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Good morning

Today's forecast:

Rain likely with a slight chance of thundershowers. East winds 10 to 20 mph. Highs 50 to 55 degrees. Lows 25 to 30 with snow likely.

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Magic Valley

Ballot grows by two

Two more candidates have announced they are running for the Twin Falls County Board of Commissioners.

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Widow sues companies

A 1992 electrocution has resulted in a lawsuit against companies that inspected a crane involved in the accident.

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Gay argument continues

President Clinton, Gov. Cecil Andrus and Sen. Dirk Kempthorne agree that an anti-gay-rights initiative is a bad idea, an activist says.

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Eagles face Chukars

College of Southern Idaho traveled to Treasure Valley Wednesday night.

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Tournament time

Class A-3 and A-4 District 4 tournaments continued Wednesday at three sites.

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New gobblers arrive

Six California turkeys have been added to a small flock the Idaho Fish and Game Department is trying to establish in Big Cottonwood Canyon.

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Dismal chinook outlook

Everything indicates that this year's spawning run of chinook salmon into Idaho will be among the all-time worst.

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Twin Falls County has several candidates for county commissioner, but a few more wouldn't hurt, today's editorial says.

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Slow conversion

From meditation centers to spaceports for aliens to airports, industrial parks or colleges, assorted proposals are surfacing to make use of closed military bases.

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For most South Koreans, the threat of war is a lifelong legacy.

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Bosnia's warring parties pledge to meet the deadline for moving or turning over their heavy guns to the U.N.

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Workers endorse farm comp bill

By Drew DeSilver
Times-News writer

BOISE — Caldwell farmworker Manuel Valles was helping two other men lift a calf bin weighing nearly a ton when he noticed them backing away.

The next thing Torres knew, the bin had crashed onto his foot, breaking it and three toes.

His boss refused to take Valles to a hospital, saying they needed to finish the job first. After his brothers got him to a hospital and his foot was mended, Valles asked his boss for money to pay for the medical care.



"He started laughing, and he told me he no longer needed me," Valles told Idaho legislators Wednesday through a translator. Valles was out of work for more than five months. Now he owes \$4,000 for the

medical care, his credit rating is shot, and bill collectors are hounding him for payment.

None of this would have happened, Valles said, if his boss had been required to carry workers' compensation insurance.

Valles spoke at the first of two hearings the House State Affairs Committee is holding on a bill to remove the agricultural exemption from Idaho workers' compensation law. The second hearing is this morning.

All Idaho employers except farmers are required to carry workers' compensation insurance. Workers compensation pays the medical bills for workers injured on the

job, and in some cases also pays them partial wages until they can get back to work.

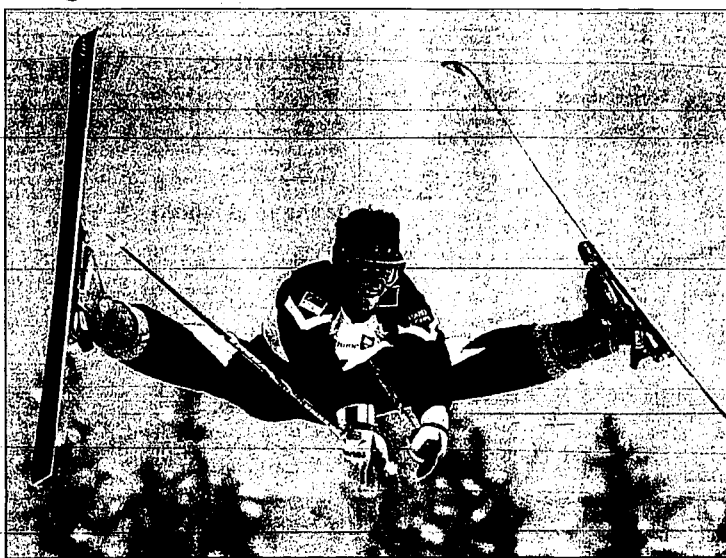
The measure's sponsors, Reps. Jesse Berain, R-Boise, and Wally Wright, D-Boise, called the bill a matter of simple justice.

"This is not a Democrat versus Republican issue, a farmworker versus farmer issue, or a haves versus have-nots issue," said Berain — a former migrant farmworker who is the first and only Hispanic elected to the Idaho Legislature. "This is an issue of fairness and being equitable."

Agriculture and forestry have the highest rate of job-related deaths of all U.S. industries.

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Mogul master



With skis spread wide, Canada's Jean-Luc Brassard executes a jump during the Olympic men's freestyle mogul competition in Lillehammer, Norway, Wednesday. Brassard won the gold medal in that event. Additional coverage of the Winter Games is on Pages D1 and D4.

Saudis buy \$6 billion in U.S. jetliners

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Saudi Arabia said Wednesday that it will "buy American" in a \$6 billion rejuvenation of its national airline's fleet.

That opened the way for Boeing Co. and McDonnell Douglas Corp. to share the only major order for commercial aircraft on the horizon.

With the chairman of Boeing and McDonnell Douglas looking on at an unusual White House ceremony, President Clinton said Prince Bandar bin Sultan, Saudi Arabia's ambassador, had told him that King Fahd has decided to "purchase the entire replacement fleet" of about 50 planes from U.S. companies.

The decision shut out Europe's Airbus Industrie, unless the Saudis decide to place additional orders in the future to expand the fleet of Saudia, the national airline.

"It is your destiny to be the only superpower in the world. But the American people also have every right to insist on a fairer system of burden sharing in security and economic terms — and fair, two-way trade," Prince Bandar said.

"Events in Bosnia and the Middle East are still further proof that American leadership is indispensable," Bandar told the crowded Roosevelt Room gathering, in an event full of mixed commercial, diplomatic and political messages.

John F. McDonnell, head of McDonnell Douglas, noted that "This sale of McDonnell Douglas jetliners will convert directly into tens of thousands of jobs — jobs primarily in Southern California, but also jobs throughout the United States."

Boeing Chairman Frank A. Shrontz said Saudi Arabia's decision "will mean tens of thousands of jobs and will stabilize employment at McDonnell Douglas and Boeing."

The aerospace industry has been shedding jobs by the thousands as airlines around the world, hard pressed by economic downturn, slashed orders for new planes.

Doctors save baby in womb

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Surgeons, using tiny needles and a miniature camera saved a fetus endangered by his malformed twin without cutting open the mother's womb.

Such surgery represents a "new frontier in fetal medicine" and could provide a new weapon against a variety of abnormalities, doctors said Wednesday.

"There is a parallel in adult surgery — 20 years ago women were not having hysterectomies through their belly button," said Dr. David Cotton, chief of obstetrics at Wayne State University in Detroit, where the operation, the first successful use of the technique, was performed.

"What you're seeing for the first time

is a fetus has undergone this type of surgery. ... It poses unlimited possibilities."

Operating on a fetus is extremely rare because of the risks it poses to the mother and baby by opening the womb.

But doctors wondered whether endoscopic surgery — performing operations through needle-sized holes guided by miniature cameras inside the body — would be safer.

Such surgery is becoming commonplace in adults, but had failed repeatedly in fetuses, with the exception of one case in Britain. After four failed attempts that resulted in babies' deaths, those doctors succeeded in unclipping a fetus' heart valve, but called the procedure luck and urged others not to copy it.

Toad abuse keeps drug agents hopping

The Associated Press

ANGELS CAMP, Calif. — The war on drugs has moved into Mark Twain's frog-jumping territory, and it's not pretty.

These drug suppliers are green, squat and lumpy, with big bulging eyes. That's not a description of some comic strip villain. These are toads — Bufo alvarius.

And forget that old myth that handling toads causes warts. These critters secrete a venom from glands on their backs.

Drying the venom produces a hallucinogenic drug, bufotenine, that can be smoked, and users and researchers say it produces a high that eclipses the psychedelic properties of LSD. (Just imagine the effect that toad jokes would have had on the culture of the '60s.)

And yes, it's illegal. "Take a toad, go to jail," suggest some wags.

"What is the human race going to do next? Grind up claret and smoke them?" asked Calaveras County narcotics agent Greg Elam.

After the arrest of a couple on charges of possessing bufotenine from

four toads, state and local narcotics agents worried that there was a cult of toad abusers in the region.

They've determined that's not the case.

But literature confiscated from the couple's house indicates there is an underground of enthusiasts for the drug, agents said.

"It's a bizarre case," said Matt Campoy, commander of the drug task force in Calaveras County 110 miles east of San Francisco.

Scientific journals trace use of the drug to ancient times. In the 1950s, the Pentagon and Central Intelligence Agency supported research on bufotenine as part of efforts to develop brainwashing agents, according to the August 1990 Scientific American.

Laws against its use in the United States date to the late 1960s. But the task force was unable to find records that anyone else had actually been arrested for possessing it.

Unrelated laws bar possession of the toads themselves, since their numbers are dwindling.

Ironically, the arrests came in a region known not for toads but for frogs.

The venom of this toad, Bufo alvarius, produces a drug that provides a high eclipsing LSD, experts say.

Clinton takes health-care fight to powerful senior citizens' group

EDISON, N.J. (AP) — President Clinton needed the powerful American Association of Retired Persons on Wednesday for refusing to endorse his health-care plan as he and his wife opened an offensive to sell the plan to the nation's elderly.

"This is a fight," the president told an audience of seniors as he lashed out at insurance-industry commercials against the plan and complained about what he called an "endless gusher of politics and negativism."

The millions of elderly remain a large and keenly interested — but ambivalent — bloc that the White House was clearly out to court.

The president and Hillary Rodham Clinton, in their first joint appearance on the plan in months, confronted polls suggesting support

among older Americans was wavering.

They both said that TV commercials sponsored by the insurance industry were spreading misinformation — even as the White House scrambled to defend a Democratic ad that Republicans claim was doctored. The White House said it is looking into the GOP demands that the ad be withdrawn.

Speaking to a crowd of 2,000 in a gymnasium on the campus of Middlesex County College, the Clintons promised the plan's promise of \$26 billion a year in new drug and long-term care benefits for the elderly.

It was the leadoff event in what the White House says will be a two-week effort to shore up support for the plan among the elderly.

A recent AARP survey found that 54 percent of those over 65 are worried that the plan would mean more government bureaucracy. 50 percent thought it may mean higher prices and 52 percent were concerned it would lead to lower-quality care than under the present Medicare system.

"In today's system, insurance companies regularly charge older people more than younger people," Clinton said. He also accused some companies of selling "bogus" long-term policies to the elderly. "We shouldn't pit the old against the young or the middle-aged," Clinton said.

He was mildly critical of the AARP, the powerful senior citizens' lobby which cosponsored Thursday's event, for not coming out in support of his plan.

"I would respectfully suggest that the AARP ought to be for the only plan that helps you. Otherwise, the interest groups will convince Congress that you don't really care and you will lose these parts of the plan," Clinton said.

"The time has come to be counted, to stand up, to take a stand and fight with us if you want to get something done," he shouted.

The AARP's board of directors in November called the Clinton plan "the strongest and most realistic blueprint to date for achieving our goals." But the group stopped short of endorsing it.

The group was embarrassed a month later when 82 percent of AARP members responding to a survey in the AARP Bulletin said they opposed the Clinton plan. AARP leaders said that was not a representative survey.

For her part, Mrs. Clinton told the audience: "We have the stupidest financing system for health care in the whole wide world."

Clinton complained that the industry's "Harry and Louise" television ads use actors to debunk the health care plan. "They never put any real people on there," Clinton said.

Offstage, White House aides were trying to quiet another storm — over the charges by Republicans that the Democratic National Committee took a quote by South Carolina Gov. Carroll Campbell out of context in an ad of its own.

White House Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers said a GOP demand that the DNC withdraw the ad — showing Campbell saying "there's not a crisis" — was being studied. Campbell claims his actual words were, "You shouldn't say there's not a crisis."

A narrator in the Democratic ad says: "The Republicans — first they said there was no recession. Now they say there is no health care crisis. They just don't get it."

In recent weeks Republicans have moved away from the "no crisis" theme in response to polls showing most Americans want health care reform.



Hillary Rodham Clinton walks with President Bill Clinton as he boards a helicopter Wednesday. Clinton later spoke to group in New Jersey about his plan to reform the health-care system.

Some vets wait years for help with injuries

WASHINGTON (AP) — American soldiers can reach remote hot spots within days or even hours, but many wait years to get hearings on injuries they might have suffered.

The Veterans Affairs Department acknowledges it is now losing the battle of coping with the tens of thousands of new claims for compensation and pensions coming in every year. Four years ago the backlog of pending claims was 377,000. By the end of fiscal year 1995, the VA estimates it could hit 870,000.

On average, it takes more than 200 days to get an initial compensation claim processed, and a veteran can expect to wait more than two years to get a decision from the Board of Veterans Appeals.

VA Secretary Jesse Brown said the backlog "remains one of the foremost concerns" in the Veterans Benefits Administration, predicting that claims completed will actually decline in the immediate future because of new legal requirements and the more complex nature of today's claims.

Veterans' groups are up in arms over the delays. "We believe that a crisis situation, approaching a state of emergency, currently exists in VA's Compensation and Pension Service," Joseph Violante of Disabled American Veterans testified before Congress. Appeals board delays "have become unconscionable and intolerable."

John Hanson of the American Legion said other issues "must not be allowed to overshadow the true crisis" in the claims process and "the impact this is having on the lives of tens of thousands of veterans and their families."

"Overall, the system stinks," said Sam Ledwith, 73, a former Marine who fought in the Pacific in World War II and in the Korean War. Ledwith, of Valley Stream, N.Y., recently learned that after four years of appeals and an even longer period of hospital visits that the VA was

restoring a 40 percent disability payment for hearing loss it had cut in half in the 1980s.

"It's too big, too bureaucratic," he said. "It just doesn't jell."

Gary Hickman, director of the Compensation and Pension Service, said military reductions have meant a 50 percent jump in new claims, to about 130,000 last year, and that veterans now tend to file multiple, and often complicated, claims.

There have been about 30,000 claims from the Persian Gulf War, including thousands who say they are suffering from the mysterious Persian Gulf syndrome. Chairman Charles Cragin said the creation in 1988 of a new U.S. court of veterans appeals, while helping define a body of common law for veterans, has added an adversarial, legalistic element to what for half a century had been a paternalistic system.

He said new requirements for more comprehensive explanations of decisions have also added to the paperwork — an average file may be 4 feet high — and slowed down the process. The board of appeals made 45,000 decisions in 1991, but may conclude only 13,000 this year, and if this trend continues it could take more than six years to hear an appeal.

"We are doing a marvelous job on a veteran-by-veteran basis," Cragin said. "It's a great product, but the waiting list gets longer and longer."

The VA plans to start incorporating 43 ideas made last year by a panel that recommended a "multitude of changes" in the claims system.

Included were the training of more decision-making staffers, computerization of records and rating systems and better cooperation with the Pentagon.

Legislation is now pending that would allow single members of the appeals board to make decisions, rather than the three now required.

NASA sets March 3 launch for Columbia

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA set March 3 as the launch date for the next space shuttle mission, a 14-day research flight by Columbia.

During the mission, the five astronauts will grow crystals, measure shuttle vibrations, conduct medical experiments and tend to 16 rats for a

protein molecule study. The crew is at Kennedy Space Center for a two-day countdown test that ends Thursday. The launch date and 8:54 a.m. EST liftoff were set Wednesday.

It is the second of eight shuttle flights planned this year. The first, by Discovery, ended Friday.

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Nation

Briefly

Study charts how insurers pay bills

BOSTON — Insurance companies are often "arbitrary and capricious" when deciding whether to pay for experimental cancer treatments, approving them for some patients and denying them to others equally sick, a study finds.

Health insurance companies generally have the right to refuse payment for questionable treatments. They decide whether to foot the bill on a case-by-case basis.

In a study published in the *New England Journal of Medicine*, researchers found that this has meant to women with breast cancer who were treated at the University for bone marrow transplants. This treatment, though costly and unproven, was the patients' only hope of forestalling or escaping certain death from cancer.

Their review of 533 cases found little consistency in insurance companies' decisions. Overall, they approved the treatment for three-quarters of patients. But those denied care were medically identical to women for whom it was approved.

Lesbian's lawyer pleads for her child

RICHMOND, Va. — A lawyer for a lesbian who lost custody of her 2-year-old son pleaded Wednesday with the Virginia Court of Appeals to scrap what he contended was an outdated state Supreme Court precedent.

"To take a category of people and say they don't get to keep their own children, that's not what the law of this state is about," said Donald K. Butler, attorney for Sharon Bottoms.

But a lawyer for Bottoms' mother, Kay, who was awarded custody of the boy Sept. 7, said the 1985 state Supreme Court ruling made it clear that children should not be raised by a homosexual parent.

The ruling held that a lesbian "is an unfit parent if she exhibits hugging, kissing, pats on the bottom and sleeping in the same bed" with her partner, said Richard Ryder.

Bridge roof caves in under snow; 2 hurt

SEVEN SPRINGS, Pa. — The roof on a covered bridge collapsed this morning at a ski resort, briefly trapping eight people on the bridge at the time. Two were seriously injured, authorities said.

The entire roof, about 300 feet long, apparently gave way under the weight of snow, said Lori Brodak, a spokeswoman for the Seven Springs resort about 50 miles southeast of Pittsburgh.

Ms. Brodak said everyone apparently had been rescued within 50 minutes.

The bridge, which extends across a pond to connect the ski lodge to a main lodge, remained standing, Ms. Brodak said.

Group pans Clinton for appointments

WASHINGTON — President Clinton missed a chance to improve his image as a reformer when he reappointed two people to the Federal Election Commission, a campaign finance reform lobbying group said Wednesday.

The White House announced Tuesday that Clinton plans to nominate Lee Ann Elliott, a Republican, and Danny Lee McDonald, a Democrat, to their third consecutive terms on the commission, which regulates how millions of dollars in campaign money are raised and spent.

Elliott and McDonald were first appointed by President Reagan in 1981. Their previous six-year terms expired April 30, but they continued to serve on an interim basis.

Compiled from wire reports

U.S. ponders tougher steps against Japan

Knight-Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — A quick guide to the trade conflict that's erupted between the United States and Japan.

Q. Are the United States and Japan starting a trade war?

A. Probably not, but long-running trade tensions between the two nations have flared again recently, igniting fears that the disputes could get out of hand.

Q. What is the difference between a trade conflict and a trade war?

A. When one country, such as the United States, imposes penalties against the products shipped from another country, such as Japan, that is a trade conflict. They happen all the time between most countries over one product or another.

But when the second country responds by imposing retaliatory penalties on products from the first country, the danger is that a cycle could escalate until virtually all products traded between the two nations are penalized by government-imposed tariffs, or fees that drive up the products' costs. That would be a trade war.

Q. Has that ever happened?

A. Most nations engaged in trade wars during the 1930s to protect their domestic industries from foreign competition. The resulting fall in international trade hurt economic production everywhere and made the Great Depression worse. Since then, the global trend has been to keep trade barriers down, but periodically nations do engage in skirmishes over different products.

Q. Why would governments risk starting another trade war?

A. The Clinton administration is threatening to impose trade sanctions against Japan as a pressure tactic to get it to open its markets so U.S.-made goods can compete for sales there.

Q. What triggered this latest conflict?

A. The case this week involves

Trade war coming?

The collapse of U.S.-Japan trade talks prompted a White House decision to slap trade penalties on Japanese cellular phones. There were also hints of stronger steps in the works. President Clinton conceded that such moves could trigger a trade war with Japan.

U.S. trade balance with Japan

Jan.-Nov. 1993



Source: U.S. Commerce Dept.

AP/Wm. J. Castello, Steve Sakson

cellular telephones made by Motorola.

Motorola sells about 40 percent of the world's cellular phones and takes 50 percent of the Japanese market where it's allowed to compete freely — but it has only 1.2 percent of sales in the lucrative Tokyo market because of government-imposed barriers.

Japan has signed three treaties since 1985 aimed at opening Tokyo to increased cellular phone sales by Motorola, but after years of negotiations, the Clinton administration concluded this week that Japan has failed to honor its commitments, so it is getting tough.

Q. What does "getting tough" mean?

A. Washington is threatening to impose tariffs on unspecified

Japanese-made goods totaling several hundred million dollars, equal to the amount of sales Motorola is estimated to have lost as a result of Japan's trade barriers.

The idea is that such steps would cut U.S. sales of Japanese products. That would cut profits for Japanese business. Its leaders in turn would pressure their government to reach a trade agreement with Washington to get rid of the trade sanctions.

The danger is that if both sides get tough, dig in and escalate sanctions, everybody loses.

Q. Haven't we seen these kinds of threats before, and they never amounted to much?

A. Yes. For at least 10 years, Washington has threatened Japan with trade sanctions unless it opens its closed markets. Under pressure, Japan usually relents by signing an agreement promising to honor free trade.

But last year the U.S. trade deficit with Japan hit a new high, soaring about 20 percent to \$60 billion.

Partly that's because U.S. consumers like Japanese products, but the Clinton administration says the Motorola case shows perfectly how Japan's government imposes barriers to deny big sales to globally competitive U.S. products.

Q. I keep hearing that two-thirds of our trade gap with Japan is in cars and trucks and auto parts. True?

A. That's right. About two-thirds of the U.S. trade deficit with Japan stems from our purchases of their cars, trucks and auto parts.

Q. Why should we believe this round of trade threats is any more than the usual bluffing?

A. Financial markets and trade analysts think this latest round of tensions may be more serious than previous ones because President Clinton and Japanese Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa refused to paper over their differences at their trade summit last week.

Husband of woman in gay adoption case seeks separation

SEATTLE (AP) — A woman fighting to block the adoption of her 3-year-old son by a gay couple suffered a setback when her husband filed for separation.

In the filing, Wade Lucas accuses

Megan Lucas of death threats, suicide attempts and mental instability.

The development makes it "extraordinarily unlikely" that Megan Lucas will be able to get her son back, said Dennis Kile, an attorney for the state

Department of Social and Health Services. The boy is staying with gay foster parents in Seattle.

The state is opposing the Lucases' attempt to adopt the boy. Mrs. Lucas voluntarily gave up her parental rights

to her son in September 1992 after a history of child neglect and drug abuse.

She filed the petition to adopt after finding out her son was with gay foster parents.

Drug war stirs anti-U.S. outcry



U.S. soldiers build a school in Colombia on Wednesday. Colombia's highest court has said the presence of U.S. troops in the country is illegal.

JUANACHACO, Colombia (AP) — Colombia is now on the front line of Washington's Andean drug war.

And it is there despite protests from some Colombians denouncing U.S. military involvement as an invasion of sovereignty.

U.S. officials believe Colombia has done more to combat drug traffickers than Bolivia or Peru, whose anti-drug aid may be cut because they appear less eager to stem drug smuggling.

Coca leaves, the raw material used to make cocaine, are mostly grown in Bolivia and Peru. Colombia's drug cartels process the coca and smuggle it to world markets.

The United States has backed the Colombian government's anti-drug efforts by giving it tens of millions of dollars a year in aid to fight the nation's drug lords, and has sent troops and other personnel.

The presence of about 250 American soldiers, in addition to U.S. drug agents and other personnel, has become a hot issue in this year's congressional and presidential elections.

One hundred of the soldiers are building a military base in central Colombia to help Colombian forces go after traffickers and guerrillas, maintaining U.S.-built railroads that nab drug flights and training Colombian troops.

The Council of State, Colombia's highest court overseeing government administration, declared on Feb. 8 the presence of U.S. troops illegal, saying President Cesar Gaviria should have consulted Congress before inviting them.

Gaviria said he would ignore the "absurd" ruling, pointing out that U.S. surveillance technology and military training helped Colombia maul the Medellin cartel and kill its leader, Pablo Escobar, last December.

"Would we be more free, more sovereign and more independent living under the tyranny of Escobar's narco-terrorism?" the president asked.

Much of the criticism has been directed against the presence of 150 U.S. soldiers in Juanachaco, a sweltering village on the Pacific coast, on what is billed as a humanitarian mission: building a school and a clinic.

American combat engineers clad in jungle fatigues lay bricks, hammer nails and mix mortar in a seemingly innocent pursuit.

They say they are here to conduct engineering exercises under difficult conditions: an intense, tropical sun; torrential rains; poor soil; and a remote site where construction materials are hard to find.

"It opens our eyes to a different culture, a different way of doing things," said a soldier who identified himself only as Capt. Clark, as he guzzles water from his canteen toward off heat exhaustion.

But many politicians suspect there is more to the mission given the proximity of the world's largest cocaine cartel in Cali, 60 miles to the east.

Gaviria aides say the Cali cartel — apparently nervous about the U.S. troop presence in its back yard — has mounted a disinformation campaign to stir opposition to the U.S. presence.

Given the American tradition of nabbing drug traffickers on foreign soil — Honduran kingpin Juan Ramon Matta Ballesteros in 1987 and Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega four years ago — the Cali bosses have reason to be uneasy.

A senior law enforcement official in Bogotá said the task may be greater than the Clinton administration envisions. Drug kingpins have used their money to corrupt many government officials.

Fear and loathing as ostrich leads searchers on wild-goose chase

PHOENIX (AP) — She's 9 feet tall, weighs 400 pounds and packs a kick that can drop a lion. So Sadie the ostrich is no ordinary fugitive.

Searchers combed the desert north of Phoenix for the bird, which has been on the loose since escaping from a breeding operation in Cave Creek on Saturday.

The searchers feared that Sadie might encounter an unsuspecting human.

