his pregnant wife to Fairview Riverside Medical Center in Minneapolis when Bia Lee Moua's water broke and the baby began to emerge, said St. Paul

Labor and Metropolitan Affairs.

Young, 75, agreed to teach, write and contribute his papers to the university archives.

Young's successor, Dennis Archer, took office Jan. 1.

New York City's David Dinkins, who lost his bid for re-election as mayor, also took a teaching job, at Columbia University.

Judd packs 'em in, but at a bookstore this time

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Naomi Judd had them standing in the aisles again: But the location was a bookstore, not a concert hall.

A line began forming at 9:30 a.m. for her 7 p.m. appearance Thursday at Books-a-Million, where she signed copies of her autobiography, "Love Can Build a Bridge."

The retired half of The Judds mother-daughter singing duo arrived to an applauding crowd. At least 1,500 people were counted in the

store midway through Judd's appearance, assistant manager Joe Single said. She extended her scheduled two-hour stay to more than 3½ hours to greet nearly all of them.

"This is just my life. My passion has always been people, and I've missed the fans desperately over the last two years," Judd said of the period since she and daughter Wynonna gave their last performance together.

Judd, who retired after a diagnosis of chronic hepatitis, began her book tour after Thanksgiving and will continue to 15 more cities until Jan. 20.

American opera star asks Clinton to help Bosnians

MONTREUX, Switzerland (AP) — American opera star Barbara Hendricks, who gave a New Year's concert in Sarajevo, made an appeal Friday to President Clinton to "stop the barbarism" in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

Miss Hendricks, an Arkansas native who sang at the Clinton inaugural festivities, urged the president to visit Sarajevo to see for himself conditions including cold, hunger and lack of electricity.

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Beethoven's 2nd
The Newton family is going to the dogs.

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Man buys military communicator for \$75

COOLEEMEE, N.C. (AP) — Roger Spillman paid \$75 for what he thought was a radio amplifier at a salvage auction.

He never got it to work, nor did he get a refund.

There may be some consolation in knowing the contraption could have survived a nuclear attack.

Turns out the device is a \$363,735 piece of military hardware, part of a planned global communications system designed to survive nuclear war, the Winston-Salem Journal reported Thursday.

The Air Force showed up with a court order in December and reclaimed the device. It only learned about the missing amplifier because Spillman was unable to get it to work with his radio.

Spillman turned to Isabel Ledford, a local ham-radio operator, who called the amplifier's maker, Raytheon Corp., for an instruction manual.

With its inlaid rubber seals, countersunk screws and interior connectors made of gold, "You could tell by looking at it, it was expensive," Ledford said.

Raytheon employees asked for the serial numbers, then called the Air Force.

The Air Force Office of Special Investigations found out that

Raytheon sent two Extremely High Frequency, or EHF, Amplifiers to the Milstar program at McClellan Air Force Base in Sacramento, Calif., in December 1992.

Only one arrived, an unidentified official with the Defense Logistics Agency told the paper.

The other, the official said, ended up at the "frustrated freight warehouse" of Watkins Truck Lines Inc. in Lakeland, Fla.

Several Air Force officials couldn't explain how such a sensitive piece of equipment could be missing for nearly a year, how it ended up in the freight salvage yard or how it came to be sold, the newspaper reported.

The new, pale-green amplifier is part of the \$2-billion Milstar system to be used in missile silos, nuclear submarines and bombers, the paper said.

Milstar was designed to send and receive military messages even while under nuclear attack. It was to be the president's chief method of sending commands to the nation's nuclear arsenal.

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Trio draw jail time for attack with spud

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Three Salt Lake County men have been sentenced to jail terms and fines for firing a potato cannon at a man last fall.

Theren Kingston, 31, Arthur Kingston, 20, and Robert Cadman, 21, must each spend 14 days in jail, pay \$1,075 in fines, complete 200 hours of community service and pass high-school equivalency tests before their 18-month probation expires.

"This is extremely dangerous conduct," 3rd Circuit Court Commissioner Judith Affron said at the sentencing Thursday.

Had the man been hit, you'd be in much more serious trouble."

On Sept. 23, a potato was fired at a Salt Lake City resident from a moving pickup truck.

The homemade cannon, constructed of plastic pipe and charged with car-starting fluid, can fire a potato at muzzle speeds greater than a .45-caliber pistol slug.

The potato missed the man. He chased the truck in his car while calling police on a cellular phone.

Five men were charged with third-degree-felony aggravated assault.

Charges against two of the men were dismissed and the other three pleaded guilty to class A misdemeanor attempted discharge of a firearm from a vehicle.

The defendants claim they were going to the store to get more potatoes, when the cannon fired accidentally.

Legal defender Patrick Anderson said the defendants now realize how "stupid and dangerous" their behavior was. "But they did not intend to harm anyone," he said.

Deputy Salt Lake County Attorney Howard Lemcke said not only did the men act dangerously by firing the weapon, but others may now be tempted to use potato cannons.

Experts say the cannons can explode.

"What if the potato doesn't give?" asked Salt Lake County Fire Department bomb expert Bill Niles. "You've created a pipe bomb."

Salt Lake City police Detective Jill Candel said the inability to accurately measure the amount of gas in a given charge could be deadly. "You don't know how much vapor is in there, or what the seal (around the potato) is like," she said. "It could blow up in your face."

Alaska's free oil ride slows down

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) — Lawmakers trying to balance Alaska's budget sport lapel pins that feature a smiling skull topped with an accountant's eyeshade and the words "Free rides die hard."

For nearly two decades Alaska has been living off the largesse of Prudhoe-Bay crude-oil. Oil taxes and royalties, about 85 percent of the state's general revenue, financed state spending at a rate per resident that reached 4 1/2 times the national average.

But the free ride may be nearing an end. Politicians are now discussing a topic that has been forbidden for years: Reinstating a state income tax.

Prudhoe-Bay production has been on a gradual decline for several years. And North Slope oil prices have plummeted to \$10 a barrel, from a high of \$32.23 a barrel in September 1990, during the Gulf War.

After a spending spree last year, the state budget is \$600 million in the red.

Each year, the Legislature bases the budget on an estimate of how much its oil will sell for over the coming year.

This year's spending plan was based on an price of \$18.38 a barrel. Each \$1 drop in the price of oil costs the state about \$150 million over a year.

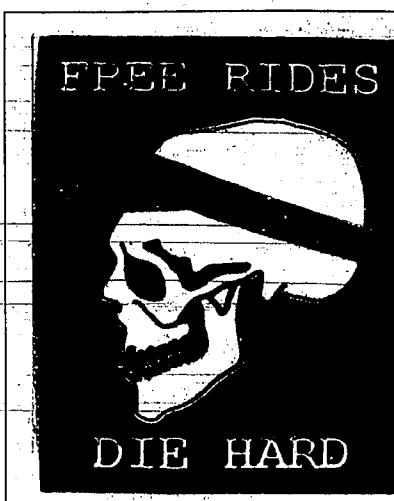
Next year's revenue picture looks even worse. And there are few signs that prices will rise significantly soon.

The budget will be Topic A when the Alaska Legislature convenes Monday for what is expected to be its most difficult session in years.

"I say a prayer several times a day—Dear God, why did it have to be on my watch? But since it is, won't you please raise the price of oil \$2 or \$3 a barrel?" said House Speaker Ramona Barnes.

Gov. Walter J. Hickel is asking lawmakers to balance the budget and year's budgets by depleting much of the state's cash reserves, making some cuts, adopting some new taxes and increasing the gasoline, alcohol and cigarette taxes.

Alaskans have never had a state sales tax, and lawmakers abolished its income tax in 1980, at the height of the oil boom. And each of the



This pin, shown this week, has become a popular piece of jewelry in Juneau as lawmakers struggle to erase a \$600 million budget deficit due to falling oil prices.

Official who brokered Valdez deal resigns

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) — The attorney general who helped negotiate the \$1 billion Exxon Valdez oil-spill settlement resigned, citing friction with Gov. Walter J. Hickel's administration.

Attorney General Charlie Cole said Wednesday he had "irreconcilable differences" over the management of his agency and state litigation. He declined to elaborate.

Hickel said he didn't know what prompted the resignation.

"I'm not kidding you, I don't

have any idea," Hickel said. "He said, 'It's all over, glad for your support, I've got to leave. He just walked out, hands in the air.'"

Cole, 66, and federal attorneys negotiated the record environmental damage settlement with Exxon Corp. in 1991. The tanker Valdez hit a reef in 1989 and spilled nearly 11 million gallons of oil, fouling hundreds of miles of coastline rich in wildlife and fish.

Hickel appointed Cole, a Republican, in 1990.

half-million residents gets an annual dividend check for more than \$900 from the earnings of an oil-

financed trust fund, but lawmakers can't touch that.

That lack of sales and income

taxes is one of the things that makes Alaska attractive to some.

"We've lived the good life for quite some time, and I don't see why there's any reason we can't keep on," said Bob Wesley, a finance manager at a Juneau car dealership.

"That's what makes us different from everyone else."

Wesley said the low tax bill and dividend checks help compensate for the higher costs and extreme living conditions in Alaska.

Tim Morse, a Juneau butcher, said he would rather see the dividend reduced.

"That'd be a better idea than taxing us," he said. "I feel I'm taxed enough here with the federal-withholding."

Elected leaders say there is no need to panic — yet.

In fact, the state is not exactly out of money.

It has nearly \$2 billion in reserves and a \$15 billion in the Permanent Fund, a trust fund of invested-oil revenue that generates hundreds of millions of dollars a year for those dividend checks.

The state constitution prevents lawmakers from spending the Permanent Fund's principal and most of its earnings.

They can spend the fund's \$1 billion in surplus earnings, above what is sent out in dividends and what is reinvested to keep the fund abreast of inflation.

In addition to reinstating a state income tax, lawmakers are now discussing dipping into the surplus.

Introduction of a state-sales tax hasn't been seriously discussed yet.

The conventional wisdom is that the income tax or surplus-dipping options would be fatal to lawmakers' careers, especially in an election year for the governor and most state legislators.

The state has been balancing its budget with reserves for several years.

But continuing to spend reserves would put the state in a precarious situation as Prudhoe oil production is expected to decline further, analysts say.

"The long-term consequence is we will have an impoverished state," said political consultant Tom Begich of Anchorage.

Teen-agers shoot at deputies, officers say

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Teen-agers fired at Salt Lake County sheriff's deputies (telling them in an unmarked car and were captured after a chase.

There were no injuries.

An 18-year-old man was booked for investigation of attempted criminal homicide after he purportedly turned his car in a wide left turn, rolled down his window and pulled the trigger of the gun aimed at the car following him.

That shot — and another fired by a passenger apparently from the same gun — missed the deputies and their car, said Rod Norton, sheriff's spokesman.

The incident began about 11:30 p.m. Wednesday, as deputies Brett Magley and Jason Johnson were conducting a surveillance in an unmarked car in an area hard-hit by gang incidents and drive-by shootings.

Police followed the suspect's car from a subdivision to Redwood

Road where the driver, aware he was being tailed, suddenly sped up.

"The people in the car discussed whether it was another gang banger following them, or the cops," Norton said. "They decided to fire anyway, knowing it might be officers."

The driver slowed down and deliberately made a wide left turn that would give him a better angle of fire on the trailing vehicle, the deputies reported.

A 60-mph chase followed, but lasted only three blocks before the driver stopped and surrendered, said Norton.

The juvenile who fired the second shot is facing charges of attempted criminal homicide, felony evading, unlawful discharge of a firearm and possession of a dangerous weapon by a minor.

Two other juveniles are expected to be charged with attempted criminal homicide and felony evading, Norton said.

Reward rises for dog killer

BOISE (AP) — A Boise man angry about the shooting death of a dog trapped in a Forest Service out-house has added \$500 to the federal reward to catch the assailant.

The donor, who asked to remain anonymous, said he used to raise huskies and worked with dog teams 30 years ago in Alaska.

The husky-German shepherd mix was intentionally put in the wooden out-house, which was then hit by about 75 shots with a rifle and shotgun. The person then climbed up and killed the dog by firing down through a vent.

Meanwhile, government investigators have renewed a plea for more information, especially when the shooting occurred. "We're not sure when it happened," said Bill Oliver, law-enforcement officer for the Lowerman Ranger District. A man reported the body on Dec. 23.

The out-house is in Deadwood Campground on a county road between Banks and Lowerman.

Oliver said the federal government is offering a reward for information. The killer could be charged with felony destruction of federal property.

And Boise County authorities could add destruction of property, cruelty to animals and discharge of firearms in a recreation site.

Thousands at risk after eating food

BOISE (AP) — Linda Graves of Parma thought she was giving her young daughter and two grandsons a treat by taking them to the McDonald's in Caldwell.

But she actually treated them to an inoculation to ward off hepatitis A after a worker at the fast-food restaurant was diagnosed with the liver infection.

The foursome was among up to 3,150 people who may be at risk of getting the disease because the worker on duty Dec. 23 and Dec. 24 was diagnosed this week. The illness commonly is transmitted through food.

On Thursday, Graves and her family received the free shots at the Southwest District Health Department.

Thousands of people who ate food at the restaurant are being urged to get shots.

"I think there will be some of that," Stewart conceded.

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"I don't know of any other publicly owned course in the world that isn't open on Sunday," Borget said.

Yellowstone suspends ski lift plans in face of public outcry

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — Yellowstone National Park officials have suspended plans to build a ski lift near park headquarters pending a review of the project.

"There has been a kind of hue and cry that we should not be doing what we're doing," park spokeswoman Marsha Karle said Thursday.

"We're going to take a step back and take a second look."

She said that decision was made by Superintendent Robert Barbee "under the encouragement of several other people," including National Park Service Director Roger Kennedy.

The Park Service has been bombarded with complaints since it was revealed that the modest ski lift was being upgraded with a new ski club.

The ski run is used by a ski club mainly composed of park employ-

ees and their families, and people living in the northern gateway community of Gardiner, Mont.

Concrete foundations already have been poured and several trees cut down, Karle said. About eight pylons are planned near Undine Falls, east of park headquarters at Mammoth Hot Springs. The lift would be visible from the road.

The \$60,000 in renovations would be paid for out of Mammoth elementary school recreation funds. Students at the school take ski lessons on the hill.

The lift is intended to replace an old rope tow that had become dangerous, Karle said. But the plans flabbergasted some environmentalists, who complained it was grossly inappropriate.

