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Good morning

Today's forecast:

Partly cloudy with highs near 50. East winds 5 to 10 mph. Cloudy tonight with a chance of rain or snow. Lows in the lower 30s.

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Leo Jasper is guilty

A Twin Falls man pleaded guilty Wednesday to voluntary manslaughter for last April's stabbing death of Thomas M. Pont.

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The state would take over much of the funding for school employees' salaries under a bill passed by the Idaho Senate.

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Volunteers are nearing completion of an indoor firing range in Twin Falls.

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It is not known how many people died Wednesday when an Air Force F-16 collided with a C-130 cargo plane in the air and ignited a transport plane on the ground.

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Shot kills Twin Falls burger vendor

By Sean L. McCarthy
Times-News writer

SALMON — A gunshot rang out early Wednesday morning at a remote, central Idaho mountain fishing camp, leaving one Twin Falls man dead and sending another Twin Falls man to the Lemhi County Jail.

Jon M. "Mike" Peckenpaugh was arraigned Wednesday in Salmon and charged with first-degree murder in the death of 42-year-old hamburger vendor Allen Swafford.

Swafford, of 212 Quincy St., died from a single gunshot wound to the chest, according to Lemhi County Deputy Coroner Shaun O'Reilly.

Peckenpaugh, 22, allegedly shot his fishing buddy Swafford with a .44-caliber Magnum following an argument at about 1:30 a.m. Wednesday, Lemhi County Sheriff's Chief

Deputy Mike Mitchell said.

"They were arguing, but that's not any reason to shoot anybody," Mitchell said.

Vicki Pullman, also of Twin Falls, was at the scene, he said. She apparently heard but did not see the shot fired, he said. No charges were filed against Pullman, who could not be reached for comment Wednesday.

Peckenpaugh, a mining engineer, pleaded innocent, said his attorney, Lynn Dunlap of Twin Falls.

Peckenpaugh headed north to the Salmon area earlier this week "to do some salmon fishing" with Swafford, Dunlap said Wednesday.

"They have gone hunting and fishing several times," he said.

Peckenpaugh was treated by Salmon medical personnel for broken ribs this morning, while Pullman was treated for vari-

ous injuries, Dunlap said. Sheriff's deputies could not confirm that the 250-pound Swafford had fought with Peckenpaugh and Pullman before the shooting.

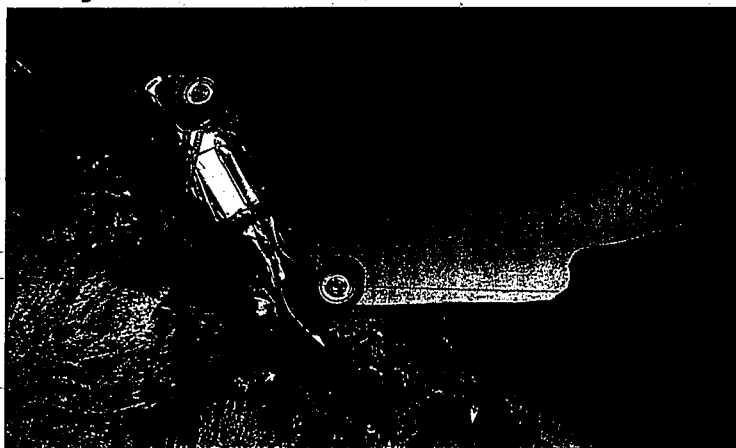
Blood samples were taken to determine if drugs or alcohol were involved in the shooting, Mitchell said.

The shooting occurred on a Forest Service road along the Salmon River about four miles west of Shoup, he said. Shoup is about 25 miles northwest of Salmon, just south of the Montana border and within the Salmon National Forest, 175 miles due north of Twin Falls.

Lorraine Kissinger, Swafford's neighbor at 211 Quincy St., said Swafford hauled a home-built food trailer north about two weeks ago to sell hamburgers and hot dogs to steelhead fishermen along the Salmon River.

"He was a good neighbor. Anybody who needed help, he was there," Kissinger said.

Canyon crash



Frank Rife of Twin Falls Body and Paint fastens a strap from a crane to a Chevrolet pickup that tumbled more than 200 feet down Salmon Falls Creek Canyon south of Castelford Wednesday. The truck came to precariously rest about halfway between Lily Grade and the creek.

Driver survives plunge

Pickup falls 250 feet in Salmon Falls Creek Canyon

By Sean L. McCarthy
Times-News writer

CASTLEFORD — A dairy worker, somehow escaped serious injury when the pickup he was driving plummeted 250 feet into the Salmon Falls Creek Canyon Wednesday afternoon.

"If you had seen it, you wouldn't have believed it," said Twin Falls County Sheriff's Deputy Eddie Aldritt.

Francisco Reyes Alvarez, 21, lost control of his brother's 1973 Chevy pickup at about 2:30 p.m. Wednesday

at Lily Grade on the Roseworth Road south of Castelford.

Alvarez, who speaks little English, needed a translator to tell deputies how the truck's brakes failed and how he survived, Aldritt said.

"He said he was in his seat belt and just held on," Aldritt said.

A 32-ton crane lifted the truck out of the canyon from the rock it was "teetering" on, he said.

The truck had come to rest on its roof with its rear wheels spinning. The driver's side of the truck was not collapsed, and the truck's steering wheel was bent

forward, as if Alvarez had held onto it, Aldritt said.

Alvarez was later seen walking along the road and was picked up by a driver heading into Castelford, he said.

Sheriff's deputies found Alvarez there without a driver's license but with a Social Security card, he said. Citations are pending following an investigation, he said.

Alvarez lives and works with his brother at a dairy in the Castelford area, he said. He went to work after the accident, Deputy Matt Clawson said.

"He's either a real lucky guy or just one tough hombre," Aldritt said.

Condie says prescription may have impaired him

By Phil Salmon
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — City Councilman Tom Condie admitted Wednesday his ability to drive may have been impaired by a prescription drug, fatigue and a severe headache before police officers pulled him over early Sunday morning on suspicion of drunken driving.

And according to a videotape, the arresting officer was uncertain about what might have caused Condie's behavior.

"He's lit," says Twin Falls Police Officer Dan McAttee on the tape in a conversation with another officer. "I just don't know on what. It's not alcohol."

Condie, a Mormon, insists he does not drink alcohol.

Condie said Wednesday his impairment could have resulted from a combination of a long work week and medication he takes because of a severe head injury he suffered in a March 1993 car accident.

"I think there could have been some impairment. I didn't see anything wrong in their wanting to take me down to the courthouse for tests," Condie said Wednesday after arriving a reporter to view the videotape of his arrest.

A breath test at the Twin Falls County Jail Sunday showed no trace of alcohol in Condie. Officers took a urine sample to test for drugs, but the results of that might not come back for one to six weeks.

Condie was arrested at 2:55 Sunday morning on the 1500 block of Washington Street North. The arrest was videotaped by a camera in McAttee's car.

Condie, a certified public accountant, said he was going home after a long day at work. He maintains that the arresting police officer did not need to handcuff him for the ride to jail.

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F&G to trap, kill predators

By William Brock
Times-News writer

JEROME — What's good for pheasants will be bad for predators next week when the Idaho Department of Fish and Game begins a trap-and-kill program across 167 square miles of Gooding and Jerome counties.

Guidelines for the predator-management program were laid down by Jerry Mallet, Fish and Game assistant director, in a March 18 memo to Region 4 Supervisor Carl Nellis.

A similar memo was sent to Region 5 Supervisor Greg Tourlette in Pocatello.

"All animals captured, except domestic dogs and collared pets, will be euthanized," Mallet wrote. They will be killed with a .22-caliber bullet to the brain, but poison-on-a-stick will be an option for "problem situations" such as skunks.

Likely victims include foxes, skunks, fire-breathing cats, coyotes, raccoons, badgers and maybe even weasels, Nellis said. The plan is to set 10 traps for seven successive nights in each of seven "special management areas" — for a total of 490 trapping opportunities.

Next year, the destruction of predators will be confined to two areas — totaling 34 square miles — in northern and southern Gooding County, Nellis said. The destruction will be far more intensive, he said, and we will be trying to remove as many predators as possible on those two areas."

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The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Orders to U.S. factories for durable goods fell a larger-than-expected 2.5 percent in February, the first decline since last July, the government said Wednesday.

It also was the largest drop since a 2.8 percent decrease in July. It followed a revised 4.4 percent rise in January.

After six straight advances, the turnaround was led by a reversal of the surge in defense and aircraft orders. Transportation equipment orders plummeted 9.2 percent.

Excluding transportation, the indicator of manufacturing growth was unchanged last month, the Commerce Department said. Excluding defense orders, durable goods orders dropped 1 percent.

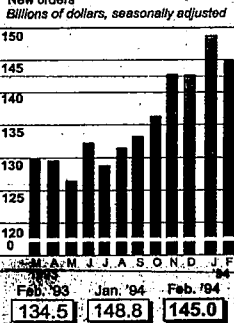
The department said orders for all long-lasting, big-ticket items, including cars and computers, totaled a seasonally adjusted \$146 billion. The record for durable goods orders, \$148.8 billion, was set in January.

Economists expected a decline in February, because of a predicted dip in highly volatile aircraft and parts orders. But many analysts said before the report was released that the decrease would only be a fraction of 1 percent.

The report comes one day after the Federal Reserve Board announced it is boosting interest rates for the second time this year. The central bank, seeking to head off inflation, signalled that it is pushing its target for the federal funds rate — the interest

Durable goods

New orders
Billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted



Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce

that banks charge each other — up a quarter-percentage-point to 3.5 percent.

The February decline in durable goods appears unrelated to the winter weather. While weather may slow factory shipments, analysts say it probably has little impact on orders.

Durable goods orders are a key barometer of manufacturing plans for production. If they decline, it could mean less chance of expansion and job growth.

The Commerce Department said orders for transportation equipment fell \$3.8 billion to \$37.6 billion in February, with all the decline due to reduced orders for aircraft and parts.

Orders for electronic and other electrical equipment were down \$1.2 billion, or 5.6 percent, to \$21.1 billion.

Orders for non-defense capital goods, excluding aircraft, rose 5.3 percent, following a revised 6.9 percent drop in January. These orders often are a gauge of business plans to expand and modernize.

Unfilled orders dipped 0.3 percent to \$422.7 billion, following a 0.9 percent rise in January.

The orders backlog often is a measure of whether current facilities and manpower are able to keep up with demand. When they fall, it suggests producers are keeping up with demand using their current facilities and work force. But some economists say a shrinking backlog results from shipments outpacing a growth in orders.

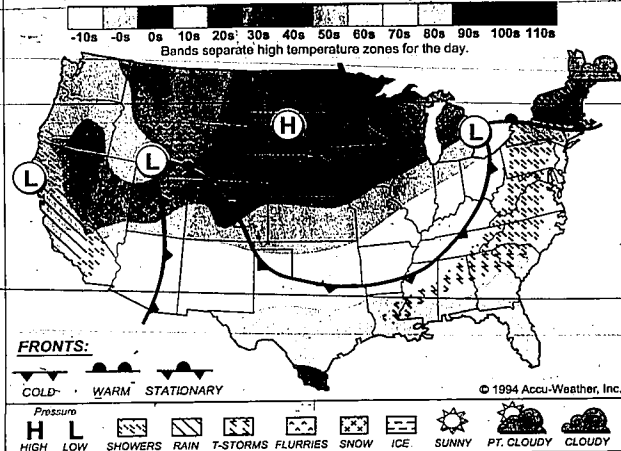
Shipments of durable goods jumped 1 percent last month to \$146.4 billion, the sixth increase in the last seven months.

Orders for primary metals rose 0.4 percent in February to \$12.2 billion. Orders for industrial machinery and equipment climbed 4.7 percent to \$27.3 billion, following a 2.8 percent decline in January.

Weather

NATIONAL Weather

The Accu-Weather® forecast for noon, Thursday, March 24.

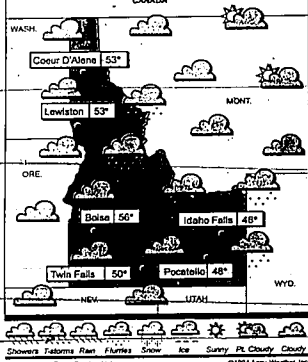


via Associated Press

IDAHO Weather

Thursday, March 24

Accu-Weather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures



via Associated Press

Forecasts

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding: Magic Valley: Today partly cloudy. Highs near 50. East winds 10 mph. Tonight cloudy with a chance of rain or snow. Lows in the lower 30s. Friday cloudy with a chance of rain. Highs in the lower 50s.

Camas Prairie and Sun Valley: Camas Prairie and Sun Valley: Today partly cloudy. Highs in the mid- to upper 40s. Tonight mostly cloudy with a chance of snow. Lows in the lower 30s. Friday cloudy with a chance of rain or snow. Highs 45 to 50.

Extended forecast: Southern Idaho - Southern Idaho: Today partly cloudy. Highs 45 to 55. Tonight mostly cloudy with a slight chance of rain west and a chance of snow east. Lows upper 20s to mid-30s. Friday cloudy with a slight chance of rain west and a good chance of rain east. Highs upper 40s to mid-50s. Extended forecast: Saturday through Monday, partly cloudy with seasonable temperatures. Scattered showers and snow on Saturday. Lows upper 20s and 30s. Highs upper 40s and 50s.

Pollen count

6; elm; low

Courtesy Asthma and Allergy of Idaho

Visible planets

Morning: Jupiter, Mercury, Mars, Saturn
Evening: Venus

Storms hit Plains while warmth thaws East

The Associated Press
Thunderstorms, snow and strong winds battered the Plains on Wednesday, while the East enjoyed record highs and the West shuddered to record lows.

Up to hurricane force winds were reported along the eastern slopes of the central Rockies from southeast Wyoming into Colorado. Winds gusted to 75 mph at Boulder, Colo., and in Cheyenne, Wyo., winds reached 75 mph, blowing out car windows at Warren Air Force Base and knocking down trees, the National Weather Service said.

Overnight, heavy snow fell on the northern Plains. Up to 2 feet fell in the central Rockies in Utah and Wyoming and a foot fell in Bowman, N.D.

Warm, moist air moved ahead of the cold front from Texas

into the Great Lakes. Showers and a few thunderstorms stretched from southern Wisconsin to the Gulf Coast. Muscatine, Iowa, was hit with marble-sized hail.

In the East, Atlantic City, N.J., broke a 45-year-old record for the date by 4 degrees when the mercury climbed to 75 under sunny skies. Baltimore warmed to 83, beating the old record of 82 set in 1907.

In the West, the temperature fell to 19 in Boise, Idaho, breaking the record of 22 set in 1955. In Klamath Falls, Ore., the mercury dropped to 14, breaking by 6 degrees the record set in 1965.

A storm off the Pacific coast was expected to move inland late Wednesday and Thursday and bring with it rain, and snow to mountain areas.

The low Wednesday for the lower 48 states was 4 at Ely, Nev.

Mexican presidential candidate assassinated

TIJUANA, Mexico (AP)—The man expected to become Mexico's next president, Luis Donaldo Colosio, was shot to death Wednesday during a campaign appearance in the border city of Tijuana.

Colosio, candidate of Mexico's governing party, was rushed to Tijuana General Hospital with gunshot wounds to the head and upper body. The attorney general's office said the gunman and his accomplice were arrested.

An unidentified source, interviewed on the television network, said Colosio's wife, Diana, and a Roman Catholic clergyman were summoned into the operating room Wednesday night.

Leovano Saez, Colosio's campaign press secretary, said he died at 9:10 p.m. MST, about three hours after he was

shot. A hospital spokeswoman said doctors operated on the less-serious wound in the lower body first, then had started a second operation on the head wound.