"They're dumb birds but they're also real mean birds," sheriff's spokeswoman Lisa Allen said. "Their legs are so powerful that if

they kick into the chest they can kill an adult.

That's why we feel it's so important to find her — so some child doesn't walk up. 'Hey Big Bird' — and you have a fatality."

Sadie escaped from its pen at the home of Wendy and Doug Straight,

The couple said Sadie's mate, Beau, has been wandering aimlessly in his pen since the ostrich disappeared.

Searchers know it may be tough to find the bird because they can run as fast as cars if provoked.

"She could be in Vegas by now," Allen said.

Attack on Luftwaffe precedes invasion

Knight-Ridder News Service

In February, 1944, it was hoped that France could be invaded across the English Channel by May.

But there was a vital prerequisite: the German air force had to be destroyed. On Feb. 8, Lt. Gen. Henry H. (Hap) Arnold, commander of the Army Air Force, ordered Maj. Gen. Carl Spaatz to commence an all-out attack on the Luftwaffe in the air, on the ground and in the factories. Spaatz commanded the Strategic Air Force which consisted of both the 8th Air Force based in England and the 15th Air Force based in Italy.

The Germans had major aircraft production centers at Leipzig, Wiener Neustadt, Regensburg, Schweinfurt, Gotha, Brunswick, Augsburg, Stuttgart and a dozen other places. The Germans were dispersing production, moving factories underground or further east out of bomber range. Spaatz had to move fast. The deadline for destroying these complexes was March 1, 1944.

The plan was called "The Big Week." It came about with six days of maximum effort during the third week of February.

The first raid by the 8th Air Force was on Feb. 20 when 1,003 heavy bombers were sent against aircraft factories in the Leipzig-Brunswick area. Over a third of the bombers failed to attack their primary targets due to bad weather or mechanical problems, but losses were relatively light (21 bombers) and the damage inflicted was substantial.

The next day, 861 bombers were sent against some 13 sites, both factories and airfields. On Feb. 22, 799 bombers took off, but only 255 made it to their targets as bad weather forced the strike aimed for Schweinfurt to be recalled and other bombers were pushed off course over Holland and Denmark where many held their bombs rather than injure allied populations.

Bad weather on Feb. 23 prevented operations, but the next day 505 bombers launched against Schweinfurt. As before, German defenses were strong around this vital industrial center and 44 bombers went down. "Big Week" came to an end for the 8th Air Force when 754 bombers flew against the Regensburg complex and 31 were lost.

Additional raids were sent by the 15th Air Force during the day and by British Bomber Command at night.

In all, the USAAF lost 227 bombers and the RAF 157 bombers, an average of only about 6 percent. In human terms this meant some 5,000 Allied airmen were killed or captured. Losses were kept down because of the use of American long-range fighter escorts. American percentage losses for daylight raids were actually smaller than for the British flying at night.

Indeed, the RAF flying their first "Big Week" raid the night of Feb. 19-20 lost 78 bombers over Leipzig.

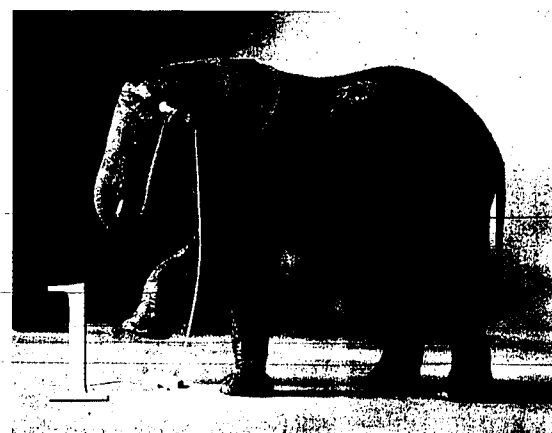
German aircraft production was hurt. Bomber production at Leipzig was halted for a month. It took four months for Me-109 fighter production to return to capacity at Regensburg.

Yet again it was shown that war is dynamic. Factories can be rebuilt. Bombing strategy through 1943 had been based on the idea that there were 177 key industrial targets which once destroyed would collapse the German economy. On paper it had looked easy to simply work down the list.

But that many targets could not be destroyed simultaneously nor kept in disrepair by sustained attacks.

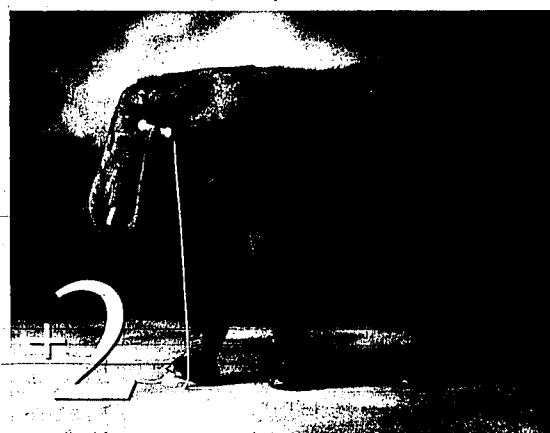


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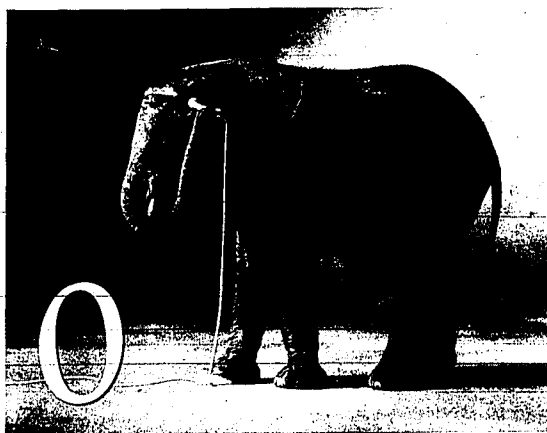
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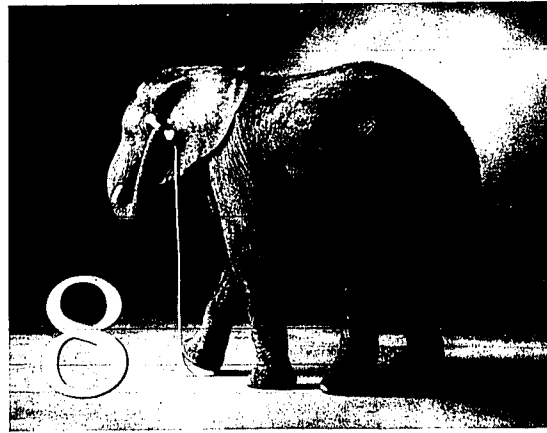
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area code, the change will be simple.

There's no change in rates for these calls. And 911, local calls and long-distance calls to other area codes will not be affected by the new dialing plan. But anyone with preprogrammed Speed Calling numbers,



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For more information about these four easy steps, contact your local phone company.

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Opinion

Editorial

County needs top-flight commissioner candidates

This fall's election will be pivotal for Twin Falls County's future.

Two county commissioner seats are up for election. The winning candidates will form a majority on the county's three-person ruling board—a board that will preside over a period of rapid population growth, new construction and expanding demands for services.

If the county ever needed experienced management and visionary leadership, now is the time. Would you or someone you know fit that job description?

Finding top-flight candidates is not as easy as it might seem. The job demands a full-time (or nearly full-time) commitment, and its complexities require experience and management expertise. It's also stressful—the commissioners must juggle multiple problems, limited resources and constant carping from back-seat drivers.

Yet the job's \$30,000 yearly salary isn't enough to lure many first-rate managers away from private enterprise.

As we've said before, the citizens might be better served by a system of part-time commissioners and a single, well-paid administrator. But Idaho's Constitution doesn't allow that set-up at present.

The current commissioners haven't done a bad job, considering the

tricky problems thrown at them in recent years. But the closing years of the 20th century will be even more challenging. So we don't imply any criticism when we say the county needs the best candidates it can get.

Several hopefuls already have come forward:

Filer restaurateur Brent Reinke and Buhl-area farmer Gary Grindstaff, chairman of the Twin Falls County Fair Board, and long-time activist Bill Chisholm want to replace departing Commissioner Norma Blass.

Commissioner James Fraley is running for re-election, challenged by former Twin Falls City Councilwoman Pam Dowd and real estate agent John Etheridge.

And a few others have had their names mentioned.

Many of these candidates have the potential to be fine commissioners. But as long as the filing period is still open, let's cast a wide net.

Is there a retired or semi-retired business manager who would like to take on a new challenge? How about a long-time volunteer who would like to turn a community-service hobby into a full-time occupation?

Despite the difficulties of running a county, the job is an opportunity to help shape the community for the next generation. What a shame if the ideal candidate stays on the sidelines.

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Socioeconomic factors make education goals unattainable

The other day the Senate was doing the usual, issuing imperious commands to the future, when a senator did the unusual: He said the future will not be improved.

The Senate was debating the "Goals 2000" education bill when Pat Moynihan rose to compare two of the goals—the only quantifiable ones—to grain production quotas in the Soviet Union. The two goals are that by the year 2000 the high school graduation rate will be "at least" 90 percent, and that American students will be first in the world in mathematics and science achievement. Said Moynihan, "That will not happen."

Other goals range from the difficult to define (all children will start school "ready to learn") to the difficult to imagine (every school "will be free of drugs and violence"). Such silliness is a bipartisan tradition. In 1984 President Reagan decreed goals for 1990 not unlike the goals President Bush offered in 1990 for 2000, some of Bush's goals being identical to President Clinton's.

Such goal-setting is progress, of sorts. Policy makers are speaking the language of cognitive outputs rather than monetary inputs. But it is not much progress because policy-makers are still preoccupied with inputs.

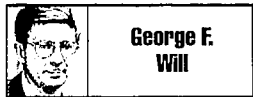
In 1966 sociologist James Coleman and his colleagues published data from a huge survey of public schools and students. Post-war education policy had been focused where the public education lobby wanted it, on financial inputs such as per pupil spending, teachers' salaries and pupil-teacher ratios. However, Coleman's report, which Moynihan says was so "seismic" that the government considered not releasing it, concluded: "Schools are remarkably similar in the effect they have on the achievement of their pupils when the socioeconomic background of the students is taken into account."

Or as a sociologist had said to Moynihan at an academic gathering when Moynihan was an academic and Coleman was still compiling the data, "Have you heard what Coleman is finding? It's all family."

That is, the best predictor of a school's performance is the quality of the homes from which the students come to school.

In 1989 a researcher reported in confirmation of Coleman that "variations in school expenditures are not systematically related to variations in student performance." And later: "Researchers have tried to identify inputs that are reliably associated with student achievement and school performance. The bottom line is, they have not found any."

Paul Barton of the Educational Testing Service estimates that about 90 percent of the differences among the states' schools in average proficiency can be explained by five factors: number of days absent from school, number of hours spent watching



George F. Will

television, number of pages read for homework, quantity and quality of reading material in the home, the presence of two parents in the home. Now, unless the government has a plan for moving those variables vary, positively and quickly, the goals about graduation rates and math and science achievement are airy puffs of legislative cotton candy.

Between 1910 and 1969 the graduation rate rose from 8.8 percent to 77.1 percent. By 1980 it had receded to 71.4. The government estimates that it was 73.8 last year. It has never been higher than 77.1. It will not be 90 in six years. In 1991 American 13-year-olds ranked 13th among 14 nations surveyed in math and 12th among 14 in science, rankings that are essentially unchanged in three decades and will not be substantially changed in six years.

Moynihan says the "official delusion" indicated by such goals may be "evidence of a dysfunction in the political world far more portentous than that in our high schools." Actually, "Goals 2000" involves less delusion than calculation, and there are three reasons for it.

First, government cannot do much, and can do next to nothing quickly, about the quality of families, other than stop making matters worse with today's welfare system, a system that would be expensive and politically risky to reform.

Second, government may now use the vocabulary of outputs but it is still addicted to dispensing financial inputs and defining the dispensing as progress.

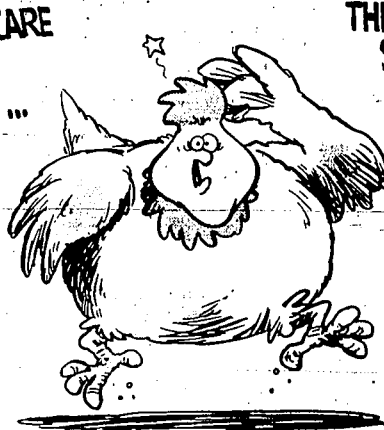
Third, the Democratic Party is in alliance with, and most politicians are in fear of, the National Education Association, the public education lobby that has a huge stake in inputs like the \$700 million in 1995 budget authority for "Goals 2000."

One of the legislation's goals is to "increase parental involvement." One way to do that would be to make parents active shoppers for education, using school choice programs. But confronted with an amendment that would have authorized a small (\$30 million) demonstration project empowering poor children to choose among public and private schools—the NEA's nightmare—the Senate said no.

Enacting the practical is politically impossible and promising the impossible is routine politics.

George F. Will is a Washington Post columnist.

THE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM IS FAILING!...



CLINTON LITTLE

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Letters

Methods aim to change society

ODDM, OBE, OBR — they are all essentially the same, and they are not good for America and its educational system, in the opinion of many who have watched this approach to education tried, says the "New American" magazine.

As was pointed out in a recent article in *The Times-News*, outcome-based education is more a "social agenda" than an educational system. The "New American" warns that it is "becoming frighteningly clear that educational reform through OBE is a major part of a sweeping Orwellian plan to radically restructure American society along revolutionary socialist lines.

The conservative magazine warns that ODDM is "behaviorist training... stimulus-response conditioning and indoctrination." It says OBE "calls not only for radically changing what is taught in the schools and how it is taught but for tying every child into a master computer system that will continuously track not only his academic progress but his beliefs, values, attitudes, medical and health records and family history."

The problem is that those who are promoting ODDM, OBE and Performance-Based Education have coached their propagandists in misleading language to lead the unwary to their way of thinking.

Education leaders in Idaho have been groping for ways to improve the education system in the state and have been promoting what is apparently a variation of OBE. Various schools, including the Twin Falls system, have adopted forms of this system.

What I would like to know is, what's wrong with the education system the state of Idaho had 50 years ago? When I was in a small school in southeastern Idaho 60 years ago, we learned to read, to write, to spell and to do arithmetic. We studied history, literature and something of the arts, and we learned about the country and the world in which we live—geography. We learned respect for authority and to love and appreciate the great country in which we live.

Much of this has been abandoned in our current educational system. Never mind the new and innovative programs they are shoving at us. Let the educators go back and study the educational system that worked 50 years ago. And let's get on with truly educating our young people.

RALPH W. MAUGHAN
Rupert

Some of us need health care

I would like to respond to Mr. Tom Peters' letter, "Give me liberty, not health care." From his statement, it appears he is not one of the many out here who are among the uninsured due to a pre-health problem or not poor enough to be covered by Medicaid.

I was once in that condition, covered by employment insurance with no worries about what I needed to be in the hospital. However, that has changed. I am 63 and on Social Security; too young for Medicare, which also needs a supplement to be wholly covered. That now has gone almost out of sight also.

I have been very health-conscious all my life, worked hard at staying well, and yet have become a diabetic so am not insurable. At least none I can afford. So that leaves me one of those who need help with health care. It seems unjust to have people come to work for the farmers and we pay their medical bills, and

having babies on Medicaid or the indigent funds, which is all from our taxes. And yet many of us young and old are falling through the cracks.

Some workers enrolled in health maintenance organizations with no choice of doctor or hospital that is taking away the freedom of choice. Is the answer the single payer like Hawaii has? Everyone pays and is covered and has choices.

Thank God some people are trying to be part of the solution and not give in to fear. Let's try to work for the best answer and not just criticize while our world is OK. Life's conditions do change and so does our opinions.

MAE AND RUSTY BARE

Declo

Fox not cause of pheasant losses

Actions are being taken in the state Legislature which attempt to delist the fox from fur-bearer to predator. I am opposed to delisting the fox and ask that you join me in my position.

The agricultural community of southern Idaho is inaccurately blaming the fox for depressed pheasant populations. In fact, the loss of habitat resulting from agricultural practices is at fault. I urge those concerned about declining pheasant populations to work with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game to work out true habitat solutions for the pheasant. Creating shelter belts for pheasant cover and reproduction could result in stabilizing and increasing pheasant numbers; eliminating foxes will not.

Please consult with our department biologists who know this issue. Biology and good sense should be the basis for solving declining pheasant populations, not reactive hysteria which dismisses a realistic and ecological perspective.

CATHY BAE

Ketchum

E911 system still a good idea

In 1990, representatives from Twin Falls City and County requested commissioners of Gooding, Jerome and Lincoln counties place the question on a ballot to levy a \$1 fee to provide a regional enhanced 911 system. In November 1990, voters authorized the fee. In accordance with Idaho Codes, commissioners entered into a Joint Powers Agreement in April 1991.

In my opinion, since Chief Du Fresno's dream to have the E911 dispatch in his facility is not coming true and Sheriff Southwick does not want to lose control of his dispatch, the E911 board has been battling a misinformation campaign for approximately three years. Some refer to this as a "long-delayed" project. However, this same group lifts the Idaho Falls E911 (a three- to four-year project) as a positive example.

The city of Idaho Falls and Bonneville County have had a consolidated dispatch for more than 10 years, and their one-county E911 system is great. Their building was a fire station, approximately 10 years old, which was built in accordance with building standards for an emergency facility. The city of Idaho Falls was required to build a new fire station and received 90 percent of the funding through the Federal Aviation Administration. The "old" fire station became available for the dispatch center, and remodeling costs were minimal since it complied with most of the code requirements.

Bonneville County pays the city of Idaho Falls an \$800 per month lease payment. We have considered and inspected existing buildings—north and south of the river. There is no appropriate existing building available. Our sole agenda has been to provide the best emergency response system for the citizens of the four counties. What are Chief Du Fresno's, Sheriff Southwick's and Pam Dowd's agendas?

Commissioners from the four counties have had an excellent working relationship on this project. I believe the leadership in the city of Twin Falls has done a serious disservice to the citizens of the Magic Valley. The idea of a Regional 911 was a reasonable, sensible, forward-looking concept when originally conceived, and it remains so today. We will continue to pursue it.

VERONICA LIERMAN
County Commissioner/E911 Board
Jerome

Pilots need best possible training

To you people who are on record as opposing the Mountain Home Air Force Base's use of the mostly desert area and referred to as the "bombing range," I have some thoughts you should consider.

The very vocal minority on this issue (and they will be using all the flights over that area will be using actual bombs. The bombs that are dropped will be marker type that will give off a puff of smoke during daylight hours and a flash of light at night to indicate their accuracy. The majority of the bomb scoring will be done electronically.

In most people's opinion, there are three good reasons to have this facility in place. The first and most important is that we are free because of dedicated troops in the services who offer their lives. The second reason is that these men and women in uniform need the best training that money can buy.

I am proud of the stand Gov. Cecil Andrus has taken. This installation not only benefits southwestern Idaho but enhances the tax base and benefits all of Idaho. Not only is the tax base enhanced but the civilian population that is employed at the base is a significant factor in Idaho's economy.

The very vocal minority on this issue (and we wonder where they get their funds for elaborate TV and other news media releases), do not represent the majority of Idaho residents who are not only thinking of Idaho but for the nation as a whole.

The mission at the Mountain Home Air Force Base is to train its personnel to be the best in the world and to perform whatever mission they are called upon to do. The flight crews and personnel at Mountain Home Air Force Base, as some would have you believe, are not there to just destroy wildlife and harass the native Indians on the Duck Valley Reservation but to develop a skill that will deter aggression to our country.

A recent editorial referred to the pilots at Mountain Home Air Force Base as "jet-jockeys" and/or "fly boys." One must remember these are professional pilots, college graduates with bachelor of arts or bachelor of science degrees or better. They, as a rule, are married, have children and, with their families, enjoy the environment as much as the rest of us. Military pilots are such professionals that the major airlines actively seek them to pilot their planes for your family and friends.

WILLIAM L. CLAIBORN
Twin Falls

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU

Letters

Labeling people by region another form of racism

In the Feb. 4 issue of *The Times-News*, there was a short paragraph entitled "Here come the Californians." I don't understand how this person can wholeheartedly group all people from California, where everyone from California is immoral, does drugs and has a "Disneyland mentality," whatever that is.

Grouping humanity in such a way is another form of racism. I was born in California, but I grew up and went to school here in southern Idaho. Some of my friends were born here, and I grew up with them. I do not think of them as clodhoppers, hicks or hillbillies. They are my friends, and that is what matters. No one has a right to judge a person by the area in which he or she was born, the color of his or her skin or whether they believe in God or not.

It happens all the time, but that still does not make it right. Growing up here, I experienced this type of segregation plenty of times when people discovered that I was born in California. They automatically thought my parents were something other than the good, hard-working people that they are and that I was planning to rob their house the next day. I have smiled, shook my head and kept my mouth shut many times in the past, but I am tired of it.

Wake up. No two people are the same. This person is attacking Californians outright without even knowing but a few of them, if he knows any at all. Is this right or fair? I say, emphatically, no! No one deserves to be categorized, no matter where they were born or, God forbid, if their views differ from yours.

KURT FRIEDMANN
Jerome

Parents help O'Leary Junior High prosper

On behalf of the staff at O'Leary Junior High School, I would like to express my appreciation to the many parents who have helped make our first semester a great one.

Specifically, I would like to recognize our Parent Teacher Student Organization, our Parent Support Group and other parents who have given of their time and efforts at our school. Our PTSO Board is comprised of Co-Presidents Karen Hefner and Dawn Luchinger, Vice President Deb Micik, Secretary Dar Wagner and Treasurer Barb Delmore. They have been instrumental in organizing our parent "work force."

Our Parent Support Group Team Leaders are Diane Burks, Debbie Kraft, Deb Micik, Barb Delmore, Dawn Ward, Karen Hefner, Ann

Guthrie, Jennifer James, Dana Mikesell, Gretchen Spooner, Shawna Fuller and Agnes Vanden Bosch. These parents and others have helped our seventh-, eighth- and ninth-grade teaching teams in their many endeavors. Susan Rehwal, Heidi Diehl, Linda Howar and Kate Schmidt have assisted with school-wide projects.

Active parent support is just one reason why O'Leary thrives. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge our many teachers and staff members for their tireless dedication and hard work. They have accomplished much in the face of major budget cuts this year. I am truly proud to be associated with these people, and I enjoy coming to work with them each day. I would also like to brag for a moment on our students. For the first semester, our students earned a cumulative 3.0 grade point average and our school atten-

dance was 94.43 percent. Less than 3 percent of our students were sent to the office for disciplinary reasons.

It is easy to see that success at our school is the result of great effort by many people. This total community effort is reflected in O'Leary's 1993-94 motor: TEAM—Together Everyone Achieves More.

WILEY J. DOBBS
Principal, O'Leary Junior High
Twin Falls

Protect yourselves, others by bucking safety belts

I am writing in the interest of everyone's safety, especially the safety of children that cannot protect themselves.

My concern is for the use of seat belts and child-restraint systems. Every year, people are killed in traffic accidents that could still be alive today if they would have taken the

time to have fastened their seat belts or if a responsible adult would have fastened their children in an approved child safety-restraint system. As an Idaho State Police officer, I see people at their best and at their worst. There is nothing worse than being involved in the investigation of a motor vehicle accident where someone has been seriously injured or killed. It is even more saddening when the injured adults are directly responsible for the safety of our children.

I have been in law enforcement since 1980 and have never unbuckled a lifeless body from a seat belt or child safety restraint. Feb. 13-19 is National Child Safety Awareness Week. Please protect yourself and others by fastening your seat belts and making sure that those around you buckle up too.

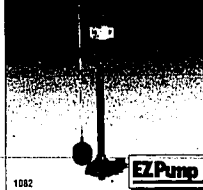
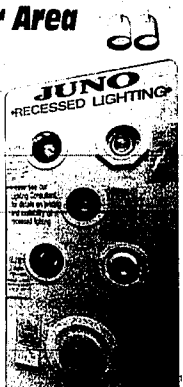
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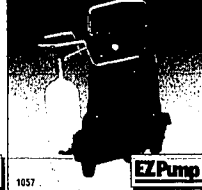
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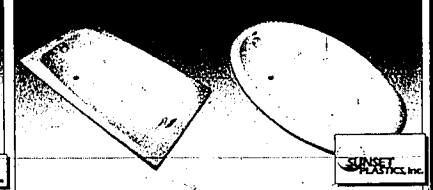
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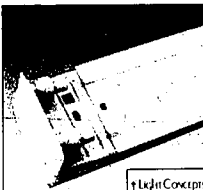


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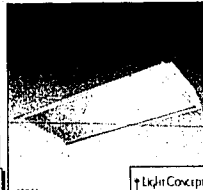
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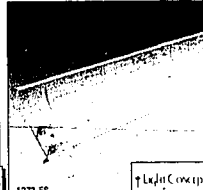
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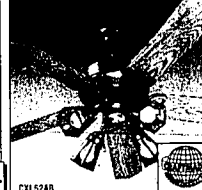
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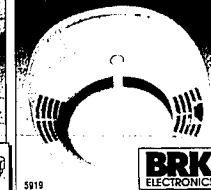
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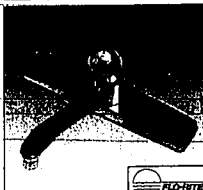
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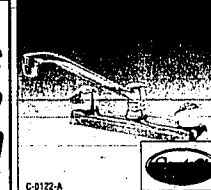
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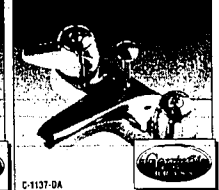
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World

U.N. says warring sides promise to meet NATO deadline



People line up Wednesday for a ration of soup, bread and cocoa at a Red Cross station in downtown Sarajevo.