"There's no reason to have a ski area in Yellowstone park," Michael Scott, northern Rockies regional director of The Wilderness Society,

said earlier this week. If the old rope tow were dangerous, he said, "it should have been discarded and there should have been an environmental review."

He noted that there are two existing ski resorts — Big Sky and Bridger Bowl — near the park's north and west entrances. The closest by road, Bridger Bowl, is about 100 miles from Mammoth.

Karle said there was no environmental review of the new ski lift because the construction would not expand the size of the ski run or change its "traditional use."

She said construction of the ski lift had been on hold until the weather got colder, making the ground more stable. That hold now has been extended pending the new review.

Karle said the format, extent and timing of the review have not been decided.

Provo mayor sides with closing city's pool, links; residents upset

PROVO, Utah (AP) — Mayor George Stewart wants voters to decide if the city should close its East Bay Golf Course and Veterans Swimming Pool on Sundays, an idea he favors and many don't.

"I've had some people in the city say, 'You're crazy,' Stewart said.

East Bay Men's Association president Steve Borget calls the idea "ludicrous."

Nevertheless, Stewart appears bent on backing a November voter referendum.

"The community has to make a decision whether it wants people to work and play on Sunday," he said.

Stewart said nonessential city facilities should not be open on Sundays. The city currently is inconsistent in its operation of leisure services. The Provo City Library is closed, and the Parks and Recreation Department does not run athletic programs on Sundays.

"My personal preference is that they not be open. It's not a religious issue with me. It's a community standard issue. He said it's not his business to decide if it's not a business day, the term for laws that regulate Sunday activities.

Looking one day a week at current green fees would cripple the golf

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course as it struggles to run in the black, said East Bay golf pro Kean Ridd.

"I'm sure that there will be a large majority of people in our club that will not go for it at all," Borget said.

Dropping the course's second-busiest day of the week would cost an estimated \$51,000 annually in lost revenue. Sunday green fees, cart rental, driving range fees and concessions account for 15.5 percent of East Bay's total yearly income. Losing one day a week would put a "big crimp" in the course's move toward self-sufficiency, said Leroy Dennis, parks and recreation director.

The city put \$78,000 into East Bay this year and \$98,000 last year.

"I just think it's an asking thing to consider," said Larone Williamson, East Bay Ladies Association president.

"I sure hope they don't do it. There are more people around here than Mormons."

Trying to shut down the course on Sundays could divide the city along religious lines, pitting churchgoers against nonchurchgoers. It also could put golfers at odds with nonsporters.

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Man will stand trial for fatal auto accident

TWIN FALLS — A Hansen man accused of killing his brother-in-law in a drunken driving accident will stand trial on vehicular manslaughter charges in 5th District Court.

Kurtly Duane Huddleston, 376 Second Ave. W., Hansen, was ordered to trial in district court Friday by Magistrate R. Barry Wood.

Shortly after midnight on Oct. 23, Huddleston, 27, crashed his 1973 Dodge Challenger into a power pole on U.S. Highway 30. The accident happened near the intersection with Center Street in Kimberly, according to sheriff deputies. Huddleston is accused of being drunk when the accident happened.

His brother-in-law, Steve Jones, 33, of Filer, was riding in the car. Emergency workers had to lift the car off of Jones, according to an affidavit filed in 5th District Court.

Workers removed the steering wheel so Huddleston could get out of the car. Huddleston will be arraigned on charges of vehicular manslaughter before 5th District Judge Roger Burdick.

Man charged with beating ex-wife's boyfriend with bat

TWIN FALLS — A Twin Falls County man was arraigned Friday on charges of aggravated battery after allegedly beating his ex-wife's boyfriend with a baseball bat Dec. 29.

Ronald L. Bean, 36, is accused of beating Derek Cantrell after Bean's ex-wife, Jana, called Cantrell for help, according to a Twin Falls County sheriff deputy's affidavit.

Jana Bean said her ex-husband had come to her house on Dec. 29 and would not leave. Deputy Anthony Barnhart wrote in the affidavit filed in 5th District Court. When she called Cantrell for help, Ronald Bean went to meet Cantrell on the road between Cantrell's and Jana Bean's homes, according to Barnhart.

Ronald Bean threatened to kill Cantrell and struck him in the head with the bat, according to the affidavit. Cantrell tried to protect himself with his arms, but Bean hit him in the right forearm, the affidavit stated.

Cantrell wrestled Bean to the ground and hit Bean with his fist, according to the affidavit. He then took the bat from Bean and struck him with it, the affidavit stated.

At that point, Bean said he wanted to talk, according to Barnhart's affidavit. Cantrell suffered a large gash over his right eye and a gash to his right forearm. Bean received a small bruise above his left eye, Barnhart's stated in the affidavit.

Bean faces a Jan. 14 preliminary hearing on the charges.

Girl accuses man of using hypnosis in molest attempts

TWIN FALLS — A Murrah man was arraigned Friday on charges of molesting a girl over a period of nine years.

According to a Twin Falls County sheriff detective's court affidavit, the girl claimed Richard Allen Carl, 52, tried to use hypnosis to make her vulnerable to the abuse.

The girl said the hypnosis did not work. She remembered Carl "touching" her and having intercourse with her, according to the affidavit.

Carl was in the Twin Falls County Jail on Friday night. Bond was set at \$25,000.

He faces a Jan. 14 preliminary hearing to determine if the case will go to 5th District Court.

Trucker returns home to find \$119 long-distance phone bill

TWIN FALLS — A Twin Falls-based truck driver has complained to police that someone broke into his house and made \$119.15 in long-distance calls while he was away on business.

The 11 calls apparently went to several 1-900 service numbers, including a psychic and "personal ads" according to a copy of the man's phone bill. The bill also showed calls to Portugal, New York City and Guyana.

The calls turned up on the Nov. 28 bill and truck driver Jason Roberts reported it to police Jan. 4. In the police complaint, Roberts said his home had been broken into, but he did not say when the break-in occurred.

Compiled from staff reports

Cellular phone competition coming

By Mick Normington
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Competition in Magic Valley cellular telephone service should begin by about Jan. 17 with the introduction of United States Cellular.

U.S. Cellular is now testings its five transmission towers across the Magic Valley in preparation for starting operations. The company is also developing more towers in the Wood River Valley to start operations there in the spring.

"Basically we're going into all of south-eastern Idaho," said Jerry Blaisdell, Idaho manager for U.S. Cellular.

His company expects to start service in the Wood River Valley area in the spring to compete with U.S. West Cellular, which began operations there in December.

The Federal Communication Commission limits the number of cellular phone

companies in each area market to two, thus creating "duopolies."

U.S. Cellular will be the second cellular phone company in the Magic Valley, behind already established CommNet 2000, and in the Wood River Valley, behind established U.S. West Cellular.

U.S. Cellular is opening offices in Twin Falls, Pocatello and Idaho Falls to begin operations with 13 transmission towers in those areas, including towers in Twin Falls,

Wendell, Hazelton, Burley and atop Sweetzer Summit southeast of Malta.

The company has already begun development of its main Wood-River Valley transmission tower atop Picabo Mountain near Bellevue.

This is Chicago-based U.S. Cellular's first entrance into Idaho. The company is already in 132 other markets across the country and has financial interests in 71 additional markets.

Dog owners, county work on pet control

By Sean L. McCarthy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A special committee of the Twin Falls County Parks Department met Friday to work on an ordinance or ordinances that could control dogs and other animals in county parks.

The county has had troubles enforcing its existing animal control ordinance, said parks member Jean Turnbaugh. She chaired the six-person committee, which included three representatives from the Snake River Canyon Kennel Club of Idaho.

"Most entities have ordinances to abide by," she said. "Twin Falls County has an ordinance that is very broad-based."

'Let's make everyone a warden of the park.'

— Debbie Morton, kennel club representative

In November, the parks department had suggested a county ordinance banning dogs from parks altogether. But that suggestion was opposed quickly and loudly by dog owners who considered the ordinance too extreme.

This committee was established to find a solution to what Parks Director Durrell Heider and his employees have seen in county parks: too many uncontrolled dogs creating too much uncontrolled waste.

Enforcing uncontrolled animal waste should be no different than controlling vandals who spray paint graffiti in the parks, said kennel club representative Debbie Morton.

Concerned residents already phone the sheriff's office to report on vandalism, Morton said.

"We have to make people aware that (animal waste) is a problem, too," she said. "Let's make everyone a warden of the park."

Most in attendance agreed that some controls are necessary, but were still unsure Friday evening as to what specific areas and restrictions and penalties should be enforced.

Under state law, any person who does not keep a dog from "raining at large" may be found guilty of a misdemeanor.

Committee members are working toward enforcement of that ordinance, as well as the possible creation of a "pooper scooper" ordinance.

A second meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Jan. 21 at the County Office Building, 246 Third Ave. E.

Speaker: Teaching is still fun

Area educators get hefty dose of humor, morale

By Kirk Mitchell
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The coffee maker in the teacher's lounge makes people sick. A teacher must switch classrooms. A student pees out the window just as the superintendent walks underneath the window.

Every day, teachers have such complaints, said Dr. Zacharie J. Clements, a motivational speaker at the Fourth District Superintendents Association's Education Day. Clements offered a mixture of wit and wisdom to a standing-room only crowd of teachers in the College of Southern Idaho auditorium.

Most of them were from out of town — Twin Falls teachers were busy in their classrooms. Some 2,000 teachers from 20 school districts attended the one-day CSI conference, Jerome School District Superintendent Jim Cobble said.

America has become a land of complainers, Clements told teachers. It's not like it used to be, when immigrant pioneers crossed the sweltering plains, he said.

"Can you imagine a Mormon pioneer saying, 'Well, Louise I think I'm burning up,'" Clements said.

Everybody has a reason for why things aren't going right, he said. But it's someone or something else that is always to blame, he said.

"It's the dawning of the age of hypocrisy," he said.

Much of his talk was a series of jokes and one-liners. But at one point, he led the audience in a feel-good shouting session.

When America put a man on the moon did American schools get any credit? Clements asked.

"No," teachers in the auditorium shouted back. "Did we get any credit?" he repeated. "No," the audience shouted again.

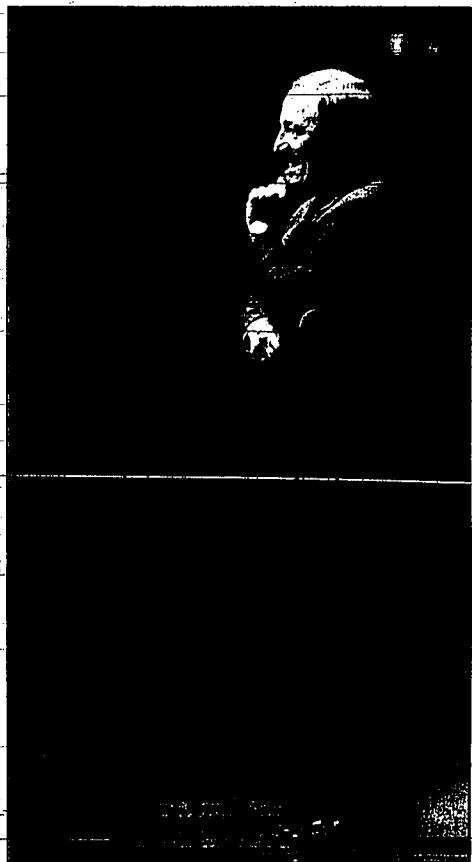
"Why do even the most dedicated teachers lose their way?" Clements said.

The Achilles heel of teachers is they're continually saying: "If only these parents would do this," or "If only they would allow me to do this," Clements said.

Teachers should go to class nine out of 10 days singing: "There is no other place on earth I'd rather be."

He said it doesn't matter that teachers must continually deal with various kinds of students: black, white, red, gifted and disabled.

"There's nothing worse than being locked in a room with kids if you don't love it," Clements said.



Guest speaker Zacharie Clements uses humor to deliver his message Friday at the Fourth District Superintendents Association Education Day.

Meeting raises issue of who pays in water conflicts

By William Brock
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Who pays the bills when surface and groundwater rights conflict?

That was a central question raised Friday over proposed new water management rules.

An advisory committee met Friday to discuss a plan to manage Idaho's surface and groundwater as a single resource. Talk was abundant, but the process is far from over, and the proposed new guidelines still lack crucial detail for sorting out different types of water rights.

A potentially explosive clause in the proposed new water rules calls for holders of old water rights to "employ reasonable means of diversion" — including drilling wells — to obtain water when surface supplies run short. No one objected to the fact that wells may be necessary, but the key question was, "Who pays?"

"It should be the junior (user's) obligation to install and pay for those wells," said John Rosholt, a prominent Twin Falls water lawyer.

Though it's not required, an informal pub-

'We must consider more than simply water consumers.'

— Richard Rigby,
Bureau of Reclamation

lic comment period for the new "conjunctive" management rules may begin next week, said R. Keith Higginson, director of Idaho's Department of Water Resources. Public comment will be accepted until Jan. 28, and the advisory committee will meet again to review those comments on Feb. 1.

After that, the proposed water rules will be revised and published in the March edition of the Idaho Administrative Bulletin. A formal public comment period will begin once the draft rules are published, Higginson said.

The new rules were released earlier this week and Friday's session was the first opportunity the 16-member committee had to discuss them.

Idaho Power Co. attorney Steve Herndon noted that, so far, the draft rules apply only when long-time surface water users lose out to more recent groundwater pumps. There are lots of other, trickier water problems that need solutions, Herndon said.

Distinctions must be made in at least two areas — the relative seniority between groundwater users and the relationship of an older groundwater claim to a more recent surface water claim.

"If we're not trying to address this question, then we're missing a big part of the issue," warned Tom Ambrose, of Wendell. "You're just substituting one lawsuit for another if you don't."

Higginson agreed, but noted that no system of rules will eliminate all confusion in water laws.

Central to the proposed new rules is a "mitigation plan" that would require junior water users to shut down — or satisfy the needs of senior users who aren't getting their full allotment. Mitigation agreements must be worked out in advance, Higginson said. The relief

must be provided as soon as a senior user's water dries up. Relief should not be extended to old water rights that have historically been dry, Higginson said.

Before qualifying for mitigation — which could take the form of money or water — senior right holders would have to show that they are not wasteful with their water.

Rosholt, whose firm represents two local canal companies, said some of his clients store unused water in upstream reservoirs as a form of insurance — and should be allowed to do so even when junior water users are being asked to shut down.