Hundreds of people were milling about outside the hospital. Some were standing vigil, lighting candles and placing them on the front steps. The hospital is in the Zona Rio near the U.S.-Mexican border.

Condie

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He also disputed Twin Falls Police Chief Paul Du Fresno's contention that Condie "stomped off" and "slammed" his car door before Officer Dan McAttee handcuffed him. This description falsely suggested he reacted aggressively and angrily during the arrest, Condie said.

Du Fresno also has viewed the videotape and said Wednesday that he stands by his earlier remarks and that the police officers acted "totally appropriately."

"I certainly would have done everything they did. I have respect for the officers in handling the situation considering they knew who he was," Du Fresno said.

Handcuffing an arrested person is standard procedure to protect the officer and arrestee, he said.

In his description of the arrest, McAttee said Condie had been traveling 58 mph in a 35 mph zone. McAttee also wrote that he followed Condie for three-quarters of a mile before Condie pulled off the road.

As he pulled off the road, Condie came very close to colliding with a power pole," McAttee wrote. Traveling at a high rate of speed, Condie came to a jarring halt, according to McAttee's written description.

After viewing the tape Wednesday, Condie said he did not come close to hitting the power pole and said he does not believe he was traveling almost 60 mph and that he made a

"controlled stop." The tape doesn't clearly indicate who is right.

The videotape shows McAttee approaching Condie's Honda automobile with Cpl. Mike Hottman approaching the passenger side of the car.

After speaking with Condie for a couple of minutes, McAttee, wearing a microphone connected to the video recorder, turns and walks back toward his patrol car. He tells Hottman that Condie is "ill" — but not on alcohol, Condie said.

Wednesday, Condie took offense at that assessment, saying McAttee did not believe him when he told the officer he does not drink alcohol.

The tape shows Condie telling McAttee that he had taken medication that evening. Seriously injured in an early morning car accident in March 1993, Condie still suffers severe migraine headaches, and he said he takes medication to alleviate them.

If the medication had affected him, he was not aware of it, Condie said Wednesday.

"They should have been concerned, was I on medication and was I having a reaction to it?" Condie said.

The videotape shows McAttee asking Condie if he had consumed any alcohol. Condie replied that he had, but had told them he does not drink alcohol.

"Would you have me believe that?" McAttee replied.

Condie conceded Wednesday his speech initially sounds slurred on the videotape. He also admitted fumbling while looking for his driver's license,

but said a crowded wallet caused that problem.

McAttee gave Condie several field tests, including walking heel to toe, clapping his hands, reciting the alphabet and counting backwards. After the tests, McAttee, with the agreement of Hottman, decided to take Condie to jail.

The officer told Condie that as a courtesy, he would not handcuff him. He started to load Condie into his patrol car, when Condie noticed his car door was open. Condie can be seen on the videotape walking to his car and closing the door.

McAttee's written report says he told Condie to stop; but this is not audible on the videotape. After Condie closes his car door, McAttee handcuffs him, saying he tried to be nice but would have to cuff him for the officer's and Condie's protection.

Monday, Condie said the episode was "very physical" and that McAttee "body-slammed" him against his car while handcuffing him. Wednesday, Condie conceded that he wasn't body-slammed, although "it felt like it at the time."

In fact, the videotape does not show any rough treatment by McAttee or Hottman.

Condie said he has made an appointment with his doctor to talk about the medications he takes. He also takes an anti-depressant drug, but said Wednesday that he does not believe that medication interacted with his driving before, he said.

Idaho road report
BOISE, Idaho (AP)—The Idaho Department of Transportation today reported hazardous conditions on major routes in the eastern and southern parts of the state.

Interstate 84 — Oregon line-Burley, dry; Burley-Utah line, icy spots, icy. Idaho 55 — Horseshoe Bend-Donnelly, dry; broken snow floor, snowing. Idaho 21 — Boise-Idaho City, dry; Idaho City-Banner Summit, icy spots.

U.S. 20 — Mountain Home-Carey, dry; Carey-Idaho Falls, icy spots, light; high winds; Idaho Falls-Astoria, icy spots, broken snow floor, snowing; Ashton-Montana line, snow floor, snowing, drifts.

U.S. 26 — Idaho Falls-Wyoming line, icy spots, icy, snowing; Blackfoot-Arco, dry, icy spots.

Idaho 51 — Icy spots.

Interstate 15 — Twin Falls, icy spots; Twin Falls-Arco, dry; Arco-Salmon, icy spots, broken snow floor, snowing; Lost Trail Pass, icy spots, broken snow floor, snow floor, snowing.

Idaho 75 — Dry.

Interstate 86 — Dry, icy spots.

Interstate 15 — Utah line-Pocatello, dry, icy spots; Malad Pass, icy spots; Pocatello-Idaho Falls, dry, icy spots; Idaho Falls-Dubois, dry, snowing lightly; Mendota Pass, snow floor, snowing, drifts.

U.S. 30 — McCammon-Soda Springs, dry, icy spots, broken snow floor, snowing, drifts; Soda Springs-Wyoming line, broken snow floor, snowing, drifts.

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Predators

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"This is what a lot of people have told us they want," Nellis said, noting that pheasant numbers have been declining for the past seven or eight years.

Killing predators to benefit pheasants — which are not native to the Magic Valley — has some wildlife buffs howling with outrage.

"This is a quick-fix solution," said Kristi Webb, president of the Magic Valley chapter of the National Audubon Society. "We can't expect to undo years of habitat and population loss in a short period of time."

"Killing predators isn't the answer," she said, adding that habitat improvement is a far better solution.

Rod Thomas, president of the Magic Valley's Idaho Sage Chapter of Pheasants Forever, agreed that habitat improvement is important.

Even so, "predator control also has a place in pheasant recovery," he said.

"We're at the point where there's little habitat left and the predators have an unfair advantage," Thomas said. "We don't want to get rid of every last predator. We just want to give the upland game birds a better chance."

As bird populations have gone down, predator numbers have been going up because the social stigma against shooting them has worsened, Thomas said.

Much of the decline in pheasant numbers is due to changes in agriculture, Nellis said. Specifically, he cited the rise of center-pivot irrigation and the decline of fence rows

— which provide safe cover for game birds. Further, alfalfa fields are cut more often than they once were, and hens have less time to raise their broods.

To counter some of that, the Fish and Game department is also planning to spend \$80,000 to grow corn on private and federal land in Gooding and Jerome counties, Nellis said. The corn will provide food and cover, he said.

The focus of the new Fish and Game program is to gather "baseline" data to show if the recovery effort is successful over a period of years, Nellis said. To that end, captured predators will be counted before they are killed, he added.

In years to come, the Fish and Game department may take aim at magpies — which are presumed to raid pheasant nests — and even Russian olive trees, which are favorite hangouts for magpies.

Idaho lottery

BOISE (AP) — Winning numbers drawn Wednesday in the Powerball game were:

3-22-27-34-40; Powerball 15 (three, twenty-two, twenty-seven, thirty-four, forty; Powerball fifteen). Estimated jackpot: \$13.8 million.

BOISE (AP) — Winning numbers drawn Wednesday in the Tri-West Lotto game were:

2-3-5-11-28-32 (two, three, five, eleven, twenty-eight, thirty-two). Estimated jackpot: \$820,000.

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Nation

Air Force jet, transport plane collide, kill soldiers

POPE AIR FORCE BASE, N.C. (AP) — An Air Force F-16 collided in the air Wednesday with a C-130 cargo plane and crashed, spawning flaming debris that ignited a huge transport plane on the ground. An undetermined number of deaths were reported.

The two pilots aboard the F-16 ejected successfully and the C-130 landed safely with five crew members aboard, said Air Force Brig. Gen. Bobby Floyd. All seven were in good condition.

After the pilots ejected, the F-16 exploded into flames and hit the ground, sending engines and sheared metal flying, Floyd said. The fighter plane skidded past parked transport planes and into a staging area where paratroopers were preparing for exercises.

Wisconsin representative heads appropriation panel

WASHINGTON — House Democrats Wednesday resolved a tense two-month power struggle by choosing Rep. David R. Obey, Wis., a prominent liberal, as acting chairman of the Appropriations Committee, replacing retiring Rep. William H. Rostenkowski, D-Ill.

The election of Obey, 55, an articulate and aggressive party activist and the committee's fifth-ranking Democrat, was a bitter disappointment for Rep. Neal Smith, D-Iowa, the third-ranking Democrat who had appealed to rank-and-file members to adhere to seniority in making their choice.

The low profile, self-effacing Smith, who celebrated his 74th birthday Wednesday, gave what his supporters described as an uncharacteristically impassioned speech to the Democratic caucus, reminding members that he had been a tireless workhorse for the party who had



Obey

delivered time and again for Democratic presidents and for many of those sitting in the chamber.

But the Democratic caucus has undergone dramatic changes in the past six years, with a huge infusion of younger and more ethnically diverse members, and many opted for a more dynamic chairman to lead the appropriations.

"The majority of the caucus prefers (Obey's) style to mine," a defeated Smith said after the vote. "There's a feeling we need someone who's magic, like Sam Rayburn. They want someone who can pull a rabbit out of a hat."

S.D. Senator aims for leadership

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Sen. Thomas A. Daschle, D-S.D., Wednesday became the first official entry in the race for the post of Senate Democratic leader, setting the stage for an eight-month-long contest that could take on strong regional, philosophical and generational overtones.

But, as usual for a Senate leadership contest, the race also is shaping up as a highly personal and rather Byzantine affair, with members putting self-interest — ranging from "quality-of-life" concerns to raw ambition — ahead of broader themes that dominate most elections.

This makes these elections especially unpredictable and often of dubious relevance to the divining of national trends.

Daschle, 46, is a protégé of retiring Majority Leader George J. Mitchell,

D-Maine, with whom he serves as co-chairman of the Democratic Policy Committee, and said in a letter to colleagues that he wanted to "continue to build on George Mitchell's record and style of leadership."

Daschle, who served four terms in the House before he was elected to the Senate in 1986, is widely regarded as among the two or three most serious likely contenders for the Democrats' top leadership job. He told reporters he believes he already is "more than halfway there" in getting the votes needed to be elected by Senate Democrats, who hold 56 of the 100 Senate seats.

Sen. John Breaux, D-La., 50, a seven-term House veteran who also was elected to the Senate in 1986, is regarded as a potentially strong contender, although he says he has not made up his mind about running. Breaux is now chief deputy whip.

Florida jury mulls sentence for murderer

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP) — A jury was shown a photograph of a headless victim of Danny Rolling's weekend of murder and mutilation Wednesday before deciding whether to recommend the death sentence.

In closing arguments at the sentencing hearing, State Attorney Rod Smith led the jurors through the slayings of five college students in August 1990.

"Everything he did was completely designed to be successful at killing and raping," Smith said. "He was committed to a plan of murder."

But Assistant Public Defender Johnny Kearns urged the jurors not to give in to anger or vengeance, asking them to impose life sentences on the Louisiana drifter.

"Life, in this case, is a punishment. It is punishment because life is a sentence to Mr. Rolling of life without hope," Kearns said.

"Mr. Rolling is going to die in a small room behind a brick wall covered with concertina wire with a life sentence. Life in this case is 125 years."

Rolling, 39, pleaded guilty Feb. 15 to five counts of first-degree murder, three counts of sexual battery and three counts of armed burglary for the slayings.

The jury will recommend to Circuit Judge Stan R. Morris whether Rolling should die in the electric chair or be sentenced to life in prison; the only options under Florida law. Jurors began deliberations after receiving instructions from the judge.

Smith used grisly photos of the victims during his closing argument. "He sent a message to Gainesville and the medium he used was this," he said, holding up a photograph of Christa Hoyt's headless body.

School goals plan passes House

WASHINGTON (AP) — With \$105 million at stake, the House approved compromise legislation Wednesday that would create voluntary standards for what children should know and give states and local school districts money to help achieve the goals.

A last-minute dispute over school prayer threatened to at least delay the Goals 2000 Education America Act, which now goes to the Senate for final passage. Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., has made a veiled threat to filibuster the bill.

The measure authorizes \$647 million, including \$400 million in grants to states and local school agencies to develop and implement plans for education reform. It also writes into law the education goals agreed to in 1989 by then-President Bush and the nation's governors. Two new goals were added encouraging parental involvement in education and professional development for teachers.

The Clinton administration has requested \$700 million for Goals 2000 for fiscal 1995.

Congress plans to adjourn for the Easter recess Friday. In a statement on the Senate floor Tuesday, Helms called the prayer issue "so significant to what we hope to restore to this country... Unless we get back on a moral and spiritual footing, I do not believe this country has a chance."

Helms wrote an amendment to the Senate's version of Goals 2000 that would have denied federal funds to schools that barred voluntary, constitutionally protected prayer. The House had endorsed Helms' language.

However, the compromise version states that federal funds could not be used by states or local school districts to adopt policies that prevent voluntary prayer and mediation. Some Republicans argued that this would allow schools to receive federal funds even if they restrict prayer.

The House approved the goals bill by a vote of 307-120 after rejecting an effort by Rep. John Duncan, R-Tenn., to revise the prayer language.

Dems on House panel reach health deal

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Ways and Means Democrats agreed tentatively Wednesday to a compromise plan to guarantee health insurance for every American by 1998.

The plan includes a \$1.25-per-pack increase in the cigarette tax but does not include an across-the-board payroll tax.

It would require only corporations with 1,000 or more employees that self-insure to pay a 1 percent payroll tax.

All employers with more than 100 workers would have to provide health insurance as of Jan. 1, 1996. Those with 100 or fewer workers would get until Jan. 1, 1998, to cover them.

The program would expand Medicare to cover the uninsured, including those working for small businesses. It would add prescription drug coverage for all Medicare beneficiaries in 1998.

Rep. Sander Levin, D-Mich., said, "We've got a deal" with six of the panel's 11 members.

Republicans failed in a series of attempts to derail the Democrats' compromise. "This is how bad law is made... at the 11th hour to garner a couple of votes," said Rep. Fred Grandy, R-Iowa.

But Rep. Gerald Kleczka, D-Wis., sided with the Republicans at one point in the debate. He expressed concern about the new taxes in the bill.

If it holds, the pact crafted by Rep. Pete Stark, D-Calif., would make the health subcommittee the first in Congress to approve a health reform plan.

Levin said the Democrats had found other ways to raise the \$24 billion a year that would have come from a 0.8

Clinton rejects spy's clemency request

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton rejected the clemency request of convicted spy Jonathan J. Pollard Wednesday, citing the "grave nature" of his espionage for Israel.

"The enormity of Mr. Pollard's crime, the harm his actions caused to our country, and the need to deter every person who might even consider such actions, warrant his continued incarceration," Clinton said in a statement.

Pollard had sought a reduced sentence because his spying was on behalf of a friendly nation.

The decision was sure to anger American Jewish groups who, along with Israeli leaders, pressed Clinton to show leniency. There was no immediate comment from the Israeli government.

"There will be a sense of disappointment in the Jewish community that a humanitarian gesture wasn't made," said Rabbi Abraham Cooper, associate dean of the Simon Wiesenthal Center, a Jewish activist group in Los Angeles.

The president announced his decision a day after receiving recommendations from Attorney General Janet Reno, the Central Intelligence Agency and the Defense Department, who



Pollard

Despite pleas from Jewish groups and the Israeli government, granting clemency would have been difficult for Clinton amid the furor surrounding the recent arrest of Yehoshua H. Ames, a CIA employee accused of spying for Moscow. The case has heightened concern about the security of U.S. secrets.