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — U.N. commanders announced Wednesday that warring parties pledged by Bosnia to move their heavy guns from Sarajevo or put them under U.N. control by NATO's deadline of midnight Sunday.

NATO threatened last week to order air attacks on any howitzers, mortars or anti-aircraft guns not withdrawn from the city. Members of the alliance have indicated it would accept the weapons being put under strict U.N. control that prevented combatants from retaking possession.

Gen. Jean Cot, chief of U.N. peacekeepers in former Yugoslavia, said he received pledges to meet the deadline from leaders of both the Bosnian Serbs who have besieged the city for 22 months and Bosnia's Muslim-led government.

"There are guarantees that as of the 20th of February, weapons from the Serb side and the Bosnian side will be under our control," Cot told reporters at Sarajevo's airport.

But there were few outward signs of compliance. U.N. officials confirmed no new weapons had been placed under their control since Sunday, when 36 were reported to have been surrendered.

U.N. officials said the Serbs moved some guns away from Sarajevo but would not give any figures. Serb troops were estimated to have about 500 heavy weapons ringing the city.

The government army has far fewer.

Although both sides have generally lived up to a week-old truce around Sarajevo, military commanders in Bosnia are notorious for renegeing on promises.

"This is a tremendous gamble," Cot said of the U.N.-NATO effort to bring peace to the city. "If it works, we will all be winners. If it fails, we will all be losers. It is a gamble for peace. The time has come for the city to be opened. It must be freed from fear or death."

Fighting has continued in other parts of the former Yugoslav republic, and U.N. officials hope a successful ceasefire in Sarajevo will help bring peace elsewhere.

NATO's ultimatum was prompted by a mortar shell that killed 68 people in a Sarajevo market Feb. 5. Serbs have been widely blamed, but U.N. investigators said Wednesday it was impossible to determine who fired the shell.

A worker was killed on a downtown street by a sniper Wednesday, becoming the first civilian slain in the city since the truce began Thursday. Bosnian Serbs claimed previously that two of their soldiers were killed during the cease-fire. About 10,000 people have been killed in the city since

minority Serbs rebelled when Muslims and Croats led Bosnia into secession from Serb-dominated Yugoslavia in April 1992. About 200,000 people are dead or missing across Bosnia.

The Bosnian Serbs' military chief, Ratko Mladic, suggested Tuesday that his artillery would not be withdrawn from around Sarajevo if that would jeopardize "our people who have always lived on these territories."

But Cot said he had warned both Mladic and the Bosnian government commander, Rasim Delic, of the gravity of the NATO deadline.

"I can tell you both generals said they understood this," Cot said.

U.S. officials said in Washington on Tuesday that heavy weapons would have to be moved at least 13 miles from the center of the city, be turned over to U.N. troops or be made inoperable.

Lt. Gen. Sir Michael Rose, the U.N. commander for Bosnia, said NATO's intent will be met. He said his definition of U.N. control is that if either side want weapons returned, "they will have to fight to get them back."

The U.N. commander for Sarajevo, Lt. Gen. Andre Soufir, said three sites had been designated for the collection and monitoring of heavy weapons.

Greece retaliates, closes Macedonia trade route

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Angered by Western recognition of the former Yugoslav republic of Macedonia, Greece closed its consulate in the Macedonian capital and cut off the country's main trade route Wednesday.

Greece claims Macedonia has designs on its northern province, also called Macedonia, and says these claims are reflected in the country's name, flag and symbols, which Athens says are historically Greek.

Referring to Macedonia by the name of its capital Skopje, Socialist Premier Andreas Papandreu said Greece has run out of patience.

"From the disintegration of former Yugoslavia, and the creation of the Skopje problem, until today, Skopje

has not taken a single step showing moderation or good sense," he told a Cabinet meeting.

"The Greek government has decided to suspend the activities of its consulate in Skopje, and the suspension of goods to and from Skopje through the port of Salonica, excepting those that are absolutely necessary for humanitarian reasons, such as food and medicines," he said.

Greece has no diplomatic relations with Macedonia; its consulate there was left over from the breakup of Yugoslavia.

Most of landlocked Macedonia's trade and fuel passes through Salonica, about 43 miles from its southern border. Alternative routes

through Albania and Bulgaria are far longer and are over poor roads.

Macedonia says it has no claims on Greek territory, but Greece has demanded that Macedonia make gestures of good will to prove this. There was no immediate reaction from Macedonia to Greece's sanctions.

Papandreu indicated that last week's recognition of Macedonia by the United States played a role in his decision Wednesday. Tens of thousands of Greeks denounced Washington in a demonstration Tuesday in Salonica.

Greece also had been angered when six of its partners in the 12-nation European Union earlier recognized "The Former Yugoslav Republic Of Macedonia," as the country was

named temporarily when it was admitted to the U.N. General Assembly in April.

Papandreu said that because of the recognition, the Skopje government "assumed the false perception that it could ignore Greece's positions."

The United States and other EU nations said recognition of Macedonia was aimed at contributing to the fledgling country's stability.

But Greece's sanctions likely will contribute to economic hardships in the already impoverished nation of 2 million people.

Macedonia sits uncomfortably on the edge of the conflicts in other parts of former Yugoslavia and struggles with a restive ethnic Albanian minority.

Quake rattles Sumatra

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — Residents were buried in their sleep and homes, mosques and roads were destroyed by a powerful earthquake that hit the island of Sumatra just after midnight Wednesday.

At least 134 people were killed, but the toll likely would rise because of difficulties in evacuating badly hurt victims, officials said.

About 550 people were seriously

injured, government spokesman Hotman Apik said.

"Most of the victims were sound asleep," Apik said. "Some of the victims died without knowing what hit them."

The earthquake had an initial Richter reading of 6.5, according to officials in Jakarta. The U.S. Geological Survey in Washington put the strength at 7.2.

Train-car accident claims cardinal

VILLEFRANCHE-DE-ROUGE, France (AP) — A Roman Catholic cardinal and former archbishop of Paris, Francois Marty, died Wednesday when a passenger train slammed into his car.

The 89-year-old churchman was on the tracks in his Citroen 2 CV, a small, lightweight model, when the barrier arms came down as the train

approached, rescue workers said. The collision knocked and dragged the car about 100 yards. None of the 200 train passengers was injured.

Marty was at the wheel. It was unclear whether the vehicle stalled. He retired as archbishop in 1981, and had been living at a Dominican convent near the accident site, 375 miles southwest of Paris.



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Magic Valley

Around the valley

Workers burned in fire remain in hospital

TWIN FALLS — Three Magic Valley construction workers burned in an explosion Tuesday remained in a Salt Lake City hospital Wednesday.

A spokeswoman for the University of Utah Health Sciences Center said the three men suffered second- and third-degree burns to their hands and heads.

Stuart Wright of Jerome was in critical but stable condition Wednesday night; Robert Wise of Twin Falls was in stable condition; and Bobby Robbins of Twin Falls was in stable condition.

The three men were injured when propane gas exploded Tuesday morning at the hydroelectric plant on the Snake River at Twin Falls.

Jerome man still in county jail on charge of stalking woman

TWIN FALLS — Kinnic Raymon Carter remained in jail Wednesday on a charge of stalking KMTV-TV anchorwoman Leslie Berry.

Carter, 60, of Jerome, was arrested Tuesday near the television station.

Berry told police that in January Carter had left her gifts and had told a KMTV employee that he was her brother, according to a Twin Falls Police report. Then on Monday he went to the station and said he had to pick up a karaoke music machine from Berry, but she wasn't in. So he returned Tuesday afternoon and again said he had to pick up the machine and asked for Berry.

The police arrived at 1:47 p.m. and arrested Carter. Berry told the police she doesn't have a karaoke machine and was afraid of Carter.

Carter pleaded not guilty at his hearing Wednesday. His bond was set at \$1,500 and included the condition that he never try to contact Berry again.

Final symposium lecture on 'human landscape'

TWIN FALLS — Human landscapes will be the subject of the final lecture in the Snake River Symposium's series tonight.

Mark Klett, manager of the Photographic Collaboration Facility at Arizona State University, will speak tonight at 7 in Room 108 of the Aspen Building on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho, and show slides of his work. Tickets are \$3 at the door.

Jerome Ducks Unlimited sets annual banquet Friday

JEROME — The Jerome Committee of Ducks Unlimited has planned its annual banquet to begin at 6 p.m. Friday at the Catholic Church Parish Hall. Tickets are available by calling Randy Curtis at 324-2803.

Since its inception, Ducks Unlimited has raised more than \$750 million. It has enhanced and restored 6.2 million habitat acres encompassing more than 10,000 wetland projects, including 19 in Idaho.

Hagerman tour includes stops at fish hatchery, winery

HAGERMAN — A tour of scenic Hagerman Valley will be held Feb. 24.

The spring field trip is open to everyone. Events of the day include a visit to the Hagerman wildlife management area, the Hagerman National Fish Hatchery, the Billingsley Creek Ranch, a fish breeder and the Rose Creek Winery.

Tour guide is Don Zuck. Participants are encouraged to bring binoculars and bird books.

The tour bus leaves the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce parking lot at 8 a.m. and will return at 5:15 p.m.

A registration fee of \$15 must be received at the Jerome Recreation District office by Feb. 22. The fee includes bus transportation and lunch at the Frogs Lily Pad in Hagerman. For more information call Zuck at 833-4760 or Mike Pepper at the Jerome Recreation District, 324-3389.

Lawmakers will introduce bill to ban water rights transfer

BOISE — Magic Valley lawmakers who hope to ban the transfer of some water rights for new crop development will introduce new legislation within two weeks.

"We are committed to doing something," said House Majority Leader Bruce Newcomb, R-Butley. The House Resources and Conservation Committee on Tuesday held a long hearing on a bill already introduced by Newcomb and Rep. Steve Antone, R-Rupert.

Compiled from staff reports

E911 bill clears 1st hurdle in senate

By Drew DeSilver
Times-News writer

BOISE — The enhanced 911 system that Twin Falls, Jerome, Lincoln and Gooding counties are trying to set up would be clearly legal under a bill approved Wednesday by a Senate committee.

But the bill won't go straight to a vote. Because of concerns from Sen. Stan Hawkins, R-Ucon, it will be open for amendments on the Senate floor before being voted on.

Hawkins said he just wants to clarify the



definition of an E911 governing board. But when the entire Senate sits down to amend a bill, any and all amendments can be proposed.

One likely source for amendments could

be Lincoln County Sheriff Steve Southwick, who has feuded with the Lincoln County commissioners for months over the E911 project.

Southwick told members of the Senate Local Government and Taxation Committee that the state law governing emergency communications systems should be changed to define just what "emergency communications" are.

Southwick contends that the E911 central dispatch center should handle only true emergency calls, with routine calls left to individual police, fire and emergency med-

ical agencies.

Under the four-county E911 plan, all dispatch services would be handled from a single dispatch center in Jerome.

Southwick also wants the law changed to make voters specifically approve a regional E911 system, as opposed to a county-wide one. He claimed that many people in Lincoln County didn't realize the E911 plan they approved in 1990 was regional, and would have opposed it if they'd known.

But Lincoln County Commissioner Clarence Tews, who also sits on the E911

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Idaho Lt. Gov. Butch Otter, left, joins U.S. Sens. Dirk Kempthorne and Larry Craig, seated, at Wednesday's Lincoln Day Banquet in Twin Falls.

Lawmakers look for common points in reforming national health system

By Sean L. McCarthy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Congressional debate on several competing health-care bills should be focused on "the common elements" of the proposed legislation, according to three-fourths of Idaho's Congressional delegation.

"The common elements are the most needed reforms," said Republican Rep. Mike Crapo.

Some legislators tried unsuccessfully last year to persuade the Clinton administration to sign onto an abbreviated health-care package with only those common elements, Crapo said.

But whether the president decides to pursue a compromise this year or to continue pushing his own bill "is going to be hard to predict," he said.

Crapo and Sens. Larry Craig and Dirk Kempthorne were in Twin Falls Wednesday during the Congressional recess to cel-

brate Abraham Lincoln's birthday with county Republicans.

If Congress were unable to pass a national health-care bill this session, Clinton might choose to point that blame on Republicans because 1994 is an election year, Kempthorne said.

"It could be used as a political tool," he said.

Crapo said that Clinton might not have the political capital to win a tough fight over health care.

"He spent a lot of capital on NAFTA and on the tax battle" in 1993, Crapo said.

The Idaho Congressional delegation may spend some capital of its own on the debate over extending wilderness status to federal land in Idaho.

By pursuing independent legislation, Democrat Rep. Larry LaRocco has Idaho's other lawmakers defending two separate points of view, Crapo said.

"That's what we were trying to avoid," he said.

LaRocco has strayed from a "conceptual agreement" made a year ago by the state delegation, Crapo said.

The delegation wants to present a united front to the full Congress so Idaho has a say in the wilderness bill, Crapo said.

"From the beginning, we're all singing from the same hymnal," he said.

The federal government needs to expand its classification of public lands, he said.

The work of Idaho's delegation on the wilderness issue presents a "mosaic" of land uses, he said.

"It's taking, in part, what the Forest Service is doing today and putting it into legislation," he said.

A draft wilderness plan is to be released publicly within a week, Kempthorne said.

Meanwhile, Craig suggested that Idaho voters keep a close watch on the most recent attempt to pass a balanced budget amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Debate on the amendment is expected on

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Widow sues inspectors

By Mick Norrington
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A widow has filed a lawsuit against companies that inspected the construction crane involved in the workplace electrocution death of her husband at Milner Dam in 1992.

Joyce Berry of Eden filed the suit against Diversified Inspections Inc. of Phoenix, Ariz., and U.S. Field Service Inc. of Douglas, Wyo.

Her husband, Eugene Berry, was killed Feb. 15, 1992, as he worked at the hydroelectric facilities below Milner Dam in Murtaugh.

The federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration investigated his death and determined he died of electric shock, said Harry DeHaan, attorney for Joyce Berry.

Eugene Berry was working underneath the crane with a wrench when the driver's seat in the crane slid out of place because a bolt was missing, DeHaan said. The seat touched the lowering-lever for the crane's boom, which touched some nearby 23,000-volt power lines.

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Walton likes what he hears from Clinton

By Mick Norrington
Times-News writer

HEYBURN — Recent criticism from President Clinton of anti-gay-rights initiatives in Idaho and 10 other states was welcomed Wednesday by Kelly Walton, the man heading the petition drive in this state.

"My response is, 'Thank you, Bill,'" said Walton, a Heyburn contractor and chairman of the Idaho Citizens Alliance. ICA is gathering signatures to allow Idaho voters to decide if homosexuals can be denied some civil rights protections.

On Monday, Clinton sent a letter of support to the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund, a political action committee for gay candidates. The Victory Fund had written to Clinton for support to "help us keep human rights from being decided at the ballot box."

In his response, Clinton said that essential rights and equality should not be denied through ballot initiatives.

"This will only point our opposition to the far left where Bill Clinton is," Walton said. "I don't see it hurting our state efforts because his support is so low in Idaho. Ida-

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2 more join race for commission seats

Buhl activist Chisholm wants to get 'handle on growth'

By Sean L. McCarthy
Times-News writer

BUHL — A local activist says he will wage an independent campaign for an open spot on the Twin Falls Board of County Commissioners.

"I'm throwing my hat into the ring," Bill Chisholm said Wednesday.

Chisholm said he is not running for either the Democratic or Republican nominations because "partisanship has a tendency to cloud the issues."

One issue he wants county residents to focus on is population and economic growth.

"We've got the sad opportunity to recreate Los Angeles if we don't get a handle on the growth situation," Chisholm said.

To that end, he is pushing for an immediate moratorium on special-use permits, and is urging area

cities to halt their recruitment of out-of-state businesses.

"We're growing anyway. There's no need to go looking for more growth."

Chisholm is a local activist and carpenter who has waged five previous campaigns for elective office.

Buhl farmer Gary Grindstaff and Filer City Councilman Brent Reinke are the two announced Republican candidates in the race to replace Commissioner Normin Blass, who has said she will not seek re-election.

The deadline for party candidates to announce is April 1, but independents may file declarations of candidacy with the county clerk from June 18-24.

Blass represents the western sections of the county, including Buhl, Castleford, Deep Creek and parts of Filer and Twin Falls.

Etheridge changes address; brings strong ties to business community

By Sean L. McCarthy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Real estate agent John Etheridge has changed his address so he can run for county commissioner this year.

"When I decided I wanted to do this, I knew I had to move," Etheridge said Wednesday.

He knew in January that he wanted to run for the 1st District seat on Twin Falls Board of County Commissioners, he said.

But he learned soon thereafter that his residence on Second Avenue North was in the 2nd District. Commissioner Marvin Hempleman — the 2nd District representative — is not up for re-election until 1996.

Etheridge is renting at Bitterroot Drive and has announced that he will run for the 1st District seat held by Commissioner Jim Fraley.

"I just think I have something to offer," Etheridge said.

A board member of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce, he said he is "pretty well entrenched in the business community"

and can work well with city officials.

He also wants to improve communications throughout the county and the region. He said he would like to include Jerome County in more of the county's discussions and considerations.

Etheridge said he would support a constitutional amendment to allow for alternative forms of county government other than the three-member commission he wants to join.

"I don't think that three people have the expertise to handle what the county will face in the next 10 years," he said.

Instead, he would prefer a five-person elected county commission that serves part-time and hires a full-time county manager.

Etheridge joins former Twin Falls City Councilwoman Pam Dowd as the only announced candidates for the 1st District seat. Fraley, the incumbent, has not yet announced his intentions.

Fraley represents the eastern sections of the county, including Kimberly, Hansen, Murtaugh and parts of Twin Falls. The primary election is May 24.

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Jerome residents face increase in cost of irrigation water

By H.R. Weixel
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — Jerome residents will pay more for irrigation water this year.

At a special meeting Monday, the City Council voted unanimously to increase irrigation rates by 3 percent during 1994.

"Locally, statewide and nationally there has been well over 3 percent inflation, so really this is less than our increased operating costs," Councilman Dennis Moore said.

A property owner with a standard lot paid \$36.56 in 1993. In 1994 that rate will increase by \$1.06 to \$37.62, City Clerk Kathy Miller said. Jerome residents who do not have irrigation water pay a minimum of \$5.00 per year. That assessment will go up to \$5.15 this year, Miller said.

The irrigation department budget will be \$77,653 with the increase.

But the council agreed the system being used to

figure the charges for irrigation water needs to be changed.

"The whole system is not ideal. I feel it would be well for us to have it audited," Mayor Gerald Oster said. "We've procrastinated long enough on this. We've put it off last year, and the year before that, and the year before that."

The city clerk pointed out one of the problems: Two property owners who each own two lots that total 18,750 square feet may not pay the same. The property owner with one house on the two lots pays \$48.56 per year.

The property owner with a house on each of the two lots pays \$109.68.

"It's not fair, but I don't know what to do about it and all the other things wrong with the system," council president Elza Hall said.

The council decided to assemble all the questions and problems involved and then consult city attorney Rob Williams. A report will be presented at the March 1 meeting.

Budget writers reach agreement on cleanup of Triumph Mine

BOISE (AP) — Legislative budget writers reached a compromise Wednesday on spending up to \$1 million to assure the state remains in charge of cleaning up pollution at central Idaho's defunct Triumph Mine.

The Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee voted 10-9 to authorize the Department of Lands to spend another \$250,000 in the coming budget year on designing, the multi-year cleanup plan.

The agency also will be able to

spend as much as \$750,000 more with approval from the state Board of Examiners.

Half of the cash will come from fees the state already collects on hazardous materials. The other half will come from other parties that are potentially responsible for the Triumph pollution.

Deputy Attorney General Clive Strong told the committee that ASARC Inc., which once operated the Blaine County silver and lead mine, already has agreed to cover up

to half those preliminary costs.

The state commitment to the cleanup was directed by the Land Board last year in a bid to head off federal control of the cleanup under the Superfund law.

"Everything we know at this point is that we're better off not going the Superfund route," Strong said. "There will be considerably more expense to the responsible parties, and they will not have as much say in what occurs, but we will still wind up paying the bill."

Hansen must test water by July

By Margaret Jones
Times-News correspondent

HANSEN — The city will have to test its water supply before July 1. Jim Etherington, of Operations Management International Inc., told the Hansen City Council this week that tests for lead, copper and nitrate are required every year, and a check for asbestos must be made every nine years.

Testing early last year saved the city \$9,600, he said. Mayor George Urie asked O.M.I. to make the necessary tests as soon as possible this year.

The council voted to buy a moderately priced videocassette recorder for fire department training program. Fireman John Hinton reported the department had been using

"hand-me-down" units, but they had all worn out.

A Boise motel has donated a color 25 inch television to the fire department, Hinton said. Someone will pick it up in the near future to replace the department's small black and white set.

The council voted to buy neighborhood watch signs for the city entrances. Police Chief Jeff Miller reported that residents on the South side of the highway are involved in the surveillance program.

He hopes residents on the north side of town would join the program as well.

Melvin and Judy Tipton, representing the East End Juvenile Diversion Board, asked the council for lodging assistance for the upcoming Health and Welfare sponsored semi-

nar in Sun Valley. The council agreed to give the board \$220.00 to help with lodging the eight members who will be attending.

Judy Tipton said the program is for juveniles in trouble with the law who have been referred to the diversion court.

She said the three-year program's first year had a 92% success rate, and in the entire three years had sent only four youth back to the courts.

The diversion board works with parents and schools and has had great success with delinquent youth in the east end of the county. This has resulted in a lighter load on the Twin Falls court system.

In other business, Urie appointed Linda Medley as police commissioner.

Death notices

Webster "Web" Flynn Norris, of Jerome, brief committal service will be held at 10 a.m. today at the Jerome Cemetery, (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome).

Arvon V. Adamson, of Salt Lake City and formerly of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. today, Union 12th Ward LDS Church, Salt Lake City. (McDonald Funeral Home, 4330 S. Redwood Road in Salt Lake City).

Stephen L. "Vern" Thorpe, of Tropic, Wash., and formerly of Jerome, Mass. of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. today at the Holy Family Chapel in Yakima, Wash. (Keith & Keith Funeral Home in Yakima).

Royce Henry "Pat" Patterson, of Glens Ferry, 1 p.m. today, Baptist Church, Glens Ferry. (Humphreys Funeral Home in Mountain Home).

John R. Burch, of Rathdrum and formerly of Heyburn, 1 p.m. today, McCulloch's Funeral Home in Burley.

Cecil Wallace Daugherty Sr., of Hansen, 2 p.m. today, Blay Colonial Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Guadalupe R. Galindo, of Twin Falls, 2 p.m. today, White Mortuary in Burley.

Twin Falls.

John Everett Noble, of Bliss, 10 a.m. Friday, American Legion Hall in Brunau, (Summers Funeral Home, McMurry Chapel in Mountain Home).

Orville M. Fisher, of Verna, 11 a.m. Friday, DeMars' Wendell Chapel.

Services

Vermont Garrison MOUNTAIN HOME — Vermont Garrison, 78, of Mountain Home, died Sunday, Feb. 13, 1994, at his home of natural causes.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. today at the Mountain Home Air Force Base Chapel No. 1. Burial will be at the Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Va. Arrangements are

under the direction of Summers Funeral Home, McMurry Chapel in Mountain Home.

Orville M. Fisher — Orville M. Fisher, 89, of Filer, died Wednesday, Feb. 16, 1994, at the Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

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Obituaries



Clifford O. Davis

TWIN FALLS — Clifford O. Davis, 84, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, Feb. 16, 1994, at West Magic Care Center in Twin Falls.

Mr. Davis was born April 11, 1909, in Eureka, Calif., to Alva A. and Lela Wilson Davis. At the age of 2, Clifford moved with his family to Twin Falls where they began farming northwest of the city. He grew up and attended schools in Twin Falls, graduating from Twin Falls High School in 1928. Clifford then attended the University of Idaho for a time and worked around the Northwest for several years before returning to Twin Falls to work on the family farm. On Nov. 1, 1933, Clifford married Gladys Shriver of Buhl and the couple continued operating the Davis Farm until illness forced Clifford's retirement several years ago.

He loved the outdoor lifestyle of farming, and also enjoyed fishing and hunting. A member of the First Christian Church, Clifford had served as a deacon for a number of years. He had also been active in state and national grange work as a member of the Twin Falls, Filer and Panoma Granges.

Survivors include his wife, Gladys of Twin Falls; two daughters, Shirley (Larry) Sobotka of Twin Falls and Dorothy (Don) Dana of Salt Lake City, Utah; one brother, Milo Davis

of Buhl; nine grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, an infant daughter, two brothers, three sisters and one granddaughter.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, 1994, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls, with the Rev. Ric Bender of the Twin Falls First Christian Church officiating. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday at the funeral chapel.

The family suggests memorial gifts to the Twin Falls First Christian Church Memorial Fund in memory of Clifford. Contributions may be left with funeral chapel staff at the time of the service or mailed to: Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls ID 83303.