"One entity, with a full water supply, should not be making demands," countered Higginson. Water for homes and livestock is exempt from the proposed new rules, he added.

Richard Rigby, of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation office in Boise, urged the group not to allocate every drop of water in Idaho.

"We must consider more than simply water consumers," he said, adding that environmentalists will see red if the state's rivers are allowed to go dry.

BLM to boost grazing fees 12 cents per AUM in March

The Associated Press

The price to graze livestock on federal land in Idaho will increase by 12 cents per animal unit month in March, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management announced.

The BLM, in a news release Friday, said grazing fees would increase from \$1.96 per animal unit month to \$1.98 on March 1, as a result of the agency's annual fee adjustment.

"This is just a continuation of the old system, because the old system hasn't been changed yet," BLM spokesman Jay Guerin said. "This is just an annual adjustment."

Some years it goes up and some years it goes down.

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt tried unsuccessfully last year to make that double grazing fees to more than \$4 per animal unit month, the amount of forage consumed by one cow and calf, five sheep or one horse in a month.

Babbitt has said he will move administratively to implement the fee increase as part of a grazing reform package for public lands, but officials stressed the 12-cent increase is not part of that reform effort.

The increase is based on a 1966 base of \$1.23 per animal unit month, then adjusted according to changes in lease rates for private grazing land, cattle prices and the cost of livestock production.

The BLM said cattle prices and the cost of

grazing on private land increased last year, the latter by 17 percent over 1992.

"Although the cost of livestock production rose, it was not enough of an increase to offset the higher beef cattle prices and the higher private grazing land lease rates," the agency said in its news release.

The increase applies to BLM lands in Idaho and 15 other states. The agency manages 270 million acres of federal land, most of it in 11 western states and Alaska.

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Legislative majority looks to steady boat

By Bob Fick
The Associated Press

BOISE — When Idaho lawmakers convene on Monday, they open an election season Republicans believe offers them the best chance in years of recapturing the governor's office.

Even with a flush general tax fund, there appears to be little interest among the majority in any dramatic departures from the policies most believe are serving Idahoans well.

"I don't think there's a mood for any radical concepts," said Senate President Pro Tem Jerry Twigg, R-Blackfoot. "Maybe that's what we ought to do, but I don't get a feel that's going to be done."

"It's called stability," the Senate's top Republican said. "That's what a lot of people like about Idaho."

And that is just what Republicans want to sell voters in November.

The retirement of Democratic Gov. Cecil Andrus creates a political vacuum at a time when Idaho's economy is the strongest it has been in years. While many see Andrus as responsible, Republicans also played a role and can share the credit.

With cash flowing into the treasury at a pace faster than most expected just eight months ago, enough money is piling up to meet many key spending demands that GOP legislative leaders and even Andrus were worried about last spring.

State aid for public schools is at the top of that list, underscored by a looming courtroom confrontation between the state and school districts that claim there is not enough aid.

Andrus is keeping the legislative agenda for his final session under wraps until Monday's State of the State address and Wednesday's budget message. But he has indicated he will continue emphasizing education and children in finalizing the legacy of his unprecedented 13 years in office.

"The biggest thing that I can do for Idaho's fu-

ture is to provide the legislators a road map out of our education dilemma that has been created by our unwillingness in the past to recognize that these are changing times," Andrus said.

"I'm going to try to do my best to do that verbally in the State of the State and with numbers in the budget message," he said.

And with financial support for education a political hot-button, Republicans have no intention of being left behind. Both Twigg and House Speaker Michael Simpson, also of Blackfoot, say public schools can expect at least \$620 million in state aid for the 1994-1995 school year and possibly \$625 million.

The Education Coalition has asked for \$623.5 million, well above the \$528 million schools received this year.

"I think you'll see me meet the coalition request for the first time in history," Simpson declared, and school district superintendents may be on the verge of agreeing to a more equitable method of divvying up the pot.

The speaker's declaration is based on the fact that the economic expansion is likely to produce nearly \$1.25 billion in general tax receipts for the 1994-1995 budget year — about \$150 million more than will be spent in the current budget year, and there probably will be a one-time cash surplus of \$50 million on top of that.

But that kind of cash actually creates as many problems for lawmakers as straightened budget circumstances. More people have their hands out, looking to the state for financing of their pet projects.

"I've been lobbied so hard," said budget-writer Pete Black-Of-Pocetelli, the assistant-House Democratic floor leader. "It's always harder when you've got money. Everybody wants to know why you don't put it in their program."

Members of the Democratic minority are free to strike out toward new, often expensive, programs because they do not have the votes to stop them. So they are talking of property tax relief

and significant changes in the way Idahoans get their medical care.

But neither appear to be in the cards in 1994.

The national debate over health care has changed the GOP and Andrus to bid the state's time until the Clinton administration and Congress make some decisions.

And while some Republicans remained concerned about the political impact anti-tax-activist Ron Rankin may have on their gubernatorial chances in November, there appears no chance for any substantial reduction in local property taxes.

Rankin, who is running another initiative campaign to cut property taxes to 1 percent of value, has threatened to run as an independent for governor this fall if the Legislature fails to cut property taxes this winter. And some believe his candidacy could attract 10,000 otherwise Republican votes — more than enough to sink the GOP in a race as close as this year's is likely to be.

Andrus drew no support for his property-tax-reform plan a year ago because it relied on a shift of the tax burden to the state sales tax. Simpson and Twigg say there is no widespread support for a tax shift this year, and that is the only way property taxes legitimately can be reduced.

In the case of both health care and taxes, there may be some tinkering on the edges — as there is every year. And it could be somewhat socially significant if there is enough support to expand the property tax subsidy program for low-income homeowners beyond the elderly and handicapped.

But more than that, Simpson, who has been adamant that the GOP ignore Rankin on the property tax issue, continues to argue that Idaho's overall tax structure provides the kind of balance that has spurred economic expansion.

Tinkering with it, he says, could well undermine that success.

"If things are going well," he said, "why do you want to rock the boat?"

Arts group angered by fee scale for Boise's Morrison Center

BOISE (AP) — An arts group is considering a lawsuit over rental fees charged for using the Morrison Center on the Boise State University campus.

That talk came Thursday after IJA Productions of Boise learned it would be the only local group affected by an October decision by the center's board of directors. IJA first heard of the change at an informational meeting

called by Morrison Center officials.

"I'm shocked," IJA president Jack Alotto said.

"The Morrison Center board has created two classes of non-profit groups, even though the IRS recognizes only one. That's discrimination against us and our patrons."

Center director Frank Heise announced the board's decision to create

two classes of non-profit groups: presenting and performing.

Non-profit presenting groups, which promote touring shows, will pay the higher for-profit rental on all but one show per season because the ticket money leaves with the company, Heise said.

The performing groups, such as the Boise Philharmonic, will continue to

pay the lower non-profit rate.

IJA Productions is the only Boise group that fits the presenting-group category.

An angry Alotto disagreed with Heise's contention that touring groups take all the money out of Boise.

"A lot of that money stays here," he said. "And every local group hires outside talent."

Briefly

Illegal unemployment benefits charged

TWIN FALLS — A Twin Falls man has been charged with seven counts of illegally trying to collect unemployment benefits.

A criminal complaint in 5th District Court claims that Lawrence Rawson, 58, tried to collect \$1,918 in unemployment benefits even though he was working.

The complaint alleges Rawson submitted claims from April 18, 1992, through July 11. Each claim was for \$274, according to the complaint.

The complaint did not state where Rawson worked while trying to draw the unemployment benefits.

Rawson's home address was listed at 1519 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls — the Pioneer Club tavern.

Reached by telephone Friday night at the Pioneer Club, Rawson declined to comment.

"I haven't been to court yet. I haven't got nothing to say," he said.

No bias evidence in case, judge rules

HAILEY — A 5th District judge has ruled there's no evidence that a Hispanic faces a race charge just because of his race.

Fidel Cintora, 26, a ranch hand, is charged with statutory rape involving a 14-year-old girl. His court-appointed attorney, Kathleen Rivers, asked the court to dismiss charges against Cintora and another defendant because of alleged selective and discriminatory prosecution.

In a statement filed with the court, Rivers noted that in both cases, the alleged victims considered themselves the girlfriends of the defendants and the relationships were consensual.

She cited a similar case involving a non-Hispanic defendant in which charges were reduced to misdemeanor battery.

In a written ruling, District Judge James J. May said there was no showing of bias. He said there was only speculation that Cintora was singled out for prosecution because of his race.

Parks commission will meet Monday

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the County Office Building at 246 3rd Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Park officials will discuss whether or not to charge people for the use of County Parks. They will also report on the county's five parks as well as a waterway grant on Centennial Waterfront Park and a R.V. grant on Balanced Rock Park.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

State lawmakers anxious to act on health care, but wary of Washington

By Mark Warble
The Associated Press

BOISE — The emphasis will be on flexibility as Idaho lawmakers, wary of evolving federal plans and anxious to develop a program tailored to the state's needs, consider health-care legislation in 1994.

"We will make some changes, but they won't be such an overhaul as some states have invested in," Senate Health and Welfare Committee Chairman Sheila Sorenson said. "We'll be very careful not to do too much too soon."

Democratic Gov. Cecil Andrus agrees with the Boise Republican and other legislative leaders that Idaho should avoid rushing into health-care reform. He said any changes should be minor until Congress acts.

"We're going to resist that urge to run out with our own proposal before we see what the feds are going to do," Andrus said. "It's so fluid right now. The thing I'm fearful of is that they will add up the numbers and say, 'Oh, gee whiz, that's expensive,' and then some of those congressmen will decide to just mandate that the states do it."

Sorenson's committee is expected to get a package of bills early in the session from a coalition of health-care provider, insurance and industry groups. The proposals include forming a task force to draft a state health-care plan based in part on national reform efforts, and another panel to set priorities for health services for the poor.

Both would report to an interim committee of lawmakers that would recommend action to the Legislature in 1995.

"Time's a-wasting," said House Health and Welfare Committee Chairman Dorothy Reynolds, R-Caldwell, who has worked with the Private-Sector Health-Care Reform Group.

"We've got to have our Idaho plan in place to present to the Legislature a year from now; and this is a way of avoiding conflict with the federal plan."

The coalition includes the Idaho Medical Association, Idaho Hospital Association, Idaho Health Care Association, Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry, and Blue Cross and Blue Shield.

Bob Seehusen, executive director of the Idaho Medical Association, said its legislation stresses private sector solutions as Idaho prepares for national health-care reform.

"As the feds come down and have a look at what we're doing, they'll tighten up. We'll have the Democratic Floor Leader, Mary McPherson, in place to deal with Lou Reed of Coeur d'Alene, those bureaucratic requirements. Working on something that is But we're still hoping for some Idaho-specific things that are very major flexibility," he said. "Our important."

group wants to try to minimize government involvement."

Reynolds said the main proposal calls for creating a task force of health-care providers, consumers, legislators and others to evaluate Idaho's needs and ways to keep costs down. Public hearings would be held before the plan is submitted to an interim legislative committee.

A separate panel, composed primarily of health-care providers, would study programs in states like Oregon and assess conditions unique to Idaho in determining which health services for Medicaid recipients are essential, desirable or optional.

The list would seek to reduce costs by focusing Medicaid dollars where they are needed most. The panel would remain in place to periodically reevaluate the priorities, Reynolds said.

Seehusen said his coalition also may propose legislation on a private sector "resource allocation" approach to helping health-care providers cope with the rising cost of new medical technology.

Sorenson expects proposals addressing concerns about health-care costs pushed up by duplication of services in a community. Legislators may examine guidelines for financing health-care facilities, and maybe even a revised version of the "certificate of need" program that was repealed in mid-1980s.

Also possible:

- A challenge to the state Department of Insurance's new program for expanding accessibility to health coverage.
- An attempt to provide \$4.5 million from the cash surplus for counties to pay for their poorest residents' catastrophic health-care costs. Andrus has opposed the funding until lawmakers pay for broader health coverage for uninsured Idahoans who are not poor enough to qualify for Medicaid or other assistance.

Legislation allowing patients to assign their insurance benefits to a hospital or other health-care provider.

Blue Shield has stopped making direct payments to Idaho hospitals that refused to accept its cost-containment plan. Hospitals claim pursuing payments from patients only increases costs.

Leaders of the Democratic minority hope to craft a state health-care plan to ensure Idaho's needs are met before the federal government has a chance to impose mandates.

There is some real impact to prepare for national health-care reform, come up with a state plan, and then we'll see what happens."

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Services

Pauline Keller Hall, of Burley, 11 a.m.-today-Joseph Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St. in Burley.

Rayan J. "Boe" Ellsworth, of Boise and formerly of Twin Falls, memorial service, 1 p.m. today, Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Amy Henrietta Hack, of Buhl, 2 p.m. today, Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Benny Mazie Whitesell, of Ceres, Calif., and formerly of Jerome, friends and family gather from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday at Heritage Homes Recreation Room, 100 N. Fillmore in Jerome.

Vern Harold McClellan, of Hagerman, 2 p.m. today, Hagerman LDS Chapel, (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Helen Leora Haight Gehrke, of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. Friday, Twin Falls LDS 6th Ward Chapel, 667 Harrison St. (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Mary Rose Ballard, of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 6, 1994, at the Utah Valley Hospital in Provo, Utah.

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Death notices

JESSIE — Jessie Salladay, 84, of Tschick, Calif., and formerly of Jerome, died Thursday, Jan. 6, 1994, at her daughter's home in Tschick. Arrangements are pending and will be announced at a later date.

MARY — Mary Rose Ballard, of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 6, 1994, at the Utah Valley Hospital in Provo, Utah. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Hospital

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Released

Admitted: Hazel Sovil of Twin Falls; Suzanne Lesterberry of Wendell; and James Reynolds of Buhl.

Tamara Hart of Paul; Norma Lloyd of Jerome; Glen Taylor of Wendell; and Phyllis Wedvig of Buhl.

Obituaries

Anna M. Fries

TWIN FALLS — Anna Marie Fries, 83, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, Jan. 6, 1994, at the Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital.

She was born Feb. 17, 1910, in Lind, Wash., the daughter of Emmanuel and Dorothy Pfugard Schrenk. At 18 months of age, she moved with her family to American Falls where they lived for two years. They then moved to a homestead in Cottler, Idaho, and when she was 9, they moved to Declo. She attended schools in Declo. On Feb. 24, 1933, she married John Virgil (J.V.) Fries in Rupert. They lived for one year in Albion until moving back to Declo where they worked for J.R. Simplot until 1944. They then moved to Buhl where they farmed until J.V. died in June of 1973.