Shortly before the announcement, Pollard's attorney, Theodore Olson, said he wanted one more chance to make his case. "We want a chance to respond to the Justice recommendations and a chance to be heard directly by the White House. Tens of thousands of people have expressed an interest in this case, including the prime minister of our closest ally," he said.

Olson said Pollard knows he had to be punished and is asking for mercy not forgiveness. "The point is that he's been punished enough," Olson said.

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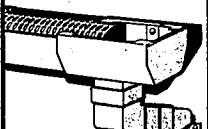
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Study links nicotine patches, colon help

BOSTON (AP) — Finally, doctors have something good to say about nicotine.

A team in Wales has found that nicotine patches appear to relieve the symptoms of ulcerative colitis, a chronic inflammation of the colon.

The disease causes bloody diarrhea and abdominal pain and is sometimes difficult to treat. Doctors have long noticed that it is rare in cigarette smokers and sometimes starts after people kick the habit.

The study was intended to see if nicotine, the chemical that makes cigarettes so addictive, could explain the protective effect of smoking and possibly provide a new treatment.

The study found that all symptoms went away in half of the men and women who were nicotine patches for six weeks. However, some had to quit the treatment because of unpleasant side effects.

"We are very encouraged with a totally new approach to the treatment of this disease," said Dr. John Rhodes, a co-author of the study.

The study was supported in part by Kabi Pharmacia, which provided the nicotine patches. In the United States, 40 to 50 of every 100,000 people have ulcerative colitis.

The study was conducted principally by Dr. Rupert D. Pullan at University Hospital of Wales in Cardiff and published in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine.

The study was conducted on 72

people. They were randomly assigned to wear nicotine patches or look-alike dummy patches, and neither they nor their doctors could tell who was getting the real drug.

While symptoms went away in half of those getting nicotine, they also cleared up in one-quarter of the people in the untreated comparison group. Just why so many improved is unclear. However, it could be an example of the so-called placebo effect, in which the appearance of treatment makes people feel better.

A skeptically worded editorial in the journal criticized the researchers for relying on patients' reports of symptoms rather than providing hard evidence of nicotine could have changed people's perceptions of their symptoms.

The editorial, written by Dr. Stephen B. Hanauer of the University of Chicago, raised the possibility that the mood-altering effect of nicotine could have changed people's perceptions of their symptoms.

Hanauer called the report "stimulating" but said it "does not provide convincing evidence of a true biologic effect of nicotine."

Rhodes said the team is not recommending that nicotine be used routinely for ulcerative colitis until their findings are duplicated by other research groups.

"It is very easy to be skeptical, and we're not jumping over the moon," he said. "We are reserved ourselves and want other people to look at this."

Californians snuff out cigarette industry

The Associated Press

Nearly half of Californians have banned smoking in their homes and 52 percent say selling cigarettes "should not remain a legitimate business in the next century," according to a report on the state's tough anti-smoking campaign.

"The tide of public opinion appears to have changed dramatically against the tobacco industry," said John P. Pierce of the University of California, San Diego, the author of a five-year assessment of California's \$599 million anti-smoking campaign.

The report's principal conclusion was that the anti-smoking campaign led to a 28 percent drop in smokers in California over five years, three times the decline in the rest of the country.

That conclusion was reported Monday by The Associated Press, which had obtained a copy of the report before its release. But Pierce was not allowed to talk about the report until it was officially released Wednesday.

In an interview, he highlighted the report's findings concerning changes in attitudes toward smoking in the home and toward the cigarette industry.

A 1992 survey of 8,224 adults and 1,789 teen-agers found that 48 percent of Californians banned smoking in their homes. Even among smokers, 27 percent banned smoking in the home. The report didn't specify a margin of sampling error.

Fifty-two percent said cigarette sales shouldn't remain a legitimate business after 2000, Pierce said.

"People are getting fed up with the fact that we can't stop our kids becoming addicted to this product," Pierce said.

"The industry is not as popular as it once was. I think that reflects what's happening in the country. A number of places have passed taxes and bans on workplace smoking."

California's anti-smoking campaign was established with passage of a referendum in November 1988. The measure raised cigarette taxes by 25 cents per pack. It required that 20 percent of that revenue be used to fund what became the largest and most aggressive anti-smoking campaign ever mounted.

Air over Hollandia filled with surprises

Knight-Ridder News Service

As part of the revised plan to encircle Rabaul, the 4th Marine Regiment landed on Emirau, north-west of Kavieng, on March 20, 1944.

There was no opposition, as the Japanese had never bothered to occupy this island. On that same day, just to show that Kavieng (the original objective of the Marines) was not being ignored, the prewar battleships New Mexico, Mississippi, Tennessee and Idaho paid a visit. They pumped 1,079 rounds of 14-inch shells into Kavieng and its airfields. Air cover was provided by two escort carriers.

Fifteen destroyers also came along for protection. With Rabaul and Kavieng cut off and bypassed, attention turned to the last Japanese stronghold in the southwest Pacific: Hollandia in western New Guinea.

The target date for invading Hollandia was set for April 15. The fast carriers of Task Force 58 would come over from the Central Pacific to cover the landings. Since the Pacific theater commander, Adm. Chester Nimitz, was concerned about exposing the carriers to an estimated 300 land-based Japanese planes in Hollandia, Gen. George Kenney's 5th Air Force was ordered to take out this center of enemy air strength.

The Japanese had built three large airbases at Hollandia because they were beyond fighter range of Kenney's fields. However, in late February, 58 new P-38 "Lightnings" arrived with extra wing tanks, which gave them the range needed to escort bombers to Hollandia. Kenney immediately set his own shops to work making the same kind of tanks for 75 more P-38s. He wanted to give the enemy a surprise from which they would never recover.

While this work was in progress, a convoy trying to run supplies to the 100,000 enemy troops around Wewak was spotted by radar. Flying B-24 "Liberators," flying night patrol. The bombers damaged



a destroyer and sank two freighters. The next day, a strike by more B-24s sank two more freighters. This was followed by a strafing and skip-bomb attack by 80 medium bombers, which wiped out three more ships. That night, another patrol of radar-equipped B-24s found the damaged destroyer and sank it. All that was left of the convoy were two damaged freighters, which limped back to Hollandia. It was Tokyo's last attempt to supply Wewak by sea.

March 31 marked the start of the three-day blitz of Hollandia's airfields. Sixty-five B-24 heavy bombers with 80 P-38s as escort saturated the area with fragmentation bombs. Prime targets were the fuel dumps and anti-aircraft guns. The next day, 68 B-24s and 70 P-38s went in again. The airfields and their rows of parked aircraft were the targets this time. Photo reconnaissance identified 138 enemy planes destroyed on the ground.

On April 3, Kenney again sent the B-24s but this time followed them with every available strafe. One hundred seventy-one B-25 "Mitchells" and A-20 "Havocs" medium bombers roared in on the deck to shoot up everything in sight. Post-strike photos showed 288 wrecked enemy aircraft.

In the three-day air battle, the Japanese lost 45 fighters against only two P-38s lost. The long-range American escorts outnumbered the Japanese interceptors 2-to-1. No bombers were lost.

Nimitz and Gen. Douglas MacArthur sent their congratulations. MacArthur sent him in the clear so the enemy could read it, too.

Man arrested for moving firetruck

Los Angeles Times

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. — Garry Campbell says he was NOT trying to steal that bright yellow Ventura County fire engine in front of his house just after midnight Tuesday.

He just wanted to move it away from his suburban Los Angeles area home because his idling motor was keeping his four children awake, he said.

But the Ventura County Sheriff's Department arrested Campbell, saying that his drive of less than 100 yards in the county's fire engine endangered the life of a heart-attack victim. Campbell threatened Tuesday to sue the sheriff's department for falsely accusing him of vehicle theft.

Campbell could spend up to a year in jail if he is convicted of interfering with an emergency crew, sheriff's Detective Dave Ehrlich said.

There are two versions of what happened.

Both begin with the same scenario: 50-year-old real estate consultant meets late-model, chrome-yellow fire engine.

By all accounts, the crew from Ventura County Fire Co. 31 parked in front of Campbell's house just after midnight, leaving the truck in neutral with the motor on.

"Someone left a firetruck in front of my house with the engine running and no one around," Campbell said angrily. "It felt like an earthquake."

After 10 or 15 minutes of listening to the rumbling, Campbell said, he called 911, thinking the truck might have been stolen and abandoned.

Then he went outside. Seeing no one, he climbed into the engine, put it in gear and drove it down the block. He hopped out and walked back up the street, he said.

On the way home, he saw someone climb into the truck and

back it up toward his house again, Campbell said. "And I tried to wave at them to say something to please don't park it in front of my house, but they ignored me."

Moments later, sheriff's deputies arrived and arrested him, he said.

"It was a stupid thing to do," Campbell admitted. "But I just wanted to get the noise away from the house so my kids (ages 12 to 23) could go back to sleep. They had to get up early and go back to school."

Company 31 Engineer Doug Beving told a different story.

The company had examined Campbell's neighbor for heart trouble and was ready to load the man into a waiting ambulance when Beving walked outside to fetch the gurney, he said. "I went out, and he'd already driven it around the cul-de-sac and was heading down the street," Beving said.

His air brakes still engaged, the truck was moving slowly, Beving said. So he ran after it.

"I didn't know who was in it at the time, I just made up my mind that whoever was in it has gotta come out," Beving said. "I grabbed the door and pulled him out and said, 'Hey, what are you doing?' and he comes back saying, 'Well, what are you doing here?'"

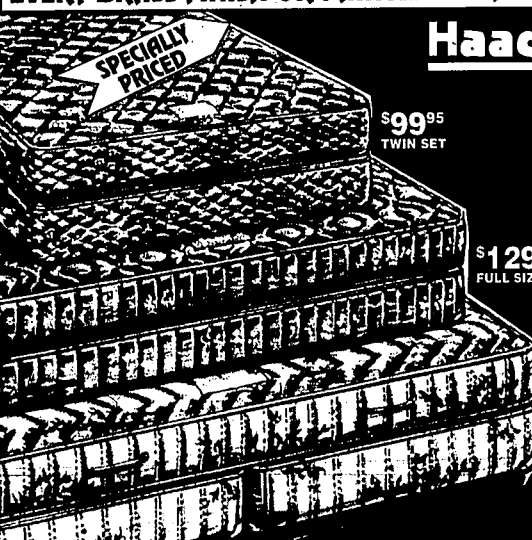
Beving climbed back into the truck and prepared to back it up to the heart attack victim's house, he said, but Campbell ran around to the passenger side and tried to climb in.

Beving said he stomped on the brakes twice, hoping the truck's momentum would slam the passenger door shut before Campbell could get in. Finally, he pushed a panic button that automatically radioed sheriff's deputies to signal that a firefighter was in trouble.

"It was strange behavior. I didn't know what to think," Beving said.

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Hillary Clinton refused to give up share, Whitewater partner claims

The Washington Post

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — President Clinton's former partner in the Whitewater Development Corp. said last week that Clinton was ready to get out of the investment in 1986 but that Hillary Rodham Clinton insisted on staying in the land venture.

James B. McDougal, in an interview, described an angry conversation in December 1986 between Hillary Clinton and McDougal's then-wife Susan, who went to the Arkansas governor's mansion to ask that the Clintons sign documents transferring their interest in the 230-acre Whitewater project to the McDougals. The Clintons owned a half-interest in the project.

Although then-Gov. Clinton had told the McDougals he was willing to sign the documents, Hillary Clinton refused, saying she hoped to eventually use the Whitewater investment to pay for her daughter, Chelsea's, college education, McDougal said.

At the time, the McDougals were under federal scrutiny for their involvement in Madison Guaranty Savings & Loan, which failed in 1989 at an estimated taxpayer cost of \$60 million.

As controversy over Whitewater has heightened, a key question for the Clintons has been why they remained in the land venture with McDougal long after he came under federal inquiry for unscrupulous business practices. He was tried and acquitted of bank fraud charges in 1989.

McDougal's account is at odds with the Clintons' depiction of themselves as "passive investors" in Whitewater who were unable to divest themselves of their interest in the project until December 1992, when they sold their shares to James McDougal for \$1,000. Senior White



James B. McDougal once circulated among the Arkansas political elite. But those days are long gone since he emerged as a key player in the Whitewater investigation.

House adviser Bruce Lindsey said last week that "Mrs. Clinton has no recollection of ever making any such statement to Susan McDougal."

McDougal said he and Susan tried to take over the Clintons' interest in the corporation so they could take advantage of tax losses that had accumulated since 1978, when the two couples bought the Ozarks property for a resort development.

When Hillary Clinton insisted on staying in the project, McDougal said, cautioning that his account of the meeting was obtained second-hand from his wife. "I found it rather laughable," because the land development company never had been profitable.

According to a report on Whitewater's finances issued during the 1992 presidential campaign, the

company in 1986 had virtually no operating expenses. It owed between \$50,000 and \$60,000 on its original mortgage, but was due to receive much more than that — about \$100,000 — from lot purchasers who were making monthly payments to the company. Apparently without telling the Clintons, the McDougals a few months earlier had purchased 810 acres of land from the International Paper Co. and put the property and a \$440,000 mortgage in Whitewater's name. Soon afterward, the property was transferred to another McDougal corporation, the Great Southern Land Co.

That transaction has come under scrutiny by special counsel Robert B. Fiske Jr., who is investigating Whitewater and its ties to Madison.

Susan McDougal, through her lawyer, said she wants to make no

comment "about what the Clintons did or did not do."

Records show Hillary Clinton sought a power of attorney for Whitewater from the McDougals in 1988, saying she wanted to dispose of remaining properties.

Until recently, the Clintons have said they lost about \$69,000 in the venture. In an interview last week, Hillary Clinton said she did not claim the losses on tax returns because she did not have proper documentation and said the couple's tax liability may have been underestimated. In remarks Friday, President Clinton said any mistakes on their tax returns "certainly were not intentional" and that the couple is prepared to pay back taxes if necessary.

McDougal, in recent interviews, has said he believes the Clintons did nothing improper in the Whitewater investment. But he said he turned over corporate records to the Clintons and has been unable to review the records.

He also has said the Clintons invested far less in the corporation than they have claimed. According to McDougal, the Clintons, through 50 percent owners of Whitewater, put up only around \$13,000 for the project — far less than McDougal invested and a small fraction of what was needed in Whitewater's early years to support principal and interest payments on the \$200,000 in bank loans taken out to buy the land.

McDougal repeated that figure in the interview last week, saying the couple made the contributions in 1978 and 1979 but put in nothing after that.

McDougal said he could not speculate on why Hillary Clinton chose to remain in the investment. "I don't psychoanalyze the first lady," McDougal said.