Valois Tulloch TWIN FALLS — Valois Tulloch, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday evening, Feb. 15, 1994, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

She was born in Dayton, Idaho, to James Mecham and Elsie Call. Perkins Mendenhall. She moved with her parents to Hazelton in 1917, and attended school there. She worked for Idaho Power and then went to beauty school. Following graduation from beauty school, she worked in Twin Falls for many years as a cosmetologist. She served on the State Board of Cosmetology for six years and was beauty chairman for five years. She married Ralph Tulloch on Aug. 1, 1937, in Hazelton. In later years they bought the Wiley Drug Store and she worked with her husband until his health forced his retirement. She worked for her daughter at Fredrickson's Craftshouse for several years until heart surgery forced her to retire. She took up painting and became a beautiful painter and shared them with family and friends.

She was a member of the LDS Church and was sealed to her husband in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple on June 9, 1978.

She is survived by her daughter, Mae Bonnie (Jack) Frederickson, Twin Falls; one grandson, Gary

Stimpson of Smithfield, Utah; one granddaughter, Mary Magee of Twin Falls; six grandchildren, Michael Stimpson of Logan, Utah; Lori Sommer of Phoenix, Ariz., and Amy, Angie, Nicole and Nathan Sommer, all of Twin Falls; four brothers, George and Peggy Mendenhall of Kimberly, Ellis and Thelma Mendenhall of Newport Beach, Calif.; Woodrow Mendenhall of Heyburn and Verle and Millie Mendenhall of Pendleton, Ore.; and one sister, Anne and Max Hymas of Sweet, Idaho. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband in 1974; and a sister, Erma Dahl-hausen in October 1993.

The funeral will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, 1994, at the LDS 6th Ward Chapel on Harrison Street in Twin Falls. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls. The family will greet friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the mortuary and from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m. on Saturday at the church.

Frances D.S. Churchman JEROME — Frances Daley Stanton Churchman, 89, of Santa Rosa, Calif., and formerly of Jerome, died Monday, Feb. 14, 1994, in Petaluma, Calif. Beloved mother of Margaret Schorzer, dear stepmother of W.B. Churchman Jr., Edward Churchman and Joann O'Neill. Adored grandmother and great-grandmother to many.

A native of Park City, Utah, she moved to Jerome in October of 1913, and graduated from Jerome High School. She attended the University of Utah, graduating in 1926. Husband's, Guy G. Stanton and W.B. Churchman preceded her in death.

Frances was a member of the Catholic Women League, P.E.O. Sisterhood and the Jerome Pioneer Ladies Club.

A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the Jerome Cemetery, with the Rev. Father Joe Camacho.

No viewing is planned and friends may gather at the cemetery shortly before service time. Arrangements are under the direction of the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Widow

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Joyce Berry now gets monthly worker's compensation checks, but that money isn't enough to cover her rent and she's having to work extra jobs, DeHaan said.

His client is suffering stress due to the loss of her husband, DeHaan said.

"She and her husband were extremely close," he said.

She is asking for \$2,500 to cover her husband's funeral expenses and \$300,000 for the loss of income from her husband, according to the suit.

Diversified Inspections and U.S. Field Service inspected the crane before the accident, according to the suit.

Joe Vanderlugt, a spokesman for Diversified Inspections, said his company wasn't aware of the suit and couldn't respond. And U.S. Field Service couldn't be reached for comment.

This is the second set of suits Joyce Berry has filed.

She previously sued Manitowoc Co. Inc., the crane's maker; Essex Crane Rental Corp., the company that rented the crane; and Idaho Power Co.

DeHaan said those suits should come to trial in August or September in Twin Falls, and this current suit had to be filed before a two-year

deadline contained in Idaho's statute of limitations expired. This suit was filed Feb. 11.

GOP

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the Senate floor next week, Craig said.

The Senate is "very close" to the two-thirds majority of votes necessary to send the amendment to the individual states for passage, he said.

"I think that might be the sleeper that most people don't notice until it happens," he said.

Gay

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ho wants Clinton replaced in the worst way."

But others dismiss the idea that he gained an advantage from Clinton's statement.

"I don't think this letter is going to have any impact one way or another," said Boise businessman Brian Bergquist, head of the anti-INTA initiative group "Don't Sign On."

"It's not like Bill Clinton is the lone voice in the woods on this," Bergquist said. "He's just joined people as diverse as Gov. Cecil Andrus and Sen. Dirk Kempthorne on this. He's just joined all the other people who have said this is a bad idea."

William Waybourn, executive di-

rector of the Victory Fund, said that ballot initiatives are underway in 11 states to bar recognition of gay and lesbian rights.

Those initiatives are in Arizona, California, Florida, Idaho, Maine, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio, Oregon and Washington. Walton previously promoted a similar initiative in Oregon.

officials ought to do some communicating of their own.

"I think we have a communication gap between the sheriff and the commissioners," said Furness, himself a former Jefferson County commissioner.

"Maybe they ought to use that 911 line and work this out."

E911

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Clarence Tews, who also sits on the E911 board, disputed that.

"If the public didn't know it was a regional concept, it was because they didn't watch TV, listen to the radio or read the papers," Tews said, adding that the 1990 ballot measure copied its language directly from the state law.

"You shouldn't rely on what we do up here to keep you out of court," Hawkins quipped.

The bill approved Wednesday became necessary when a judge in Idaho Falls ruled that existing state law didn't permit multi-county E911 systems.

The ruling came in a lawsuit filed by Southwick.

The E911 board thought about appealing the ruling, but decided it would be quicker and easier to get the law amended.

The bill, sponsored by Senate Majority Leader Joyce McRoberts of Twin Falls, would add regional and multi-county E911 systems to those authorized by state law.

And it specifically approves the Magic Valley E911 project, "notwithstanding any provision of law or court ruling to the contrary."

McRoberts said the bill probably will be taken up for amendment by the full Senate sometime next week.

In the meantime, Sen. Rex Furness of Rigby said, Lincoln County



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Committee again bows to agricultural interests

BOISE (AP) — The chairman of the House Appropriations Committee scolded legislative budget writers on Wednesday for promoting their own special-interest spending to the detriment of projects elsewhere in Idaho.

"It seems like what you're supposed to do here is take care of your own turf," Republican Kathleen Gurnsey of Boise finally told the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee.

Gurnsey's admonishment came as the committee again bowed to politically entrenched agricultural interests — the only sector to elude the rigorous scrutiny that already has led to millions of dollars being slashed from Democratic Gov. Cecil Andrus' budget blueprint.

Spending increases for farm-related programs, promoted by eastern and central Idaho lawmakers to benefit their regions, were quickly followed by Boise Democratic Rep. Ken Robison forming a coalition behind \$300,000 in increased vocational rehabilitation services in Canyon and Ada counties.

The committee was unanimous, however, when it exceeded the Andrus spending plan with a \$500,000 challenge grant through the new Independent Living Council to help finance affordable housing for the disabled.

Cash from the grant, proposed by GOP Sen. Jerry Thorne of Nampa, will match private donations dollar for dollar. Thorne said private industry already has pledged \$300,000.

The fund will be managed by ARC Inc. of Boise, which has been serving southwestern Idaho's disabled community for nearly 40 years. Thorne said providing affordable private housing for the disabled should save millions of dollars by providing an alternative to more expensive nursing home care.

The grant brought to \$2 million the amount of general tax money lawmakers have committed to housing this winter. The other \$1.5 million is being matched by \$6 million in federal money to provide low-income apartments.

Earlier, Gurnsey was the only dissenting vote as the committee



pumped another \$70,000 into the Soil Conservation Commission's budget. The money is for specialists to help eastern and central Idaho ranchers put together grazing allotment management plans.

At the urging of Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome, the panel then added an agriculture specialist to the vocational faculty at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls and a farm management specialist at both Boise State University and Idaho State University in Pocatello.

Andrus did not recommend any of those additions in his spending plan, which many Republican budget writers have called a road map to higher taxes.

Farmers also were the beneficiary of the committee's decision a week ago to provide another \$150,000 for the Magic Valley's Agriculture Quality Assurance Laboratory. Backers originally promised the lab would be run solely on industry fees.

The initial vote on adding to the Vocational Education budget was 11-8, with Gurnsey joined by a coalition of conservative and moderate Republicans in opposition. But all but Gurnsey and Rep. Ralph Steele, R-Idaho Falls, changed their votes when it became clear the spending would be approved.

Gurnsey directly criticized Bell at one point when she proposed allowing only one additional vocational teacher instead of two at Boise State and diverting the cash for the agriculture specialist at the Twin Falls junior college. Neither the department nor the governor sought the College of Southern Idaho addition but both recommended the two additional faculty members at Boise State.

"We should not be micro-managing these agencies," Gurnsey said. "It's hard for us to second guess and say we need a special program in our area while others have to go without."

War training grounds have new uses

The Associated Press

Need a shuttered military base? Followers of Maharishi Mahesh Yogi tried unsuccessfully to open a center for mass meditations at Chanute Air Force Base, a 2,000-acre site that closed last September in Rantoul, Ill.

It's now the Rantoul Aviation and Development Center — an airport and multi-use property.

One of the 130-plus proposals for 7,000-acre Fort Ord near Monterey, Calif., is for a spaceport for aliens to land. The split-and-polish Army post — where Gen. "Vinegar Joe" Stilwell had his ashes scattered — is more likely to become a college campus.

The Presidio in San Francisco — once the northernmost outpost of the Spanish empire and a possession of the Army since 1846 — is destined to become a national park. But the first new civilian tenant is the Gorbachev Foundation-USA — a group headed by Mikhail Gorbachev, the former leader of America's eyeball-to-eyeball foe in the Cold War.

Scores of communities are converting the training grounds of war into engines of economic revivals, establishing civilian airports, prisons, industrial parks, colleges and homeless shelters.

Beginning in 1988, with the Cold War over, the Pentagon targeted unneeded bases for closing to save billions in defense spending. So far, 15 major bases have closed since the first one, Pease Air Force Base in New Hampshire, shut down in March 1991 and became the Pease International Tradeport. Ten more are due to close this year.

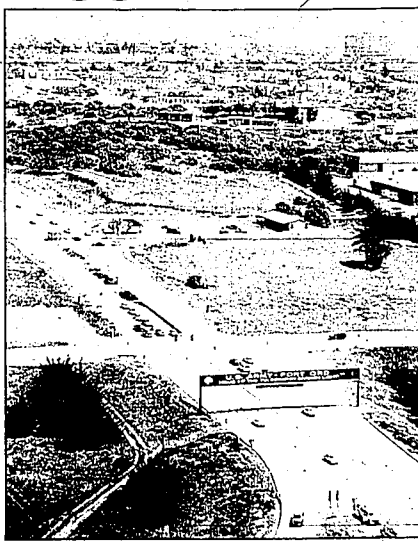
Fort Douglas — built in 1862 to protect gold shipments from Confederate raiders — closed in 1991. Located outside Salt Lake City, it is now part of the University of Utah, which preserves the fort's historic buildings.

Chase Field Naval Air Station provided a \$40 million annual payroll and 30 percent of the local economy in Beville, Texas, until jets made their final flyover and the flag was furled for the last time Feb. 17, 1993.

Since then, four light industries have opened on the 13,722-acre base that the Navy used to train pilots for 50 years. The Texas prison system is opening a regional headquarters, a training academy and a processing center for 4,000 prisoners.

And plans are nearly complete to turn the runways and hangars into a general aviation airport. By year's end, the place will have the same 2,000-person workforce, and with a higher payroll.

"What everyone thought would be a death knell for the community is really



One of more than 130 proposals for the 7,000-acre Fort Ord military base near Monterey, Calif., is for a spaceport for aliens to land.

a tremendous opportunity for economic revival," said Brad Arvin, executive director of the Beville-Bee County Redevelopment Council. "We've been able to recover and diversify."

But even with the successful turnaround, Arvin noted that the process is "often contradictory, convoluted and most cumbersome." The prime enemy: federal red tape.

Rantoul Mayor Katy Podagrosi echoed the same sentiments: "Working with the federal bureaucracy is a nightmare. It's maddening."

Consider Fort Sheridan, a 696-acre parcel of prime lakefront property in the Chicago suburbs, its high bluffs and sandy beaches among the last undeveloped slices of Lake Michigan.

Built in 1888 to protect Chicago from possible lakeside attack, Fort Sheridan's flag received its final salutes on June 1, 1990. Since then, the place has pretty much been mothballed.

Community plans to make it a nature preserve, a veterans cemetery, an education center and nursing home

fell through. Attempts to have a developer build half-million dollar homes along the golf course were scuttled.

While several homeless organizations hope to use the old fort's abandoned barracks, the only change has been when about 300 acres of ground were turned over the Army Reserves and the Navy claimed some housing units.

"We've been quite frustrated by the bureaucracy. It's a slow chunker of a process," sighed Daniel Pierce, the mayor of Highland Park, one of the three communities that border on the old fort.

The past has shown that there is life after the military. According to a Pentagon study of bases closed from 1961 to the latest round of shutdowns, 158,104 new civilian jobs replaced the 93,424 civilian jobs that were lost.

But things are different now, even though the government has worked to streamline the process.

Environmental regulations have changed dramatically, and the military

How will bases be put to use?

The Associated Press

Military bases, closing dates and converted uses:

Pease Air Force Base, N.H., March 1991. Now Pease International Tradeport.

Fort Douglas, Utah, November 1991. Part of the University of Utah.

Eaker Air Force Base, Ark., December 1992. Arkansas Aerospace, a general aviation airport and Christmas post-hub.

England Air Force Base, La., December 1992. England Industrial Air Park and Community, a general aviation airport and business-transportation center.

George Air Force Base, Calif., December 1992. Undetermined.

Fort Wadsworth, New York, N.M., January 1993. Undetermined.

Chase Field Naval Air Station, Texas, February 1993. Manufacturing center and commercial airport.

Myrtle Beach Air Force Base, S.C., March 1993. Resort-theme park planned.

Fort Sheridan, Ill., June 1993. Undetermined.

Wurtsmith Air Force Base, Mich., June 1993. Grosse Pointe public airport, aviation maintenance operation and day care center.

Bergstrom Air Force Base, Texas, September 1993. Phase I at Austin Commercial airport to open by fall 1994.

Carswell Air Force Base, Texas, September 1993. Reserve training center.

Chanute Air Force Base, Ill., September 1993. Rantoul Aviation and Development Center, a commercial airport and multi-use facility.

Mather Air Force Base, Calif., September 1993. Part designated for home ownership.

Williams Air Force Base, Ariz., September 1993. Williams Gateway Airport.

must clean up unexploded ammunition, oil spills and other blight. A community may have to deal with a dozen federal agencies before taking over a base.

And the 1987 McKinney Act requires the Defense Department and other federal agencies to give top priority to homeless needs. Mather Air Force Base in Sacramento County, Calif., which closed last September, is slated to house the homeless.

"The bases closed since 1988 suffer from the first-child syndrome. They're having to learn everything the hard way — all these regulations, the bureaucracy, wars in the process," said Keith Sullivan of the Business Executives for National Security, a Washington, D.C.-based think tank.

His advice for places that have bases closing is to expect delays.

Briefly

Landowners skeptical of trail idea

ASHTON — Local landowners were cool to Idaho Parks and Recreation Director Yvonne Ferrell's plea for help converting an abandoned rail line to a recreational trail between Tetonia and Ashton.

Many of the more than 50 people at a hearing Tuesday had a long list of concerns and questions about a trail for hiking, bicycling and snowmobiling through their agricultural land.

A more immediate concern is the Legislature, where state Rep. Lynn Louisi, R-Ashton, has blocked funding for the project. The Department of Parks and Recreation has lined up \$240,000 in federal grants and is seeking another \$60,000 from the state to buy the property.

The state also would spend about \$50,000 a year maintaining the trail, including \$15,000 for weed control.

Salt Lake Tribune publisher dies at 68

SALT LAKE CITY — Paul J. (Jerry) O'Brien, publisher since 1984 of The Salt Lake Tribune, died Tuesday evening at LDS Hospital after a long illness. He was 68.

O'Brien joined Kearns-Tribune Corp., which owns the Tribune, in 1963 after 15 years with newspapers and with The Associated Press.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. MST Saturday in the Cathedral of the Madeleine in Salt Lake City. Vigil and rosary will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the cathedral. Burial will be at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Salt Lake City.

Nebraska to join Powerball lottery

OMAHA, Neb. — Tickets for Powerball, the multi-state, multi-million dollar lottery game, should be on sale in Nebraska July 21.

Bids from contractors who will provide equipment for the game are due March 7, said Jim Quinn, acting director of Nebraska Lottery.

This is the second request for bids by Nebraska officials.

Sixteen states including Idaho and Washington, D.C., currently participate in Powerball.

Investigators lose cocaine during sting

LOS ANGELES — Investigators lost more than 220 pounds of cocaine, worth about \$1.5 million, during a botched sting operation targeting a drug distribution ring, authorities said.

The cocaine, sold by undercover officers to alleged drug traffickers last month, was lost when a team of state narcotics agents couldn't follow the buyers in heavy traffic, state agent Richard Flood said.

By the time the agents found them, the cocaine was gone, said Assistant U.S. Attorney Joseph Brandolino.

"We ended up taking the suspects down and arresting them but we never did find the cocaine," Brandolino said. Eight people were arrested.

Compiled from wire reports

EchoHawk: Gaming support bid misunderstood

BOISE (AP) — Attorney General Larry EchoHawk, who campaigned two years ago to prohibit casino gaming on Idaho reservations, says his recent bid for support from the National Indian Gaming Association may have been misunderstood.

The front-runner for this year's Democratic gubernatorial nomination said he appeared before the association's board last week in Palm Springs, Calif., to explain Idaho's stand on Indian gaming and that he wants to resolve remaining legal issues in Congress rather than the courtroom.

Tim Wapato, the association's executive director, said EchoHawk indicated he would be soliciting an endorsement and contributions from the association.



EchoHawk

Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, said the attorney general never made a direct plea for campaign contributions.

"I think they could have taken it that way," EchoHawk said, "because I said, 'I will need your support in my campaign for governor.'"

EchoHawk said he wanted the asso-

ciation board to understand the framework of Idaho's constitutional amendment against gaming and that he supports negotiated congressional resolution of persisting legal disputes over courtroom confrontation.

"I think that part of my message they are very receptive to," EchoHawk said. "This is an issue — if I don't speak to it — they probably won't accept me."

Small, whose tribe is supporting EchoHawk's candidacy, conceded that his appearance at the board meeting surprised other board members and left some confused.

But Wapato said many more believed EchoHawk had an obligation to talk with the tribes about the gaming issue. The Washington, D.C.-based association represents 96 tribes, including the Coeur d'Alene, Nez Perce and Shoshone-Bannocks in Idaho.

"I would have been surprised if he didn't come talk to the tribes," Wapato said. "I think it was the morally and politically correct thing for Larry to do."

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Briefly

Woman will stand trial for fatal wreck

COEUR D'ALENE — A magistrate has ordered a Moscow woman to stand trial in a car accident in which three people were killed.

Janice Hess, who was found to be legally drunk after the Dec. 3 accident, will face three counts of vehicular manslaughter. If convicted, she faces up to 21 years in prison.

Kootenai County Magistrate Barry Watson ordered Hess to stand trial after hearing testimony Tuesday.

Police said Hess, 38, had been at a wine-tasting seminar the evening of the accident that killed the driver of another car, Howard Monhatwa; his 5-year-old stepdaughter, Justina Nomec; and the child's cousin, 17-month-old Amadee Nomec.

Cocaine suspect sentenced to 20 years

COEUR D'ALENE — A Washington man suspected of delivering more than \$3 million in cocaine to a Coeur d'Alene residence has been sentenced to 20 years in prison.

Alejandro Monjarre, 26, of Spokane, Wash., admitted his involvement in the delivery of one kilogram — or 2.2 pounds — of cocaine to a Coeur d'Alene home last year.

The cocaine had a wholesale value of \$28,000, but officials say they believe Monjarre was part of a regional drug trafficking scheme that included Coeur d'Alene.

Wife's murder trial nears conclusion

BONNERS FERRY — Attorneys presented closing arguments Wednesday in the first-degree murder trial of a woman accused of shooting her husband in the head while he slept in bed.

Defense attorneys on Tuesday decided not to call a single witness on behalf of Patricia Gallagher on grounds that the state's case was weak.

Boundary County Prosecutor Randall Day had spent seven days in the District Court trial trying to prove Gallagher, 42, shot her 52-year-old husband, Jim Gallagher, at their Boundary County home last September.

Boise rated great city to start career in

BOISE — Boise is the third best small city in the country to start a career after college, a national business magazine says.

The study published this month in "Managing Your Career," a quarterly edition of the Dow Jones' National Business Employment Weekly, ranks the country's top large, medium and small markets for first-time job-seekers out of college.

The magazine bases the ratings on statistical references like unemployment rates and per capita median income.

Compiled from wire reports

Legislative log

For Tuesday, Feb. 15.

Signed by Governor

HB528 (Simpson) — Prohibits electioneering close to absentee ballot locations.

Sent To Governor

HB532 (Simpson) — Revises laws governing issuance of warrants by counties.

HB525 (Simpson) — Authorizes counties to create ambulance district capital improvement accounts.

HB506 (Simpson) — Extends to 180 days the minimum period for retained jurisdiction in criminal cases.

Killed By Senate

SB1426 (Finance) — Provided \$25 million in supplemental financing for the Health and Welfare Department.

Introduced In House

HB812 (State Affairs) — Clarifies conflict of interest as it applies to public officers.

HB813 (State Affairs) — Provides that a recording of a document shall be limited to a single transaction within an instrument.

HB814 (State Affairs) — Extends sunset provision of Idaho Heritage Trust Foundation two years until July 3, 1996.

HB815 (Education) — Provides that administrative rules of state superintendent of public instruction must first be approved by state Board of Education.

HB816 (Education) — Provides that state Board of Education shall have approval over employees hired by Department of Education.

HB817 (Education) — Provides that duties of state Department of Education shall be as authorized, approved or established by state Board of Education.

HB818 (Education) — Clarifies

authority of local school districts to determine the qualifications needed for hiring a school superintendent.

HB819 (Education) — Grants state income tax credit for contributions to the Idaho Academy of Science.

HB820 (Revenue and Taxation) — Clarifies amount of "circuit breaker" property tax benefit and allows mailing of information by Tax Commission to county auditors by certified rather than registered mail.

Introduced In Senate
SB1517 (Finance) — Provides another \$193,900 in supplemental money for the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation.

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College must reorganize gay, lesbian group

BOISE (AP) — North Idaho College must recognize the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Alliance as a campus organization, the attorney general's office says.

The student organization last month denied recognition and funding to the alliance as a campus organization.

An opinion made public Wednesday says it's a violation of the First Amendment of the Constitution to deny recognition of an organization

based on sexual beliefs of its members.

The opinion also said the alliance is entitled to receive funding from student fees, so long as other student organizations receive funds.

"It is our opinion that if the Associated Students of North Idaho College chooses to fund organizations on the campus, it cannot deny requests made by the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Alliance due to the nature of

the organization," the opinion said. It was prepared by Deputy Attorney General Frank Walker.

The opinion quoted a 1988 Arkansas decision that forced the University of Arkansas to fund the Gay and Lesbian Students Association.

"The University need not supply funds to student organizations; but once having decided to do so, it is bound by the First Amendment to act

without regard to the content of the ideas being expressed," the court said.

The opinion said it appears from minutes of the Jan. 21 meeting at which recognition was denied that the action was not based on technical or procedural grounds.

Walker said it is "well-settled" in court decisions that sexual orientation does not provide a basis to deny official recognition to a student organization.

Kootenai County bills state \$119,000 for 19 juveniles

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Kootenai County commissioners say they are tired of holding the state's juvenile prisoners for free.

Commissioner Mike Anderson Tuesday handed a \$119,000 bill to Idaho Health and Welfare officials during a courthouse meeting. It covers the costs of housing 19 state juveniles in the Region 1 detention center in Coeur d'Alene in 1993.

"We haven't turned this over to the 'collection' agency" yet," Anderson said.

"I don't want this to be an ambush. But I feel like we need to protect ourselves."

Northern Idaho juveniles who have been committed to the 110-bed state youth facility in St. Anthony are often held in the Region 1 center for long periods because the state

lockup is full.

The state does not reimburse the county for the estimated \$150 daily costs for offenders. One youth waiting for St. Anthony space spent 106 days in Coeur d'Alene last year, records show.

That could cost the center nearly \$16,000. It is supported by Kootenai, Bonner, Boundary, Shoshone and Benewah counties.

State officials criticize the counties for exceeding the maximum capacity for their center, but state inmates contribute to the problem.

"It is our contention that once a juvenile is committed to Health and Welfare, the department must assume all costs associated with retaining the juvenile in the Region 1 detention center," said Allan Friesen, center director.



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WASN'T HE IN WORLD WAR I?
I THINK HE JUST THOUGHT HE WAS.
YOU KNOW WHAT I ALWAYS WONDERED?
WHERE DID HE GET THE HELMET AND GOGGLES?

Calvin and Hobbes By Bill Watterson

POW!
LOOK OUT!
MY SNOWBALLS GO FASTER THAN THE SPEED OF SOUND.
"HEY, DO YOU 'YEAH' BIG LIAR?"

B.C. By Johnny Hart

I'VE GOT 2 NEW INVENTIONS TO SHOW YOU.
WHAT ARE THEY?
THE ICE SKATE AND THE SKI.
WOULD YOU BE OPPOSED TO A SMALL SUGGESTION?

Garfield By Jim Davis

I KNOW JON SAID NO MORE SNACKS.
BUT I HAD A WEAK MOMENT.
SOMEONE TORE THE DOOR OFF THE REFRIGERATOR.
A WEAK YET INTENSE MOMENT.