Mrs. Fries was a member of the Assembly of God Church in Buhl.

Survivors include two sons, Kenneth D. Fries of Buhl and William G. Fries of Blackfoot; one daughter, Donna M. Peterson of Alton, Wyo.; 12 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; one brother, Earl Schrenk of Wendell; and three sisters, Phyllis Jean of San Francisco, Calif.; Frances McPherson of Pocatello; and Ruby Huff of Paul. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and six brothers.

A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Anna K. Block

JEROME — Anna Katherine Block, 84, of Jerome, died Thursday, Jan. 6, 1994, at St. Benedict's LTCU in Jerome.

She was born Feb. 10, 1909, in Billings, Mont., the daughter of Solomon and Doretha Roth Kobler. Anna moved to Idaho in early 1930. She met Sam Block in Eden and they were married on Dec. 4, 1930, in Eden. They began farming in Eden and moved to Jerome in 1944, where they continued farming. They retired in 1973, and Sam preceded her in death in 1989.

Anna was a lifelong member of the Lutheran Church. She dearly loved her church and church activities.

Surviving are two sons: Howard of Hillsboro, Ore., and Mark of Jerome and their spouses; three brothers: John of Jerome; Reinhold of Billings and Davis of San Diego; four grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and many dear friends. She was preceded in death by 11 brothers and sisters.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Jerome, with the Rev. Baldwin Carlin officiating. Interment will follow at the Jerome Cemetery. Services are under the direction of the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome. No viewing is planned.

The family suggests memorials be made to St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Anna's name.

Richard N. Ricketts

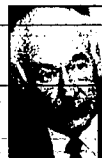
TWIN FALLS — Richard Noel Ricketts, 60, of Bandon, Ore., and formerly of Twin Falls, died Thursday, Jan. 6, 1994, in Coos Bay, Ore., of cancer.

He was born Nov. 28, 1933, in Parsons, Kan. Mr. Ricketts moved to Bandon from Hood River, Ore., 1 1/2 years ago. He married his wife, Nancy, on April 18, 1961, in Parsons. Since he moved to Bandon, he's been the sales manager for Bandon Ford, during that time and all the years he has been in car sales, he has won many awards for his excellence in the many areas of the business.

Survivors include his mother, Grace Ricketts of Erie, Kan.; his wife, Nancy (Grogan) Ricketts of Bandon; a son, Neil D. Ricketts of Twin Falls; two daughters: Dianne L. Brodigan of Taubert, Ore., and Pamela Glidewell of Las Vegas, Nev.; a brother, Sam Ricketts of Nachesa, Kan.; three grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

A private cremation service was held. Arrangements are under the direction of the Bay Area Mortuary in Coos Bay.

Those who wish may donate to the Habitat to Humanity in his memory at 1200 Thompson Road, Coos Bay OR 97420.



Andrus

Andrus, who has kept a lid on the specifics of his plans for health care during the legislative session that starts Monday, said the savings were augmented by doctors paying much closer attention to Medicaid patients.

Hospital stays are shorter, use of some medical procedures has been reduced, assigning primary-care physicians to coordinate care for Medicaid patients is eliminating duplicated services and specialists are routinely checking for referrals for primary care physicians.

Health and Welfare officials also said the expansion of the Medicaid caseload has slowed from the projected 800 new clients a month to 450.

"Each of these factors shows that we are more effectively managing Medicaid services, and that consumers and providers have joined us in looking for ways to cut the waste out of the system," Andrus said.

Instead of spending the \$103 million on Medicaid that was available in the previous months ago, the state's bill this budget year will only be \$97 million.

And the bill for the next year may be held at around \$111 million rather than the \$120 million projected several months ago.

Andrus said at least some of the savings from the program he initiated over staunch legislative objections last winter will be used to enhance the state aid package for education that he predicts could blunt the pending lawsuit by school districts claiming the state does not provide enough cash.

But the cash freed-up in the Medicaid program also gives the Democratic governor leverage over the Republican legislative majority to their running feud over additional spending on health care for the poor.

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When legends die

Historians discount fabled Almo massacre of 300-plus emigrants

By Bob Mims
The Associated Press

Since 1938, a stone monument in the southern Idaho village of Almo has borne witness to the "horrible Indian massacre" of nearly 300 settlers at that spot along the Old West's California Trail.

The story itself has lived much longer, as oral history - enduring tales of a doomed 1861 wagon train of men, women and children, and of their bloody scalps hanging from manes and bridles of ponies ridden by jubilant Shoshone-Bannock warriors.

But the days of the legend and its 6-foot marker carved in the shape of a white horse have been numbered. Several prominent historians now agree that the Almo Massacre has less substance than the smoke from a pioneer campfire.

"There is some opposition from people in Almo. They've had it for 55 years, that monument, and they've believed in it," says Brigham D. Madsen, a retired University of Utah historian whose 40 years of research led him to conclude the massacre story was a fable.

"Myths die hard," he said. "It will take a while to educate the people there. ... Perhaps they will come to the conclusion to do something about this embarrassment."

In an article published in the latest Idaho State Historical Society quarterly journal "Idaho Yesterdays," Madsen notes that no date, other than 1861, has ever been assigned to the massacre, and that it went unreported in any newspapers that year or in War Department or Indian agents' reports.

Edwin C. Bearss, chief historian for the National Park Service in Washington, defends both Madsen's scholarship and conclusion that the Almo Massacre never occurred.

Had it happened, the carnage at Almo would have been second only to the 500 lives lost to an 1813 attack on Fort Mims, Ala., for the worst Indian massacre of the 19th century, Bearss said.

"It would not have gone unreported. Something of that magnitude? No way," he said. "It would have been in the nearest press out there, in Salt Lake City, and picked up in California and the Eastern press as well."

Indeed, the first written mention of the Almo Massacre Madsen could discover was Charles S. Walcott's 1927 reminiscences.

The Idahoan recalled an 1875 visit to the site with "an old trapper who gave us a detailed account of the tragedy."

Walcott also included second-hand accounts, purportedly 50 years old at the time, of victorious Indians riding through Brigham, Utah, proudly displaying fresh scalps.

Madsen suggests the massacre story got its strongest push in the 1930s, when local newspaper editors used it to hype the nearby City of Rocks geological site - now a national reserve - as a tourist attraction and to campaign for an ill-fated irrigation proposal.

Merle Wells, a staff historian for the Idaho State Historical Society, said his own research supports Madsen's findings. But he is more concerned with what he describes as a "somewhat awkward situation" involving the monument in Almo, a close-knit community of less than 300 near the Utah-Idaho border.

"We're trying to work out a quiet way to handle this without having another Almo Massacre now," Wells said. "What we need is to have people working together."

Wells is trying to unclutter the wagon, or something. Almo resident Kathleen Durfee, for one, is not ready to relegate to the realm of fiction the stories told by great-grandparents who settled in the area in 1878.

"The story has been handed down for so long," she said. "I believe it is important to the people of Almo. A lot of them are fourth, fifth-generation people who live here and they've heard and told the stories about the massacre for years."

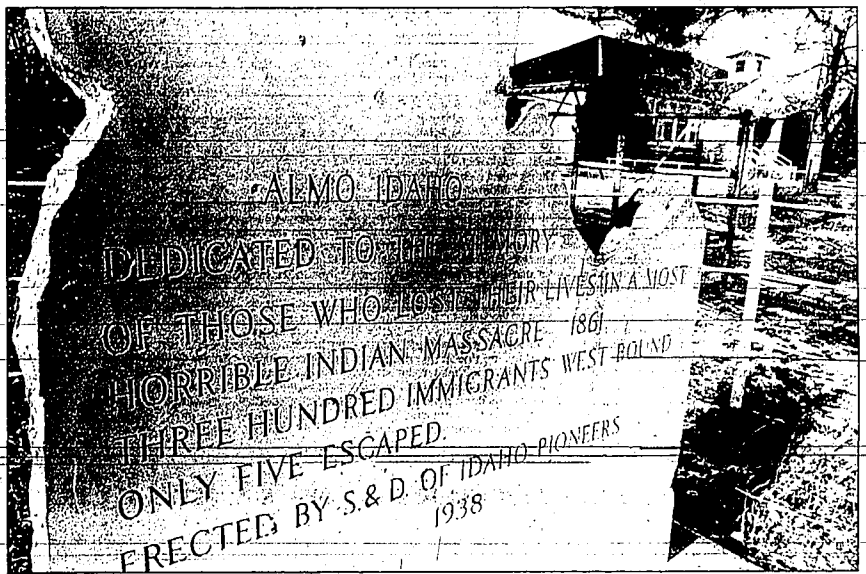
"It's part of your history, part of what you are," Durfee said.

Bill Jones, a retired Almo school teacher, remembers the tale as an accepted part of local history taught to his students.

"When you grow up and people just tell you this, you believe in it. It's kind of like Santa Claus, and now you wonder if it did happen," he said. "If this thing never did happen, it ought to be changed or something."

Keith Tinno, chairman of the Fort Hall Indian Reservation's Shoshone-Bannock Tribe, heartily agrees. He sees the monument to the mythical massacre as an affront to his people's honor and history.

"We always questioned that," Tinno said, noting that tribal traditions mentioned nothing like the Almo Massacre. "We questioned that our ancestors ever had done



A monument to the legendary Indian massacre was erected in Almo in 1938. Many residents want it to remain.

Apologies asked, received for a die-hard myth

The Associated Press

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monument was put up, if it is going to hurt the Shoshone Indians."

"We're all Americans. An Indian is a true American, if there ever was one, because they were here before we were." Della Mullinix, president of the Sons & Daughters of Idaho-Pioneers, whose group erected the Almo Massacre monument in 1938.

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of apology saying we were accused of something we didn't do."

As for the monument itself, Tinno would be satisfied with

Madsen's suggestion: replacing its bronze plaque with one honoring Pocotello, a prominent chief of the last century whose name was adopt-

ed by a southeastern Idaho city. Della Mullinix, president of the Sons & Daughters of Idaho Pioneers, admits that rededicating her group's marker as a monument to Pocotello's memory "would be pretty hard for us to swallow."

"Like many in her 42-member organization, the 82-year-old Boise woman's roots reach deep into the land."

"My grandfather came here in 1875, my father was born here in 1880, and I was born here in 1911."

We love the West," Mullinix said.

The apology Tinno seeks is readily given, however.

"You tell him that Mrs. Mullinix, the daughter of pioneers, apologizes," she said. "I'm sorry that the monument was put up. It's going to hurt the Shoshone Indians."

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Briefly in Mini-Cassia

Fire destroys garage, damages trailer

BURLEY - Fire destroyed part of a horse trailer and a garage belonging to Shelly Moore about 10 a.m. Friday, causing \$4500 damage at 400 South and 20 West.

Neighbors with garden hoses helped six firefighters from North Cassia Rural Fire District douse the flames, Burley District Firefighter Dennis Bunn said.

Bunn said an extension cord from the trailer to the garage shorted out and sparked flames in some straw that was lying on the ground.

The fire caused about \$3,000 damage to the horse trailer and \$1,500 to the garage, Bunn said.

Judge delays sentencing for rapist

BURLEY - A judge Friday postponed the sentencing of a man found guilty of rape because the man was not prepared to defend himself. Gilbert Chapa, 42, was found guilty last month for raping a Burley woman. Chapa's defense attorney, Dave Haley, said Chapa had become despondent after the conviction and only recently was encouraged by friends and family to cooperate to plead for a lesser sentence.

Fifth District Court Judge Roger Burdick set a new sentencing date for Jan. 25.

Compiled from wire reports

Mini-Cassia hospitals

CASSIA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Admitted

Albert Christensen, Jared Hale and Richard Solomon, all of Burley; Leonard Hall of Malta; and Eugenio Naranjo of Heyburn.

Released

Orenia Burgess, Albert Christensen, Augustine Denaughel, Martin Funk, Ruth Garrard, Kimberly Hamilton, Mark Saxton and Trinity Zollinger, all of Burley; Robert Nessen and Dale Petersen, both of Rupert; and James Gordon of Oakley.

MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Admitted

Gene Schaffer of Rupert.

Released

Janice LaFrance and Socorro Delacruz, both of Rupert; and Chyanne Simer of Paul.

School board considered firing Minico principal two years ago, parent says

By Liz Wright
Times-News writer

RUPERT - A parent says a Minidoka County School Board member told her two years ago that the school district planned to remove Steve Hubsmith as Minico High School principal.

The Minidoka County School Board last week sent Hubsmith a letter, saying that he would not be a successful principal. Hubsmith said he was not fired, but he declined to say why the school board no longer wants him after eight years.

But Margaret Seedall of Rupert

said Friday that the board has considered removing Hubsmith as early as two years ago.

Early in 1992 School Board member Russell Holland telephoned her to refute a letter she had written to The Times-News. She had written that she was upset that the school district had not chosen her son to be Hubsmith's assistant principal.

Holland told her son was not picked because he wasn't qualified to take over when Hubsmith was removed.

"His exact words were, 'We're getting rid of Hubsmith,'" Seedall said.

In an interview Friday, Holland denied he said that.

"I talked to her, but I don't ever remember saying that Steve was going to be gone at that time," Holland said.

Holland said that three years ago the School Board started talking about trying to improve the goals for the high school. Hubsmith was not meeting some of those goals, he said. But he would not elaborate.

Holland said the school district will not fire Hubsmith, but is likely to transfer him to another position within the district.

Wednesday about 200 students

protested Hubsmith's removal with a sit-in in the hallway. That evening, about 75 students held signs and huddled outside a closed-session school board meeting.

Senior Class President Chris Garner said the protests have wanted out of respect for Hubsmith's wishes - save a few sign-carriers at a high school basketball game Thursday night. But they will start again when the school board's approaches its final decision in February.

"I'd kind of like to know what's considered a good (principal) and what's considered bad," Garner said. Hubsmith declined to comment.

Defense wants murder trial moved

By Liz Wright
Times-News writer

RUPERT - Defense lawyers have asked a judge to relocate the murder trial of 16-year-old Jeremy Harris to a county outside the Magic Valley, saying media coverage of the crime has prejudiced prospective jurors in Minidoka County.

Doug Whipple, one of Harris' public defense attorneys, told a judge Friday that he collected 29 news stories from local newspapers in the county that report or simply refer to the murder and Harris.