Clinton Chronology

Events in the controversy involving President Clinton's role in an Arkansas real estate venture:

- 1978 — Bill and Hillary Rodham Clinton, along with James B. McDougal, who later became a savings and loan operator, purchase 200 acres in the Ozarks for a resort development.
- 1979 — Whitewater Development Corp. is formed, with the Clintons as half owners with McDougal and his wife Susan.
- 1986 — McDougal is ousted as president of Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan, though he remains its owner. Examiner's report by Federal Home Loan Bank Board faults the S&L for risky investments and shoddy record-keeping.
- March 1989 — Madison fails, at a cost of between \$47 million and \$60 million to taxpayers.
- March 1992 — In response to repeated questions about the Whitewater investment, Clinton's presidential campaign issues a report by Denver lawyer James H. McInnis, saying Bill and Hillary Clinton invested about \$70,000 and did nothing improper in Whitewater dealing with McDougal.
- December 1992 — The Clintons sell their share in Whitewater to McDougal. They eventually record a \$1,000 capital gain on their tax form.
- July 20, 1993 — Vincent Foster, deputy White House counsel and a former partner of Mrs. Clinton at the Rose Law Firm, is found dead, an apparent suicide. Documents related to Whitewater are among those taken from his office by administration officials and turned over to David Kendall, Clinton's personal attorney.
- Oct. 31 — Federal regulators recommend to Justice Department that a criminal investigation be conducted into Madison's failure.
- Nov. 6 — Republican lawmakers begin calling on Attorney General Janet Reno to nominate a special counsel to investigate any ties between McDougals' failed S&L and Whitewater.
- Dec. 23 — Clinton says he and his wife will turn over all records relating to Whitewater.
- Jan. 5 — White House reveals subpoena has been issued for Whitewater records under terms negotiated on Dec. 23 between prosecutors and Kendall.
- Jan. 12 — Clinton asks that a special prosecutor be appointed.
- Jan. 20 — Robert B. Fiske Jr., a Manhattan lawyer, is selected by Reno to be special counsel in the Whitewater case.
- Feb. 3 — Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. spokesman David Barr confirms Mrs. Clinton represented federal regulators in a savings and loan case against a family friend and political supporter.
- Feb. 4 — Documents released by Rep. Jim Leach, R-Iowa, show that a company tied to Madison Guaranty covered a \$7,322.42 payment on a 1985 loan to then-Gov. Clinton.
- Feb. 16 — At the request of Fiske, a federal judge in Little Rock agrees to appoint a special grand jury to look into Clinton's real estate investment.
- Feb. 25 — Deputy Treasury Secretary Roger C. Altman says he has removed himself from the Arkansas S&L investigation and will step down March 30 as head of the savings and loan cleanup agency. Altman acknowledged giving the White House a private briefing on the status of the S&L agency's investigation.
- March 2 — Associate Attorney General Webster Hubbell, friend of the Clintons and now the No. 3 official at the Justice Department, acknowledges he has been questioned by his former law firm, the Rose Law Firm, about his billings in past cases. Hubbell denies overbidding the Resolution Trust Corp. or any other clients.
- March 4 — The FBI seizes subpoenas on six of Clinton's senior White House aides.
- March 5 — White House Counsel Bernard Nussbaum, who had been involved in briefings with regulators concerning the investigations, resigns.

AP/Brian Stapp

Aide won't discuss combination reports

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senior Clinton-administration aide Patsy Thomasson declined Tuesday to discuss a published report that she scrambled to find the combination to the late Vincent Foster's safe the night he died.

Testifying at a House hearing, Thomasson said she "would like nothing better" than to tell "what happened that night." But she declined to do so, saying the Whitewater special counsel is investigating Foster's death and Congress may, too.

Thomasson, director of the White House Office of Administration, commented when Rep. Ernest J. Istook Jr., R-Okla., began asking what she knew about White House safes.

He did not ask specifically about Foster, knowing that the chairman of the House Appropriations panel, Democratic Rep. Steny Hoyer of Maryland, would rule any Whitewater-related questions out of order.

The New York Post, citing anonymous White House sources, wrote on March 9 that Thomasson was part of a scramble to find the combination to what it said was Foster's safe. Authorities who investigated the death said the deputy White House counsel committed suicide.

White House officials said Foster did not have a safe, but there was one in the overall White House counsel's office.

Are there safes in the White House, Thomasson was asked.

"The Executive Office of the President does have safes," she replied. "I have no knowledge of any combination of any safes in the Executive Office of the President," Thomasson said.

"I never had the combination to any safe in the Executive Office of the President" or access to any materials from the safes.

Thomasson acknowledged she had been in Foster's office the night he died, but she would only say, "I would like to tell you nothing better than what I did that night in that office. There is nothing more in the

world I would like to do."

The hearing was scheduled to review the proposed 1995 White House budget of \$80.2 million, a 9 percent increase over current levels.

But Republicans used the session to pepper her with questions about delays in issuing White House passes, the new White House telephone system and the easy access that four Democratic consultants have to the White House.

The consultants are James Carville, Paul Begala, Mandy Grunwald and pollster Stan Greenberg. "They ought not to have White House passes," said Rep. Jim Lightfoot, ranking Republican on the Treasury-Postal subcommittee.

Thomasson said that under new White House rules, the four will go through full FBI background checks and will be issued non-government passes.

"At no time will they have a security clearance to look at top secret documents because they do not have a need to know," Thomasson said.

Hoyer said the four "perform the functions of the Democratic National Committee" and "need to talk to the president. They are not doing White House work. They are doing work for the Democratic National Committee and in that work need to talk to the president."

Thomasson said the administration has placed a renewed emphasis on employees completing paperwork to obtain their White House passes. Thomasson said she received her permanent pass only on March 5.

The pass problem surfaced earlier this month, when published reports said that 15 White House aides — including White House press secretary Dee Dee Myers — had not been given security clearances because of incomplete paperwork.

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Opinion

Editorial

Clintons and Hansens: 2 political couples on the make

If your memory is exceptional, you may recall that Connie Hansen, the wife of former Idaho Congressman George Hansen, made \$87,000 on silver futures in 1979. In this enterprise she was aided by the Texas billionaire Nelson Bunker Hunt, who was fond of the congressman's voting record.

That same year, a well-connected young Arkansas lawyer was investing in commodities futures with the advice of James B. Blair, an official of the chicken-packing giant Tyson Foods Inc., which had more than a passing interest in the young lawyer's political connections.

Who was that young, on-the-rise attorney working the futures? None other than Hillary Clinton, wife of the soon-to-be governor of Arkansas.

In a one-year period, just as her husband was finishing his tenure as Arkansas attorney general, and just before his election as governor, Hillary Clinton pocketed \$100,000 in profits from those investments.

A recent New York Times report outlines a series of Arkansas regulatory decisions that favored Tyson operations, as well as appointment of Tyson executives to state posts, and some allegations of Tyson benefits under the Clinton presidency.

What does any of this prove? Nothing. Yet.

How is it related to George and Connie Hansen?

This way: Could it be (just speculation, of course) that the Hansens and the Clintons were cut from the same cloth of greed and personal aggrandizement — both couples playing in private, high-roller commodities speculation while preaching about ethics and political purity?

In his acceptance speech at the 1992 Democratic National Convention, Bill Clinton said: "For too long, those who play by the rules and keep the faith have gotten the shaft. And those who cut corners and cut deals have been rewarded."

He was referring of course to the greedy '80s, that era dominated by the likes of Donald Trump and Michael Milken, people who got rich on other people's money.

To paraphrase Ecclesiastes, everything has a season. For the Clintons, apparently, there is a time to lead America away from the voracious excesses of yuppie-avarice, and a time to join avidly in those excesses.

This, perhaps, is the ultimate lesson of Whitewater and its myriad subscandals: that the Clintons, though perhaps no greedier than the people they abhor, are no purer either.

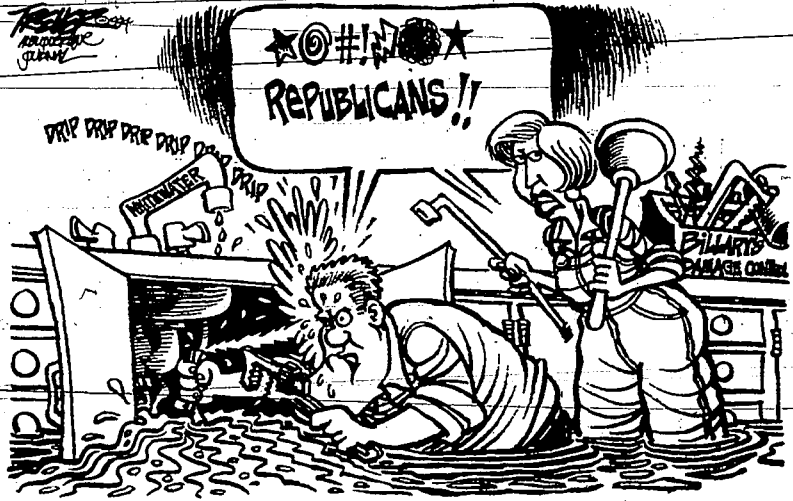
Most Americans will never comprehend the details of Whitewater. A land deal, a struggling savings and loan, hazy connections here and there — the drama — may entertain accountants, but hardly anyone else.

As yet, the Clintons have not been shown to have done anything illegal, and they may never be.

But if Whitewater amounts to nothing else, it at least robs them of their moral snobbery, which the Hansens similarly lost.

At a time when the people the Clintons now hold in contempt were making inside deals, shading the rules and hustling fast bucks, so were the Clintons. Just like the Hansens.

Kind of makes you wonder, doesn't it? Regardless of what the congressional hearings eventually may reveal, the Clintons' 1992 candidacy of change is looking more and more like business, politics and money as usual. Maybe even like George's and Connie's.



Clinton investments sell America short

There are two kinds of investors: Out-smarters and Partakers. Out-smarters believe they're so clever they can beat the system, through inside advice and superior brainpower. Partakers understand that the best way to make money is to share in the profits of successful businesses (by buying stock in General Electric Co., for example).

Many investors — especially baby boomers, who are convinced they were born more brilliant than everyone else — begin their investing careers as Out-smarters. They invariably get outsmarted themselves.

That's exactly what happened to a young Arkansas couple named Bill and Hillary Clinton in 1978. They went into a typical Out-smarter deal — borrowing money to buy land in the Ozarks through Whitewater Development Corp., an agency tied up with an insider named James McDougal, along with his wife Susan. Real estate is especially tempting to Out-smarters since it's a game in which the other players often appear to be rubes. In this case, however, the Clintons and McDougals bought land for \$880 an acre from a group that had purchased the property just 19 days earlier for \$440 an acre.

The intention of the Whitewater investors was to sell lots at more than \$880 an acre and make a big profit. But in the end, they couldn't find enough buyers at a high enough price (\$440 an acre) to make the deal work. The Clintons lost \$68,300, according to an accountant's report they commissioned (which has since been questioned).

Let's give the Clintons the benefit of every doubt in the Whitewater affair. Assume that Vincent Foster committed suicide because of overwork. Assume that state agencies didn't try to give the new governor special help in his investment with roads and boat ramps.

Assume, in short, that there were no shenanigans. This brings us to the important question: Did the Clintons learn the lesson that most aspiring Out-smarters learn with their first failed investment? Did they learn humility? Did they learn that markets are tough places to make money?

In a word: No.

Instead, they moved on to another Out-smarter deal. In 1986, they put a sizable sum (in Hillary's name) into a private hedge fund called ValuePartners I, run by a Little Rock stock picker named William Rowland Smith.

A hedge fund is a mutual fund that can

sell stocks short, which sets ValuePartners apart from funds like say, Fidelity Magellan or Dreyfus Capital Growth. That is, the fund could sell shares in companies it didn't actually own, in hopes of buying those shares back later at a lower price.

Since ValuePartners is not a public fund and since Smith has not been very forthcoming, all we know about the portfolio comes from three federal financial disclosure reports filed by Bill Clinton, as candidate and then as president. Each report includes a list of ValuePartners' holdings on a specific date — three snapshots.

In May 1992, for example, ValuePartners held short positions in 37 stocks worth \$2.5 million while conventionally owning 50 stocks worth \$9 million. That's a very high ratio of shorts.

Shorting stocks is the ultimate Out-smarter investment. Instead of sharing in a company's growth, a short-seller is cheering for the company to fail, rooting against the efforts of American entrepreneurs and managers.

Maybe I'm a prude, but I believe shorting stocks is an arrogant, smarmy, unpatriotic way to make money. And it's especially inappropriate for presidents and first ladies.

Unless they didn't read the disclosure reports filed with the Office of Government Ethics, the Clintons had to be aware that their interest in ValuePartners (worth \$87,000 by the end of 1992) was disturbingly dependent on short sales for its success.

Worse yet, many of the short positions were in health care companies — at a time when the Clintons were promoting a plan that could wreak havoc with those firms' profits. (ValuePartners also had bought other health care stocks.)

On May 1, 1992, as Bill Clinton raced toward the Democratic nomination, ValuePartners was short at least a dozen health stocks, including big pharmaceuticals Merck & Co. and Bristol-Myers Squibb Co.

What about after he won? Unlike the two earlier filings, the Clintons' May 1993 financial disclosure statement lacked an up-to-date accounting from ValuePartners. Instead, it showed the fund's holdings back on Dec. 31, 1992.

At that time, the fund held short positions in four health stocks — three of which subsequently got clobbered in the first half of 1993. One of the stocks, Bioplasty Inc., a

company that made plastic surgery products, produced a short-seller's home run: It went bankrupt.

ValuePartners was short 15,500 shares of Bioplasty in May 1992 when the price was \$2.37 and short 26,600 shares in December 1992 when the price was 73 cents. On April 29, 1993, its stock became worthless.

There's no doubt that President Clinton should have put his financial assets in a blind trust before he took office (as Ronald Reagan and George Bush did), rather than six months later.

A group of 81 Republican House members has asked the Office of Government Ethics to investigate the Clintons' ownership of ValuePartners at a time when their actions were drastically affecting the price of drug stocks.

But I'm more concerned about the Clintons as investors, not as possible sleazeballs. And I'm afraid they still haven't learned their lesson.

On July 4, 1993, they chose Essex Investment Management to administer their blind trust. We can't tell what's in the trust (whether, for example, the ValuePartners interest was transferred into it), but we can get a clue on how it's being run by looking at the record of Essex's boss, Joseph McNay, who turns out to be another go-go hedge fund operator.

Essex does manage money for conservative investors, but when he was interviewed in the November issue of Money magazine, McNay's hedged portfolios were 40 percent short — an even higher ratio than Smith's. "I'm paid to spot stocks whose prospects are enhanced or hurt by political and economic change, then place bets accordingly," he said.

Uh-oh.

McNay then listed four stocks that he had recently shorted in anticipation of price drops: Nike Inc., Philip Morris Cos., Apple Computer Inc. and Dell Computer Corp. (All of them, by the way, have risen sharply in the last six months, but never mind.)

Again, we don't know what McNay is doing for the Clintons — that's the whole point of a blind trust. But one thing is clear: The president hasn't been cured. He's still an Out-smarter. If that weren't clear in his domestic policy, it's blindingly obvious in his investment policy.

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Letters

Looking for old acquaintances

I would like very much to correspond with any relatives or friends of Mrs. Emily Smith Mikesell Minster, who resided at one time at 1311 Hansen Ave. in Burley. She wrote some articles I'd like to read. Also, if anyone knows of a photograph of her, I'd like a copy of it if possible. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated.

I am also looking for any information concerning Lloyd and Andy Lunsford, children of George W. Lunsford.

You may call me collect at 1-801-392-7858 if you have information.

JEAN N. ELWELL
Ogden, Utah

Why not close courthouse?

Someone once said, "I have a vision..." and became famous. Now I have had a "vision" — wonder if I will become famous too. Probably not, but it sure would save Lincoln County taxpayers thousands of dollars to follow it.

The Lincoln County commissioners say they can save thousands by pulling our 911 dispatching from Lincoln County and letting Jerome County do it for us. We might as well go along with them, as we really do not need job opportunities in Lincoln County, and we would save thousands. Why should we worry about the people employed by Lincoln County now; let us just worry about being sure Jerome County people have jobs.

Now for my "vision." Let us just close down our Lincoln County Courthouse and move in with Jerome County. We, as taxpayers, would not have to pay taxes to Lincoln County anymore. Wow! We would eliminate all the jobs held by Lincoln County people — what a savings! Furthermore, we would eliminate the power, phone, heat, water and sewer bills, too. What a vision!

You know, I cannot understand why someone else had not thought about doing this before I did. It would save us thousands.