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

LOOK, DADS, WHY DON'T WE TRY THAT?
FORGET IT.
I HAVE ENOUGH TROUBLE JUST PULLING MY OWN WEIGHT!

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

THE WIZARD AND I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A TRIP TO THE ISLANDS.
THERE'S A LOT OF UNREST IN THE ISLANDS.
HE COULD USE SOME UNREST.

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

BEFORE I TELL YOU HOW MUCH IT WILL COST TO FIX YOUR BOAT, BY LAW I MUST ASK YOU THIS QUESTION...
DO YOU SUFFER FROM HEART TROUBLE, HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE OR ST. JOHN'S SHOCK SYNDROME?

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

AND WHO SUGGESTED THIS VALET PARKING TO THE GENERAL?

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

I HAVE MEDIA COVERAGE. THERE-EE I AM!

The Born Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

I'D LIKE YOU TO MEET MY COUSIN, MELVIN. SOMETIME... HE'S A HOUSEWIFE, YOU KNOW.
AH... A HOUSE- HUSBAND, EH?
NO, A HOUSEMAKER... YOU KNOW, A CARPENTER.

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

YOU KNOW, CONNIE... I THOUGHT I'D NEVER GET OLD. BUT PEOPLE GOT OLD - BUT NOT ME.
YEAH.
THEN, SUDDENLY, YOU'RE HAPPENING. I AM FOLLOWING MY PARENTS, AS MY PARENTS FOLLOWED THEIR PARENTS. THE LAWS OF NATURE APPLY TO ME TOO!
...IT'S SCARY.
YEAH... WE'RE ON THE GREAT CONVEYOR BELT OF LIFE, EL...
AND FROM THIS POINT YOU CAN LOOK UP AND SEE THE END!

Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

WOW! LOOK AT HIM GO!
AMAZING!
HE'S ALREADY BEEN THROUGH TEN ACCOUNTS! LIKE WILDFIRE!

The Far Side By Gary Larson

This time, his practical jokes had gone too far, and Wally was finally booted off the hill.

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketcham

WHO IS THAT GOOD WORKER?
OH, BOO.
NO WONDER I DIDN'T RECOGNIZE HIM.

The Family Circus By Bil Keane

Why isn't PJ ever the one that has to show a good example?

Sydney Omarr Horoscope

IF FEBRUARY 17 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Many consider you a "powerhouse." You are competitive, work well under pressure, have aspects in your numbers and stars that could equate to fame and fortune. November most memorable in 1994.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't equate delay with defeat - financial structure is being reinforced. Define terms, get rid of superfluous material, expenses. Money is being made available - you'll have it. Hurray!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Views vindicated, promotion imminent. Focus on money, love, responsibility, flirtation with fame and fortune. Capricorn native says, "You're evolved to me!" Cancer people also involved.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): You'll be rid of fear, doubt, suspicion. Long-distance communication involves unconditional love. Visit individual confined to home, hospital. Project is completed in surprising manner.

CANCER (June 21-July 23): Focus on speculation, romance, ability to win friends and influence people. Stress originality, innovativeness, inventiveness, pioneering spirit. New love on horizon - get ready to live.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 23): Intuitive intellect proves reliable. Taurus moon connects with leadership, promotion, direction, vocational guidance. Aquarian makes declaration of loyalty. Another Leo also plays role.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 23): Lunar aspect highlights travel, publishing, reaching beyond previous limitations. Diversify, accent humor, entertainment, showmanship. You'll be more pleased with body image. Gemini represented.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): What was taken from you will be voluntarily returned. Focus on noble inheritance, valid information relating to tax, license requirements. Replace outworn machinery - for safety's sake.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Read and write, learn through process of teaching. Your actions will be on "public view." Emphasis on style, legal rights, marital status. Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius persons involved.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You'll get help in becoming surroundings - focus on home, children, change, marital status. Music in your life - you'll "make it." Life really can be beautiful!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Focus on power, authority, ability to win focus with combination of diplomacy, fighting spirit. Protect property, refuse to be intimidated by "loudmouth." Cancer native plays major role.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Scenario features trips, visits, communications involving relatives and money. Long-range prospects become crystal clear. News informs, "You're free to travel, love." Aries represented.

Even the best miss sometimes

L.M. Boyd What's what?

Q. Why do some great NBA basketball players sometimes freeze up at the foul line and miss?

A. Intense concentration can force an abnormal muscle function the doctors call "focal dystonia." Happens to golfers on putting greens. Brilliant players, too. A track trainer contends, "A good racehorse shouldn't be fond of people."

Historians say that decade between 1895 and 1905 certainly gave the people a long surprise. Somewhat suddenly, jumped the automobile, the airplane, the radio and motion pictures, even while the telephone was still called newfangled. Rarely do you see on those lists of "greatest inventions" one some say belongs there: The American Public Library system.

Said the sage Addison H. Hallock: "Before borrowing money from a friend, decide which you need more."

Q. What's "TOWMAN?"

A. A 12-step program patterned after AA's. For people in romantic triangles. The acronym of "The Other Woman/Man Anonymous."

Q. Did you ever find out who invented the Silly?!

A. A marine architect named Richard F. James.

Taken 60 years for the giant claim to get to the size of a watermelon. Then it has another 140 years, insofar as is now known, to keep on growing.

Ground-nesting birds lay bigger eggs, you know that. Why is not so widely understood. They need more room while still in those shells. To hatch fully developed. With legs ready to run. To get away from fierce felines and the like.

Q. How do we know as early Duke and Duchess of York were the first married couple to sleep in two beds?

A. Their identities turned up in records of the British furniture designer, Thomas Sheraton, who drew up the plans for said beds.

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1 Mistake
2 Sharp testing
3 Travel on water
4 Musical passage
5 Office gadget
6 Bone
7 Adam's son
8 Speedily
9 Eye or piggy end
10 Rind
11 Brainless one
12 Shoe part
17 Emergency
20 Items for smokers
25 Game of chance
30 Comedian
31 Fast gall
38 Yankee Doodle...
39 Behavior
42 "Like"
43 Torma and Gibson
44 Riddle
45 Bird sound
46 Certain protests
50 Undertones
51 Onassis
52 Wandering
54 Brand
57 Expression
61 Surrounded by
62 Sensational
63 Lick
64 Monks or Falans
67 Act badly
68 Ship part
69 Gangster's girl
70 Haste
71 Hold back

DOWN

1 Strikebreaker
2 Ear part
3 Notion
4 Fortune-teller
5 Handsome fellow
6 Freight
7 Greek letter
8 Cook fix
9 Rest period
10 Undertone
11 Jail
12 Hotels
13 Great salt
14 Brandy
15 Expression
23 Period
25 Make dull
27 Ascend
28 Tragic lover
29 Rome's land
31 British gun
32 "Tempest"
33 Rubie
34 Ape
36 Body structure: abbr.
40 Items
41 Young fish
44 Disgrace
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49 A last, feminine
50 Ranked
53 The upper crust
54 Culet
60 Appeal
63 Game official, for short
64 Cavalier

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Valley life

Valley happenings

CSI club offers spaghetti dinner Friday

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho Hotel and Restaurant Management Club has planned a spaghetti dinner for 4:30 to 9 p.m. Friday in the main dining hall of the Canyon Building.

The menu includes spaghetti, salad, french bread, beverage and dessert. Tickets are available by calling 733-9554, Ext. 195 or Ext. 407 or from any Hart Club member.

Motorcycle group schedules mini-retreat

TWIN FALLS — The Christian Motorcyclist Association has planned a mini-retreat called "Seasons of Refreshing."

The retreat will begin at 6 p.m. Friday and continue at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Magic Valley Christian Center, West Coast Evangelist Wayne Henderson and Tri-State Coordinator Jim Canine will be in attendance.

Registration is \$10 per person or \$15 per married couple. A Saturday evening banquet will be provided at \$6.50 per person. The public is invited. For more information, call Jim at 733-6123.

Buttons, Bows cancels Saturday dance

JEROME — The Buttons and Bows Square Dance Club has canceled its regular dance set for Saturday so that club members can go to the Sagebrush Shufflers Annual Bum Dance in Mountain Home.

The Sagebrush Shufflers will furnish a meal. For more information, call June Custer at 733-9235.

Help McDowell celebrate 75th birthday

WENDELL — An open house to celebrate Edna McDowell's 75th birthday is set for 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Odd Fellows Lodge on A Street. No gifts please.

Edna Strickland was born Feb. 20, 1919, in Medicine Lodge, Kan. After graduation, she moved with her family to Idaho. She married Sid McDowell on Aug. 16, 1936, in Jerome. She has worked with the Wendell School District as a baker, St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome as a cook and Green Acres Care Center in Gooding as a kitchen supervisor.

The party is being hosted by her children, Joan McCarley, Linda DeBord and Sue Albertson, all of Lewiston. Don McDowell and Connie Posey, both of Jerome, Ron McDowell of Twin Falls and Brenda Conklin of Wendell and their spouses. McDowell has 21 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

The Times-News welcomes news of community events. Send material to The Times-News Valley Happenings, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID, 83303-0548. Please submit news at least a week in advance and include a phone number where you can be reached.

Books tell how to be happy in long-term commitments

Los Angeles Times

Two years ago, when Lonnie Barbach and David Guisinger wrote a book called "Going the Distance," they wanted it to carry the subtitle, "A Field Guide to Monogamy." Their publisher vetoed that idea outright.

Monogamy, Barbach was told, was "outdated," it was "dead." Mentioning it on the cover would kill the book, pronto.

Fast forward the literary calendar to the winter of 1994. Barbach, a Mill Valley, Calif., psychologist, has a forthcoming book called "The Erotic Edge," stories of passion for — gasp! — married people.

Joan Lloyd, a 52-year-old grandmother and emergency medical technician in Westchester County, N.Y., is publishing her third book of "handy household sexual hints" for monogamous folks.

Dr. Harold Bloomfield, a San Diego psychiatrist, is bringing out the paperback version of "Love Secrets for a Lasting Relationship," aimed at couples who plan to stay together until the 12th of Never.

And in the title-of-the-year category, there is "Hot Monogamy," the book that has Texas family therapist Patricia Love hopping from talk show to talk show.

The boomlet of sex books for married people is a "very '90s" phenomenon, said Lisa Johnson of the publishing house E.P. Dutton, reflecting the possibility that people can actually stay together and still have passion — a notion that seemed borderline unthinkable during previous decades of greed and self-absorption. Commitment is very much in vogue, say publishers, who are churning out books with such titles as "Getting to I Do" and "Now That I'm Married, Why Isn't Everything Perfect?"

All of which represents a welcome turn of events, said America's sexual godmother, Dr. Ruth Westheimer.

"To think that being with one partner is now in fashion again is music to my ears," said Dr. Ruth, who has been married to the same man for 32 years.

Dr. Ruth was quick to report that her latest literary effort, "Dr. Ruth's Encyclopedia of Sex," focuses extensively on avoiding the tedium that sometimes accompanies long-term partnerships.

Along with the fear of contracting AIDS or other diseases, years of economic uncertainty have helped bring about the recommitment of long-term commitment. Books about how to cheat on your spouse, which once flooded the market, have been supplanted by titles that promise ecstatic bliss to nice married people. And books about marriage

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ACE THEATRE

New image is answer to daughter's verbal abuse

DEAR ABBY: I think you misread the letter from "Depressed Daughter" when she wrote about her mother's constant negativity. Your advice to try to bring her mother "up" by taking her to a movie, etc., won't work. Her mother lives in a world of her own. She LIKES to be negative. In fact, she would be ruined if she couldn't discount and denigrate her daughter.

It's not the mother who needs counseling; it's the daughter. The daughter has been verbally abused all her life. Now that she is beginning to realize how much she has been injured, she needs to seek professional help from someone who specializes in abused children and adults.

"Don't try to make her mother happy. It can't be done. Make the daughter happy through a change in her self-image and attitude toward herself. Tell her to seek out and attend a self-help group of abused adult children. She'll find her story is very common and there is a way out.

Someday, maybe, if her mother sees that all of her abuse is not getting her anywhere, the mother will seek help for herself. I doubt it, though, because this kind of abusive behavior is an addiction, and you know how difficult it is to change an addict unless she wants to change.

— ERY IN MINNEAPOLIS

DEAR ERY: I received more from a few thought-provoking letters from readers who disagreed with my answer. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I have read your column for many years. This is the first time I have felt the need to write. In my opinion, your answer to "Depressed Daughter" was out of line.

Hagerman High honor roll

The Times-News

HAGERMAN — The first semester honor roll at Hagerman Junior/Senior High School is listed below.

SENIORS
3.5-4.0: Dawn Andrus, Ron Coleman, Linnea Euell, Melissa Henzlee, Chaucery McCaughey, Peter Malowich, Ashley Nelson, Roberts Rast, Melanie Robinson and Matt York.

3.0-3.5: Diana Eichberger, Chad Hovacek and Jamie Lutz.

JUNIORS
4.0: Tracy Barres, Jason Kruse, Jennifer Lutz, Autumn McCaughey and James Parish.
3.5-4.0: Rance Ishington, Brooke Cuddelback, Trina Holme, Wendy Raverenchi and Carissa Smith.
3.0-3.5: Tim Hooper, Lisa Lyda, Vale Osborne, Naddy Ritchie, Jim Smalley and Ali Wood.

SOPHOMORES
4.0: Randy Osvelley and Shelley Warr.
3.5-4.0: Kristin Barnes, Olga Barrio, Anna Martin, Tesley McNally and Kevin Borwick.
3.0-3.5: Cynthia Arnold, Amy Morland.

Learn how to nurture your infant

The Times-News

WENDELL — The Gooding Child Protection Team is starting a new group called "Nurturing Your Infant." The group will meet from 10 a.m. to noon Saturdays, this Saturday through March 26, at the United Methodist Church, 174 E. Main St.

The group is for pregnant or parenting teen-agers with infants aged newborn to 1 year. The group will help arrange day care for older children. The sessions will provide a time for



Dear Abby
Abigail
VanBuren

I, too, have a negative, angry and depressed mother. She is angry about her life choices, but has not done anything to help change the situation.

For many years, my sister and I have tried to help her. We have done the things you have suggested to "Depressed Daughter," without success. Our frustration has created migraine headaches and colon spasms for us. Our mother is 75, so we have been at this for a long time.

Please, tell "Depressed Daughter" to let go with love. It is not her responsibility to fix her mother. We cannot change other people. We can only change ourselves. Love, acceptance, forgiveness and letting go of the responsibility for her mother is the best advice you can give this daughter. I listen to my mother, but I know I can't change her. Only she can do that for herself. It is always to.

DEAR ERY, LEARNING TO LET GO
AND READERS: We all approach problem-solving from our own perspective, repeating those techniques that work for us. Obviously, the themes of forgiveness and trying to help others are patterns that I have found rewarding. If they do not work, and people find themselves locked into relationships that are unrewarding and unhealthy — the name for that is "co-dependency" — changes are in order.

There is an international self-help

group dedicated to this problem: Co-Dependents Anonymous, a fellowship of men, women and teen-agers whose common problem is an inability to maintain functional relationships; its members desire healthy, fulfilling relationships with others and themselves. They follow a 12-step program adapted from AA. For information on a group near you, write to P.O. Box 33577, Phoenix, Ariz., 85067-3577. Include a self-addressed, stamped envelope and \$1 for materials.

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Focus/Classified

Unsure of neighbor's nuclear capabilities, South Koreans exhibit calm

The Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea — Lee Woo-jung, a gangly 15-year-old, looks like a carefree kid anywhere, clowning with friends, teetering along on roller skates. When his voice cracks, he tries to cover it up with a boisterous laugh.

But the roller rink is actually an emergency military landing strip. The half-mile stretch of concrete, known as Yoido Plaza, sits in the heart of Seoul, surrounded by glittering financial towers and government buildings.

The airfield-turned-playing field, filled with bicyclists and skaters, is a metaphor for daily life in South Korea: all noise and jostle, with a rarely acknowledged underpinning of fear.

For most South Koreans, the threat of war is a lifelong legacy, a permanent psychic backdrop. For decades, they've scurried for shelter in civil-defense drills. Black-and-white photos of the 1950-53 Korean war mix with childhood memories.

After a nearly yearlong confrontation, North Korea this week bowed to international pressure and agreed to outside

inspections of its declared nuclear program.

But the deal does not cover two suspect sites, and inspectors said it left unanswered the key question of whether the hard-line communist state is seeking to build atomic weapons.

The United States and others have threatened to seek U.N. sanctions if the Pyongyang government refuses to prove its nuclear program is peaceful. North Korea says it would consider sanctions an act of war.

Lee Woo-jung, breathless from skating and shouting, tugged distractedly at his denim jacket when he was asked about North Korea.

"What I worry most about is my college entrance examinations," he said. "I study hard. But sometimes adults say if there's a war, we won't be going to college anyway."

Like all South Koreans, Lee will serve a mandatory 30-month military stint after he turns 19.

"I don't know what will happen by then," said Lee, adding softly, "I'm scared of dying."

Despite North Korea's concession on



South Korean children roller skate Tuesday on Seoul's Yoido Plaza, an emergency military landing strip.

inspections, few believe the crisis is over. In the face of constant tension, many exhibit a calm fatalism, perhaps born of the country's still-strong Confucian tradition.

"It's an international problem, with big countries involved," said 38-year-old Lee Yong-joo, skating with her two rosy-cheeked children. "What can we do, really?"

The nuclear stalemate is only the newest phase in an old conflict, all the more bitter for pitting kid against kid.

The Korean war was halted 41 years ago with an armistice struck among the reeds and rice paddies of the no-man's land an hour's drive north of Seoul. But the North and South did not sign a peace treaty.

The watchtowers, minefields and barbed wire of the demilitarized zone are a stark reminder of the difference between true and false peace.

Squinting against the sun, 32-year-old hospital employee Kim Kyong-il first said he didn't think much about North Korean threats. But in the next breath, he said he thought there would be war.

"I'm not frightened," he said. "I've accepted the idea. If I have to fight, I will."

In a world where new chaos has already sprung from the old order, the Korean peninsula seems frozen in time. Here, the Cold War lingers like snow in a shaded corner of the yard, refusing to thaw.

This has led to a matter-of-fact mental toughness on the part of South Koreans that can be startling to an outsider.

In a wind-sheltered corner of Yoido Plaza, Cho Jin-sul, a 41-year-old office worker, treated his kids to ice cream and got a cone for himself.

"I'm not really worried, because that won't help anything. But if it did happen, well —" he paused, taking a lick of vanilla — "before I died, I'd kill someone."

The tension takes a special toll on South Koreans with relatives in the North. Ten million families were separated by the division of the peninsula and the war.

Moon Soon-joo, 67, was a 23-year-old soldier when he escaped, hiding in the mountains as his unit was in retreat. Now he runs a small restaurant, and sometimes wonders what would have become of him had he stayed.

"I'd be in a coal mine," he said. "Or in prison. Or dead."

He made a new life for himself in the South with a wife and children. But he left family — father and mother, brothers and sisters — behind. In all the years since his flight, he has had no word of their fate.

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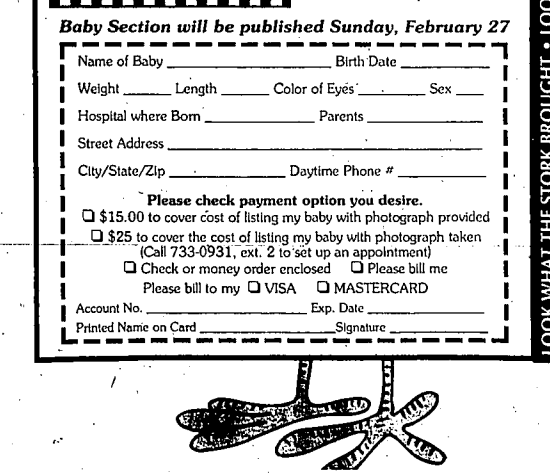
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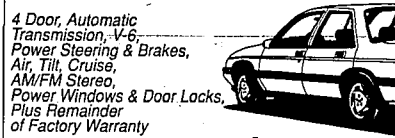


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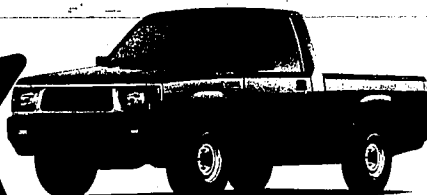
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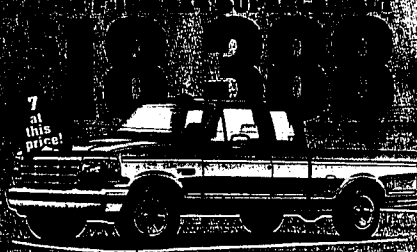
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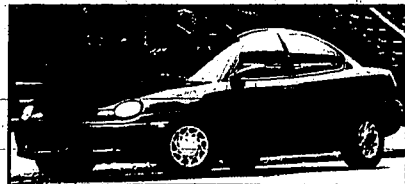
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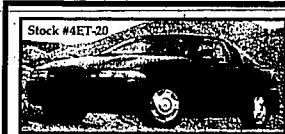


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ONTARIO — A pair of three-point goals by Trent Gardner and Sandro Varejao's three-straight slam broke College of Southern Idaho away in the second half and over the Treasure Valley Chukars 104-85 Wednesday night.

The Eagles held small leads most of the night and had moved into a 13-point lead when Gardner connected on his bombs. Immediately after, Varejao, taking lob assists

from Michael Irvin, went on his tour de force to explode the Eagles into a 21-point margin.

The victory ended CSI's regular season road trips with a 21-7 record. A pair of victories at home next week should clinch at least fourth place in the Region 18 tournament slated for St. George in early March.

"A couple of good wins on the road to build a little confidence and two dominating wins at home is the way we'd like to go into regionals," said CSI coach Steve Irons, noting the goal was 50 percent accomplished.

Irons said he wasn't pleased with the early effort of his Eagles, noting "with about nine minutes to play we were ahead 31-25 and I thought 'they're on a 100-point pace,'" he said, referring to a time out. "But we started moving after that and held them to just 13 more in the half."

"In the second half I felt we came out with a lot better intensity both offensively and defensively," Irons said.

Basically, the game followed the scenario the luckless Chukars have had to follow all

year. They stay in contention the larger part of the game but fall behind by inches over the last several minutes.

CSI 104
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7-12 0-0 1-4, Dwyer 0-0 1-2 1-1, Webb 1-2 0-0 1-3 Totals 31-74 17
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3-point goals-Gardner 3, Mackinnon 2, Harding, Teach, Barkness 3.
Free-throw shooting—CSI 46-56, TVCC 36-56
Rebounds—CSI 46, TVCC 38

Morning line

Sportsquote

“
Among the Olympics, this is perhaps the most fraternal.”
”
— Bernard Bourand of the French Olympic Committee on the Norwegian fans

Briefly

Television ratings up for Winter Olympics

NEW YORK — Ratings for the fourth night of the Winter Olympics were up 27 percent over the Albertville Games two years ago, and the four-night average also is 27 percent ahead of the 1992 Games.

Tuesday night's coverage on CBS earned a 27.3 rating and a 39 share, the network's best Tuesday night since Feb. 28, 1984, when the Grammy Awards got a 31.3 rating and a 44 share.

The fourth night of the Albertville Games got a 21.5 rating and a 32 share.

Through four nights, the Olympics have averaged a 24.8 rating and a 37 share, 27 percent ahead of the 19.6 average through the first four nights in 1992.

The rating is the percentage of television households in the United States, and each point represents 942,000 homes. The share is the percentage of televisions on at the time.

Pharmacist in baseball

scandal admits drug charges

DAYTON, Ohio — A pharmacist who claimed he gave amphetamines to a professional baseball player and a former player in exchange for autographed baseballs pleaded guilty Wednesday to drug-related charges.

Philip Allen Rotman, 58, of Springboro, Ohio, pleaded guilty to two counts of illegal drug sales, two counts of writing fraudulent prescriptions and one count each of drug theft and drug trafficking. Springboro is 15 miles south of Dayton in southwest Ohio.

The Ohio State Board of Pharmacy said Rotman told its investigators that he gave the drug Didrex to former Cincinnati Reds players David Collins and Herman Winington in exchange for autographed baseballs and a jersey.

Compiled from wire reports

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Today

Prep basketball
Region 11
Highland at Twin Falls 7 p.m.
Minico at Pocatello 7 p.m.
A-2 District at CSI
Boil vs. Vets 7 p.m.
A-3 District at Wendell 6:15 p.m.
Northside Sub-District at Gooding 8:15 p.m.
Southside Sub-District at Jerome 8 p.m.
Prep wrestling
Oreida at Malad, 5:30 p.m.
Blackfoot at Minico 7 p.m.

Sports on TV

Gooding at Butte
9:30 p.m. — Channel 13, College basketball, North Carolina at Clemson.
7:30 p.m. — Channel 13, College basketball, Michigan State at Northwestern.
8:35 p.m. — Channel 32, NBA basketball, Atlanta at Golden State.
10 p.m. — Channel 12, College basketball, Stanford at California.

Thursday's Olympic TV Schedule
6:55 a.m.
— EVENTS: Figure skating (men's technical program preview), hockey (United States vs. Canada), cross-country skiing (men's 10k combined classic and women's 10k free technique combined), alpine skiing (men's Super G).
7:10 p.m.
— EVENTS: Figure skating (men's technical program), alpine skiing (men's Super G), speed skating (women's 3000m relay), hockey (United States vs. Canada, highlights), cross-country skiing (men's 10k combined), alpine skiing (men's Super G).
EVENTS: General report.
TNT
11:30 p.m.
— EVENTS: Hockey (United States vs. Canada — live and TBS), figure skating (men's technical program — live), cross-country skiing (men's 10k combined classic and women's 10k free technique combined), alpine skiing (men's Super G), speed skating (women's 3000m).