"Just continual exposure is enough" to taint the jury selection, Whipple said. He also said the details of the murder are prejudicial.

Harris has pleaded innocent in the shooting death of Brenda Thueson, 13, of Rupert. Police found Thueson with a gunshot wound to the head at her home last July 31.

Harris will be tried as an adult for first degree murder. He is being held in solitary confinement at Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center on a \$200,000 bond.

Minidoka prosecutor Gara Newman argued that the trial is not scheduled until March and asked the courts to wait and see if media reports wane before deciding to change the trial venue.

"I don't think the court has enough information at this point," Newman said.

TV moose dies from poor diet

FULLMAN, Wash. (AP) - Morty, the moose who ambled to fame in the opening credits of the CBS-TV series "Northern Exposure," has died of an illness linked to a mineral deficiency.

The 1,000-pound television star was the subject of behavior and nutrition studies headed by Charles Robbins, a Washington State University professor of natural resource sciences.

Robbins said Friday that researchers found that a cobalt and copper deficiency in the diets of Morty and Minnie, another research moose, led to their deaths. The problem was discovered after Minnie's death last week.

but by then, it was too late to save Morty, Robbins said.

Morty died Thursday.

"He rallied and we thought we had him on the way back, but it was just too late," Robbins said. "I lost a friend."

Morty, who also had a cameo appearance on a Northwest bank's television commercials last spring, was brought from Alaska as an orphan, yearling about five years ago.

A third moose, named Millie, is responding to treatments and her health appears to be improving, Robbins said.

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Religion

Outrageous predictions for 1994

It's time for me to make predictions regarding the course of religious events in 1994, and you will be surprised to find that some of these will not be controversial.

First, let me say that these predictions come out of my own humanity which, you will agree, is not perfect in any way. What can I say? I might be wrong, but here goes, anyway.

First, I predict that Pope John Paul II will make a surprising recovery from his recent health difficulties and will go skiing outside of Denver, where he will discover that the U.S. Catholic Church is really a pretty good institution that gives a lot of money to the Vatican.



Clark Morphey
Faith today

He will then ride a snowmobile down to Denver, where he will hold a press conference to apologize for all the critical things he said about America last summer during World Youth Day. He then will go to a local brewery and order a mug of Pilsener beer and a burger, with cheese.

Remember when a group of Muslims tore down a Hindu temple in India with their bare hands last year? Or was it the other way around? Anyway, I predict that a United Methodist congregation in Cleveland will tear down a Presbyterian megachurch, using only candle-lighting devices.

This violent act will come in retaliation for the years of extraordinary growth that Presbyterians have experienced at great cost to the United Methodist congregation, whose membership will be down to 13. The act will happen during the summer, and it will take the Presbyterians three weeks to discover the dastardly deed.

I predict that Richard Gere, a movie star and a well-known Buddhist, will become the next Dalai Lama. He will immediately appoint his wife, model Cindy Crawford, to the post of the Chief Rinpoché, which translated into English means the Chief Precious One.

Gere will become widely known as His Holiness, the Dalai Lama, and his followers will immediately begin calling him, the Wish-Fulfilling Gem, the Protector of the Snows and the God-King of all Buddhists.

The current Dalai Lama, deposed from his throne, will become a character actor in Hollywood and will appear as sidekick to cowboy actor Kevin Costner, who will star in a new film called "The Many Loves of the Lone Ranger."

I predict that another Parliament of World Religions will be held, and religious leaders from all over the world will attend. But the weeklong meeting will disintegrate when an enraged Sikh pulls out his ceremonial dagger and shreds the robes of a Buddhist monk.

This is in retaliation for the Buddhist monk's early-morning prank of practicing his 10-foot-long ceremonial horn, which awakens sleeping religious leaders all over the hotel.

"He had it coming," the Sikh will say, unceremoniously.

Finally, I predict that Lutherans will reverse their stand on human sexuality and declare that all sex is sinful, whether heterosexual or homosexual, married or single. Church leaders will acknowledge that this no-sex rule will be difficult to enforce, but the Lutherans will say that they have had a blue-ribbon committee working on prevention programs.

Contrary to the noisy reaction church members made after the denomination issued a first draft of a statement on human sexuality, no members of the church will protest. Church leaders will be amazed at attendance at worship skyrockets, giving goes through the roof and good works abound all over the church.

These predictions may seem peculiar to you, even bizarre. But who could have predicted the religious happenings of 1993?

If you want to look at incredible news, you need go no further than the religious news stories of this past year. So, don't scoff. Some of this stuff could happen. The world of religion is getting stranger every year. And I love it.

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Christianity, college can mix, students say

By Denise Turner
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Russell Leavitt chose a church-affiliated college; Tamara Tanaka didn't. Both of them say they have never felt tempted to compromise their religious beliefs.

Leavitt and Tanaka are two among many Christian young people who waved goodbye to home and health and entered a world where parties, mixers and dream dates are a primary focus. All of this, say many campus ministers, represents a powerful test of moral and religious values.

"I'm the external social chair for my (dormitory) hall, so I help plan activities with fraternities," said 19-year-old Tanaka, who attends the University of Idaho. "The party scene is no problem for me because I'm always the designated driver."

She added, "No one tries to force me to drink because I'm the one who's going to get them home."

Tanaka and her family attend the First United Methodist Church of Twin Falls. Tanaka was brought up as a Christian, she said, and her basic beliefs remain strong.

"But attending church is a lot harder at school," she noted. "There are a couple of girls in my hall who go regularly, but that's really rare, especially for freshmen, who



Leavitt



Tanaka



Fiske



Beale

are right out of home and pretty wild — church never crosses their minds."

As a Mormon at Ricks College, Leavitt, now 22, found it easier to attend religious programs.

"The school is 90 percent LDS," said Leavitt, who plans to continue his education at Idaho State University. "We had church-related programs going on every day on campus."

He also had rules. "There are a lot of little rules at a church-related school," said Leavitt, who had served a two-year mission before college. "You have dress codes and morality codes and, when you are 21 or 22, having curfew hours can be an inconvenience."

But Leavitt said he never felt unduly confined. He never felt tempted to compromise his standards either.

"Even in high school, I was offered alcohol and drugs," said Leavitt, who graduated from Centennial High School in Meridian before his family moved to Twin Falls. "I made the decision early never to participate, and I've never felt any real pressure."

Most of the students who are vulnerable to compromising their religious values are those who don't arrive at school with an "inner code" to guide them, explained the Rev. Charles Kelly, campus minister at the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va.

"They become victimized by pushes and pulls from within and without," he said in a recent wire story for the Newport News Daily Press.

To stay grounded, Kelly advises students to surround themselves with a support system — a religious group or a circle of trusted friends who will keep them accountable for their actions.

Andrew Fiske, a 1993 Twin Falls High School graduate and member of St. Edward's Catholic Church, is a biology/pre-med major at the University of Portland. Recently, he enrolled in a guitar ensemble class under an instructor who helps plan music for church Masses. He's hoping to be invited to play guitar for Mass.

"When you are younger, church is boring and your parents just drag you along, but when you are older and your friends are there, it's a lot more fun," said Fiske, 18. "This may sound funny, but, when I'm away at school, I really miss Catechism class."

It's hard to be a Christian at college, Fiske said.

"In the science field, there are people who don't believe in God," he said, "and sometimes you wonder if what you are learning is actually true."

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Health care, religious freedom clash

Is faith enough?

By Fred Bayles
The Associated Press

For Douglass Lundman, the absolutes of religious freedom faded when he learned his son was dead.

Lundman's lingering death was all the more painful for his father because it could have been prevented. The 11-year-old's diabetes went undetected because of his mother's belief in Christian Science, which rejects medical science in favor of prayer.

Raised as a Christian Scientist himself, Lundman said his parents die early for their beliefs. He accepted their choice: But he saw the 1989 death of his son in a different light. Lundman sued the church and his ex-wife, winning \$14.2 million.

"I still believe adults should be able to make such decisions for themselves," he said. "But I don't see that the issue of health care for children brings into question anyone's religious freedom. Children's lives need to be protected."

A growing knot of children's advocates, prosecutors, legislators and physicians agree with Lundman. Driven by a number of high profile cases, they are working to eliminate state laws that allow denial of medical care to children for religious reasons.

Recently, Massachusetts lawmakers voted to join Hawaii and South Dakota in removing such religious exemptions from its laws; there have been similar attempts in Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Maryland, Delaware and Kentucky.

"There's a growing awareness about the whole issue," said Patricia Tsch, director of the National Center for Prosecution of Child Abuse, a wing of the National District Attorney's Association. "People see more and more of these cases where, for children, these exemptions become a life and death issue."

But officials with The First Church of Christ, Scientist say a test of their religion is under attack. Without exemptions, they say, they will no longer be able to choose a way of caring for their children that is central to their beliefs.

"It's a question of who makes the



AP photo

Victor Westberg, spokesman for the First Church of Christ, Scientist, poses in the Boston church's maparium room. In November, Massachusetts lawmakers joined several other states in removing religious exemptions from laws that allow denial of medical care to children for religious reasons.

decision," said Victor Westberg, a church spokesman. "Does the state know better than the parents about their children? Parents make choices everyday for their children and parents should be allowed to make these decisions for their children."

The issue of spiritual healing came to the forefront this summer when a Minneapolis jury found for Lundman in his wrongful death suit.

The Christian Science church was ordered to pay \$9 million in punitive damages; Lundman's ex-wife, her new husband and the church were also assessed \$5.2 million for compensatory damages.

The verdict is being appealed. "It was the first successful civil verdict against the church, which believes 'scientific prayer' is the sole way to treat illness."

There are scores of smaller sects that choose prayer over medical treatment. Jehovah's Witnesses

eschew blood transfusion. But Christian Scientists are the largest and most pervasive lobby.

Some 40 private insurers cover treatment by Christian Science practitioners and nurses; last year Medicare paid some \$7.4 million to Christian Science nursing homes, though that money was paid for general care, not for healing.

Christian Science describes God as the source of all real being, so that nothing except what He has created — not death, disease or sin — can ultimately be real. Believers cite scripture as evidence that a true understanding of God heals sickness as well as sin.

"Scientific prayer is diametrically opposed to medical treatment," Westberg said. "That's the reason we seek exemptions from state law, so we can freely practice our religion."

But the deaths of at least seven

children in the past decade, and resulting charges against their parents, have brought that practice under scrutiny.

Christian Science advocates who pushed for such exemptions were aided by a vaguely worded 1974 federal child abuse statute that many states thought required such clauses.

Those on the frontlines of child abuse oppose the exemptions, including the American Medical Association, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the district attorney's association and various child advocacy groups.

They argue that if everyone were subject to child welfare laws, parents wouldn't be torn between their faith and their children's lives.

"I honestly feel we are acting in the best interest of these parents," said Rita Swan, a former Christian Scientist who has lobbied against the exemptions since the 1977 death of

her son. "If the laws were straightforward and simply said you have to get medical care for a child, I think that would be a tremendous relief to them."

While federal statute allows parents to choose spiritual healing, it also gives state officials the right to intercede on behalf of the child.

Some former church members have spoken out. When Suzanne Shepard's daughter went into a coma from a ruptured appendix, the one-time Christian Science practitioner rushed her to a St. Louis emergency room. There she was confronted by church members who urged Shepard to take her daughter home. She was told there would be no prayers for the 6-year-old child.

"The Christian Science practitioner said it would be better if she died because she had not relied totally on God," said Shepard, whose daughter survived.

And now for the religious razzberry awards...

By Tom Schaefer
Knight-Ridder News Service

The countdown to the end of a century is under way. Religious folks in particular are searching their scriptures for signs that, with the approaching millennium, the end of the world must be at hand. (Is it six or seven years until a new millennium begins? I never can get that straight, and a certainty, I don't want to miss any apocalyptic fireworks.)

So, before you sell everything and sit on some hill to await who knows what, let's take a minute to remember some of the bizarre events of 1993. And to give proper, uh, credit, I will bestow my coveted Religious Razzberry Award on these deserving ones.

In keeping with this 5-year-old tradition, I'm asking recipients to wait until all the winners have been

announced before standing to be recognized.

"I Didn't Know the Crusades Detoured Through Alabama" Award. Based on its survey of personal beliefs, the Southern Baptists Home Mission Board decided that 46 percent of people in Alabama are in big trouble with the Almighty — unless, of course, they become Southern Baptists. (Well, that's one way to keep a church bureaucracy in business.)

"Where Two or Three Scholars Are Gathered Together, There Will Never Be Agreement" Award. A group of 70 scholars, who for eight years studied two centuries worth of critical biblical scholarship, finally issued its findings in a book titled "The Five Gospels: The Search for the Authentic Words of Jesus." Not surprisingly, they decided that at least 80 percent of the sayings attributed to Jesus in the Gospels were not spoken by him. The group, called

the Jesus Seminar, included the Gospel of Thomas in deciding which sayings were legitimate — even though it is of later origin than the New Testament Gospels and not historical in form. But who are we to criticize such peerless scholarship?

"Didn't You Learn Anything From the Presbyterians and the Episcopians?" Award. A committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America not only issued a controversial report on human sexuality but released the report to the press before sending it to its own ministers. Does the word "firstborn" seem to fit in this context?

"If God Wanted Us to Walk, He Wouldn't Have Given Us Chevy's" Award. In opposing gun control legislation, Larry Pratt, executive director of Gun Owners of America, used the Bible — sort of — to defend his position. "Consider that when Cain killed Abel, God did not ban (or register or impose a waiting period on) the ownership

of whatever it was that Cain used to kill his brother," he said in an Associated Press account. (When you get right down to it, the "mark of Cain" was actually a type of registration.)

"You Say Jehovah, I Say Subpoena" Award. In yet one more case that tries to draw the line separating church and state, a federal appeals court ruled that the 80-year-old seal for the town of Zion, Ill., which included a cross and the words "God Reigns" was unconstitutional. Forced to come up with a new seal, the City Council authorized a design featuring the town's historic hotel, superimposed on an American flag along with the words, "Historic Past, Dynamic Future." The council then slipped the words "In God We Trust" onto the seal, and a national spokesman for American Atheists immediately vowed to appeal the attempt to add religious words to the seal. (And the church-state best goes on.)

Religion

Despite churches, executions and public support increase

By George W. Cornell
The Associated Press

NEW YORK—Most of the nation's larger religious institutions oppose the death penalty, but most Americans support it. And they do so by a strong, growing majority as the pace of executions increases.