MIRIAM DEBEW
Dietrich

Area has rich arts opportunities

A few days ago, we enjoyed a wonderful performance by the Hungarian Folk Ensemble as part of the Arts On Tour series.

We've been privileged to have, right here in Twin Falls, some very fine concerts and programs as part of the Arts On Tour and Community Concert series. I'd like to encourage anyone who's not currently a member of the series to join for next year.

While chatting with a member after the concert, he said that early on in the Hungarian Folk Ensemble Tour, seats equivalent to ours sold for \$42 each at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. The charge for our individual ticket to our entire Arts On Tour series is only \$45, and even less if the seats are not reserved. I don't know specifically what's planned for next year, but I do know there will be some very talented artists providing great family entertainment.

Our own Magic Valley Symphony Orchestra continues to provide wonderful music as well. Sometimes living in a small town in Idaho, we might feel a little isolated from the arts, but we really have wonderful opportunities that come right here to us.

LOIS L. ADRIAN
Twin Falls

Thanks to writer for article

To Denise Turner:
We would like to thank you for the terrific article. We have had many people comment on seeing it, and traffic has been great!

We appreciate your selecting us for the column and the find job you did writing it. Thanks again.

GENE AND CINDY ELLER
Twin Falls

Doonesbury

Letters

Dilettantes put on a fine show

On March 20, I attended the Magic Valley Dilettantes performance of "Annie." It was an experience that will long be remembered by everyone in the audience.

From the opening notes of the orchestra to the final rousing chorus of the enthusiastic cast, this talented troupe delighted and moved us with the magic of its craft.

Natalie Hobbs in the title role is a welcome new face and voice to community theater. Jim Latham was splendid in his return to the stage as Daddy Warbucks, and

Lori Van Rinsum was truly outstanding in her wonderful characterization of Miss Hannigan. The ensemble and chorus all added depth and spice to the overall performance.

And last but not least is the gaggle of orphans who took the stage by storm with their energy — dancing, singing and acting their hearts out for us.

I heartily recommend this show for everyone who could use some happiness, fun and magic in their lives. Three cheers for the cast and crew of "Annie," with a special nod to Director Bruce Whitehead for making it all so wonderful.

LINDA FOX
Twin Falls

Musical is another winner

A hearty thanks to the entire cast of "Annie" for an excellent show. Once again, the Magic Valley Dilettantes have produced a winner with a professionalism that is apparent from the lead roles to the tiniest orphan.

Bruce Whitehead, in his first year as director, has succeeded in producing an energy-packed musical of a past era with universal human appeal.

Children, as well as adults, respond to the plight of Orphan Annie, charmingly played by Natalie Hobbs, and perfectly matched by Jim Latham's always convincing role as Daddy Warbucks. And adults can particularly relate to President Roosevelt and his New Deal cabinet, portrayed by some half-dozen long-time Dilettante "pros" headed by Art Frantz, who represent a combined impressive amount of talent.

From the orchestra led by Dennis Heide to the servants, orphans and every individual on and behind the stage, thanks for a job well done and again proving that the Magic Valley is a good place in which to live.

LORAYNE O. SMITH
Twin Falls

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Preventable health tragedy has its roots in adolescent smoking

I think I was 9 when I smoked my first cigarette, although it could have been earlier. My cousins Steve and Gary and I each liberated a cigarette from our parents and went out and sat under a big Forsythia bush in the yard and fired up.

As we were sitting there, coughing and giggling about how great it was, Steve's mother, my Aunt Rosalind, a smoker who was to die from cancer, came up the walk that threaded the field between my grandfather's house and the river rock house where we lived. We panicked.

I sat on my cigarette and burned my leg. But the main thing I did was hold in the smoke. I became sick as the proverbial dog, one of the luckiest things that ever happened to me. My first cigarette was

also my last. I was the only kid I knew who didn't smoke. Sneaking off for a cigarette was the primary social act of our adolescent years. I went with them. I just didn't smoke.

All of which was long before the surgeon general's first report about the dangers of smoking, of course. But even incontrovertible evidence and unyielding insistence by the top medical people in the United States have not stopped smoking from killing, as our family, among many, has continued in its great sorrow to learn.

Over the years, most of my boyhood friends have stopped smoking. My brother,

who smoked for 25 years, went to hypnosis. Cousin Steve used nicotine patches. What I know about their experience in giving it up was that I was profoundly fortunate never to have started.

Which brings us, I suppose, to the surgeon general's 23rd report on smoking and health, which focuses this time on youth and smoking. The report will be released today in a national town meeting with Surgeon General Jocelyn Elders.

The new study notes that about one-third of all adolescents smoke or use smokeless tobacco, with nicotine addiction and significant health problems being clearly demonstrable results. That comes as no surprise. Neither are sections relating to the impact of tobacco advertising and pro-

motion on teen-agers. The report suggests that the young are strategically targeted, which is shameful, but when has that ever stopped the tobacco industry?

The problems faced by some adolescents — low self-esteem, lack of parental support, low academic and social skills — figure in. Social and economic problems are also prevalent in families of kids who smoke, a finding that seemed verified by a recent visit to a local high school.

A dozen students smoked in the parking lot. They described the habit as their one refuge in lives strained by divorce, unemployed parents and tragic losses.

"Smoking is like my therapy. It's my escape," said one 17-year-old. Said another, "I have so much stress in my family,

smoking is my relief. It's the way to take out your aggression."

Those are pressures we did not know when we started. As newspapers have reported, cigarette advertising increases significantly in store windows that are close to schools, and many merchants are less than scrupulous about selling to the underage, which is against the law.

It all adds up. The report says that 434,000 Americans are killed by smoking each year, with adolescent smoking being the first step in a totally preventable public health tragedy.

Jim Trotter is a columnist for the San Jose Mercury News.

Surgeon general should be fired

If the Surgeon General of the United States wears perfume, I'll bet it's Obsession. Dr. Jocelyn Elders is obsessed with sex. She talks about it constantly. Because so many of our social ills — including broken homes, sexually transmitted diseases, unplanned pregnancies and abortion — are directly related to sexual misbehavior, she should.

The problem is, she doesn't prescribe the right medicine. We have a mountain of evidence that "free love" is free — it comes with a high price tag.

The Surgeon General's latest adventure into Wonderland came in an interview with the homosexual publication *The Advocate*. She again demonstrated her appalling contempt for young people, whom she consistently maligns as unable to control their sexual urges. In her view, it is incumbent upon the federal government to provide devices, medication and abortions to alleviate the consequences of wing decisions about sexual behavior.



Cal Thomas

like her boss, the president, frequently likes to invoke the name of God, doesn't it make sense that He would establish boundaries for sexual expression so as to protect those He loves from harm?

Dr. Elders takes one approach to sex: kids are going to do it, no matter what, so we should give them condoms, AIDS education starting in kindergarten, treatment for venereal diseases and government-funded abortions. But she has a completely different one on smoking: let's do whatever it takes to prevent kids from smoking. Let's keep them, nicotine virgins.

Dr. Elders is becoming a bigger burden to the Clinton administration than any of those who have resigned as a result of the Whitewater affair. Her statements — from legalizing drugs to the latest outrages in *The Advocate* — are precisely the wrong prescriptions for a nation that has overdone on the narcotics of the '60s. She ought to be fired.

Cal Thomas is a Los Angeles Times columnist.



Politics grows ever more local

PHOENIX — Just one of Tom's Tavern's pancakes for Paul Johnson's breakfast today, a day with little life lifting. In two hours he will resign as mayor and begin seeking the Democratic nomination for governor.

He draws the eye not only because he is so young (34) and tall (6-foot-7) but also because he is a species more frequently celebrated than sighted — a New Democrat. That is the sort suited to rise in the only state that has voted Republican in 11 consecutive presidential elections.

During his term, no tax was increased, property taxes were trimmed a tad, the number of city employees declined by about 500, and in 1993 for the first time ever the city spent less than in the year before. But parsimony, although virtuous, is as virtue often is, more admirable than fascinating.

What makes Johnson and kindred spirits in city halls across the country worth watching are their responses to the challenge formulated by Philadelphia's Democratic Mayor Ed Rendell: The governments of cities can be put in order; the larger problem is putting the residents of cities in order.

Johnson's various attempts to do so have made him, he says, "an equal opportunity defendant." The National Rifle Association has gone to court to challenge an ordinance requiring parental consent for a youth to carry a gun. (Parents who consent must be an interesting bunch.) And the American Civil Liberties Union has challenged the new curfew requiring youths 15 and younger to be off the streets at 10 p.m. and 16- and 17-year-olds by midnight.

Most cities, Johnson says, have curfew laws, they just are not enforced. By enforcing a curfew Johnson says the city helps parents who are intimidated by their own children who are gang members. He remembers the well, stimulating ride home with his father when Phoenix's old curfew was enforced on him when he was 16.

And speaking of bonding moments, Johnson's proposed parental responsibility agenda would require parents to be present for half of the hours of community service that their children are sentenced to serve.

In schools with disciplinary problems, Johnson favors dress codes, for three reasons. Codes weaken the influence of gangs, which build solidarity with their own uniforms. Dress codes narrow the visible disparities between children from poor and affluent families. And dress codes acquaint adolescents with standards, sometimes for the first time.

Adolescents, say Johnson, are going to push against rules. So give them some rules to push against, lest they find themselves in such an unconstraining environment that they cannot find a way to rebel until they get guns.

"The increase in crime," he says, "is directly related to the loss of the



George F. Will

front porch swing." That is, safe streets are apt to be full of watching, mingling people. "Today people come home in the evening, go in the house, bolt the front door, turn on the TV. If they go out, it is to the back yard." So as part of his general policy of "pushing decision-making down," he has organized neighborhoods for crime prevention, distributing such low-tech tools as T-shirts and flashlights.

But what, then, about the police? A decade ago, he says, a person annoyed by a neighbor's barking dog called the police, who preferred it that way. The police, wanting to preserve the peace, believed, says Johnson, "Don't talk to your neighbor, call us." But the result was a diminished sense of community, and an unreasonable expectation — that government can cope with every barking dog.

Johnson illustrates the headache Republicans are having because the

country has moved so far in their direction. Americans are much more conservative than they were when Reagan was elected president, and young Democrats, like Johnson, reflect the fact that their politically formative years were the Reagan years.

Nothing ago the phrase "big city mayor" called to mind a Democrat practicing the redistributive politics of buying constituencies to assemble majorities. Johnson certainly has been mayor of a big city: Phoenix is supplanting Detroit as the nation's eighth largest city. But Johnson is a far cry from a Sun-Belt version of the senior Richard Daley.

Arizona still has the vitality of youth but is coming of middle age. By next year, for the first time in its history, a majority of those living in the state will be people who were born in the state. And in middle-aged Arizona, Johnson represents a national tendency: almost anything done by government at the local level is apt to be more interesting than almost everything done by government at the national level.

George F. Will is a Washington Post columnist.

Letter

Move ahead on wilderness

To Sawtooth Forest Supervisor Jack Bills, Sawtooth National Recreation Area Ranger Paul Ries and Salmon District Ranger Alan Pinkerton:

I perceive less than full commitment to wilderness on the part of forest leadership and the SNRA. In Fiscal Year 1993, only 6.5 percent of the SNRA budget was allocated for wilderness management. As a former career-forest-service employee, I find this unsettling. Wilderness should be the top priority of the SNRA. The social and land use threat that sparked the creation of the SNRA was a molybdenum mine under Castle Peak. Twenty-five years later, the White Clouds are under the real threats of indiscriminate motorized use, overgrazing on the east side and lack of trained wilderness rangers.

In the Sawtooths, horse traffic generated primarily by one outfitter is physically hammering the trails in key access canyons such as Redfish, Hell-Roaring and Toxaway and causing social conflict with foot traffic.

These wilderness canyons should not be sacrificed to some sort of "Old West" mystique.

The forest started a complete revision of the Travel Plan back in 1988 and 1989. Five and six years later, it has yet to see the light of day. About 1,000 written comments were received four years ago. In the White Clouds, the vast majority of citizens were in favor of drastically limiting motorized use and maintaining a quiet atmosphere to hike or ride a horse. All the more reason for wilderness in the White Clouds. I would delight in reading in the local papers that forest leadership publicly advocated a 500,000-acre wilderness in the White Clouds. I am tired of reading once a month about "incessant bickering with Buserback Ranch." Larger issues are falling through the cracks. Business as usual will no longer work.

Existing wilderness in the Sawtooths and future wilderness in the White Clouds is the heart and soul of the SNRA. Your using public deserves proactive management, double or triple the number of wilderness rangers and a wilderness education program put in place. The forest has the creative people to accomplish this but priorities have to change. Let's not wake up 10 years from now and find the wilderness resource has suffered the same fate as the salmon. The Forest Service is embarking on a new age of ecosystem management. Great. Look long and hard at the health of the Sawtooth, White Cloud and Pioneer mini-ecosystems and take appropriate action. The public deserves no less than commitment, strong leadership and genuine wilderness advocacy.

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Frozen woman receives new home

Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — When 91-year-old Victoria Moryn was found frozen to the floor of her Chicago home in January, neighbors and doctors feared she lacked the strength and spirit to recover.

Moryn fought back, but new questions arose. How could the feisty widow possibly return to the crumbling two-story West Side home she had lived in since the 1950s?

Enter a workaholic architect and 18 ax-wielding firefighter trainees. The firefighters-in-training, who attend a fire service school in west suburban Elmhurst, descended on Moryn's house Friday and Saturday to practice tearing down walls.

And the architect who has spearheaded the volunteer drive to restore Moryn's home was watching, burning with excitement.

"If I had \$100,000 in my hand, I could restore this house in three months," said Richard Wallace, the Chicago architect who began the restoration effort after offering to fix the broken pipes that caused Moryn's accident.

When Wallace first visited her house in January, he realized it would take more than just one

good deed to restore the dilapidated home. The wiring was shot. The roof was rotting.

"The frost was so thick that the walls were weeping," he said. Wallace estimated that even with 70 hours a week of his time, and the help of two dozen on-site volunteers and unions and merchants, it will take six months to complete the project. First, he needs to collect \$60,000 and more volunteers.

The volunteers working at the house Saturday ranged from electrical workers to graphic designers, as well as people such as firefighter trainee John Wickham. "They needed some help with tearing down the walls and ceilings," Wickham said. "I said, 'Gosh, I know 18 students who would be more than happy to come in and tear this place down.'"

Which the future firefighters did with great relish, wielding spiked poles and axes in Moryn's living room as if they were trying to save a trapped family.

Two months ago, Moryn was trapped there, kneeling in a 3-inch thick sheet of ice. The Chicago Police officers who found her assumed she was dead, until she started muttering. "Oh God, oh God" in Polish.

Buttafuoco: From jail to stardom?

MASSAPEQUA, N.Y. (AP) — He might go Hollywood. He could headline in Atlantic City or Las Vegas. He already commands \$100,000 for an exclusive interview — and he just walked out of jail Wednesday.

Joey Buttafuoco stepped out of his cell and back into the spotlight, secure in the knowledge his twisted celebrity grew during 129 days behind bars for the statutory rape of an underage Amy Fisher.

"I'm done," the public enemy-turned-private citizen said outside the Nassau County Jail, flashing two thumbs up for photographers. "Everything is cool. I did what I had to do to end it, and now I'm going home."

Buttafuoco — after a pit stop at his lawyer's office and a Long Island jeweler to buy his wife a gift — did just that. He avoided reporters by sprinting through a neighbor's backyard, and the blinds were drawn once he slipped inside. A tree in his suburban front yard, just a short distance from the porch where Fisher shot Mary Jo Buttafuoco just 22 months ago, held 129 yellow ribbons. In the driveway was his speedboat "Double Trouble" — the floating love nest where he allegedly wooed Fisher.