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Dietrich, Shoshone post A-4 wins

By Ron Gates
Times-News writer

GOODING — If there is anything unusual about the District 4, Class A-4 Northside sub-district boys' basketball tournament it's that only the four highest seeds remain in contention after three sessions.

Second-seeded Dietrich rallied past Lincoln County rival Richfield 60-53 in Wednesday's opener, then No. 4 Shoshone dumped Bliss 65-23.

Those results created another Lincoln County battle when Dietrich, now 12-2, opens today's varsity fare against 12-10 Shoshone in a 6:15 p.m. elimination game.

Camas County, 13-8 and holding the No. 3 seed, tests Northside Conference champion Carey's 16-3 Panthers in the championship semifinal at 8 p.m.

Carey — ranked second in the state — or red hot Camas County, whichever prevails, will have guaranteed its right to compete in next week's District 4 playoffs.

Junior varsity squads representing Richfield and Camas County tip off at 5 p.m. today in a one-game playoff. The winner returns at that same time on Friday to face jayvee favorite Shoshone. Carey and Dietrich, seeded second and third, respectively, matchup at 6:30 to decide Saturday's other JV final.

Richfield took its biggest lead of the contest, 41-32, on Jason Ward's 3-pointer to open the second half, but didn't score again until Sid Ward found the range for three with 4:33 left in the game.

Koby Norman contributed three baskets and Chester Southwick scored twice as the Blue Devils ran off 18 straight points, culminated by the last of Steve Greenfield's four trays.

"We finally moved the ball a little bit," said Dietrich coach Randy McCowan. "We get so tentative about moving the ball sometimes. And if we walk the ball up, then we end up standing."

Dietrich's Kyle Sorensen extended the margin to 55-45 on a putback with 2:45 showing and, with Tiger point guard Matt Kent out of the game on fouls, it was effectively over.

Greenfield led the Devils with 17 points and Rusty Jones hauled down a dozen rebounds for Dietrich. Sid Ward topped Richfield with 14 points.

Scott Jensen scored the first six points for Bliss before sophomore Clayton Sandy started Shoshone on a 16-2 breakout.

Caleb Roberts scored at 5:40 of the second period put the Bears in a 33-13 hole and a 20-2 third quarter ensured the Indian's advancement. Roberts, who finished with a game high 12 points, led 10 Shoshone teammates in scoring.



Shoshone's Jeramy Jensen eludes three Bliss players on his way to the basket Wednesday in the Northside Conference tournament.

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Bruins hope for 3-peat vs. Highland

By Larry Hovey
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It's that time of the tournament season that the question "can you beat this team three times?" is raised in the Class A-1 Region III playoffs.

Those answers come Thursday night when Twin Falls entertains Highland after winning twice in the regular season and Pocatello has the same situation with the Minico Spartans.

Highland has come out of the fourth seeding to meet the Bruins in a game that guarantees

the winner at least three more chances to win a trip to state. The Bruins topped Highland 62-48 in Twin Falls but had to scramble through an overtime to win in Pocatello.

Pocatello held Minico to a season low of 18 points in beating the Spartans in December.

The Twin Falls-Highland winner will take Saturday off while the two once-beaten teams play at the site of the higher-seeded team. That survivor will come back against the unbeaten team, needing to win twice to claim the automatic berth in state.

The runner-up goes against the Idaho Falls

area third-place team in a one-game playoff Feb. 26.

"We have seen Highland play three times in the last couple of weeks and they definitely have been improving," said Twin Falls Coach Ben Allen.

"They have three very complicated offenses and they run all three extremely well," he said. "They are patient, don't hurt themselves with mistakes and play good defense. You expect a low scoring game in which you have to take care of the ball and exploit most of your opportunities to win."

Koss makes speedskating look easy; U.S. ski team finally finishes second

The Associated Press

LILLEHAMMER, Norway — Another not, another record.

Johann Olav Koss, with a little help from his howling Norwegian friends, collected his second gold medal of the Games on a day when the U.S. ski team finally lost — with its biggest gold medal favorite.

Speedskater Koss rewarded an outrageously pumped partisan crowd by earning his second Lillehammer gold in as many races, posting his second victory, second along the way. The rabid throng cheered Koss through a blistering finish as he became the Games' first double gold medalist.

"Koss Is The Boss," announced signs in the stands, and no one could argue.

"What a great feeling to have the crowd behind me like that," said the jubilant Koss,

who is to Norway what Michael Jordan was to Chicago. Koss donned a Viking hat and waved the Norwegian flag during a victory lap before his adoring countrymen.

He wasn't the only Norwegian to collect gold Wednesday, as teammate Stine Lise Hatstad won the freestyle skiing over favored American Donna Weinbrecht, the 1992 gold medalist and this year's World Cup leader.

But the winning was not without its cost. The Russian hockey team, bouncing back from its worst Olympic defeat ever, crushed an undermanned Austrian team. Canada won its first gold medal of the Games.

"And the Tonya Harding five-ring Olympic circus — minus its confessed felons — arrived in Norway, where Tonya ran into — who else? — fellow skater, Nan-

cy Kerrigan. The pair, united in headlines for the last month, said hello during a meeting in the athletes' village, and posed together for the team picture.

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"I had a lot of fun out there today," said McIntyre, 28, of Winter Park, Colo. "I'm just happy. I'm a happy camper out here in Norway."

Weinbrecht could say the same. The Please see GAMES/D4

Are Olympics any place for mogul skiing?

By Bernie Lincicome
Chicago Tribune

LILLEHAMMER, Norway — Freestyle skiing is America's contribution to the Winter Olympics, and we ought to be ashamed of ourselves.

First of all, it looks like it might actually be fun, and fun is the last thing anybody expects here at the Global Frostdite Festival, or as we like to think of it on the press bus, 16 Days of Hat Hair.

And, secondly, better here than on any slope I'm skiing. This sport rewards the stuff that causes ski patrols to seize lift tickets.

This is the MTV generation's connection to mountain amusement, sort of a Hot Doggy Dogg of winter sports, done at high speed, over bumps, in the air and to rock and roll music loud enough to cause avalanches.

I am ordinarily against sports with music, but I cannot entirely discredit any game that gets Fat Domino into the Olympics. I did not notice anyone bumping down the mountain to "Feelings" or Prokofiev, and it was nice to hear Gerry and the Pacemakers again.

The choice this day is moguls, a series of large, white mounds on a steep slope that any skier would pole a catwalk to avoid. Most ski resorts spend millions of dollars grooming these lumps into powder.

Sixteen otherwise sensible young women would be leaping upon them and twice would launch themselves into the air to do judgable stunts, the names of which include Tip Drop, Daffy and Zudnick.

Or maybe those were the judges. There is still much that is not known about this sport.

I will give you another example. The starting signal for each competitor's run is a rooster crowing.

I am used to bells, or guns or whistles. This is the first rooster I can remember. It seemed rather weird to begin a very brave act to the sounds of a chicken. My journalistic instincts forced me to inquire, why a rooster?

"Because no one knows what a gerbil sounds like," I was told.

All you have to ask yourself is would this make sense to Beavis or Butthead?

Getting down the hill takes about 30 seconds and there would be prizes for it later, authentic gold, silver and bronze medals. They only started giving medals away to mogul competitors two years ago in Albertville.

This sort of skiing had been shunned by the traditional ski community, which can be identified easily because it ties its car flaps under its chin and never, under any circumstances, calls anyone a "Dude."

This time aerial stunts also will be medaled, but the third leg of freestyle skiing — ballet — has not been allowed even to be demonstrated here.

This has saddened the freestyle crowd that they have been passing out arm bands mourning the exclusion of ballet. I refused to join the protest that encourages men in tights.

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Liz McIntyre of Winter Park, Colo., won the silver medal in the freestyle mogul competition at the Winter Olympics. For more coverage, see page D4.

Kentucky's 31-point rally 1 for the record books

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Kentucky was losing, so coach Rick Pitino went to his desperation strategy: shoot 3-pointers, and foul on defense.

Never mind that there was 15 minutes left in the game. And never mind that the 11th-ranked Wildcats trailed LSU by 31.

Kentucky recovered from a 68-37 second-half deficit to win 99-95 on Tuesday night for one of the biggest comebacks in college basketball history.

NCAA records say the record was set Dec. 30, 1950 when Duke came back from a 56-27 halftime deficit against Tulane. Further research by Duke shows that the school trailed by as many as 32 in the first half and 31 in the second before winning 74-72.

"You don't see this happen in sports too many times," Pitino said after the Wildcats (19-5, 8-3 Southeastern Conference) broke a two-game losing streak that saw them fall from No. 4 to No. 11 in The Associated Press Top 25.

"Down the road, this is something I'll always treasure."

The loss left LSU shellshocked. It was especially heartbreaking for the Tigers (11-10, 5-7) because it follows a 28-point loss to an Auburn team that hadn't won an SEC game all season.

"Somewhere along the line, good has to come out of bad," coach Dale Brown said. "It was a magnificent effort by our team; it wasn't able to free throws. We just came to him at the end."

LSU is one of only three teams to have played in the last 10 NCAA tournaments, and Brown was hoping wins over Kentucky, No. 5 Louisville and top-ranked Arkansas would

make the tournament committee forget about his overall record.

Now, the Tigers almost certainly need to win the SEC tournament to make the NCAA.

"It's a hurting feeling," said guard Jamie Brandon, who had 13 points but six turnovers. "When we were up by 30, I just knew we had the game. We worked so hard this week; everybody's very hurt."

Kentucky led 1-0 but didn't take the lead again until Walter McCarty, who had 23 points, hit a 3-pointer with 19 seconds left. In between, LSU posted runs of 12-0 and 18-0 before the Wildcats winnowed the lead with a 24-4 run and later scored the last nine points of the game.

The Wildcats also overcame 36 points by freshman Ronnie Henderson, who made six of seven 3-pointers in the first half but cooled off in the second, hitting two of six.

Meanwhile Kentucky went to the 3-pointer, shooting for two only when it was certain. The Wildcats went 12-for-15 on 2-point shots in the second half and 12-for-23 on 3-pointers.

Jeff Brassow hit four 3's and made an important defensive contribution as well: he fouled people.

Brassow committed four fouls in under three minutes to force LSU to the line. Rodrick Rhodes also did some slapping; he picked up his second foul with 10:45 left and by 6:25 he had fouled out.

The streak worked: LSU missed 11 free throws in the last 12 minutes — Brandon Titus finished 3-for-9 from the line — including three costly misses on the front end of a one-and-one.

"I don't think they ever expected us to win it," said Pitino, who confessed to doubts of his own.



LSU players and fans stare in disbelief as Kentucky rallies from 31 points down to beat the Tigers 99-95 Tuesday night.

said Clarence Caesar, who had 32 points. "We didn't stop down in intensity, we just didn't stop their threes. And we lost the game at the free throw line."

"I don't think they ever expected us to win it," said Pitino, who con-

ferred to doubts of his own. "When it went to 30, we just wanted to make it respectable and not lose our confidence. ... I said, 'I don't know if we can win this thing, but I know we can give every ounce that we have in us.'"

Duke still holds mark for biggest comeback

The Associated Press

Records are made to be broken, but you have to really break them.

According to the current NCAA record book, Kentucky's 31-point comeback to beat LSU 99-95 on Tuesday night broke Duke's 44-year-old comeback mark by two points.

Research by Duke sports information director Mike Cragg revealed Wednesday the Blue Devils still hold the mark from that Dec. 30, 1950 game against Tulane. Duke trailed 54-22 with two minutes left in the first half and then rallied for a 74-72 victory to take fifth place in the Dixie Classic in Raleigh, N.C.

Gary Johnson, the NCAA's statistics coordinator for men's basketball, said Wednesday that Duke sent him proof of the 31-point deficit and it will be recognized as the record.

The man responsible for Duke's record comeback that night was Dick Groat, an outstanding college basketball player who went on to a major league baseball career in which he played for two World Series champions. A shortstop, Groat was the National League MVP with the Pittsburgh Pirates in 1960 when he led the league in hitting at .325.

He had 25 of his 32 points in the second half as the Blue Devils overcame a 56-27 halftime deficit. "At halftime I remember coach (Harold Bradley) saying 'I don't know if you guys can win this or

not, but at least make it respectable.'" Groat said Wednesday from Washington D.C. where he was working as a radio analyst for Pittsburgh against Georgetown.

"Some little kid did a good job on me in the first half and all of a sudden in the second half it turned around. That picked everybody else up and we kept grinding it out and grinding it out."

It wasn't just Groat picking up the offense, however. Duke's defense improved immeasurably in the second half and the Green Wave didn't score over the final eight minutes after making it 72-52. Groat had a personal 10-0 run over three minutes to make it 72-68. The winning points came in the final minute from center Dayton Allen on a layup. "I think I got the assist on that one," Groat said.

Temple hoop coach apologizes for threats

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Temple coach John Chaney says his wife and daughter aren't speaking with him because of his outburst at Massachusetts coach John Calipari.

At a news conference Wednesday, Chaney again apologized for his threat to kill Calipari and told how his family responded to his tirade. Although a school spokesman later said Chaney was joking about his family, the coach told The Associated Press by telephone that he was serious.

His wife, Jeanne, has been on vacation with friends since Sunday, and his daughter, Pamela Clark, who lives in the Boston area, attended the Massachusetts game.

"My wife isn't talking to me," Chaney told the AP. "My daughter isn't talking to me." He added that his two granddaughters, his son, John Jr., and his future daughter-in-law have remained supportive.

"My daughter called me last night to say she's not talking to me anymore," the coach said. He said Mrs. Chaney — in a message relayed through their daughter — said the same thing.

Chaney wanted to make clear, though, that Mrs. Chaney plans to return home Thursday.

"My wife has not left me," he said. After Temple lost 56-55 at UMass on Sunday, Chaney barged into Calipari's news conference, rushed the podium and threatened Calipari. He was restrained by Massachusetts players.

Chaney was suspended by Temple for Wednesday night's game at St. Bonaventure — the first he has missed as coach of the Owls.

The Atlantic 10 Conference on Tuesday let Temple's one-game suspension stand, though commissioner Ron Bertovich said Chaney would face more severe sanctions if he loses control again.

"I apologize to coach John Calipari, the students, fans, and supporters of both Temple University and the University of Massachusetts, all young persons and all others who witnessed all or part of this incident," Chaney, his eyes red and his voice choking, said at his news conference.

"I let you down. ... I fully accept the actions that the university has taken and I feel they are deserved — well deserved."

He took no questions after his brief statement.

Chaney felt Calipari tried to intimidate referees during and after Sunday's game.

Someone reportedly had told Chaney that Calipari spoke with officials and Bertovich afterward about the officiating. Chaney, who minutes



Temple University basketball coach John Chaney held a news conference Wednesday to apologize for his verbal attack on University of Massachusetts coach John Calipari.

earlier had praised the Massachusetts team, told Calipari he had no business talking to officials in his absence and said, "I'll kill you" and "I'll kick your ass."

Bertovich said Tuesday he was speaking privately with Calipari after the game when a referee left a nearby locker room. Calipari and the ref spoke for less than a minute. Bertovich said "voices were never raised."

"I reminded both parties that situations such as this should be handled in accordance with conference policies," Bertovich said.

On Wednesday, Chaney appeared subdued and contrite.

"I wish to reaffirm that I have the greatest respect for coach Calipari and the University of Massachusetts basketball team," he said. "I think they should be the No. 1 team in this country."

Chaney said he looked forward to the Owls playing host to Massachusetts Feb. 24 "with model sportsmanship that has always been part of the Temple basketball tradition."

Massachusetts officials said Chaney's original apology Monday fell short because it didn't mention Calipari by name. They liked Wednesday's offering better.

"Coach Calipari has certainly accepted the apology and has attempted to call coach Chaney this afternoon," Massachusetts spokesman Bill Strickland said.

Before Chaney, no Atlantic 10 coach had ever been suspended. It was the first time Chaney had been disciplined by the school in his 12 years at Temple.

In Amherst, a local prosecutor called Chaney's behavior "criminal in nature" but said she wouldn't prosecute at the request of Massachusetts athletic officials.

Boys — and girls — of summer warm up for baseball

California hurler earns her spot on mound

COSTA MESA, Calif. — She whirls from the mound much in the style of California Angels' All-Star left-hander Mark Langston.

To a batter, with her long hair flowing behind her baseball cap, she must look like the girl pitcher played by Tatum O'Neal in "The Bad News Bears."

But unlike the fictional junior leaguer, Lia Borders had a case of nerves.

The Southern California College pitcher went all nine innings of a 12-1 victory Tuesday over Claremont-Mudd, giving up a home run among five hits, striking out two batters, walking three and getting no asterisk.

The latter was missing, sports information director Pat Guillen said, because research showed two other women played previously in college baseball.

Nonetheless, Borders became not only the first female pitcher in a college game. She proved she deserved her scholarship and her job on the mound.

Borders, 18, seemed impressed with becoming the first woman to pitch in an NCAA or NAIA game.

"That doesn't mean anything to me," she said after the victory. "The thing that means the most to me is going out and pitching with a great bunch of people."

She admitted she was nervous, not at making history, but at simply mak-

ing her first start for her team in NAIA Division I.

"I didn't sleep last night, not at all," she said after her victory. "I went out there and I was shaking. I wanted to hurry up and get out there and go pitch."

"It wasn't necessarily a fear of getting hit. I just wanted to pitch. I was nervous about doing my job out there, I just wanted to get a win for my ballclub."

The 5-foot-10, 160-pounder from La Mirada showed she wasn't a one-day gimmick to draw a crowd, such as the midge who drew a base-on-balls for Bill Vecek's St. Louis Browns.

Borders earned her chance to be a college pitcher while with the boys varsity at Whittier Christian High for four seasons, compiling 16-7 overall record with an ERA of 2.31, with 165 strikeouts in 147 innings. She was named the team MVP and first team all-league.

For her historical occasion on the college level, there were only about 300 people cheering her on, and teammates who dumped a barrel of Gatorade on her head when she finished her dominating day on the mound.

"A win's a win, but today's special," said her catcher, Dave Seefley. "We were really on a good page today. She stuck with the pitches I called, except for maybe three times."

Making the first out against a female pitcher in a college game was Claremont-Mudd's Gabe Rosenthal, on a short fly to center field. Later, Rosenthal became a strikeout victim, but he also hit a home run for the only score by Claremont-Mudd (2-5) against 104 pitches thrown by Borders.

"She's a good pitcher," Rosenthal said. "She threw a lot of junk ... (but) she's always around the dish. I think she'll do well. She'll win again."

"I wasn't overpowering today at all. I mixed it up, I hit spots. I'm not an overpowering pitcher," Borders said. "I don't have a 90 mile-per-hour fastball. I had a lot of movement on the ball today and mixed up my pitches, took a little off, put a little on."

Borders admitted that when the coaches asked her if she was tired late in the game, "I lied."

"I wanted to finish it bad. I tried to talk them (head coach Charlie Phillips and pitching coach Dave Black) into finishing."

"Tell you what. If you can get the first hitter out, you can finish the game," Phillips told her.

She then retired the side in order in the ninth, improving her team's record to 2-4.

"When I was 10, I started playing baseball," Borders said. "My dad taught me everything."

my knowledge in the waste basket by their front door. I would put myself in the hands, in effect say, 'Here I am; do with me what you will.'"

"Finally, I went to the money (winning) list. I saw I'd won \$3.3 million playing golf my way, and \$100,000 playing golf their way. Which way was best?"

With the help of teaching pro Jimmy Ballard, Sutton has gone back to his own way of doing things and, through hard work over the winter, has regained some of his previous form.

Pitchers, catchers appear at training camps in South

The Associated Press

Forget the skiing and skating. On Wednesday, it was time to think about sunshine and spring.

Pitchers and catchers began reporting across Florida and Arizona. The long winter's wait was over.

"No doubt, everyone is excited to be here," White Sox outfielder Michael Huff said as his team gathered in Sarasota, Fla. "We felt like we should have gotten farther last year and, after thinking about that during the winter, we were anxious to get down and get going again."

Chicago lost to Toronto in the AL playoffs last year. The Blue Jays, the first team to repeat as World Series champions since the 1977-78 New York Yankees, won't start working out until Tuesday, five days after the voluntary reporting date.

Other clubs wanting to catch their didn't waste time getting started.

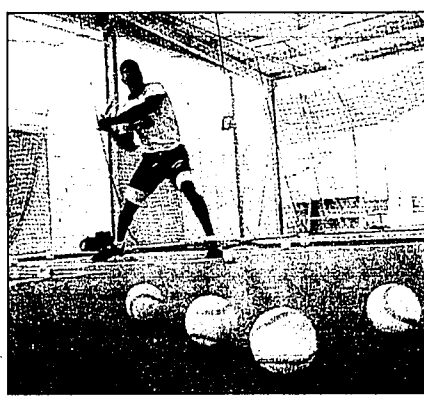
"Normally you see a couple of the young kids come in a little bit early to get some advanced work in warm weather. This is the most I think I've ever seen," Colorado general manager Bob Gebhard said in Tucson, Ariz., after watching a dozen Rockies work out.

"Our camp is starting the earliest possible date we're allowed to start," Gebhard said. "Some clubs won't start for another four or five days. This is a high number of early arrivals. It tells me they want to play."

Among the early arrivals were pitchers Bruce Ruffin, Willie Blair and Curtis Leskanen and catchers Joe Girardi, Danny Sheffield, Jayhawk Owens and Eric Wedge.

"If we can knock a run off last year's ERA, I'll be happy," manager Don Baylor said. "And I don't see that as an unreachable goal."

Last year, the Rockies' ERA was 5.41, the highest in the National League since 1930. But they also



Ricky Otero, who played center field for the New York Mets AA club in Binghamton, N.Y., last year, takes batting practice at the Mets spring training camp in Port St. Lucie, Fla., Tuesday.

drew 4.5 million, a major league attendance record.

Over in Port St. Lucie, Fla., Mets manager Dallas Green was trying to forget everything from last year, when the only things overshadowing New York's 59-103 record were Vince Coleman's firecracker tossing, Bret Saberhagen's bleach spraying and Coleman's accidental clubbing of Dwight Gooden with a 9-incher.

"We want to learn from it, but we want to know that it is in the past and there is nothing we can do about it now," Green said. "We want to go forward from it with a new approach. ... The organization was embarrassed. What we are going to strive to do is to get through that the best way we can. We want to make sure that the mistakes we made last year don't perpetuate themselves and that they don't come back and haunt us this year."

Down Florida's Atlantic coast at Fort Lauderdale, New York

Yankees are intent on improving last year's 88-74 record and second-place finish. A key for New York is the bullpen, and manager Buck Showalter is thinking of rotating closers if no one is dominant this spring.

"Paul Assenmacher has closed at times. Steve Howe has closed at times. Paul Gibson at one time closed some games," Showalter said. "Xavier Hernandez has done so somewhat. So has Bob Wickman and Jeff Reardon. We have a lot of people who have been there in the ninth inning. How it shakes out is what we've got to find out down here."

At Fort Myers, Fla., Floridians Mike Greenwell and Greg Blosser were the earliest Boston Red Sox arrivals, joining Aaron Sele, John Valentin and John Flaherty before the official opening.

"There is going to be pressure," said Red Sox manager Butch Hobson, "because this is my third year and we've had two losing seasons in a row."

Sutton leads Hope Classic by single stroke

INDIAN WELLS, Calif. (AP) — Hal Sutton, again playing golf his way, shot a 9-under-par 63 Wednesday to take a one-stroke lead after the opening round of the Bob Hope Classic.

"That's the best I've played in a long, long time — probably three years," Sutton said after his bogey-free effort at Indian Wells, one of four desert resort courses used for the first four rounds of the five-day, 90-hole tournament.

Sutton, the 1983 PGA national champion and one of golf's brightest young stars, has been in

the throes of a career-threatening slump the last two seasons.

He scored the last of his seven career victories almost eight years ago and won only \$113,000 in the last two seasons combined.

The swing that Jack Nicklaus predicted would win Sutton "many, many major championships," deteriorated and Sutton, in desperation, sought help wherever he could find it.

"I went to a number of guys who had me doing a number of things I was completely unable to do," he said. "I would throw all

Harding, Kerrigan meet, chat amiably in Olympic Village

HAMAR, Norway (AP) — Face to face in the Olympics at last, Tonya Harding and Nancy Kerrigan greeted each other without rancor Wednesday, chatting during a chance encounter, then smiling together for a U.S. figure skating team picture.

Everyone around them sighed in relief. "That broke the ice for all of us," said Paul George, head of the skating team, who joined them for a playful photo session in the snow-covered athletes' village.

Whether by request or circumstance, though, Harding and Kerrigan posed in the photograph from opposite sides, separated by four teammates.

They hadn't planned to see each other so soon. Kerrigan's coach, Evi Svotvold, hoped she wouldn't see Harding at all, except on the ice.

But by midday, the two skaters had already met in the athletes' village, where they share a



Harding



Kerrigan

house with teammates. Kerrigan was walking up a path from the main building, while Harding was walking down with some friends. They stopped, looked at each other, and spoke a bit.

There were no handshakes or hugs, but also no hostility in that awkward first meeting.