The issue hit close to home on Thursday, when confessed double murderer Keith Eugene Wells was executed in Boise, becoming the first person to be executed in Idaho since 1957. It happened even though capital punishment critics staged vigils and a number of church leaders condemned the execution.

On the subject of execution, there's a big gap between positions of religious bodies and attitudes of members, even though people say in polls they highly respect religious leaders. "It's ironic, but not unusual," said Dean Kelley, church-state specialist for the

National Council of Churches. "There's a great deal of alibiage between what churches teach and what members think." The rank-and-file often aren't aware their views conflict with denominational positions, he said in an interview. Yet whatever the denomination, he said its teachings often are not matched in people's stances.

It's the common, old rift between pronouncement and practice, now accentuated in capital punishment. Also involved is another odd combination: As executions increase, moving toward a record this year, so do murders. So does public support for executions.

Gallup surveys indicate that 76 percent of Americans now favor the death penalty, a level of support that has risen steeply—from 49 percent in 1956 and 42 percent in 1966. Only one large denomination, the conservative Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, has formally declared support for

capital punishment, terming it "in accord with Holy Scriptures." But executions are condemned by the larger Lutheran body, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, along with other major denominations—Roman Catholicism, United Methodist, Episcopal and Presbyterian (U.S.A.) churches.

Other large bodies, American Baptists, United Church of Christ and Christian Church (Disciples) also oppose capital punishment, as do all major Jewish branches and the Protestant-Orthodox National Council.

It says executions add to "brutalization of society," downgrade the "divine worth of life," sometimes kill the innocent, are not shown to deter crime and frustrate seeking redemption of wrongdoers.

However, Mormons and the largest Protestant body, Southern Baptists, have not taken a definite position on the death penalty.

But shift toward support is indicated by

Southern Baptists' new conservative leadership.

In 1983, Southern Baptist leaders withdrew an educational pamphlet urging abolition of capital punishment as "contrary to the spirit and teachings of Christ."

The Rev. Richard D. Land, head of the denomination's social-concerns agency, said a replacement pamphlet says the Bible affirms capital punishment as an option of civil magistrates. He said he thinks "Southern Baptists overwhelmingly support capital punishment" in a higher proportion than the increasing national support.

There have been 223 executions in the country since the Supreme Court in 1976 authorized resumption of capital punishment after a nine-year moratorium.

Since then, the annual toll of executions—which averaged about a dozen a year until last year—has risen steeply, hitting 31 last year and rising to 35 as of this Nov. 10.

However, it's still far from the average

100 executions annually in the years before the moratorium.

A total of 3,859 people were executed in this country between 1930 through 1967, but the rate had tapered off only to two that year when the moratorium was declared. There now are 2,500 inmates on death row.

During the moratorium, many church leaders felt the United States was moving toward abolishing capital punishment as has been done in all other industrial states, which have lower crime rates.

But since resumption of executions, public sentiment for them has steadily increased, reaching 66 percent in 1981, and climbing to its current 76 percent, "the highest level ever recorded."

People are "distressed at increased crime and think the answer is more severe punishment," Kelley said. "However, most crimes bringing the death penalty are crimes of passion or impulse that don't involve rational weighing of consequences."

Media said to ignore, misrepresent spiritual issues

By Gustav Niebuhr
The Washington Post

Does much of the news media ignore the broad role religion plays in the lives of Americans?

The answer is yes, according to three widely different sources: an academic report on how religious news is covered, the president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and television producer Norman Lear.

The report, "Bridging the Gap: Religion and the News Media," published by Vanderbilt University's Freedom Forum First Amendment Center, said that the nation's newspapers and

broadcasters "largely refuse to take religion seriously," that there are "too few full-time religion reporters" and that an "unhealthy mistrust" has grown between religious leaders and journalists.

The bishops' conference president, Baltimore Archbishop William H. Keeler, directed his criticism at media coverage of the Catholic Church, saying coverage was shallow and "pre-programmed" toward divisive issues.

In a speech to his fellow bishops and in a subsequent interview with The Washington Post, Keeler singled out coverage of Pope John Paul II's visit to the United States

in August as evidence that reporters all too often neglect the religious nature of religious events.

Keeler said most stories written or broadcast about World Youth Day, the church-sponsored gathering that brought the pope

together with nearly 200,000 young people in Denver, "were fair, even glowing." But they often came wrapped in what he called a "pre-programmed Catholic Story" that "pictured the church in 'disarray' driven by dissent over issues of sexuality and authority."

Lear's criticism, in a speech last month at the National Press Club, was less specific but no less pointed.

Year's beginning offers chance to reflect on spiritual journey

It is close enough to New Year's Day to yet do a bit of reflective evaluation, some inventory and restocking. Has your spiritual pilgrimage been a smooth one—your mission in life clearly defined?

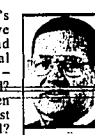
Have you been making steady, even progress toward it, not in the least bit ever being distracted? Congratulations! You are one of a rare breed!

The rest of us have a ways to go. If our spiritual pilgrimages were charted, they would look "sawtoothed"—one step forward, two steps backward. Our progress in matters of faith and mature Christian behavior is most uneven.

Why is it so? It's not that we want it to be. During those insightful "step-forward" times, we vow that, from here on in, we will take the high road; we will launch into perfect orbit around the will of God. We will, from this day forward, be devout. But alas! It isn't long before we're almost back where we started.

Why is it so? In part, it must be that we are ruled by the tyrant of the moment. There is just so much that must be done—yet today! We have to get to the office, the cows must be milked, the sales must be made, the bills paid—we become so occupied with the moment that there just isn't any room for thought about the eternal.

Further, there is an enemy of our souls, one who masquerades as an angel of light and who distracts us. He is good at it. He allures us off the high road, and we find ourselves succumbing to all sorts of temptations we never would have



Clergy corner
George Leppert

believed we'd ever become entrapped by. (A whole host of other reasons could be cited, but this is not a book.)

What's to be done about it, this seesaw spirituality of ours? One useful thing would be to recognize the validity of a pattern established all through the scriptures: to at least gather weekly with other believers and turn one's attention to God, return to the foundations of faith just to check in so as to remain on course.

An annual resolve, as at New

Year's or at a revival or even the seasonal reviews of Christmas and Easter, are not enough. No, rather recognize the importance of gathering with others of the faith for a weekly "mid-course" correction designed to help us stay focused on our pilgrimage. As attractive as the things of the moment are, their true worth lies only in whether they help or hinder us from reaching our eternal destination.

Faithful attendance at worship helps us make the climb more smoothly.

The Times-News invites area clergy to submit columns of 400 words or less. Column topics can include a point of doctrine, religious perspective on current events or social commentary. Send columns to Denise Turner, assistant Features editor, Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

About George Leppert

George Leppert has been the pastor at the Filer Mennonite Church for the past 14 months. A native of Idaho, he was born and raised in Boise and Caldwell. He did undergraduate work at Northwest Nazarene College in Nampa and graduate work at the Western Evangelical Seminary in Portland, Ore. He has been active in pastoral ministry for 20 years and has pastored Mennonite congregations in

Ohio, Washington, South Dakota, Texas and Idaho. Leppert and his wife, Yvonne, are the parents of five children. One daughter is still at home and is a student at Filer Middle School. The Filer Mennonite Church is located at 109 Fifth St. Services are held at 10 and 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. every Sunday. The public is invited to attend any or all services.

Colorado Springs sees war between God, Satan

Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Peaceful appearance to the contrary, Colorado Springs is ground zero for a battle between God and Satan, some local religious leaders say.

The Rev. Ted Haggard, for one, is quoted in the October, 1993, issue of *Charisma & Christian Life* magazine as saying that demonic forces bent on

controlling the city have opposed him since he started his New Life Church here in 1985. Until recently, only charismatic congregations, such as New Life Church, focused on war with the devil.

Now, it's a major topic among Christians of all denominations, according to Jeff Pederson, general manager of The Lord's Vineyard, a Christian bookstore that stocks more

than 20 titles on spiritual warfare and related issues, compared to five titles on the topic two years ago.

"People are seeing a decline in our society, and they are seeing all the negative things happening with the family, in the political arena, with crime, and everything else," he says. "They're looking to other sources—spiritual sources—for what is going on."

Church news

Calvary Riders hold monthly meeting

TWIN FALLS — The Calvary Riders Chapter of the Christian Motorcycle Association has planned its monthly meeting for 9:30 a.m. today at the Sodbuster Restaurant on Blue Lakes Boulevard North.

All interested people are invited. For more information, call Tom at 324-4685 or Ross at 733-7313.

Baptists plan mid-winter Bible study

TWIN FALLS — The First Southern Baptist Church of Twin Falls, corner of Filer and Washington streets, has planned its mid-winter Bible study for this week.

Services are set for 11 a.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Sunday through Wednesday.

The Rev. David Burcham, pastor of the First Baptist Church-Heath in Dallas, Texas, area, will instruct the study. Participants will study from the Old Testament book of Hosea.

The public is invited. For more information, call 733-4806.

Christian Woman will gather Tuesday

TWIN FALLS — The monthly gathering of the Christian Women's Club of Magic Valley is scheduled for Tuesday at the Weston Plaza on Blue Lakes Boulevard North.

This month's theme is "Decor for the '90s." Kelli McBride of Ponderosa Paint will present "Decorating With Confidence." A musical presentation, "Colorful Melodies," will be given by Judy Martens of Twin Falls. Sharon Miller of Pocatello will speak on "Remodel Your Life."

A buffet luncheon begins at 11:45 a.m. and costs \$5.50 per person. Free nursery care for infants through age 5 is available at the Heritage Alliance Church, 401 Sixth Ave. N. Call Mary at 734-3439 or Elizabeth at 734-2899. Reservations are necessary and must be honored or cancelled.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send information to Ellen Thomason, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303. Deadline is noon Thursday for publication on the Saturday religion page.

Missionaries

Sutherland, Swensen called to missions

Two young men from the Magic Valley area have been called to serve missions for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Elder Roger Lee Sutherland, son of Alex and Joanne Sutherland of Filer, will serve for two years in the Nevada Las Vegas Mission. He will speak in sacrament meetings at 10:40 a.m. Sunday at the Filer 2nd Ward chapel, located at Midway and Thurman.

Sutherland graduated from Filer High School in 1993, where he was student body president and a four-letter athlete. He has been employed at Lyle Sign.

Elder J. Phillip Swensen, son of Marion and Carol Swensen of Twin Falls, will serve for two years in the Guatemala Central Mission. He will speak in sacrament meetings at 9 a.m. Sunday at the Twin Falls 11th Ward chapel on Eastland Drive N.

Swensen graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1993 and attended one semester of college at Utah Valley State College in Orem. He is an Eagle Scout and has served as first assistant in his priest quorum.

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Cheerful givers hard to find

ROCKY HILL, Conn. (AP) — Mary Ann Degroot doesn't like to think about money when she sits in the pews of the Rocky Hill United Methodist Church, an oasis of pastoral calm in a region beset by recession.

Degree, a single parent with a daughter in college, takes 10 percent of her income with a glad heart: "My first thought is everything I have is a gift, so I could never possibly give enough back."

But her small church is struggling to survive; each Sunday, the collection basket comes back with a few single dollar bills among the envelopes from regular givers.

It is obvious that while some of her fellow congregants may have plenty of faith and hope, charity can be in short supply.

"People do feel uncomfortable when talking about money," she said. "The thing I think would ever want to do is to talk about money."

In another winter of economic discontent, houses of worship throughout the nation are facing some unpleasant financial realities: Their flocks, many of whom have never been cheerful givers, are disposing of less of their income in collection plates.

Elvis: Messiah, or merely a rock 'n' roll god?

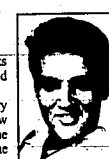
By George Kovania
Knight-Ridder News Service

If you took offense at recent books by Howard Stern and Beavis and Butt-head, get ready for this:

Just in time for today's anniversary of Elvis Presley's birth comes a new book that asks a satirical—and some say sacrilegious—question: Was the king of rock 'n' roll really the Messiah?

Author A.J. Jacobs says he isn't drawing any conclusions in "The Two Kings: Jesus, Elvis" (Bantam, \$8.95).

But the similarities, he says, are just too striking to ignore.



Presley

pounds of it." "Jesus is the Lord's shepherd. Elvis dated Cybil Shepherd."

"These parallels just jump out at you," says Jacobs, a freelance writer

whose work has appeared in Glamour, Men's Health and the San Francisco-based humor magazine, the Nerve. He researched the book off and on for six years.

"I took me time to watch all those Elvis movies," says a pseudo-serious Jacobs, 26, of Berkeley, Calif. "You have to pause them and write down your thoughts because they're so dense with references."

But every reference, he insists, is true. "I'd like to point that out," says Jacobs. "It is ironic."

For example: "Jesus said 'Man shall not live by bread alone' (Matthew 4:4). Elvis ate his bread with peanut butter and bananas."

The book is meant to be funny. But some Elvis fans are saying "don't be cruel."

"Elvis wouldn't like it at all," says Pat Patterson, a 43-year-old Detroit who says Elvis inspires her to write poetry. "They're comparing Elvis to Jesus. It's terrible. It's not to be made fun of."

But, said George Alester, head of the religious studies and philosophy department at Marygrove College in Detroit, "The humor is on Elvis, not on Jesus. It sounds to me like it's satire about the idol worshippers, the rock gods. ... I think it's a lighthearted satire and irony."

Beale said it also helps to know she is not alone. "Once I wondered if anyone my age was a strong Christian, but then I started looking around," she said. "Our Christian fellowship at CSI is very large, and the number of college-age kids in Twin Falls who are Christians could almost blow you away."

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College

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Or, as college student Mike Coursey put it in the Newport News story, "It isn't cool to stand out against perverse things. As a Christian, it's tough. You have to fight every single day of your life."

Some colleges are more difficult than others. Students attending commuter schools are considered the least likely to succumb to temptations.

Caitlyn Beale, 22, is studying psychology at the College of Southern Idaho. She was raised in Twin Falls, in a Christian family, and she leads the youth drama team at the First Assembly of God Church.

"I have a lot of friends who don't believe, and they respect me," Beale said. "They understand when I don't drink and party."

When she graduated from high school, in 1989, Beale spent two years at Prairie Bible Institute in

Alberta, Canada. Her mother went to school there, and was a missionary in Zaire for a while. Beale wants to be a missionary, too.

At Prairie, Beale participated in outreach projects and street ministries. One night, she was sent to deliver coffee and sandwiches to the homeless.