But the 38-year-old auto body mechanic had other things on his mind: Career options. No, there won't be a movie — there have already been three, and who wants to watch the sequel, "Free Joey?"

"There could be a movie career — perhaps as a stunt man, which is one offer already in. 'Personally, I think Joey is Hollywood-bound,' said his brother, Bobby.

Or a boxing match — against — are you ready? — the equally camera-shy Gerald Rivera. Buttafuoco dropped 30 pounds in jail to reach his fighting weight, and his attorney Dominic Barbara said there is interest from casinos in New Jersey and Nevada.



Buttafuoco

Hair ball weighing 55 pounds graces Kansas town's museum

Knight-Ridder News Service

GARDEN CITY, Kan. — Believe it or not, the world's largest known hair ball isn't on display in one of the offbeat Ripley's Believe It or Not! museums scattered across the United States.

No, the biggest organically generated fur ball in the world probably resides right here in Garden City.

Squatting like a gray, oversized, felt-covered howling ball, the Finney County Historical Society Museum's contender rather easily over-shadowed the winner of Ripley's recent search for the world champion hair ball.

Removed from the stomach of a cow slaughtered at the IBP beef processing plant in Holcomb, the Finney museum's hair ball measures 37 inches around.

"Our largest hair ball was 33 inches in circumference," said Lisa Pacella, a Ripley's staffer who supervised a coast-to-coast contest to find a hair ball big enough to choke a saber-toothed tiger.

She sent out more than 3,000 fliers to virtually every meat-processing plant in America and received more than 300 hair balls — some still moist and aromatic — in return. Her office has not been

the same since, she said.

The winner of the contest, a man from Colorado, received \$1,000.

Mary Warren, director of the Finney County Historical Society Museum, said she was aware of Ripley's contest and the bounty

"It's one of our more unusual conversation pieces."

— Mary Warren, museum official

being offered for the world's largest hair ball.

"But we told them we wouldn't let go of it," she said. "After a while we kind of grew attached to it. It's one of our more unusual conversation pieces."

Warren said the oversized fozz ball will fit in well with an exhibit on the local beef industry when the newly remodeled museum opens again in early June.

Most people think hair balls only occur in cats, but Warren said they aren't uncommon in cattle — although they usually don't get larger than baseballs. Cattle lick themselves, and sometimes loose hair accumulates in the rumen, one of a cow's two stomachs, gradually growing into a ball.

Pacella said cattle can't cough up a hair ball like cats can, so the balls just continue to grow.

When IBP workers discovered their homogenous hair ball last summer, it weighed 55 pounds, Warren said. When they brought it down, we couldn't believe it was all hair, so we took it and had it X-rayed, and that's all it is," she said.

Now dry and free of odor, the giant ball of hair is almost perfectly round and larger than a basketball visitors, Warren said, is: "Oh my God ... that poor cow!"

The smaller hair balls generated by Ripley's offbeat contest may be paraded out to some of the 20 Ripley's museums, said Pacella, who now proudly refers to herself as "the hair-ball queen."

Warren, meanwhile, doesn't plan to label the Historic Society's hair ball as the biggest one in the world. The folks at the Monfort beef-processing plant in Garden City have come up with a somewhat oblong-shaped hair ball that measures 43½ inches around its widest part. But when a museum staffer suggested, "We should go after that one," Warren was quick to say, "No, one big hair ball is enough."

Judge rules Nigerian woman can stay in U.S.

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — A Nigerian woman who fought deportation on the grounds that her young daughters would face ritual mutilation in her native country can remain in the United States, an immigration judge ruled Wednesday.

Lydiah Oloruro claimed her daughters, ages 5 and 6, both U.S. citizens, would be forced to undergo genital mutilation in Nigeria, just as she did.

In the procedure, the external sexual organs are cut away and the opening is sewn shut, except for a pencil-sized hole for urination. The ritual is intended to make sure girls stay virgins until they marry.

Oloruro has said girls who undergo the procedure sometimes face painful sex, infections, complicated childbirth and even death.

Immigration Judge Kendall Warren granted Oloruro's request that deportation proceedings be dropped.

The U.S. State Department admitted that it is possible the two children would be subjected to the procedure but added "that is not an inevitable consequence" of the family's deportation.

A telegram from the State Department said that female genital mutilation is practiced in more than half of Nigeria.

Oloruro, 32, a janitor and former restaurant manager, joined her Nigerian husband in the United States in 1986 but never filed papers to legalize her residency. The couple has divorced.

Pollution from ancient smelters still threatens human health

NEW YORK (AP) — Belching silver smelters spewed lead into European skies more than 2,000 years before the Industrial Revolution, leaving toxic fallout that remains a threat to modern humans, a study says.

Researchers uncovered layers of sediment from 19 lakes in Sweden. They found that lead, a byproduct of silver refining, began settling on Europe's lakes and soils 2,600 years ago, when the ancient Greeks began refining silver for coins.

Lead emissions rose to a pre-industrial peak 600 years later, under the Romans, but then declined again as

the Romans exhausted their mines, the sediments showed.

Lead pollution soared with the arrival of the Industrial Revolution in the 19th century. But the total amount of lead released before then is at least as large as what has since been released, the study found.

The study by biologist Ingemar Renberg and colleagues at the University of Umea in Sweden was being published Thursday in *Nature* magazine, a British scientific journal. Sulfur and other toxic metals were probably injected into the atmosphere along with the lead,

Renberg said. Studies are under way to measure those other pollutants, he said.

The toxic metals released in the pre-industrial era remain a threat to human health, he said. "Metals are metals and can't be destroyed, and they must be somewhere in the soils or the systems," Renberg said in a telephone interview.

The Swedish study provides the most complete historical record of lead emissions, said Claire C. Patterson, an emeritus professor of geochemistry at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena.

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Briefly

Spots open in Cove-Rock Creek event

TWIN FALLS — A few spots are still open in the third annual \$20,000 Cove-Rock Creek best ball tournament April 16-17 at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

Host Professional Mike Hamblin said the sponsors will add \$5,000 to the two-day event, which offers competition for men and women. The field will be restricted to 112 men and 48 women teams.

Maximum handicap spreads allowed per team will be six for men and 10 for women. Flights will be determined by handicap. The lowest handicap in the team will play scratch and the highest will receive 80 percent of the handicap differentials.

A Saturday night barbecue and special events program will be held at the clubhouse.

The entry deadline — only paid entries will be accepted — is April 13.

Jerome golf club sets scramble for Sunday

JEROME — The Jerome Men's Golf Association will hold its kickoff scramble Sunday morning.

Breakfast will be served starting at 7:30 a.m. with pairings to be drawn at 9 a.m. A shotgun start is slated for 9:30 a.m.

Fox helps NFL give World League a new look

LONDON (AP) — Fox Network extended its involvement in pro football today by joining the NFL as a partner in restoring the World League with a new look.

The new all-European World League will start play in April 1995 with six teams including the three most successful franchises in the original World League — the London Monarchs, Barcelona Dragons and Frankfurt Galaxy.

The other three teams will be chosen in the next few months. The candidates are Berlin, Düsseldorf, Hamburg and Munich in Germany; Madrid, Spain; Paris, Amsterdam, Netherlands; and Edinburgh or Glasgow, Scotland.

A second German team is virtually certain of being approved.

The World League fared well in Europe in 1991 and 1992, but was largely a flop in the United States and was abandoned after its second season.

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Street skis to Alpine top Gretzky reaches 'big one'

The Associated Press

WINTER PARK, Colo. — Olympic downhill silver medalist Picabo Street overcame strong gusts to pace the women's downhill Wednesday in the opening event of the U.S. Alpine Ski Championships.

The men's downhill, scheduled for two runs Wednesday because of the shortness of the course, was stopped near the end of the first run following three crashes and problems with the protective fencing. Canada's Ralf Socher, the leader to that point, was declared the race winner.

Street, 22, of Sun Valley, finished in 1 minute, 14.63 seconds, nearly a half-second ahead of Shannon Nobis of Park City, Utah, who was timed in 1:15.12.

Street returned the women's downhill title to the United States after two straight years of Canadian rule. Lindsey Roberts, the defending champion, wound up 16th on Wednesday in 1:16.91.

Eva Twardokens of Santa Cruz, Calif., was third in 1:15.38. Canadian Melanie Turgeon and Catherine Lussier were fourth and fifth in 1:15.70 and 1:15.82.

Street, who had paced all three downhill training runs, came into the race the heavy favorite, even though the course more closely resembled a super giant slalom, which helped explain the surprising results of Nobis and Twardokens, who aren't known for their downhill prowess.

"I have high expectations of myself," Street said. "I don't feel there's anybody here who should even come close to me in downhill. I don't want anyone to get within a second of me. That's what motivates me."

She was fastest on the bottom third of the course, making up time after a sloppy middle section.

"I skied well on the bottom part because I knew I had skied kind of lame in the middle," she said. "The snow is real funky. You come into a turn on line and end up in a soft patch, and that kind of sends your skis wandering. I was really mad at myself by the time I got halfway down, so I kicked in my little tigers."

The women's race was delayed about a half hour because of blowing snow and winds gusting as high as 70 mph.



Picabo Street, of Sun Valley, skis the Women's Downhill course on her way to victory at the U.S. Alpine Championships in Winter Park, Colo., Wednesday.

The Associated Press

INGLEWOOD, Calif. — The Great One stands alone.

Wayne Gretzky scored his 802nd career goal Wednesday night, overtaking Gordie Howe as the greatest goal-scorer in NHL history.

The Los Angeles Kings center beat Vancouver goaltender Kirk McLean with a wrist shot from the base of the left circle with 5:13 left in the second period.

Gretzky took a cross-ice pass from Marty McSorley, his old teammate from his legendary Edmonton Oilers days. McSorley had pulled McLean out of position before passing to Gretzky, who skated in from the left circle.

Gretzky raised his arms in triumph as the Kings rushed off the bench to engulf him in a sea of black and silver jerseys. The game was held up for a brief ceremony.

Gretzky, flanked by his family, spoke to the Forum crowd from the ice, sweat streaming off his forehead, his face aglow. He thanked his teammates and management, fans and family. And the sport he loves.

"It's the greatest game in the world," he said. "And I feel great that I play in the NHL."

Then he told the crowd he hopes to play in Los Angeles another six years. "Like every thing else about him this night, that remark was met with wild applause."

Gretzky's feat elevates him to a level reached by a select few who set the standard in their sports: baseball's Hank Aaron (55 home runs), football's Walter Payton (16,726 yards) and basketball's Kareem Abdul-Jabbar (38,387 points).

Howe, who retired in 1980, scored 801 goals in 1,767 games over 26 seasons. Gretzky set the record playing in his 1,117th career game over 15 seasons.

The record was the 62nd of Gretzky's fabulous career, and now he has every major offensive record in the NHL, including total points.

Baseball tournament starts today at Frontier Field

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — College of Southern Idaho opens its CSI Classic baseball tournament against Skagit Valley Community College of Washington at 11 a.m. today at Frontier Field.

The tournament features five games today and Friday followed by a four-game single elimination event Saturday.

CSI also plays at 6 p.m. today against

Tacoma-Community College. The Golden Eagles play at 2:30 and 6 p.m. Friday.

The Eagles bring an 18-6 record into the tournament despite hitting .273, about 60 points beneath Coach Jim Walker's goal.

But CSI hurlers carry a 2.67 earned run average, led by Craig Peck's sparkling 0.93. Jedd Soto is the leader in victories with four. Christin Nickum, Brett Bibeau and Kevin Shafer have three each.

In addition, the team fielding percentage

is .693, 30 or more points higher than usual.

Sophomore catcher Duane Phillips is the exception to CSI's batting slump, carrying a .467 average. Backup shortstop Derrick Johnson is next at .360.

Cleanup hitter Devin Chavez, the reigning batting champion in the region, tops the Eagles with three home runs. Center fielder Tyrone Brown is the RBI leader at 15.

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CSI team favored in hometown rodeo

By Ron Gates
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Members of host College of Southern Idaho's Rodeo Club head the east of favorites in this weekend's 18th annual Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo.

The National Interscholastic Rodeo Association-sanctioned event showcases participants from 10 intermountain schools with a special exhibition by world champion bull-fighter Lloyd Ketchum thrown in for the crowd's pleasure.

As in past years, the rodeo will span a two-day period at the CSI Expo Center.

Ketchum is set for Friday's 8 p.m. performance. Competition continues at 2 p.m. Saturday. The top 10 from those two rounds advance to Saturday's 8 p.m. championship final.

CSI coach Shawn Davis lists a trio of locals among a group of possible national contenders that includes competitors representing several western states and Canada.

"We may not be as strong as last year," Davis said. "But we're still pretty strong."

Bull's-Brigette Freeman will be riding for the Golden Eagles for the first time since transferring from Idaho State University.

"We'd like to see her count in both goat tying and in breakaway," Davis added. "Jeff Rupert will be up in barrel and bull riding. Jeff will be strong in both events."

Hansen High School graduate Jake Bell, now residing in Murtaugh, represents CSI in team roping. Roughstock appears to be the Eagles' longest suit.

Current all-around leader Bodoe Alford and Canadian Robert Bowers

have helped CSI to the team lead four rodeos into the season. Arizona cowboys Cody Hancock and Rusty Rinderknecht are among the top three in their respective events, the latter presently leading the region in bronc riding.

Austin Wells, also from Arizona, is in the running in that same event. Nevada's Ryan Carey continues a strong showing in bronc and bull riding.

Bowers' most notable recent achievement is a 92-point ride on Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association champion bull "Wolfman" — a beast which allowed PRCA champ Ty Murray only 85 points in Las Vegas.

Bud Kirby's all-PRCA stock will be on hand Friday and Saturday, enhancing the possibility of record-breaking performances.

CSI's Dennis Kesler, twice the Rocky Mountain Region barrel race champion, is a prohibitive favorite to repeat at his specialty.

Padding CSI's timed event point total rests on the shoulders of Bell, Derrick Commerser and Malad's Kirk Smith. Commerser and Smith compete in both roping events as well as steer wrestling.

Amber "The Fighting Redhead" Meeks, in breakaway, roped Camille Broderson and three-event cowgirl Kim Kramps strengthened the CSI women.

The 8th annual Latham Mini Rodeo provides pre-rodeo entertainment.

Youngsters in three age categories, 4 and under, 5-8 and 9-12, will compete in four events. All competitors will receive free admission to the Saturday afternoon performance. The four best scores in each event return at 7:30 p.m. to vie for championships.



Gooding's Erica Gerberding clears the bar on her way to a hometown victory in the high jump Wednesday afternoon.

Glenns Ferry boys top track meet; Gooding close behind

By Larry Hovey
Times-News writer

WENDELL — The Glenns Ferry boys served notice that their long track contending dynasty isn't over in a nine-way track meet Wednesday afternoon but the Gooding Senators indicated they wouldn't be far behind.

And in the year that Class A-4 gets its own state meet competition, the Raff River girls served up a large dose of depth, if not first-place scoring.

Individually, the best performer of opening day was provided by Filer senior Ryan Mai who clocked a 15.7 in the high hurdles

and 42.2 in the intermediates. He added a third in the furlong but that time (23.9) didn't chalk up to the hurdle marks.

He didn't charge the first 80 yards of the intermediates, giving an indication that, with work and conditioning, he could challenge the 40-second barrier by late spring.

Meanwhile, Glenns Ferry's Ross Farris rang in big — winning the short sprints and taking the long jump. "Not bad for a sophomore," said Coach Brent Taylor.

The Solsobal boys, Jared and Joe, mimed the weights for big points — including 1-2 in the discus.