"It went well," U.S. team leader Mahlon Bradley said. "They acknowledged one another. It will make it much easier for tomorrow. It was good to be with the team and they acted like mature athletes."

The brief but dramatic episode climaxed Harding's 5,000-mile journey from Portland, an improbable odyssey to the Winter Games that looked like an invasion when she got here.

Never has such a tiny young woman, or anyone else, stirred so great an international fuss simply by stepping off a plane, picking up an Olympic credential and settling into her room.

Harding, still under investigation by a grand jury over her alleged role in the clubbing of Kerrigan on Jan. 6, seemed at once excited and dazed by the spectacle surrounding her.

"I feel great," she said as she emerged from the accreditation center with her Olympic pass. "I'm ready."

Reporters, photographers and TV crews joined her in farcical scenes as her SAS flight at \$3,100 a pop, and hundreds more recorded her every step and syllable when she landed.

Harding walked to the front of the cabin on the plane, turned and faced her captive audience.

"I'm going to help fly the plane," Harding announced. Then she snickered, a slightly sinister laugh. "Hey, you're in my hands now."

She patted about the plane in stocking feet, 5-foot-1 and petite with the face of a teen-ager, hardly seeming the cause of a sensation. She picked through a plate of baked apples slathered with whipped cream and custard, talking with The Associated Press about how she was able to concentrate while skating, despite all the distractions.

"I love it," she said, explaining how she focuses intently on some solid object and ignores everything else.

As for her troubles, she said, "I leave it behind when I go on the ice and I pick it up again when I leave."

Her coach, Diane Rawlinson, marveled at how Harding has handled it all. "She's more focused than ever," she said. "I think she's risen to the occasion. She's excited about skating and showing the world who she is."

Still, the stress is taking some toll on Harding and her entourage. "Tonya's lost nine pounds," said her choreographer, Erika Bakacs. "I've lost 11."

A dozen police cleared the accreditation center for her, keeping out everyone, including Norway's minister of agriculture on the way to speedskating, for 20 minutes until Harding got through.

"She was shy," said Hanne Marken of Norway, who snapped Harding's official Olympic photo.

Men all smiles as they skate for gold

The Associated Press

HAMAR, Norway — Sorry, folks. There's no Tonya-Nancy figure skating — at least not in men's figure skating — at the moment.

These guys actually get along!

Brian Bolkov and Scott Davis' skating idol.

Kurt Browning and Elvis Stojko are so chummy they sit together on the long flight from Canada to Oslo.

"If I were uncomfortable about Elvis all week, it would waste a lot of energy," Browning said. "That's good, because he and Boitano will need all of their energy to beat Davis, Stojko and gold-medal favorite Viktor Petrenko, the 1992 Olympic champion, when competition starts Thursday night."

Boitano and Browning have the proper pedigree, no doubt. Boitano is the 1988 Olympic gold medalist and two-time world titleholder. Browning is a four-time world champion competing for Canada in his third Olympics.

Davis, the best spinner in the world, and Elvis, a big jumper, are the upstarts. How the four end up will say a lot about how much clout a national title carries with Olympic judges.

When he successfully defended his U.S. title last month in Detroit, the 22-year-old Davis pulled off one of the biggest skating upsets ever.

Boitano, 30, had put his lucrative pro career on hold and was a hands-down favorite, but his mistake on a triple axel



Brian Boitano practices on the Olympic ice at Hamar, Norway, Wednesday.

and a dynamic performance by Davis gave the youngster from Great Falls, Mont., the title.

But Davis never really had a chance to back in the limelight. The news was all about the clubbing attack on Nancy Kerrigan, and the involvement of Tonya Harding's ex-husband and bodyguard.

"The day that Scott beat Brian, cer-

tainly it was the victory of the century in many ways, because nobody thought it could happen," said Davis' coach Kathy Casey.

"When it did happen, the headlines were Kerrigan and Harding and a little blurb in the corner about Davis beating Boitano."

Between his defeat at Detroit and the Harding imbroglio, Boitano has been all but forgotten in Norway. The night he arrived, he sat unnoticed in a corner of the accreditation office while more than a dozen photographers camped out across the room waiting for Kerrigan.

"I think it's been a lot easier for me, because attention equals pressure," Boitano said, "and for me, not having the attention has been great. I've been able to concentrate on my skating and the changes" he made to improve his long program.

Boitano will be the first skater in the short program, a position he said he likes because it gives him less chance to get nervous. His 4-1-2 minute free skate to music by Aaron Copeland is sedate compared to Davis' macho "West Side Story." Browning's suave "Casablanca" and Stojko's kung-fu-themed routine.

"I definitely think this is the most talented men's field in a long time, if not ever," Boitano said. "I know they're all great skaters, and it's going to be a difficult competition, but I know it's going to come down to the night."

Games

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skier, who missed the entire 1993 season with a knee injury, expressed her problems in negotiating — a snow-covered version of Valley Girl lingo.

"I started getting this numb feeling and a real bad vision thing where I didn't have a good focus," she explained. "Because this course — as we say in freestyle — I think I could have shred like I had all week."

"But when it counted, it was like an out-of-body experience."

OK.

In his body and on the ice, Koss continued to turn the Games into his personal showcase, with one more race — Sunday's 10,000 meters — left to skate in the Viking Ship hall.

The popular Koss skied to a 1,500 meters world record of 1 minute, 51.29 seconds to raise Norway's medal count to seven — a Games-high four gold, with three silver, second

only to the Russians' 10 medals (3-5-2). Italy (2-1-2) is third with five.

Koss, 25, is the first man to win the 1,500 outright in back-to-back Games since Finland's Clas Thunberg won in 1924 and 1928 — the first two Winter Games.

The Russian hockey team (2-1) took out its frustrations against Austria (0-3) in a 9-1 whipping. The one-sided result came two days after Finland's 5-0 victory over the Russians — the only Olympic shutout loss ever by the squad formerly known as the Soviet Union and Unified Team.

The U.S., with two ties in its first two games, is back in action Thursday against Canada. On Wednesday, Czechoslovakia (2-1) shut out previously unbeaten Germany (2-1), 1-0.

Norway (2-0) also plays Finland (0-2). American luger Cammy Myler finished her disappointing Games with an 11th-place finish Wednesday — far

behind the fifth she had notched two years ago in France.

She planned to leave Lillehammer far behind and spend a warring week in Jamaica.

"My performance today was definitely a lot better than yesterday, so I can be satisfied with that, anyway," said Myler, who lost her shot at a medal with a skid on Tuesday's second run.

Italy's Gerda Weissensteiner won the gold medal in her third Olympics. She had finished fourth in Albertville, just missing a bronze.

Canada captured the sixth nation to collect a gold medal when Jean-Luc Brassard captured the men's freestyle, finishing ahead of silver medalist Sergei Shoupelstov of Russia and Frenchman Edgar Grospiron.

Grospiron, like Weinbrecht, failed to repeat after winning in Albertville.

Does Tonya have hots for Rudolph?

LILLEHAMMER, Norway — In a moment I will be bringing you an exclusive photograph of Tonya Harding naked with a reindeer, but first we have this news bulletin concerning...

BOLSBLEDDERS ON DOPE

According to the official Olympic news agency, the driver of the Austrian team bobsled team was sent home because he "tested positive in anti-doping control." This is extremely alarming news, because it seems to suggest that there might be bobsled competitors here who are NOT on dope. Let me just state that I, personally, would not consider going down a bobsled run unless huge quantities of narcotics were coursing through my bloodstream. If I were on the bobsled team, I would carry a syringe in my uniform so I could give myself additional dope injections on the way down.

I want to stress, however, that I am not putting dangerous substances of any kind into my body, other than mass quantities of Norwegian beer, because I want to remain alert now that Tonya-Harding is finally here. We in the American news media are so happy about this that we want to hurt our hats into the air, but of course we don't, because our hair would freeze solid and break off like No. 8 spaghetti.

We are crazy mad in love with this story. We were bored to death with watching Olympic sporting events such as the Men's 10 Kilometer Alpine Uphill Snow Shoveling. We are not here to cover winter sports. We are here for Human Interest, which I mean, dirt. We also like tragedy. If we had our way, the Olympic athletes would be selected



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solely on the basis of having extremely tragic and/or depraved lives, and they'd never actually engage in athletic competition. They'd just stand around the media center and let us do Human Interest stories on how they had managed to become Olympic bobsled contenders despite being born with four stomachs, or whatever.

That is why we love the Tonya Harding story so much, and — admit it — so do you. And that is why, as I promised at the beginning of the column, I am pleased to present the following:

EXCLUSIVE PHOTOGRAPH OF TONYA HARDING NAKED WITH A REINDEER

(Note to Editor: Please insert the exclusive photograph here. For caption purposes, please note that Miss Harding is the one on the right.)

I have not yet seen Tonya Harding in person, because for security reasons she is surrounded at all times by a dense, 400-foot thick protective layer of journalists. I did, however, see Nancy Kerrigan. She was sitting with her agent in the audience of the pairs figure-skating competition. (Yes! There are figure skaters here besides Nancy and Tonya! I was shocked.) I did not actually interview Miss Kerrigan, but I would say, just judging from the back of her head, that she was relaxed but apprehensive, as well as hopeful, yet striving to remain focused on the task ahead.

Or maybe that was the agent.

Pairs figure skating is a very dramatic event. It consists of two people: A tiny, relentlessly perky woman wearing a cute little costume with lots of beads and sequins; and a large, strong man, who has to wear a costume that matches the woman's, so he looks like a complete twink on about this, because every 30 seconds or so, when they've built up a good head of steam on the ice, he hauls off and throws the woman as far as he can, which is pretty darned far, because most of these women are no heavier than a box of breakfast cereal. Sometimes the woman falls down when this happens, but she always jumps right back up and skates perkily back toward the man.

"DON'T DO IT!" you want to shout at her. "HE'S JUST GOING TO THROW YOU AGAIN!" And sure enough he does. Finally he becomes exhausted and stops; then the judges hold up numbers indicating how far they estimate the woman traveled, in meters, on the best test. The Russians always win this event. There will come a time, within our lifetimes, when a Russian male skater will throw a Russian female skater completely out of the rink. This is the four-minute mile of the sport.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT: We regret that due to the Tonya Harding situation, there will be no update today on the wolf-spring story.

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Mongolia's only Olympian takes long road to Lillehammer

LILLEHAMMER, Norway (AP) — Some people take the long way to the Olympics and Batschuluun Bat-Orgil is one of them. He's on a 16-day train trip, traveling thousands of miles to become Mongolia's only entrant at Lillehammer.

The short-track speedskater broke off training in Germany on Feb. 4 and headed back to Mongolia. His qualifying times put him on a "reserve competitors" list, but he appeared to have no chance to make the Games. Then some faster skaters dropped out, and Bat-Orgil became eligible — but officials couldn't reach him to give him the word. He was on an eastbound train, somewhere in Russia.

When he got home after eight

days of travel, he found a fax message with the good news. So he got back on the train for another eight-day trip — this time headed west.

Bat-Orgil, 24, is due to arrive two days before the 1,000-meter race Feb. 22. He'll also enter the 500 meters.

His entry makes Mongolia the 67th nation in the Games.

Moguls

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This game is so new that Donna Weinbrecht is the Donna Weinbrecht of the sport. On this day, she was someone else, finishing seventh.

"I think I could have shred like I had all week," she explained, "but when it counted it was like an out-of-body experience."

Some days you're the shredder, some days you are shreder.

My favorite was not the winner, a Norway lass named Stine Lise Hatstad, or even the silver medalist, American Liz McIntyre, but a Russian girl, Ludmila Dymchenko, who managed to scratch her back from the front and from underneath while she was in midair and about to land on a mogul to the tune Chubby Checker's "Let's Twist Again Like we did Last Summer."

I'd like to see Diann Roffe-Steinrotter try that.

Never mind that this whole thing could be done at half time, or between innings, and in any gallery with a sky-light, or that freestyle skiing has less to do with winter sport than winter frolic. It belongs here.

As I left, the flag-waving crowd was cheering in Norwegian for the glowing Miss Hatstad. They sang, "Give me a ugg, give me a ugg, give me a leuf —"

There is nothing quite as unnerving

as a happy Norwegian.

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Outdoors

Develop rifle, pistol loads now

Some reloading activities take time to complete and developing a new rifle or pistol load is one such task. What better time to start such an undertaking than while the weather is harsh and snow on the ground.

For some hunters, filling the ammo pouch with ammunition for hunting season means a trip to their favorite sporting goods store for a box or two of factory loads.

There certainly is nothing wrong with this approach. Factory loads today are better than ever, offering high quality and consistency.

But for many hunters, being restricted to choices found only in factory ammunition is a little bit like attempting to over-haul your car with a screwdriver and a pair of pliers.

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In some cases this limited selection is sufficient, but often the situation calls for a more precise or specialized tool to achieve the exact results wanted.

The trade-off for filling the ammo pouch with tailor made reloads is that they take time and money to develop.

Putting this task off until the day before the opening of the season makes the chances of finding that desired load more a matter of luck than skill. Developing a good load for a specific rifle or pistol for a particular use is not difficult, but it does take time, deliberate analysis, and a fair share of patience.

The shooter who has previously developed and tested a hunting load need only spend an evening at the reloading bench filling the empty brass with the proven combination of components.

However, if any of the components used in new loads (i.e. primer type, powder lot, brass make, bullet brand) are different from those used in the original loads, safe reloading practices say that the powder charge should be reduced and then increased slowly to the original weight if no high pressure signs appear.

This is especially critical if the original load developed maximum or near maximum pressure.

Developing a new load is a bit more involved, but some proven procedures can save the reloader time and expense while increasing the chances of finding that perfect load.

First, a decision must be made as to the bullet which will be used in the new load. You may know the exact bullet or you may want to do some reading and research to determine what bullets others are using.

Keep in mind that the bullet you select may not be one your gun will digest well. Some rifles seem to shoot bullets of any size or shape well, while others are very picky about the fodder they are given.

The choice of brass is one of personal preference. Most brand name brass of high quality but brands do differ in capacity so it is best to use brass of the same brand and even better, from the same lot.

The same is true for primers though some powders may require a magnesium primer to get them properly motivated. Reloading manuals can provide that information.

Finding the proper powder and charge is where the work and patience comes in. Again research and reading of what powders other shooters have had success with can help you to select two or three powders which are most likely to perform well in your gun with the selected bullet.

Once again, many reloading manuals will suggest a "most accurate powder tested" or "best hunting load" which may indicate a more promising powder for your load.

The following steps should be helpful in developing the proper powder charge. They are a composite of suggested procedures from several different sources and I have found them very useful in developing a new load from scratch.

1. Find as many sources of loading data for your gun as you can. Reloading manuals are the best, but technical articles in reputable magazines can also be considered.
2. List the MAXIMUM charges from each source from heaviest to lightest. Be careful that you copy the data correctly.
3. Select the "median" charge from the list of maximums. The median is the charge in the middle.
4. Reduce the median charge by 10% and use that as the starting charge.
5. Test fire. The test fire should be from a bench and printed on a target at 100 yards.

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Wily brown trout pose challenge for anglers

By Sam Hutchins
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Landing a nice brown trout has always held a special place in a fisherman's heart.

It's the kind of unexpected surprise akin to dropping a drake pintail just as he flares or hooking your cap on the hat rack with your first loss from across the room.

Browns probably are the most consistently difficult trout to catch. Most streams where he dominates have at least one known granddaddy that defies all attempts at capture.

He'll systematically make a fool out of two dozen world-class fly fishermen, then commit suicide on a fluorescent cheese marshmallow and let himself be dragged up on the bank by a 10-year-old kid with a new Snoopy fishing set. In southern Idaho, rainbow trout capital of the world, browns don't get a lot of press. It's a minor species, not widely stocked, only intermittently fished for and sometimes cursed for preying on "good fish" like rainbows and cutthroats.

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game stocks Little Wood, Rock Creek, Billingsley, Bell Rapids and Shoshone creek with brown trout.

Fred Partridge, regional fishery manager, said "we've found the brown trout work better in streams that tend to have warmer temperatures and poorer water quality."

"They are harder to catch and some anglers are critical that they may prey on rainbow. But, for the most part, we've had good luck with browns," he said.

In 1992, the department stocked Rock Creek with 27,000 brown trout fingerlings. The Little Wood received 55,000.

Partridge says those numbers are basically moderate stockings, adding "we've found that browns tend to grow faster than rainbows and there is probably at least some successful spawning in the upper sections of Rock Creek."

The world record for a brown taken by any means is a 56-pounder taken in Yugoslavia. In Idaho, the record is 26 pounds, 6 ounces with a length of 36 1/2 inches. It was taken in 1981 by Farrel Oswald on the Snake River South Fork.

In Magic Valley, anything over a pound should be considered a satisfying catch. Three- and four-pounders are near the upper end of the spectrum.

Getting one of these fish tied onto the business end of your tackle can take some patience. Browns aren't always feeding and certain foods may be preferred at certain times.



File photo

German brown trout offer fishing opportunity to Magic Valley anglers in waters that might be marginal for other trout strains. This spawning operation was carried out in 1989 on the Big Wood River.

Castling large grasshopper imitations in January isn't a good idea, but, then again, you never know.

Mayfly imitations are a standby as are woolly worms, nymphs, caddis flies and nightcrawlers.

Many brown trout enthusiasts do their summer fishing at night when the fish seem to lose some of their inhibitions and feed more aggressively.

Only trial and error, patience and persistence, will teach an angler the best approach. If all else fails, try the fluorescent marshmallows.

Fish and Game plants wild turkeys in canyon

The Times-News

JEROME — The first supplemental planting of wild turkeys in Big Cottonwood Canyon was accomplished by the Fish and Game Department last week.

The regional office personnel released three males and three females that were live trapped in California and commercially flown to Idaho.

"These turkeys are from more an oak-type habitat and may not adapt well to the riparian habitat in Big Cottonwood," said biologist Tony Apa. For that reason, most of the Rio Grande strain from California were released in the Boise River valley near Parma.

"We are expecting to get another shipment from Oregon from an area more like Big Cottonwood," Apa said. "It will be a larger transplant and some will be outfitted with radio collars."

The original release of 17 turkeys was made in 1988, the seed taken from a flock in the Almo area. Although the Almo flock increased well in the first couple-three years after being translocated there, it since has dropped basically into "remnant" status.

"We're still seeing a few near Almo and they are sticking to private land," said Randy Smith. The department also tried to guide some of the birds to the City of Rocks.

As the Almo flock dipped in numbers, Idaho was caught without a source for supplementing the Cottonwood Canyon flock with new blood.

Out-of-state sources dried up during the drought years as snow is needed to make trapping economically feasible.

The production of the first planting in Big Cottonwood has been tenuous at best. Apa said the department had reports of eight birds being seen recently on the wildlife management area. He and Smith spotted four in an aspen grove well up the canyon last fall.

"When we released the birds some went into the sage brush and some headed for the trees along the stream," Apa said. "Before we left they were yelling so we're sure they gathered pretty quickly."

He said the crew saw "lots of tracks" in the snow, leading to the possibility of the flock being larger than expected. But he noted that was speculation, too.

Poor spring chinook salmon runs expected

The Times-News

BOISE — Dismal appears the best word to describe the 1994 spring chinook salmon runs in the Columbia River.

The third lowest return of adult Snake River spring chinook is expected at the mouth of the Columbia River to start their freshwater journey home.

The sixth lowest total adult run and fourth lowest run of wild salmon is expected to cross Lower Granite Dam near Lewiston.

During the journey, over 5,900 adult salmon will die a wasteful death in the federal hydroelectric system and expected fishing in the Columbia by sports, commercial and treaty interests, will harvest another 1,500.

Only about 11,000 spring chinook, including 3,700 wild salmon, may arrive in this year's run.

Idaho's wild fish will be spread thinly, with about one female spawning for each three miles of available habitat.

Returns to Idaho salmon hatcheries, which were built to replace some of the high loss of juvenile salmon in the federal hydroelectric system, will be far below the numbers needed to meet their goals.

Idaho fisheries biologists are not surprised with the prediction.

Sharon Kiefer, endanger species salmon specialist, said "the conditions for juvenile salmon and steelhead migration to the ocean in 1992 were deplorable."

Despite release of nearly one million acres of scarce Idaho water, river inflow and reservoir flow behind each of the eight federal dams on the lower Columbia was limited.

Essentially, all of the Snake River spring and summer chinook and steelhead smolts (over 3.4 million chinook and 4.8 million steelhead) seeking the ocean were collected at hydropower dams, placed on barges and released below the last dam near Portland.

The end result is the low spring chinook adult run prediction and the already witnessed low steelhead run of the past fall.

Kiefer expresses concern that "collection and transportation of smolts is obviously not successful. Plans in the region to continue this action over the long term with the goal of saving and restoring threatened and endangered salmon runs do not offer much hope to Idaho fish managers."

"I don't believe Idaho's fishermen, irrigated crop producers or persons concerned with Idaho's quality of life are thrilled either."

Winter kill tops hunter concerns

By Larry Hovey
Times-News writer

JEROME — If you understand the pattern of winter kill across Magic Valley last year, you understand the basic concerns of area hunters.

After five major meetings with area big game hunters from Mountain Home to Burley, the Idaho Department of Fish and Game has put together a compendium of public thoughts to be used as the basis for establishing the 1994 hunting regulations for antelope, deer and elk.

The regional office Wednesday began its in-house recommendation process with day-long meetings that included everyone from regional director to the newest conservation officer.

The department's recommendations will be meshed as well as possible with the input from the public in a rough first draft. That draft will have another run through public meetings probably the early part of March.

After any revision considered necessary, the regional recommendations will go to Boise where they will be fine-tuned to harmonize with other management ideas in the state. The final step will be any amendments the Fish and Game Commission wants to make before approval.

A large winter kill in the 1992-93 winter prompted considerable protest from the hunting public, resulting in the new regulation-making process. But it also amply illustrated that winter mortality grew west to east and north to south.

The largest segment against antlerless hunting was found in Burley, the least in Mountain Home. Twin Falls was fairly neutral on the subject while the Hailey meeting didn't generate a lot of antlerless protest.

In those meetings, the largest attendance was at Twin Falls with about 125. Burley had about 75. Both Hailey and Gooding were in the 25-sportsmen per meeting range.

Gooding's rather low attendance was "probably predictable since, although that area included the heavy winter kill in Unit 45, it already had had a meeting with regional Fish and Game officials."

Although there were a goodly number that opposed antlerless hunting, Please see MEETINGS/D6

Environmentalists seek protection for wild steelhead

The Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — Environmentalists filed a petition Monday to protect all West Coast runs of wild steelhead under the Endangered Species Act. They argued that little is being done to stop the destruction of freshwater fish habitat.

The petition, sent to the National Marine Fisheries Service, seeks protection as threatened or endangered species for 178 different stocks of steelhead in Washington, Oregon, California, and Idaho and designation of critical habitat.

"More than three-quarters of the steelhead stocks along the Pacific Coast and the Columbia and Snake Rivers are declining or are already extinct," said Joy Belasky, staff ecologist for the Oregon Natural Resources Council. "It's time for the government to stop talking and start acting."

Following a petition to protect Illinois River winter steelhead last year, the fisheries service announced it would undertake a review of the declines of steelhead runs coastwide.

Environmentalists noted that their new petition gives the government three months to recommend whether to protect steelhead. The voluntary review carries no deadline.

The steelhead is a rainbow trout which, like the Pacific salmon, grows to maturity in the ocean but spawns and spends its young life in freshwater rivers.

Three runs of salmon on the Snake River in Idaho and one on the Sacramento River in California already have been protected. A similar petition is pending for coastal runs of coho salmon.

The petition argued that a variety of factors continue to contribute to the loss of freshwater habitat for steelhead, including

dams, logging, grazing and farming.

Over the years, the government's response to declining runs of wild fish primarily has been to increase production in hatcheries, scientists who prepared the petition said.

Although the causes of steelhead declines are well known, they are rarely corrected, said Richard K. Nawa, a consulting biologist. "Instead, the symptoms of declining adults returns and degraded habitat are treated with technology. Biological problems cannot be solved with technological fixes."

Belasky said the problem is illustrated by a comparison of the Illinois River in southern Oregon and the Bogachiel River in Washington.

Subjected to heavy logging, mining and irrigation water withdrawals, the Illinois has seen winter steelhead sport catches go

from 3,200 to 177 in the past 20 years. Only 20 spawning rivers were spotted by biologists in 100 miles of river last year.

With headwaters protected inside the boundaries of Olympic National Park, the Bogachiel has seen its winter steelhead run hold steady at 13,000 since 1977.

The healthy steelhead stocks are from Olympic rivers, like those originating in the Hylek National Park, where headwaters have never been logged, grazed, cultivated or dammed, Belasky said. "You don't need to be a rocket scientist to understand the connection between human-caused habitat destruction and steelhead decline."

Fifteen groups joined Oregon Natural Resources Council in the petition, including chapters of the Audubon Society, Trout Unlimited of Oregon, the Western Ancient Forest Campaign and California Sport Fishing Protection Alliance.

Briefly

Monthly Fish and Game TV show goes undercover to film poachers

BOISE — Incredible Idaho, the Idaho Department of Fish and Game's monthly television production, goes along with fish and game undercover agents on a covert operation.

Idaho hosted more than a quarter-million hunters last year and for the most part they were law-abiding citizens. But occasionally, there is illegal hunting and poaching.

The segment covers an 18-month investigation. A tour of Haysport fish hatchery, the oldest in the state, will show how brood stock is raised from eggs to adult. It also will share scientific secrets for keeping the trout big and healthy.