"They were under bridges and in cardboard boxes," Beale said. "I had never seen anything like that."

Beale will soon travel to Moscow, where she will serve for one year through the Assembly of God Missions Abroad Placement Services.

But even with this kind of Christian resume, Beale went through a time of searching. "I had to find out for myself if it's all true," she said. "I did a research paper on why I believe the Bible is true—and that really helped."

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Sports

Morning line

Sportsquote

“
Greed, greed, greed.”

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— Tex Schramm, former general manager of the Dallas Cowboys, on why the NFL owners turned away CBS in favor of the Fox network for its TV package

Briefly

ISU player ineligible due to poor grades

POCATELLO — Neil Rice, an Idaho State basketball player who started one game this season, has been declared academically ineligible.

The school said Friday Rice, a 6-2 guard, failed to meet Big Sky Conference grade-point average requirements for the fall semester.

He played in all eight of ISU's games this season, averaging 5.8 points per game. Rice, a junior college transfer, red-shirted last season. He was listed as a junior on the ISU roster this season, but Idaho State learned this week that he forfeited a year of eligibility when he took part in a summer basketball tour to Japan.

Cross County ski marathon set for McCall late January

MC CALL — The 12th annual Payette Lakes Ski Marathon is scheduled for 10 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 29 at “Little Ski Hill” in McCall.

The marathon includes 12-kilometer, 25K, and 50K racing and touring distances. For more information, call the McCall Chamber of Commerce at 634-7631.

Meyer will coach Canadian league team in Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS — Ron Meyer, the former UNLV coach who went on to coach the New England Patriots and Indianapolis Colts, will return to Las Vegas to head the team's new entry in the Canadian Football League.

Meyer has been hired as head coach of the Las Vegas Posse, which has scheduled a news conference next week to make the formal announcement.

“I'm returning home to a certain extent,” Meyer said from his home in Indianapolis. “My first real experience as a head football coach other than my high school days was at UNLV.”

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Sportslate

Today

Boys basketball

College men's basketball
CSI at Utah Valley 7:30 p.m.

College women's basketball

CSI at Utah Valley 5:30 p.m.

Prep boys' basketball

Boise at Twin Falls 7:30 p.m.
Minico at Idaho Falls 7:30 p.m.
Bishop Kelly at Buhl 7:30 p.m.
Middleton at Wood River 7:30 p.m.
Soda Springs at Declo 7:30 p.m.
Gooding at Shoshone 7:30 p.m.
Dietrich at Hansen 7:30 p.m.

Prep girls' basketball

Burley at Minico 7:30 p.m.
Buhl at Jerome 7:30 p.m.
Wood River at Camas County 7:30 p.m.
Declo at Gooding 7:30 p.m.
Filer at Valley 7:30 p.m.
Rimrock at Glens Ferry 7:30 p.m.
Wendell JV at Hagerman 7:30 p.m.

Prep wrestling

Oakley Invitational 10 a.m.
Declo at Soda Springs Tournament
Minico at Tiger-Griz Tournament

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Eagles crash, incinerate

By Larry Hovey
Times-News writer

SALT LAKE CITY — Missing two lay-ins in the first 20 seconds gave College of Southern Idaho basketball fans an omen of what was going to happen as the night wore on.

But not even the most loyal Golden Eagle supporters were prepared for the 86-69 lick-

Women win - B7

ing the Salt Lake Community College Bruins laid on them.

Despite the lethargic chilling, which left men's coach Steve Irons speechless, the Eagles somehow managed to stay in contention until the closing four minutes. That is when the Bruins hit 15 of their last 17 points from

the foul line and moved quickly out of reach.

The Bruins hit the Eagles with a small but quick inside game as the 1-2 Scenic West Athletic Conference scoring punch of Chuck Overton and Marcel Johnson combined for 42 points.

But the kicker was sophomore transfer Silas Mills, just eligible from University of

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Vikings maintain streak

Valley hits key free throws to continue mastery over Buhl in non-conference play

By Brad Breland
Times-News writer

BUHL — Like the Energizer bunny, the Valley Vikings just keep going and going.

Raising its record to 14-0, Valley, ranked 10th in the state, kept its mastery over Buhl 54-45 in a non-conference girls' basketball contest Friday.

Doubling its first half output in the second half, the Vikings blew past the Indians stretching a one-point-half-time lead to 10 at the end of the third quarter.

“I thought we played well in the second half. Everybody did a good job,” said Vikings Coach Rod Malone.

Buhl, with two losses this year, both at the hands of Valley, held the lead early in the game. Three minutes into the contest, Buhl went up 10-2 after Jeny Black hit her sixth point of the game. Black had 13 points for the Indians.

Valley took its first advantage when Holly Henry hit a 3-pointer to open the second quarter.

The only problem was that the Vikings didn't make another basket for the next five minutes.

After Leesa Cooper and Black hit the only field goals for Buhl in the second quarter, Mandy Schwarz hit two buckets to put the Vikings ahead 19-15 at the break.

The Vikings opened the next quarter with another 3-pointer, this one by Schwarz, boosting the lead to 22-18. After an exchange of turnovers, a Henry hoop put Valley up by six points.

Buhl whittled into the lead as Black and Patricia Chivers scored, bringing the lead

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Amber Satterwhite of Buhl battles for the ball against Valley's Holly Henry. Friday night in Buhl.

Bulldogs stop 'Cats before they start

By Mike Maller
Times-News sports editor

KIMBERLY — The Kimberly Bulldogs left Filer shackled to the starting gate, racing to an 11-0 start on the way to a 59-37 Canyon Conference boys' basketball win over the Wildcats Friday night.

The victory kept the Bulldogs unbeaten at 3-0 in league play, one win behind Wendell. Kimberly never gave the Wildcats a

chance in the contest. Filer 6-4 senior Ryan Mai, who tallied 26 in a six-point loss to Class A-3 fourth-ranked Wendell Thursday, was held to 1-for-8 shooting in the first half by Bulldog senior Chancy Lancaster.

Meanwhile, Kimberly got 10 first half points from Brian Schamhorst and nine by Sam Kelsey to take a 36-14 lead into intermission.

“If you play some defense, you're going to be in most ballgames. That's what the kids are learning,” said Kimberly Coach Randy Potter. “We shot the ball well in the first half, but defense was where we won the game, not offense.”

The Wildcats shot 2-for-13 from the floor in the first quarter, 7-27 by halftime and committed 12 turnovers in the first two periods.

With six points each by Mai and Ben

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Coslet out over Jets' offense

Newday

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. — The way Dick Steinberg painted it, Bruce Coslet wasn't fired because of his mediocre record on the New York Jets' late season collapse. The reason, according to the general manager, was a “disagreement” that stemmed from Coslet's refusal to surrender control of the offense.

And so the once-promising Coslet Era came to a stunning end Friday. Coslet, who led the Jets to the playoffs only once in four seasons, was fired by Steinberg in a morning meeting at West-Ebank Hall. In reality, Coslet's fate was sealed Thursday night in a meeting of the club's hierarchy — Steinberg, owner Leon Hess and president Steve Otmann.



Coslet

Steinberg, who hired Coslet in 1990, wasted no time in filling the vacancy, promoting Pete Carroll from defensive coordinator. The 42-year-old Carroll, the first assistant to join Coslet's original staff, was the only man considered, Steinberg said.

The GM said he began the offseason with no intention of firing Coslet, but when they met Tuesday, it “became pretty obvious we differed on how things should be run,” said Steinberg, who made it clear in the meeting he wanted to strip Coslet of his play-calling duties. “This wasn't what we really wanted to do, but we've reached a point where we have to make strides,” said Steinberg, indicating Coslet was over-burdened by serving as both head coach and coordinator.

Carroll, who said he was “absolutely surprised” by Coslet's ouster, started his reign by firing three members of Coslet's staff. Carroll, who will yield his duties as the defensive boss, will begin a search for offensive and defensive coordinators.

It was a bittersweet day for Carroll, a close friend of Coslet. “I'm sad and thrilled at the same time. It was a real mixture,” Carroll said.

The 47-year-old Coslet, whose four-year stint ended with an embarrassing loss to the Houston Oilers Sunday night that cost the Jets a wild-card berth, didn't appear at Friday's news conference. He released a short statement, which didn't address the reason for his ouster.

Reached at his Long Island, N.Y., home, Coslet said: “No questions. I already made a statement. That's all. I'll have something to say later on. Not today. Sorry.”

In the statement, Coslet called it “a sad day for me and my family. I'm sorry I won't get the opportunity to finish what I started.”

Lions hope for repeat week; Steelers face Montana

Combined wire reports

The Detroit Lions are hoping that history repeats itself Saturday — if it's recent history, that is.

The Lions will be seeking a second consecutive victory over the Green Bay Packers in an opening NFL playoff game in the Silverdome at Pontiac, Mich.

The early game Saturday pits the Pittsburgh Steelers against the Kansas City Chiefs at Kansas City.

On Sunday, in an AFC first-round playoff game, the Los Angeles Raiders and the Denver Broncos will become the ninth set of teams to play consecutive games when the two wild-card contenders meet at Los Angeles.

Other weekend playoff matchups will be the wild-card Pittsburgh Steelers at the West champion Kansas City Chiefs in the AFC Saturday and the Minnesota Vikings at the New York Giants in an NFC game between wild-card teams Sunday.

Earning byes this weekend were the East champion Dallas Cowboys and West champion San Francisco 49ers in the NFC and the East champion Buffalo Bills and Central champion Houston Oilers in the AFC.

Steelers at Chiefs

Friendships often get tested in sports, and so it will be Saturday when Bill Cowher brings his Pittsburgh Steelers to Kansas City to play Marty Schottenheimer's Chiefs in an AFC playoff game.

One thing is certain — Schottenheimer will recognize the hard-fought defense and emphasis on power running by the Steelers.

It's a style of play he taught Cowher in the seven years Cowher was a Schotten-



Coach Wayne Fontes will decide today whether Barry Sanders will play.

heimier assistant before taking the Steelers job. Schottenheimer and Cowher will run a weekly basis. Schottenheimer told Cowher to congratulate him after the Steelers beat Cleveland 16-9 last Sunday to win a wild-card berth.

They haven't spoken since and won't until Saturday. “We'll get together after the game,” said Schottenheimer, who shrugs off the mantle of mentor of the 36-year-old Cowher, the NFL coach of the year last season, his first with the Steelers.

NFC MATCHUPS



GREEN BAY PACKERS vs DETROIT LIONS

PACKERS vs LIONS

OFFENSE

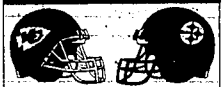
Passing yards	3,330
Rushing yards	2,943
Points	1,618
Yards per game	1,944
Points per game	240
Yards allowed	298

DEFENSE

Passing yards allowed	3,201
Rushing yards allowed	3,273
Points allowed	1,619
Yards per game allowed	1,582
Points per game allowed	232
Yards allowed	292

All statistics regular season.

AFC MATCHUPS



KANSAS CITY CHIEFS vs PITTSBURGH STEELERS

CHIEFS vs STEELERS

OFFENSE

Passing yards	3,384
Rushing yards	3,606
Points	1,655
Yards per game	2,003
Points per game	328
Yards allowed	308

DEFENSE

Passing yards allowed	3,379
Rushing yards allowed	3,440
Points allowed	1,620
Yards per game allowed	1,368
Points per game allowed	291
Yards allowed	281

All statistics regular season.

After an 11-5 record last season with the Steelers, Cowher's team overcame injuries to key players this season and got into the playoffs with a 9-7 record.

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Lillehammer officer promises safe games

LONDON (AP) — Athletes at next month's Winter Olympics in Norway will be tightly protected and should be safe from any attack of the type suffered by U.S. figure skater Nancy Kerrigan, a top police official said Friday.

While Thursday's assault on Kerrigan at the U.S. figure skating championships at Detroit heightened concerns about the safety of athletes, Norwegian authorities said security measures will be sufficient to prevent similar incidents at the Feb. 12-27 Games at Lillehammer.

"We are prepared to avoid these types of things," Arne Huse, chief of the Olympic police force, said in a telephone interview. "We have a special responsibility for protecting the athletes, both at the venues and where they are living."

"We will do our best to secure all the athletes coming to Norway for the Games. It would really surprise me if that kind of incident would happen here in Lillehammer."

Huse, who had not heard about the attack on Kerrigan until told by a reporter, said he expected to receive a report on the incident from the FBI.

However, he said there should be no need to increase or revise security at the Games because such incidents already had been taken into account.

Huse said police and bomb-sniffing dogs are currently checking all the Olympic



Lillehammer '94

venues. By the end of the month, all venues will be secured and closed to the public. "We will have police officers at every venue," Huse said. "At the time when the athletes are going to practice, police in uniform and plain clothes will be there."

Only people with accreditation will have access to venues and practice sites.

"It should be easier for the police to assist and avoid these types of incidents because the athletes will always be in protected zones," Huse said.

Huse leads a force of 2,770 officers, including 500 military personnel. Local police from Lillehammer and other towns also will be on duty. By the time the Games begin, one-third of the entire Norwegian police force will be stationed in the Olympic zone, Huse said.

U.S. officials admit total security difficult

NEW YORK (AP) — U.S. Olympic officials scurried Friday to find ways of protecting athletes in the wake of the attack on figure skater Nancy Kerrigan. But they acknowledged that the glamour of the sports spotlight casts shadows they can do little about.

"Presidents get shot. Popes get shot," said Richard Dalley, a former Olympic skater and now a member of the U.S. Olympic Committee's athletes advisory commission. "No matter what you do, some wacko out there can do the job. Some wacko can take a swing."

Kerrigan, the defending women's champion, was struck on the right knee with a club or metal bar as she ended a practice session at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships in Detroit Thursday. The injury knocked her out of the competition and threatened her qualification for the Winter Olympics, where she would be one of the favorites for the gold medal.

With the Winter Games scheduled to begin Feb. 12, the USOC was considering how to bring as much protection as possible around the team it will send to Lillehammer, Norway.

It also was looking at ways to shield athletes as they practice and compete, mindful of Kerrigan and

'No matter what you do, some wacko out there can do the job.'

— Richard Dalley, Olympic Committee advisor

the stabbing of tennis star Monica Seles during a German tournament last April. "Never have I been so fearful for my athletes," said LeRoy Walker, USOC president, who has been involved in sports as an athlete, coach and administrator for more than 50 years.