Boys Division
100 — 1. Glenns Ferry 11.7, 2. Gooding 10.9, 3. Kimberly 10.2, 4. Raff River 10.7, 5. Filer 10.8, 6. Valley 10.7, 7. Burdette 10.7, 8. Wendell 10.7, 9. BHS 10.7, 10. BHS 10.7
1500 meters — 1. Farris, GF, 11:4.2, 2. Lutz, RR, 11:4.2, 3. Roberts, V, 11:6.4, 4. Meadows, V, 11:7.1, 5. Hurdles — 1. Mai, F, 15.7, 2. Knight, GF, 16.6, 3. Briggs, G, 17.4, 4. Juarez, GF, 16.6, 5. 200 meters — 1. Farris, GF, 23.9, 2. Knight, V, 23.9, 3. Mai, F, 23.9, 4. Lutz, RR, 24.9, 5. 300 meters — 1. Mai, F, 42.2, 2. Knight, GF, 43.6, 3. Ties, GF, 42.2, 4. Edwards, RR, 44.2, 5. Roberts, V, 44.4, 6. Reed, W, 53.0, 7. 400 meters — 1. Ross, B, 2:04.9, 2. Smith, K, 2:07.0, 3. Roberts, V, 2:11.8, 4. Rutherford, G, 2:12.6, 5. 600 meters — 1. Ross, B, 4:53.8, 2. David, K, 4:55.3, 3. Roberts, V, 5:00.4, 4. Thornburgh, G, 5:01.4, 5. 800 meters — 1. Roberts, V, 10:24.6, 2. Mai, F, 10:42.3, 3. Thornburgh, G, 11:06.8

Relay Events
4x100 — 1. Gooding (Richards, Lee, Patterson, Roberts) 45.8, 2. Filer 45.3, 3. Glenns Ferry 48.4, 4. Kimberly 48.4, 5. Valley 48.4, 6. Burdette 48.4, 7. Wendell 48.4, 8. BHS 48.4, 9. Valley (Machuga, Walker, Erickson, Knott) 1:38.2, 2. Glenns Ferry 1:38.9, 3. Kimberly 1:39.2, 4. Filer 1:39.2, 5. BHS 1:39.2, 6. Burdette 1:39.2, 7. Wendell 1:39.2, 8. BHS 1:39.2, 9. Valley 1:39.2

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Bruin boys, girls look bright in A-1 track

By Vin Cappello
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — When the defending state A-1 track and field champions burst out of the starting blocks, Duane Stands can't help but smile.

The eighth-grader Bruin coach is optimistic, albeit cautiously, about this spring's 40-man squad.

"We feel very good about what we have," Stands said. "The boys will perform very well."

Stands will get a first look at where Twin Falls stands today when the Bruins compete in a four-way meet with Borah, Jerome and Wood River at Bruin Stadium. The events begin at 3:30 p.m. with the 3,200-meter relay.

One from last year's championship

squad are Andy Lyda and John Rupprecht, who finished 1-2 in the 800 meters at the A-1 state meet.

But returning are senior Josh Amundson, who won the 400-meter sprint, and the triple jump and junior Jared Stubbs and Chris Gunter in the relays. Junior Alan Delaney is expected to excel in the distance events.

"We have some good juniors and seniors who had experience last year, if not at the state meet at least at other major meets," Stands said.

"I'm looking for us to be among the top four A-1 schools. I think we have that kind of potential," Stands said.

adding that Nampa, Boise, Borah and Highland will be strong again.

Stands said the Bruins girls, though they were last year's runner-up, are poised for a strong showing this spring.

"We just don't have the numbers, but the ones we have are very good," Stands said of his squad of about 25 girls.

Among the strong returns is defending state 400-meter champion Nancy Emery, who was clocked in 57.8 seconds last year. The Twin Falls senior will compete also in the 100 and 200. She will be backed up in the distance events by junior Jamee Windsor, a state qualifier in the 3,200 last year and the defending state cross country champion.

Melissa Olloff is expected to earn valuable points in the long and triple jumps, and in a relay or two.

"Melissa Olloff is as good a looking sophomore as we've seen," Stands said. "We just don't have enough of those types."

Kristy Carpenter and Amy Geilman will provide support in the discus and shot put, Stands added.

ATLANTA (AP) — The Atlanta Hawks became the first Eastern Conference team to clinch a playoff berth Wednesday night, riding a 32-point, 16-rebound effort by Kevin Willis to a 100-92 victory over the Charlotte Hornets.

Willis scored five points in a 7-0 run and had an assist on the other basket, a fastbreak layup by Craig Ehlo, that gave the Hawks an 85-75 lead with 7:40 remaining.

Atlanta extended the margin to 95-81 on Willis' tip-in with 3:54 to play before Charlotte chopped the deficit to 96-92 on Eddie Johnson's 3-pointer with 56 seconds remaining.

But a free throw by Willis and scoring by Stacey Augmon closed the third quarter. The Hawks extended their winning streak to four games, giving them a half-game lead over the New York Knicks for first place in the East.

Pro basketball

Pacers 78, Cavaliers 77

INDIANAPOLIS — Dale Davis put back an offensive rebound with 1:30 seconds remaining, lifting the Pacers to a 78-75 victory over the Cavaliers.

The Pacers' victory came one night after the Cavaliers embarrassed them 93-61, a franchise low for Indiana. The Pacers turned the tables with their best defensive half of the season, holding the Cavs to 27 points in the first half.

Indiana missed the margin to a 77-67 lead with 10 seconds left when he hit a 16-footer. Antonio Davis tipped in a missed free throw to put the Pacers in from 76-75 with 16 seconds to lift Indiana over Cleveland.

The Pacers, with no timeouts, rushed the ball downcourt on their final possession, and Reggie Miller missed a 15-footer from the baseline. But Davis was open for the rebound, made the layup and was fouled.

He intentionally missed the free throw, and Cleveland was awarded a timeout with 0.3 seconds left. But the Cavs couldn't get off a shot.

Deal clears Shaq for U.S. team

NEW YORK (AP) — A business agreement has cleared the way for Shaquille O'Neal to play on the U.S. basketball team at this summer's world championships. The Associated Press learned Wednesday.

The move involving the Orlando Magic center comes after a deal was reached between PepsiCo and USA Basketball.

O'Neal was one of the original 10 players placed on the team before he dropped out over a sponsorship dispute. Sources said the agreement with PepsiCo and USA Basketball will make him eligible to be one of the last two players named by USA, and his addition to the team is a foregone conclusion.

O'Neal dropped off the original team in October because he has an exclusive marketing agreement with PepsiCo, and one of the U.S. team's prime sponsors is McDonald's, a restaurant chain that sells Coca-Cola. O'Neal refused to sign a contract that would have allowed USA Basketball to use his name in conflict with his PepsiCo contract.

O'Neal, the NBA's leading scorer at 29.2 points per game, would join Alonzo Mourning and Larry Johnson of Charlotte, Joe Dumars and Isiah Thomas of Detroit, Shawn Kemp of Seattle, New Jersey's Derrick Coleman, the Los Angeles Clippers' Dominique Wilkins, Cleveland's Mark Price, Steve Smith of Miami and Dan-Majele-of-Phoenix on the team.

Thomas replaced Tim Hardaway because of a knee injury.

The team is the second U.S. team named by NBA players. The first, which included Michael Jordan, Magic Johnson, Larry Bird and Charles Barkley, won the 1992 Olympic gold medal, but no one from that team will be on this year's squad.

The 16-nation world championships will be Aug. 4-14 at Toronto.

PepsiCo and USA Basketball could not be reached for comment Wednesday night, but the agreement is expected to be made official Thursday.

Leonard Armato, O'Neal's attorney, would not confirm the agreement, but said he was not surprised an accommodation was reached.

"My position has always been that the public has a substantial interest in Shaq playing on the U.S. team," Armato said. "It was always optimistic that something would be worked out. I always thought it was not that big a deal."

The 1992 Olympic team also had its sponsorship problem. It came during the Barcelona Games when Jordan and a group of players under contract to Nike who didn't want to wear Reebok sweatshirts at the medal ceremony. That problem was solved when the players covered the Reebok logo with American flags.

Magic will lead Lakers this season from bench

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Magic Johnson is bringing showtime back to the Forum, only this time his uniform will be a suit and tie on the bench.

And his stay might be brief.

Johnson, who led the Los Angeles Lakers to five NBA titles before retiring in 1991 because of the AIDS virus, will coach the team for the rest of this season.

After that, who knows?

"I can't think about next season," Johnson said Wednesday at a Forum news conference. "I know it's going to be for a month, anyway. I'm not even talking about next year. All I'm concentrating on right now is this moment."

Lakers general manager Jerry West also suggested Johnson's coaching tenure may be short.

"Ervin Johnson will be the Lakers' coach for the remainder of the season," West said. "Lakers owner Jerry Buss has always harbored the desire for Magic Johnson to coach this team."

"I'm just doing it for him," Johnson said of Buss. "Oh, man! Well, I'm happy to be back for however long it is going to be."

The Lakers confirmed Tuesday night that Johnson will replace Randy Ruffolo, who will be reunited on the bench with longtime teammate Michael Cooper, who is replacing assistant coach Chet Kumer.

Cooper assisted West in the front office the last two seasons, and it's

speculated he might coach the Lakers next year if Johnson doesn't return.

"Right now, Magic's the coach," Cooper said. "My job is to help the Lakers win. We can't look into the future. If the next step comes next year or 10 years from now, I'll be ready to accept it."

Entering Wednesday night's game at Dallas, the Lakers were 27-37. They had 18 games remaining, and trailed Denver by 5½ games in the race for the eighth and final Western Conference playoff spot.

When asked if the Lakers could make the playoffs, something they've done for 17 straight seasons, Johnson said: "I want to win. It's going to be tough. They (Denver) have to go on a helluva losing streak and we have to go on a helluva winning streak."

Bulls 99, 76ers 87

PHILADELPHIA — Scottie Pippen scored 31 points on 14-for-19 shooting as Chicago handed Philadelphia its eighth straight home loss.

Pippen scored 10 points during an 18-run run that gave Chicago a 59-44 halftime lead, and the Bulls outscored the 76ers 17 to 11 in the second half. The closest the 76ers got after halftime was eight with seven minutes left.

Pistons 111, Clippers 107

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Lindsey Hunter and Pete Chilcutt led the way as Detroit's reserves outscored the Los Angeles Clippers bench players 33-23.

Both teams were missing their leading scorers. Dennis Rodman and Joe Dumars both sat out with the flu.

Terry Mills led the Pistons with 21 points and 14 rebounds, while Hunter had 19 and Chilcutt 12 in the Pistons' sixth win in eight games after they lost 37 straight. Ron King led all scorers with 27 points for the Clippers.

Los Angeles led 69-61 at the half and increased the margin to 92-82 in the third quarter. Detroit took control in the fourth quarter thanks to reserves Chilcutt, Mark Mason and Steve Nisely.

Three other scored nine straight Pistons points, pulling them to 96-93 with 7:26 to go. The Clippers led 65-61 before Mills' jumper with 1:51 to play put Detroit ahead for good.

Lakers 112, Mavericks 109

DALLAS — The Los Angeles Lakers didn't look like a struggling team in need of a new coach, clinching back in eighth-point deficit with 2:23 to play to beat Dallas.

Nick Van Exel, who scored 28 points, picked up the Lakers down the stretch, hitting a layup and a 3-pointer before expiring on their final three shots.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	49	27	.644	0
Orlando	40	37	.571	9
Atlanta	39	38	.506	10
New Jersey	34	51	.400	25
Charlotte	29	56	.341	30
Philadelphia	21	64	.247	38
Washington	19	66	.227	40

CENTRAL CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	47	35	.571	0
Cleveland	35	47	.427	12
Indiana	33	50	.398	14
San Antonio	29	54	.345	18
Charlotte	26	57	.314	21
Dallas	25	58	.297	22
Memphis	18	65	.217	29

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Portland	46	36	.561	0
Utah	45	37	.549	1
Denver	43	39	.524	3
San Jose	33	50	.398	14
Minnesota	30	47	.389	17
Phoenix	29	54	.345	18
Los Angeles	28	55	.338	19
Golden State	24	61	.279	25
LA Clippers	24	61	.279	25
Sacramento	23	62	.268	26

Today's Games

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Clark looks to prove Texas' point

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. (AP) — Will Clark has something to prove this season, and it has nothing to do with his health or Rafael Palmeiro.

Forget that Clark missed 62 games over his last three seasons with San Francisco, that his production declined to several career lows last year or that his figures will be measured against those of Palmeiro, who left after the Texas Rangers signed Clark to play first base.

"The only thing that I need to prove is that the Texas Rangers are winners," Clark said. "I'm not doubting anything about my own ability. I'll go let it hang out like I always do and help us win."

Clark's impact on the Rangers will be different from that of Palmeiro, who signed with Baltimore after the Rangers — saying talks with Palmeiro had stalled — signed Clark. Palmeiro posted career highs of 37 homers, 105 RBIs and 79 extra-base hits last season.

Clark had career lows last season with 14 home runs, 43 extra-base hits and tied his career low of 15 RBIs.

The Rangers expect Clark's leadership qualities to balance out any statistical differences.

"It's tough to praise one without implying you're degrading the other," general manager Tom Greve said. "I don't think you can only look at statistics to determine the best player for a certain team."

"Rafael is a good guy and had a role in the clubhouse. I don't mean to suggest Will is better in any way, but there are things that he brings to the party that are positive, and that's not being negative about Rafael."

Clark is a come-early-stay-late, 100-percent player whose passion for the game rubs off on teammates.

"We had to have a first baseman of the quality that we had," Kennedy said. "We didn't get it done with Rafael, but we did with Clark. He'll put up. All we've asked him to do is be Will Clark."

Clark doesn't even feel the need to demonstrate his leadership qualities.

"The leadership issue is a little overrated," he said. "When the season starts, you've got 25 guys who take care of themselves."

"Everybody on this team knows I'll be out there with them all the time. I'm here to have a good time and to win."

Clark doesn't plan to compete this season trying to match Palmeiro, who departed amid harsh words for the Rangers and Clark, his former teammate at Mississippi State.

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Carter injured in 12-9 win

DUNEDIN, Fla. (AP) — World Series hero Joe Carter was expected to miss at least a month with a broken right thumb, the result of being struck by Minnesota's Scott Erickson in the Toronto Blue Jays' 12-9 victory Wednesday.

Carter, whose three-run homer off Mitch Williams last fall in the bottom of the ninth inning of Game 6 at Toronto gave the Blue Jays their World Series championship over Philadelphia, was not believed to be seriously injured at first. The fracture was discovered during postgame x-rays.

On the field, Eddie Zosky hit a two-out, three-run homer — Toronto's fourth of the game — in the bottom of the ninth inning to cap a six-run rally.

Zosky, who earlier drove in a run, homered off Kevin Campbell to complete a comeback that began after the Blue Jays fell behind 8-1 in the fourth. Paul Molitor had two homers among three hits and scored three runs.

Carlos Delgado started the decisive rally with a homer before Robert Perez singled in a run and Domingo Martinez added a run-scoring double off Campbell.

Kent Hrbek had a two-run homer and three runs for Minnesota.

Dodgers 18, Yankees 10

VERO BEACH, Fla. — Raul Mondesi got four hits, and Darryl Strawberry and Mike Piazza had homers and three RBIs each in a 21-hit assault.

Mondesi also scored three times, drove in two runs and stole two bases. Piazza, whose seventh spring homer gave him the lead among National Leagueers, drove in three runs as did Carlos Hernandez and Jose Offerman.

Exhibition baseball

Athletics 2, Padres 0

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Ron Darling came within an error of six perfect innings, striking out five in another outstanding performance for Oakland.