The program airs at 7 p.m. Feb. 28 on K3BAS in Twin Falls or KTVB in Boise.

Varmints beware; Hunters group plans move to South Dakota

PIERRE, S.D. — Varmints, beware. The Varmint Hunters Association is relocating from Lone Grove, Okla., to the Pierre area.

Group President Ned Kallfleish says varmints are nuisance critters like prairie dogs, groundhogs, ground squirrels, foxes and coyotes. The organization boasts a 20,000 monthly circulation for its Varmint Hunter magazine.

Kallfleish first got the idea to move to South Dakota from fellow varmint hunter Tom Houghton, president of H-S Peltation of Rapid City. The company makes specialized guns, stocks and other hunting paraphernalia.

The Varmint Hunters Association has a temporary lease on a building in Fort Pierre and will move in March, Kallfleish says. The group plans to build a permanent home in Pierre.

The tax structure and labor availability made South Dakota a very attractive choice. Kallfleish said. "We decided on Pierre because the Pierre Economic Development Corp. did an outstanding job of selling the community."

Plus, South Dakota has plenty of varmints.

Deal near for Nature Conservancy wildlife refuge land at Cougar Bay

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho — A two-year effort to establish a wildlife refuge at Lake Coeur d'Alene's Cougar Bay is nearing a successful end.

The Idaho chapter of the Nature Conservancy expects to complete the \$500,000 deal for a three-quarter-mile section of shoreline within 30 days.

The conservancy is purchasing about 100 acres in all, 80 of them submerged, along the bay's northern shore from Hawaiian developer Mike McCormack.

The conservancy's Guy Bonivier said there are plans to build trails on the property so people can view the abundant birds and other wildlife on the bay.

McCormack announced plans two years ago to build homes there. But a local group, Friends of Cougar Bay, was formed to fight the development, and the Nature Conservancy got involved in negotiations to save the shoreline.

McCormack agreed to sell the land if the Kootenai County Commission approved a 92-home subdivision he planned a ridge overlooking the bay.

Commissioners approved the plan recently, but a group opposed to the subdivision filed a lawsuit asking a judge to overrule the decision. The group claims the subdivision does not meet the county's land-use plan requirements. But Scott Reed, the conservancy's local attorney, said the lawsuit does not jeopardize the sale of the refuge land.

"The county commissioners approved the subdivision, which fulfilled the provisions of the contract," Reed said. "If that decision gets set aside, that's (McCormack's) problem."

Bonivier said he hopes to have the papers signed by early March, and the federal Bureau of Land Management will oversee the refuge.

Horseshoe Bend man gets 90 days in jail, loses hunting license for 12 years

BOISE — A Horseshoe Bend man got 90 days in jail and lost his hunting license for 12 years for illegally killing a cow moose and a yearling bull moose near Placerville last October.

Steve W. McReynolds, 46, also was placed on seven years probation and ordered to pay \$1,500 in fines and \$2,000 in civil penalties this week by 4th District Judge Gerald Schroeder.

The judge suspended a five-year prison sentence, another 90 days in jail and \$3,500 in fines for the felony violation.

As a condition of his probation, McReynolds also is banned from possessing any firearm or other weapon used for hunting, and he is not allowed to accompany anyone else who is hunting.

McReynolds claimed he had mistaken the moose for elk.

"Normally, a closed-season violation is a misdemeanor. But in this case the value of the animals exceeded \$1,000. That put it into the felony category," Idaho Department of Fish and Game conservation officer Clay Cummins said.

McReynolds also was charged with two misdemeanor counts for wasting big game animals.

Fish and Game releases 47 California wild turkeys along Boise River

BOISE — The Idaho Department of Fish and Game has released 47 wild California turkeys along the Boise River between Caldwell and Parma.

The birds included two adult males, 14 adult females, 16 juvenile males and 15 juvenile females. They joined 48 turkeys that Fish and Game released along the lower Boise River a year ago.

These plantings are being made as part of a long-term program to increase the number of turkeys in Idaho, said Lou Nelson, the department's regional wildlife manager. "Turkeys are not native to Idaho, so we occasionally bring new birds into the state to supplement our existing flocks."

The first turkey introductions began in the early 1960s with plantings of the forest-dwelling Merriam's subspecies. Since 1982, turkeys have been brought to Idaho from Colorado, New Mexico, North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Pennsylvania, Wyoming, Kansas, California, Texas and Oklahoma.

Biologists estimate the state's turkey population now at about 2,000 birds.

3 Colorado men fined for illegal outfitting service in national forest

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Colo. — Three men have been fined \$250 for operating illegal outfitting services in the White River National Forest during last fall's big game season.

A statement by the U.S. Forest Service Tuesday identified the men as Rick Quinn of Meeker, Peter Burns of Warm Springs, Ga., and Taylor Temples of Vernal, Utah.

It said the three men, each charged in separate actions, did not contest the charges.

"Anyone who provides a service to others on national forest lands, and receives any form of compensation for it, is required by federal regulations to have a special use permit. We are very concerned about illegal outfitting because of the potential for an unsafe, unenjoyable experience by the client, and to help protect the outfitters who are operating legally," said Sonny LaSalle, forest supervisor for White River.

Poisoned starlings suspected in deaths of Ada County eagles, hawks

BOISE — Golden eagles, red-tailed hawks and other birds of prey in Ada County are getting sick and dying, apparently after eating poisoned starlings.

"It's affecting a lot of them, potentially hundreds," said raptor expert Morley Nelson, who cares for injured birds.

While it is not unusual to see an occasional raptor poisoned, "I've never had it like this," Nelson said Monday. He has taken in four sick raptors in the past four weeks and said he knows of other wildlife specialists doing the same. The problem seems to be confined to the Eagle, Star and Meridian areas, Nelson said.

A golden eagle that died within hours of Nelson finding it and a dead red-tailed hawk have been given to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for testing. Officials at the agency said they hope to find out within a week what poison killed the birds.

Wildlife officials suspect a rancher may be to blame for the poisonings. Starlings are regularly killed with pesticides at cattle feedlots because the birds eat food meant for livestock. Experts suspect raptors are being killed by poisoned starlings because one of the dead birds of prey had remains of a starling in its stomach.

Anyone who improperly uses a pesticide that results in the death of a raptor can be fined up to \$5,000 per bird and jailed for up to six months.

Compiled from wire reports



State Fish and Game officials are concerned domesticated game animals, such as elk, may escape and carry diseases or genetic impurities to their wild brethren.

Game farms may threaten wild populations, state officials say

The Associated Press

BOISE — Lloyd Oldenburg has no problem with commercial ranchers raising elk and other big game species to satisfy a growing taste for wild meat among health-conscious consumers and upscale restaurants.

But the wildlife manager for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game fears the prospect of the domestics behind the fences escaping, spreading diseases or a jumbled set of genes to the herds in the hills.

"What is at stake is the elk as a public resource," Oldenburg said. "There are about 108,000 elk hunters in Idaho. I kind of think I'm representing them."

What has him uneasy is a legislative bid to transfer biological oversight of the ranch animals from his agency to the Idaho Department of Agriculture.

Game farmers want ranch-raised elk, reindeer and fallow deer — a European species that resembles small caribou — regulated as livestock by Agriculture. Fish and Game is currently the lead agency monitoring the business, with Agriculture's help.

Idaho already allows commercial production of the three species. But game ranchers want their operations to be considered farm businesses for tax and loan purposes.

The state Senate Agricultural Affairs Committee, citing the need to support a growing enterprise, unanimously passed an amended proposal last week backed by an industry that has grown to about 20 game farms statewide.

The full Senate also has approved a measure extending similar rights to Idahoans who raise ostriches, rheas and emus for their meat, leather and feathers.

A breeding pair of emus can cost \$50,000.

Fish and Game officials fear the possibility of a disease devastating the wild game populations or their breeding with a different subspecies, which could alter their gene pool for good.

Game ranchers contend the Agriculture Department has more veterinarians to check their herds than Fish and Game; an annual fee of up to \$5 per head would fund research on disease prevention.

Steve McGrath, a member of the Idaho Venison Council who has raised elk for years, said bankers may hesitate to extend loans to game ranchers if they think their animals are wild and essentially public property.

Idaho resorts increasingly are offering elk steak as a Wild West delicacy, and visitors pay handsomely for the entire that McGrath says has half the fat of chicken breasts. As a result, an adult bull elk now is worth up to \$7,000.

Game ranchers want to protect that kind of investment. McGrath said the elk he raises pass a battery of tests for tuberculosis, brucellosis and other diseases.

Agriculture Director Greg Nelson said cooperation would continue even if authority is shifted to his agency.

"Game farming is a legitimate agricultural pursuit," Nelson said. "We pledge we will work with Fish and Game."

But Oldenburg has his doubts. "We would still be able to look, but we wouldn't be in the loop," he said.

Fish advocates criticize stream restoration efforts

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government is squandering \$72 million Congress approved to restore fish habitat in the Northwest, focusing on minor stream improvements instead of repairing logging roads that fill rivers with silt, environmentalists charged Monday.

The watershed restoration money tied to President Clinton's forest protection plan likely will be used primarily to avert layoffs in the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management rather than hire local workers for restoration work, the critics said.

Most of the work that is being done comes from a backlog of projects that have been on the priority list for years but, in many cases, are outdated and provide only marginal benefit to the most threatened salmon and trout species, the Pacific Rivers Council said.

"The agencies have not targeted the correct restoration priorities," said Bob Doppelt, executive director of the fish-advocacy council in Eugene, Ore.

"They have proposed projects that are of dubious value or which may be

downright harmful to the salmon habitat and they may use up much of the money in overhead costs and to keep on agency personnel, rather than to hire local workers," he said.

As much as 15 percent to 30 percent of the money could end up being spent on overhead costs tied to the restoration work rather than providing jobs for local workers, he said.

The criticism was leveled as Vice President Al Gore and others were making preparations to highlight the restoration efforts during an appearance Wednesday in Tacoma, Wash.

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there was sentiment against any return to buck-only regulations. There seemed to be an understanding that perhaps, due to several mild winters, the region's antelope and deer populations had become too large for the winter range. The artificially high numbers also exaggerated the size of the winter kill.

A major sentiment seemed to trust department biologists to establish harvest and permit levels that wouldn't endanger the resource.

"By and large the meetings provided

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Turkey species returns to Arizona

WILLCOX, Ariz. (AP) — A century after their ancestors disappeared from this country, a small flock of Gould's turkeys is roaming the oak-dotted highlands of the Galiuro Mountains.

Twenty-one of the birds were trapped in Mexico and freed in hopes they'll multiply and reestablish a population all but wiped out by subsistence hunting and diseases spread by domestic fowl.

The release is part of a national effort that's helped the wild turkey population in the United States rebound from 30,000 at the turn of the century to 4 million today. The birds were released Feb. 2 by biologists from the state Game and Fish Department with the help of the National Wild Turkey Federation, a hunting and conservation group based in Edgefield, S.C.

"Turkeys are back," said Rob Keck, the federation's executive director. "The wild turkey has been part of our tradition and our heritage."

The release of Gould's turkeys, one of five native American subspecies, capped a dozen years of efforts by the federation and officials in Arizona and Mexico, where there is a sizable population of the birds.

A day after release, one male became a bobcat's brunch and two others that couldn't handle the ordeal of capture and transport were killed by researchers to be tested for disease. A favorable ratio of 12 hens to six males remains, according to Ron Olding, a wildlife biologist with the state Game and Fish Department. He coordinated the transplant.

Now the 18 surviving birds, set free in oak-woodland habitat 5,500 feet up in the Galiuro Mountain range northeast of Tucson, have to do their part. Although a hen typically lays 10 to 15 eggs, the eggs and young birds are eaten by skunks, hawks and other predators, Olding said. Each adult is fitted with a radio transmitter so biologists can track them for up to three years.

"A lot is going to hinge on how well they do this first year," Olding said.

In the early 1980s, two

'Turkeys are back. The wild turkey has been a part of our tradition and our heritage.'

— Rob Keck, National Wild Turkey Federation

attempts were made to reintroduce the bird in the Huachuca Mountains of southeast Arizona.

Some interbred with the more abundant Merriam's turkey, of which Arizona has several thousand.

"A not-quite-pure strain of Gould's established in the Huachuca apparently," Olding said. But he said some still display the Gould's distinctive white-tipped brown tail feathers.

The only other known viable Gould's flock in this country consists of 100 to 150 in the Peloncillo Mountains, along the New Mexico-Arizona state line. That flock's habitat lies mostly in New Mexico.

The 21 new birds were trapped with nets about 200 miles south of the Mexican border in the Sierra Madre.

The hope is that the new colony will survive and hatch a stable population which can then be used to repopulate new areas. If the birds thrive, hunting could eventually be allowed, Game and Fish officials say.

The federation is dedicated to the conservation of the American wild turkey, found in every state but Alaska, and to the turkey-hunting tradition.

Wild turkeys occupy more habitat than any other game species, and turkey hunting is a \$600 million business, with some 350,000 bagged yearly.

The other American subspecies are the Florida, Eastern Wild and Rio Grande turkeys. The elusive birds can fly up to 55 mph and weigh up to 25 pounds.

"People are intrigued with turkeys, and it's part of Americana," Keck said.

Low flow makes good ride for novice kayakers

BOISE — Kayakers looking for adventure on Idaho rivers may be out of luck this year.

"As far as really getting the big-water, adrenaline-filled runs, it's not going to be anything like last year," said Dan Givens, who tests kayaks for manufacturers and has run rivers for 12 years.

Idaho's 30- and 90-day forecasts from the National Weather Service look bleak for moisture. Snowpack is 50 percent of normal in many areas around the state. But that might not be all bad for kayakers who want

something less than a death-defying experience. In fact, low water actually means a longer kayaking season because it eliminates the period in May and June when dangerous high water keeps boaters off the rivers.

"Luck of water for agriculture is not a lack of water for recreation," said Carl Wilgus, head of the state Department of Commerce's Division of Travel Promotion.

His agency will continue going after the \$100 million that outfitting and guiding generates annually in Idaho. The state will spend \$650,000

this year for television and print advertising featuring shots of white-water rafting.

Generally, river runners should still have good seasons on rivers in the central Idaho mountains and on rivers like the Payette, which will have supplemental flows from water stored in reservoirs.

Flows on the main Salmon River are expected to be about 65 percent of average and should provide plenty of good whitewater. But flows could be below 50 percent of average on the Owyhee and Bruneau rivers,

which could reduce the river-running season to a few weeks in the spring.

Idaho outfitters are used to low water and have made it work to their advantage. Jeff Peavey, who operates Northwest Voyagers near Riggins, said business was better during the six drought years than last year.

"The high water and cold spring of last year actually hurt our business," Peavey said. "We were wearing wet-suits clear into July."

"It's not the condition of the water flows and snowpack, but the condition of weather during the summer."

U.S. group tries to protect Russian wildlife

WASHINGTON (AP) — Russia and the World Wildlife Fund appealed Thursday for \$17 million for an emergency plan to protect Russian wildlife.

"Russia remains one of the last places left on earth to conserve true wilderness," according to a fund report. But since the collapse of communism it said Russia's conservation program has been all but abandoned.

The economic change "has produced uncontrolled logging in the Far East region, unchecked pollution of

air, land and water in formerly pristine habitats, widespread poaching and even attempts to abolish at least six strict nature preserves," the report said.

The plan was unveiled at a news conference by fund officials and Natalia Danilina, who runs the nature reserves department in Russia's Ministry of Environmental Protection.

It outlines a program to build on Russia's system of large "zapovedniks" or strict nature preserves and rebuild national and

regional conservation programs. A fund statement said that 17 of the zapovedniks are larger than the state of Delaware and the largest is twice the size of New Jersey.

Among the animals which need protection from development and poaching are Amur (Siberian) tigers, Amur leopards, Siberian cranes, golden eagles, Baikal seals and saiga antelope, it said.

Because of the inflated value of the U.S. dollar against the fallen ruble, "Russia is probably the best conserva-

tion value on the world map today," Eric Dinerstein, the fund's director of conservation science, said in an interview.

He said the fund and Russian officials are submitting the plan for funding to the World Bank, the U.S. and several European governments and private groups.

"We have a number of positive reactions already," he said. The World Wildlife Fund has earmarked \$500,000 for the effort next year, he said.



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Mercury fear spurs Owyhee fish warning

The Times-News

BOISE — Fishermen with bass, crappies or catfish from Owyhee Reservoir better hold off eating them for a while.

The Oregon health division reports finding traces of mercury in the spiny ray fish taken from the reservoir.

More than 80 percent of the anglers at the southeastern Oregon reservoir are from Idaho.

The ODFW said women who are pregnant or nursing, women who may become pregnant and children under six years of age should avoid eating any fish from Owyhee Reservoir.

All others should limit themselves to five meals of Owyhee fish per year and at no more than a half-pound per meal.

No danger was identified at present for trout caught in the Owyhee drainage above or below the reservoir.

The warning follows similar actions for Antelope Reservoir and Jordan Creek in southeastern Oregon.

Jordan Creek begins in Idaho's Owyhee Mountains where mercury was found in gold mining beginning in the mid 1800s.



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Housing starts plummet

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Home building took its steepest slide in a decade last month, dragged down by the harsh winter and the California earthquake.

Analysts said residential construction would remain stuck this month because of lingering severe weather but regain its footing as spring approaches. Housing starts slumped 17.6 percent in January, to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1.29 million units, the Commerce Department reported Wednesday.

The decline, which matched a similar drop in January 1991, was the biggest since a 26.4 percent plunge in March 1984.

The West, including California, posted the only increase in residential construction, but it was considerably weaker than in December. Starts fell elsewhere.

Analysts noted that part of the de-

cline, in addition to the weather and quake, resulted from an upward revision in December starts, from 1.54 million rate to 1.57 million — highest since 1.62 million in January 1989.

"Even without the earthquake and cold, we considered the December surge to be unsustainable... and were looking for a moderate falloff in the first quarter," said economist David F. Seiders of the National Association of Home Builders.

Analysts said residential construction would remain strong through 1994 although it would level off at about the 1.46 million fourth-quarter rate. The Home Builders are forecasting 1.43 million starts this year, up from 1.29 million in 1993.

Although mortgage rates have inched up from their October lows, last week's average of 7.21 percent was still well below the 8.07 percent of January 1993. Lendah predicted they will be below 8 percent at year's end.

Applications for building permits — often a barometer of future activity — fell 7.9 percent in January, the first decline in seven months. Analysts said the drop also was weather-related.

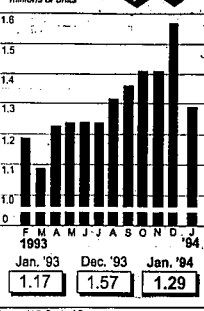
Single-family starts dropped 15 percent, to a 1.15 million rate. Seiders said construction merely was delayed and "the only question is how fast the postponed activity comes back." The Home Builders are forecasting 1.23 million single-family starts this year, the most since 1.43 million foundations were laid in 1978.

Apartment construction plunged 33.8 percent, to a 147,000 rate. But Seiders said "we expect it erratically, but gradually, to move upward."

Regionally, the West posted a 0.3 percent increase in overall starts, to a 377,000 rate, much slower than the 17.9 percent surge in December. "There's no question the earthquake caused some starts to be delayed," Seiders said.

Housing starts

Seasonally adjusted annual rate, millions of units



Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce

Market stronger, but investors worry about Japan trade feud

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Stocks rose Wednesday in a nervous session dominated by concerns about escalating trade war with Japan and upcoming inflation data on the U.S. economy.

The Dow Jones industrial average closed up 9 points at 3,937.27. Big Board volume totaled 295.42 million shares, against 306.72 million in the previous session.

Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by 6 to 5 on the New York Stock Exchange, with 1,175 up, 967 down and 626 unchanged.

Broad-market indexes were also higher. The NYSE's composite index rose 0.19 to 262.55. At the American Stock Exchange, the market value index rose 0.48 to

475.32. The Nasdaq over-the-counter index added 2.50 to 792.62.

The Dow Jones average had risen by 22 points early in the session in follow-through from Tuesday's 24-point increase. The rally began to fade in late morning amid concerns about trade tensions with Japan, analysts said.

Stocks also did not take much support from the bond market, where prices eased and interest rates moved up. On Wednesday, the dollar fell marginally against the yen and European currencies.

Neither stocks nor bonds reacted much to an announcement by the Commerce Department that housing starts plunged 17.6 percent in January. Commerce Secretary Ron Brown cited the unusually harsh winter weather.

Markets

Dow-Jones

NEW YORK (AP) — Final Dow Jones averages for Wednesday, Feb. 17

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NYSE	232.60	232.00	232.00	-0.00
AMEX	232.60	232.00	232.00	-0.00
NASDAQ	792.62	792.00	792.00	-0.00
NYSE	232.60	232.00	232.00	-0.00
AMEX	232.60	232.00	232.00	-0.00
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Microsoft	3,500,000	Microsoft	3,500,000
Apple	3,200,000	Apple	3,200,000
Oracle	2,500,000	Oracle	2,500,000
Amazon	2,000,000	Amazon	2,000,000
Google	1,500,000	Google	1,500,000
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Alcatel	27 1/2	+1/4

Closing futures

Commodity	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Crude oil	74.25	74.00	74.00	-0.25
Gold	380.00	379.00	379.00	-0.50
Silver	16.00	15.90	15.90	-0.10
Platinum	1000.00	995.00	995.00	-5.00

New York

NEW YORK (AP) — Wheat rose for New York City futures for Feb. 17

Contract	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
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Beans

NEW YORK (AP) — Final Dow Jones averages for Wednesday, Feb. 17

Index	High	Low	Close	Chg.
30 Ind	3012.34	2999.12	2997.27	+9.00
20 Ind	1803.35	1814.00	1795.00	-10.00
50 Ind	215.27	215.02	211.17	-2.10
65 Ind	1415.80	1424.17	1401.37	-14.00
NYSE	232.60	232.00	232.00	-0.00
AMEX	232.60	232.00	232.00	-0.00
NASDAQ	792.62	792.00	792.00	-0.00
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AMEX	232.60	232.00	232.00	-0.00
NASDAQ	792.62	792.00	792.00	-0.00

Grains

Commodity	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01

Potatoes/onions

Commodity	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Potatoes	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Potatoes	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Potatoes	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
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Potatoes	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Potatoes	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Potatoes	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01

Sugar

Commodity	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01

Stock listings

NEW YORK (AP) — Wheat rose for New York City futures for Feb. 17

Contract	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
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Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
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Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01

Fossil fuels

NEW YORK (AP) — Final Dow Jones averages for Wednesday, Feb. 17

Index	High	Low	Close	Chg.
30 Ind	3012.34	2999.12	2997.27	+9.00
20 Ind	1803.35	1814.00	1795.00	-10.00
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AMEX	232.60	232.00	232.00	-0.00
NASDAQ	792.62	792.00	792.00	-0.00

Metals

Commodity	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Gold	380.00	379.00	379.00	-0.50
Gold	380.00	379.00	379.00	-0.50
Gold	380.00	379.00	379.00	-0.50
Gold	380.00	379.00	379.00	-0.50
Gold	380.00	379.00	379.00	-0.50
Gold	380.00	379.00	379.00	-0.50
Gold	380.00	379.00	379.00	-0.50
Gold	380.00	379.00	379.00	-0.50
Gold	380.00	379.00	379.00	-0.50
Gold	380.00	379.00	379.00	-0.50

Livestock

Commodity	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Cattle	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Cattle	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Cattle	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Cattle	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Cattle	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Cattle	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Cattle	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Cattle	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Cattle	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Cattle	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01

Potatoes/onions

Commodity	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Potatoes	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Potatoes	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Potatoes	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Potatoes	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
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Potatoes	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
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Potatoes	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Potatoes	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
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Sugar

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Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
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Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Wheat	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01

NEW YORK (AP) — Sugar futures trading on the New York Cofee, Sugar and Cocoa Exchange Wednesday

Contract	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01
Sugar	1.15	1.14	1.14	-0.01

NEW YORK (AP) — Futures trading on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday

Oil	73.55	73.54	73.45	73.50	-0.02
* Tue's a open and 11,859					
FEDER CATTLE					
1000 lbs.; cents per lb.					
	81.05	81.05	81.05	81.77	
Jan	81.00	81.10	80.80	81.00	+1.3
Feb	81.00	81.00	80.80	80.57	-0.22
Mar	81.00	81.00	80.80	80.57	-0.22
Apr	81.70	81.70	81.50	81.00	+1.0
May	81.10	81.25	81.03	81.25	+1.0
June	80.80	80.80	80.82	80.92	+0.7
Jul	80.80	80.80	81.47	81.37	81.47
Aug	80.80	80.80	80.80	80.40	+4.3
* Tue's a sales 1,501					
* Tue's a open and 11,859					
HOGS					
100 lbs.; cents per lb.					
	48.92	48.40	48.87	+2.0	
Jan	50.18	50.00	50.00	50.27	+1.0
Feb	50.20	50.52	49.15	50.42	+0.7
Mar	50.20	50.52	49.15	50.42	+0.7
Apr	52.60	52.67	52.50	52.62	+1.8
May	46.35	46.62	46.35	46.52	-0.3
June	46.35	46.35	46.20	46.27	-1.0
Jul	46.35	46.35	46.35	46.35	46.35
Aug	46.00	46.00	47.95	47.95	-0.58
* Tue's a sales 4,302					
* Tue's a open and 31,557					
CORN BELLIES					