Since the attack by Palestinian terrorists on members of the Israeli team in the Munich Olympic Village in 1972, security at athletic events has taken up increasing amounts of time and money from organizers. But Walker said they must now do more about security in the arenas.

"It is something we can't overlook any more," Walker said. "This incident is the type of thing we have to do something about." He also said the light sentence imposed by a German court on Seles' attacker — 18 months probation — might encourage others who see athletes as targets.

Attack forces skater out of title hunt

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DETROIT — Painkillers numbed Nancy Kerrigan's physical ailments Friday, but there was little anyone could do to ease her emotional trauma.

A visibly shaken Kerrigan withdrew from the U.S. Figure Skating Championships Friday afternoon, less than 24 hours after being whacked in the knee by a club-wielding assailant at Cobo Arena.

Kerrigan still is expected to be named to the Olympic team Saturday night, by virtue of a rule that gives consideration to skaters who did not compete at the national championships. But the reigning U.S. champion would rather have earned her spot on the ice.

"I really wanted to skate and show everybody that I didn't lose it after my bad performance at worlds last year," she said, holding back tears. "But the doctors said it would be better if I didn't. When they told me, I just kept crying."

Kerrigan, 24, had her right knee drained of about 2 ounces of blood Friday morning and will undergo a magnetic resonance imaging test Monday to determine if there is any chitliffe damage under her kneecap. She will begin physical therapy and try to be healthy in time for the Olympic Games, Feb. 12-27 in Lillehammer, Norway.

It will be up to Kerrigan, her coach-



Nancy Kerrigan of Stoneham, Mass., describes the attack on her to reporters Friday at Joe Louis Arena in Detroit.

es, her family, and U.S. judges to decide whether Kerrigan is healed enough by the time the team leaves for Norway.

Kerrigan's coach, Evi Scottvold, said he would like nothing more than to see his student compete at the Olympics. "If she can heal, we can't let a vicious criminal assault decide

our Olympic team," Scottvold said. "We can't let this man get by with it. Otherwise, we're honoring his attack."

The U.S. Figure Skating Association's 40-member international committee will decide after Saturday night's women's long program whether to give Kerrigan one of

two Olympic berths. Normally, skaters can receive medical exemptions only if they were medalists at the previous world championships, but rule 5.05 of the USFSA handbook states: "The committee may also consider for selection other competitors who did not compete in the most recent U.S. Figure Skating Championships, or who, in the case of pairs and dance couples, have subsequently changed partners."

In other words, the USFSA can put anyone it wants on the Olympic team, and chances are, it will vote in Kerrigan's favor.

She has at least one vote — that of coach Carol Heiss-Jenkins, 1960 Olympic gold medalist and a member of the international committee.

"I would give her the spot," Heiss-Jenkins said. "This circumstance is so unusual. Even if one of my skaters was bumped because of Nancy, I'd vote for it. We're not so cutthroat as a sport that we don't recognize the right thing to do."

Kerrigan said if she could plead her case to the committee, she'd remind them of her 1992 Olympic bronze medal, her 1992 world silver medal, and her recent victories at the Piruetten Invitational and U.S. Pro-Am Challenge. "I've never worked as hard as I've worked this year, and I want to prove that all this work wasn't a waste," Kerrigan said. "I'm upset, hurt and angry that someone would do something like this."

Olympic hopefuls continue under pall

1991 champion Harding grabs early lead; Kerrigan could receive special selection

DETROIT (AP) — Overshadowed by the absence of champion Nancy Kerrigan, Tonya Harding led after Friday's technical program in a subdued women's competition in the U.S. Figure Skating Championships.

Kerrigan's withdrawal after being attacked by an unknown assailant left a noticeable void in the contest.

Although Harding, the 1991 U.S. champion from Portland, Ore., performed a clean, athletic program that placed her first with all nine judges, she couldn't fill it.

Nicole Bobek of Chicago was second and Michelle Kwan of Torrance, Calif., third after the technical program, worth one-third of the total score. Former world champion Elaine Zayak finished a surprising fourth in her return to the amateur ranks.

The free skate will be held Saturday night, determining the two spots on the U.S. Olympic team. Although Kerrigan couldn't skate because of her severely bruised knee, skating officials said earlier Friday that the 1992 Olympic bronze medalist could still be placed on the team as a special selection.

"That would mean bumping the second-place finisher. The team is to be announced after Saturday night's award ceremonies."

"I would accept it," Bobek said. "Nancy's been in it much longer and if the officials think she deserves to go, that's their choice."

"I think we'd accept it graciously," said Bobek's coach, Kathy Casey. "Nancy certainly has paid her dues. She's had good international and has skated well. If they choose to do that, I think we'd have our strongest team."

Harding, 23, began her program by hitting a big triple lutz-double toe loop combination and finished with a perfect double axel. The first American woman to complete a triple axel in competition when she did it in the 1991 nationals, Harding finished a disappointing fourth in last year's championships.

Looking flitter and steadier, Harding drew technical merit scores ranging from 5.7 to 5.9 on a 6.0-point scale.

"I actually think this topped Skate America, which I thought was my best," she said. "I had a lot of speed, a lot of confidence and everything just flowed right together."

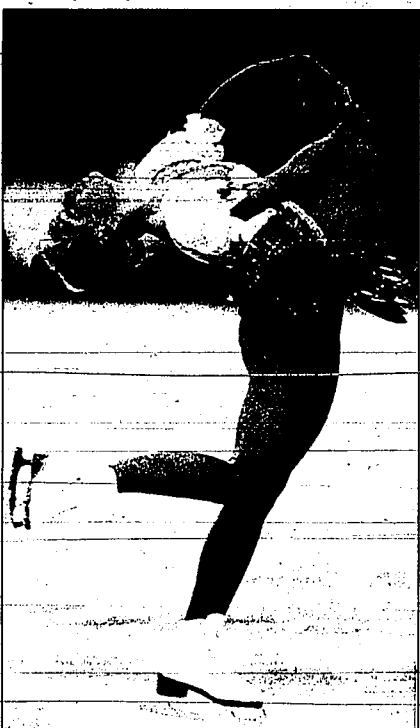
Skating before Harding, Bobek was nearly flawless performing to lively Russian folk music. She also hit a triple lutz-double toe and double axel.

Because Harding has competed in two world championships, she appeared to have the edge over Bobek, 16, and Kwan, 13, going into the long program in the absence of Kerrigan.

"I was the underdog," Harding said. "No one expected me to do anything this year. I feel I have the experience. In my mind, I have a little bit of an edge."

Zayak, the 1982 world champion, was skating in her first national championships since 1984 and considered her comeback a personal triumph. A competitor in the '84 Olympics, she shed 20 pounds to get back into skating shape and opened her program with a triple loop-double toe loop combination.

"That was great for me," she said. "That's more than I did 10 years ago."



Nicole Bobek of Chicago performs her technical program on Friday at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships in Detroit. Tonya Harding and Nancy Kerrigan were not skating.

Defense a winner as Hawks down Blazers

ATLANTA (AP) — Coach Lenny Wilkens has been preaching defense to his Atlanta Hawks since the start of training camp.

Pro basketball

It paid off Friday night when the Hawks shot only 46 percent, but pressured Portland into 22 turnovers that helped Atlanta win its fourth consecutive victory, 100-85 over the Trail Blazers.

"Our players believe in themselves, so they play with that kind of confidence and they're upset when they don't play well," Wilkens said. "I like that. It makes them more devoted and determined to do the things that it takes to win."

Dominique Wilkins scored 26 points and Kevin Willis had 19 points and 17 rebounds to lead the Hawks. "We struggled offensively, but our defense pulled us through once again," Wilkins said. "If we can just stay consistent, that will be the big key for us."

It was the 20th victory in 23 games for the Hawks, who built double-digit leads with a 15-4 spurt in the first quarter and an 18-4 burst in the third before responding to a fourth-quarter Blazers rally with a 14-3 run in the final 3:17.

Craig Ehlert started the last run with a 3-point shot and capped it with a "T" for "Tough." "We played smart, and that's what you have to do," Wilkins said. "At the beginning of the season, a game like this may have gotten away from us, but we know that we have to stop people down the stretch."

Many mysteries still surround Piston star's \$55 million deal

Knight-Ridder New Service

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Isiah Thomas is absolutely thrilled.

About exactly what, he and the Detroit Pistons aren't saying. In a news conference that featured more than a few uneasy moments for everybody at the podium, Thomas, team president Tom Wilson, director of player personnel Billy McKinney and coach Don Chaney — the Pistons removed little of the mystery concerning Thomas' reported \$55-million agreement with owner William Davidson.

"This is one of the happiest days of my career," Thomas said, and only after the hundreds of my life that I have lived, I realized I was married to a kid and a woman. This is a kid."

Thomas acknowledged only that the deal will make him "a Piston for the rest of my life." He insisted he didn't sure if he would

retire, or what his post-career role would be. But he seemed excited about the prospect of someday becoming part-owner of the Pistons.

Sources say Thomas' retirement package includes 10 percent ownership of the franchise, which could be worth as much as \$200 million. "You can't own a team," Thomas said, "or be part-owner of a team, while you're a player. But it is a dream of mine to someday own a piece of this basketball team, or some team."

As for running a team, "I think every player fantasizes about that," he said. "I think that's why those fantasy leagues are so popular."

Scottie Pippen scored 25 points, including the go-ahead basket with 1:50 left Friday night, as the Bulls beat Washington for the 12th straight time, 99-92.

Horace Grant had 19 points and 15 rebounds for the Bulls, who

blistered Washington 7-0 in the first two minutes. Chicago has not reached the 100-point barrier in seven straight games, but has won 12 of 14.

"We know how to play defense together down the stretch, and we execute with confidence," Chicago coach Phil Jackson said. "We went in confident at the end and made the big plays defensively."

On their way to capturing three straight world championships, the Bulls won plenty of close games by depending on Jordan, offensively and defensively. Now that Jordan has retired, the Bulls are using team defense and plain old savvy during crunch time. "We're a team that's used to winning games, and we're our experienced," Jackson said.

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The Steelers lost running back Barry Foster with an ankle injury, and quarterback Neil O'Donnell is playing with elbow tendinitis.

There also was a blowup at half-time last week by linebacker Greg Lloyd, who criticized the desire of the offense. "I think consistency over the long haul is the main thing," Cowher said. "In the playoffs, the whole team is different."

What is important is not getting caught up in what you've accomplished. You have to get caught up in what lies beyond it. We have an opportunity."

The game will match two of the AFC's best defenses. Kansas City will have to stop the rushing of Leroy Thompson and Merrill Hoge — who have replaced Foster — and 200-pound tight end Eric Green, who has 43 receptions.

Kansas City's offense is built around Joe Montana and Mattu Allen. Scottie Pierce is expected about Monday night, saying he will be back in action next season.

Kansas City's defense also is strong. Neil Smith has 154 sacks. Derrick Thomas has 49 sacks. Linebacker Derrick Moore and Eric Lynch, injured, is needed more than ever.

another one twice in a span of six days? "Why not?" asked defensive lineman Marc Spindler of the Lions.

"Happens all the time in football," Spindler said. "Maintaining that theme, the Lions will try to shut out a group of big swingers who have as many strikeouts as hits in their first-round playoff game Saturday (4 p.m., EST, CBS) against the Green Bay Packers at the Silverdome."

In the first meeting between these two Central Division rivals, Green Bay outgained Detroit in total yardage, 404-205, and won 26-17.

But last week in Pontiac, the Lions forced Packer quarterback Brett Favre into throwing four interceptions and his teammates to fumble four times in a 30-20 Lions victory.

Oddly enough, Barry Sanders, the Lions' standout running back, played in the first game but missed the second because of a knee injury.

He practiced this week and is expected to try to play Saturday for the first time in six weeks. With both backlogs, Derrick Moore and Eric Lynch, injured, is needed more than ever.

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"They didn't beat me," I beat myself," confessed his teammate. "East made a deceptive play and I let my greed get the better of my judgment."

At the first table, dummy ducked the first diamond and took the second as East unhooked his king. The three top clubs were cashed and South took a losing heart finesse. East returned a diamond to collect two more diamond winners, but South was now left with nine tricks. What happened in the replay? South also ducked the first diamond, but this East played his king and returned his six, giving South the impression that he started with K-6 doubleton. South cashed the high clubs and lost the heart finesse as before, but East continued the con game by returning a heart. South won, and certain that East was out of diamonds, decided to go for the overtricks. "Why settle for only nine tricks when I have a free finesse in spades?" he thought.

It was far from a free one. East won his spade king and produced a low diamond (accompanied by a deep blush from South). The defenders took an "impossible" five winners to beat the game.

There is no such thing as a friendly game of bridge. Trust no one, and save the friendship until the game is over.

NORTH 1-4		EAST 5-8	
♦ A 7	♦ A 10 9 8	♦ K 8 4	♦ K 5 3 2
♥ A 4	♥ J 7 4 2	♥ K 5 3	♥ 6 5 3
♠ 10 9 8	♠ 10 9 8	♠ 10 9 8	♠ 10 9 8
♣ 10 9 8	♣ 10 9 8	♣ 10 9 8	♣ 10 9 8
SOUTH 9-12		WEST 13-16	
♦ K 10 9	♦ K 10 9	♦ K 10 9	♦ K 10 9
♥ K 10 9	♥ K 10 9	♥ K 10 9	♥ K 10 9
♠ K 10 9	♠ K 10 9	♠ K 10 9	♠ K 10 9
♣ K 10 9	♣ K 10 9	♣ K 10 9	♣ K 10 9

Vulnerable: Both

Dealer: North

The bidding:

North East South West

1♦ Pass 2NT Pass

3NT Pass Pass Pass

Opening lead: Diamond queen

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:

♦ K 8 4

♥ K 10 9

♠ K 10 9

♣ K 10 9

North South

3NT ?

ANSWER: Six no-trump. North's opening promises 25-27 HCP. The combined total is enough for a small slam but not enough for a grand.

Send bridge questions to The Aces, P.O. Box 1154, Dallas, Texas 75215, with self-addressed stamped envelope for reply.

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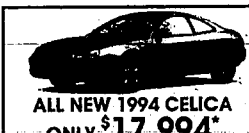
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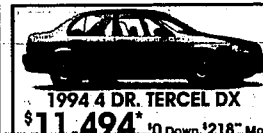


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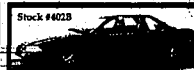

















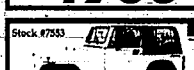






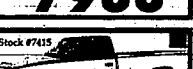





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