Darling saw his chance for a perfect outing ruined on an error by first baseman Troy Neel with two outs in the sixth. Neel bobbled a grounder hit by pinch hitter Kevin Higgins. Darling, who has a 1.38 ERA in three spring starts.

Brewers 12, Giants 11

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Right fielder Matt Mieske hit a decisive two-run homer in the eighth, then threw out the potential tying run at the plate.

Matt Williams and Barry Bonds combined for five hits and five RBIs, including back-to-back home runs in the San Francisco fourth. Mieske threw out Steve Hasey trying to score on Luis Mercedes' single.

Indians 5, Reds 2

WINTER HAVEN, Fla. — Charles Nagy — injured most of last season — pitched a strong game, and Jim Thome had a homer among three hits.

Nagy came into the game with a 10.29 ERA through four starts, but limited the Reds to six hits and gave up one earned run. In addition to Thome's fourth homer, Albert Belle drove in two runs for Cleveland.

Cardinals 4, Pirates 2

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Allen Watson held Pittsburgh scoreless, and Brian Jordan of St. Louis went 3-for-4 with his second homer in as many games.

In his longest outing, Watson pitched 5 2-3 innings and struck out five. He allowed three hits, lowering his ERA to

2.37. Jordan, who has three home runs and is tied for the team lead with 12 RBIs, also had an RBI single.

Astros 13, Tigers 8

LAKELAND, Fla. — Kevin Bass drove in four runs with three of Houston's 16 hits, and rookie James Houston added a three-run homer.

The Tigers scored six runs in the fifth inning off Houston starter Darryl Kile, who still got the victory. The Astros scored three runs in the third off minor leaguer Justin Thompson.

Braves 6, Mets 5

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — Ramon Caraballo hit a decisive RBI single in the sixth inning for Atlanta, which took the lead on a two-run hit by David Justice in the third.

Steve Avery went three innings to claim the victory, overcoming a shaky start that included up two runs on four hits with three walks.

Rangers 7, Red Sox 7 (11)

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. — Jose Canseco hit two homers and drove in the game-tying run in the bottom of the ninth inning.

Boston first baseman Mo Vaughn hit his major-league-leading eighth spring homer in the sixth, a two-run shot off Texas starter Kenny Rogers.

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Jordan mania hits minors' pocketbook

HAGERSTOWN, Md. (AP) — Michael Jordan mania is stirring up excitement in the minor-league venues in Maryland and Delaware, which fans buying tickets to games the basketball great could play in the area.

If Jordan is assigned to the Cannons, the Class A team of the Chicago White Sox in Woodbridge, Va., might travel to Frederick to oppose the Keys. The Cannons begin a three-game series against the Keys on May 10, and tickets for

that series are popular. "If he's coming, I don't have to do anything," said Larry Martin, general manager of the Keys. "Just sit back and count the money."

It's also conceivable that Jordan could play a game or two this summer in Hagerstown, but only if he sues up for the Crawdads, Chicago's Class A team in Hickory, N.C. The Crawdads are scheduled for a four-game series in Hagerstown against the Suns beginning April 19.

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WHAT TO DO IF YOU THINK YOUR CHILD IS ON DRUGS.

The Telltale Signs

Chronic eye redness, sore throat or dry cough.
Chronic lying, especially about whereabouts.
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Stealing.
Deteriorating relationships with family members.
Wild mood swings, hostility, or abusive behavior.
Chronic fatigue, withdrawal, carelessness about personal grooming.
Major changes in eating or sleeping patterns.
Loss of interest in favorite activities, hobbies, sports.
School problems — slipping grades, absenteeism.

Take a deep breath.

You're not a failure as a parent. You're not helpless. And you're not alone.

If you think you're a failure, consider this: There are many kids with neglectful parents who never use drugs. There are also children with seemingly model parents who do use drugs.

So the first thing to accept is that drugs, while indeed dangerous, are one more problem for youngsters to handle. And they'll do it better and faster if you're aware, involved, and don't stick your head in the sand.

THE AWARE-PARENT IS THE GOOD PARENT.

Part of awareness and a major deterrent to experimentation is to talk to your kids about drugs.

But even with a lot of parental involvement, there are no guarantees. So it's important to know the symptoms of drug use and to take action if you see your youngster displaying them.

THE WARNING SIGNALS.

There are no symptoms that are absolutely reliable. But there are clues (see box).

Most of these symptoms tend to be gradual which is why parental awareness is so important.

But don't jump to conclusions.

Many of the warning signs for drug use are the same as those for depression or for the ups and downs of being a teenager. There's also the possibility it's a physical or emotional problem.

But whatever the problem, we're talking about a child who needs help. Right now.

START WITHIN THE FAMILY.

Nothing beats the power of love and family support. That has to start with a frank discussion.

Don't make it an attack. And don't try to talk with your child if he or she seems under the influence.

Wait for a calm moment and then explain that you're worried about certain behavior (be specific) and give your child every opportunity to explain. That means really listening, not doing all the talking.

At the same time, it's important to speak frankly about the possibility of drugs. And it's particularly important to talk about your values and why you're dead set against drugs.

If your youngster seems evasive or if his or her explanations are not convincing, you may want to consult your doctor to rule out illness and to ask for advice.

You may also want to have your child visit a mental health professional to see if there are emotional problems.

FURTHER ACTION MAY BE NECESSARY.

If your child seems non-responsive or belligerent, and you suspect drugs are involved, immediate action is vital.

First, you'll need an evaluation from a health professional skilled in diagnosing adolescents with alcohol or drug problems. You may want to get involved with an intervention program to learn techniques that will help convince a drug user to accept help. For the user, there are self-help, outpatient, day care, residency, and 24-hour hospitalization programs.

The right program depends entirely on the circumstances and the degree of drug involvement. Here, you'll need professional help to make an informed choice.

Another point: If a program is to succeed, the family needs to be part of it. This can mean personal or family counseling. It may also involve participating in a support group where you learn about co-dependency and how not to play into the problems that might prompt further drug use.

If you don't know about drug programs in your area, call your family doctor, local hospital or county mental health society or school counselor for a referral. You can also call the national helpline — 800-662-HELP — for advice and a referral.

WHATEVER YOU DO, DON'T GIVE UP.

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Magic Valley

Around the valley

Water-rule hearings set today, tomorrow

TWIN FALLS — Public hearings on new state water rules will be held today at the Grange Hall in Gooding and Friday at the National Guard armory in Rupert. Both public hearings will begin at 1 p.m.

With the irrigation season drawing near, Idaho water officials are scurrying to write new rules to prevent groundwater pumpers from infringing on older water rights fed by rivers, streams and springs.

2 charged with trying to sell heroin at McDonald's lot

TWIN FALLS — Roberto Martinez-Tapia and Jacinto Delgado-Romero were arraigned Wednesday and charged with possession of a controlled substance with intent to distribute.

According to testimony from witnesses, Martinez-Tapia was at the McDonald's gas station at Blue Lakes Boulevard and Falls Avenue at 8:20 p.m. Tuesday trying to sell black cheva — also known as heroin.

He was with Delgado-Romero. They next went down Blue Lakes Boulevard to the McDonald's restaurant.

In the McDonald's parking lot Martinez-Tapia again tried to sell the heroin and showed off a semi-automatic handgun that he said he would use to get any police who tried to stop him, witnesses said.

Twenty minutes later, three Twin Falls Police officers arrested Martinez-Tapia and Delgado-Romero.

Buhl teen dies after truck rolls near Thousand Springs

BUHL — A local teen died Wednesday afternoon when his pickup rolled over about three-quarters of a mile south of Sligar's Thousand Springs resort.

Reggie Boyer, 16, of Buhl, died instantly at about 2 p.m., said Twin Falls County Coroner Gene Turley.

Boyer was northbound on Highway 30 when the 1986 GMC S-15 pickup he was driving went across the left side of the road, said Cpl. Dave Benefield of the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office.

In overcorrecting, the truck rolled at least twice before landing back on its wheels, Benefield said Wednesday.

"Excessive speed was a factor," he said.

Boyer was not wearing a seat belt and was thrown from the vehicle, he said.

Illegal immigrant arraigned on gun-possession charges

TWIN FALLS — An illegal Mexican immigrant was arraigned and charged Wednesday with unlawful possession of firearms.

On Tuesday, Idaho State Police Cpl. Sidney Edwards paid over Sergio Ceballos-Gomez on Highway 93 north of Hollister for having expired license plates on his 1978 Moto Carlo.

Ceballos-Gomez didn't speak English, and Edwards gave him a card written in Spanish asking for consent to search the car. Ceballos-Gomez agreed.

Edwards said he found a 9 mm Luger pistol, a .30-caliber M-2 semi-automatic carbine, a Chinese semi-automatic rifle, a Hungarian semi-automatic pistol, a 9 mm Walther semi-automatic pistol and a Glock 9 mm pistol.

Edwards later found out that Ceballos-Gomez had been deported from the United States after he was arrested in a drug sting operation trying to buy eight pounds of marijuana in Arizona. Ceballos-Gomez was given four years parole in August 1990 and deported.

Lady Republicans schedule noon luncheon for Monday

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls County Republican Women have planned their regular meeting for noon Monday at the Canyon Springs Inn.

All state and local Republican candidates are welcome and will be given equal time to speak. Cost is \$7 per person. Reservations are required and may be made by calling Orrie Sinclair at 734-2515.

For more information, call Char Alexander at 734-6500.

Compiled from staff and wire reports



Leo Dwayne Jasper is led to court Wednesday by Bailiff Doug Sugden before pleading guilty to voluntary manslaughter.

Guilty plea ends murder case

By Mick Normington
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Leo Dwayne Jasper pleaded guilty Wednesday to stabbing Thomas M. Pont to death last April.

Jasper signed a plea agreement for voluntary manslaughter and now faces six to 10 years in prison.

Jasper was originally charged with first-degree murder; police said he killed Pont, 42, during a robbery. But Jasper, 22, told Fifth District Judge Daniel Meehl that he stabbed Pont during a fight.

Jasper said that on the night of April 20, 1993, he and his friend Danny T. Egelston

had been drinking and when walking downtown met Pont near the Our House grill at 761 Main Ave. E.

Pont told them he wanted to get a taxi. Egelston left to call for a taxi, but it didn't arrive; Pont became angry and accused Egelston of not making the call, Jasper said.

He said that Pont went into a nearby alley, grabbed a wooden shipping pallet and struck him with it.

"It was wrong for me, but I pulled my knife," Jasper said. "I didn't intend to kill him."

Jasper said he pulled his knife, Pont dropped the pallet, and Jasper stabbed Pont

four times. Jasper said he was scared and angry when he stabbed Pont — once above the heart, once in the lower back. An autopsy found Pont died of internal bleeding.

In pleading to the voluntary manslaughter charge, Jasper gave up going to trial.

Egelston, 24, was originally charged as an accessory to first-degree murder, and as such faced the same maximum penalty as Jasper did — the death penalty. Egelston pleaded guilty and agreed to testify against his friend. He was sentenced to the Cottonwood correction program for six months and is now on probation.

Radioactive shipments set to roll through Magic Valley to Washington

By H.R. Weikel
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — The federal Energy Department plans to ship capsules of radioactive material through the Magic Valley starting next month.

Cpl. Thomas Wright, Idaho State Police officer, was in Jerome Wednesday to train law enforcement, fire, emergency response, and rescue personnel to handle any emergency that could happen en route.

The first shipment of radioactive cesium-137, a byproduct of a nuclear reaction, will be shipped across Idaho on Interstate 84 during April. Twenty ships will be made, one about every 33 days, during the next two years.

About 300 of the capsules will be shipped from Northglenn, Colorado, to the Hanford Nuclear Reservation in Washington state.

In the early 1980s, the federal Energy Department leased cesium capsules to commercial irradiation facilities. The capsules were used to sterilize medical equipment.

In 1990, after a capsule leaked at a facility in Decatur, Ga., the department recalled all its cesium capsules from commercial operators. To date, more than 650 capsules have been shipped without incident from locations in Ohio and Georgia to the Waste Encapsulation and Storage Facility at Hanford.

Another 309 capsules will be trucked from Colorado to Hanford. The capsules at the Colorado facility have been tested and none were found to be leaking, Wright said.

Capsules are 21 inches long, 2.6 inches in diameter and weigh about 20 pounds each. Because of the high level of radioactivity cesium emits, the capsules are stored under water and must

be handled remotely during use and loading for transport.

Cesium emits gamma rays, more powerful than X-rays. Gamma rays can be blocked only by thick lead or concrete shielding. Exposure to unshielded cesium can be fatal.

For transport, the cesium-137 capsules are encased in heavily shielded steel packages that weigh from 8 to 18 tons. The shipping casks are tested to ensure they can withstand shipping accidents.

As the trucks travel from Colorado to Washington, they will be tracked by a satellite system that links the carrier vehicle with the control center in Oak Ridge, Tenn.

"Though risk is slight to public health and the environment from a transportation accident involving radioactive materials, risk does exist," Wright said in the training session.

Fire rule poses Catch-22 for homeowners

By Barbara Niewert
Times-News correspondent

SAWTOOTH CITY — Isolation brings its own set of problems, as homeowners here can attest.

In order to get a building permit for homes larger than 1,200 square feet, homeowners are required by a county ordinance enacted last summer to provide some sort of fire protection — either by installing a sprinkler system or the formation of a fire protection district.

Not actually a city, this subdivision near

the northern boundary of Blaine County is about 40 miles north of Ketchum over the Galena Summit in the Sawtooth Valley.

With 63 homes in the area, only 11 are occupied year-round. They can be reached only by snowmobile or on foot.

There is no existing fire protection. "We want out of this Catch-22, and you guys are the ones with the answers," Sawtooth City homeowner Bud Sanders told the Blaine County Commissioners Monday.

Primarily a summer home area, the construction of a new 3,200-square-foot home

prompted county officials to apply the ordinance for issuance of the building permit.

Homeowner Gus Strauss is willing to put in the sprinkler system, said his representative Tony Mabbitt.

But it may not be that simple.

Residents may opt for individual sprinkler systems, but low winter temperatures wreak havoc on water lines buried under roadways, making it necessary to completely rebuild the water system, the cost of which would be borne by all property owners.

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Bill on superintendent's qualifications stirs debate

By Drew DeSilver
Times-News writer

BOISE — Got a four-year college degree? You too can run for state schools superintendent.

At least, you'd be able to if a bill approved Wednesday by the Senate Education Committee becomes law. The bill would remove the current requirements that candidates for the state's top schools job hold a valid Idaho administrator's certificate and be "actively engaged" in educational work.

The bill, sponsored by Rep. Pattie Nafziger, D-Ketchum, passed the House last week on a 55-15 vote. The Senate is likely to vote on it late this week or early next week.

Nafziger pointed out that, of the seven statewide elected officials, only the schools



superintendent has his or her special qualifications spelled out in statute. The only other official with special qualifications is the attorney general, whom the Constitution requires to be a lawyer admitted to practice before the Idaho Supreme Court.

"The state auditor and state treasurer don't even have to know how to add," she said.

Rick Hays of US West, representing the Idaho Association of Commerce and Indus-

try, spoke in favor of the bill.

"As we proceed through the last half of this decade, we must ensure the process is open to the best people we can participate," Hays said.

"We will need the best leaders, the best visionaries interested in education to guide our public instruction efforts. If that's a former teacher or administrator, great. If that's a former professional person or organization leader, that should be great also."

But representatives of the education establishment testified against the bill, saying its backers underestimate the amount of specialized knowledge needed to do the superintendent's job well.

"I certainly don't want to turn the state superintendency into a training ground for administrators," said Deputy Schools Superintendent Gus Hein. "Are we looking for someone to be a figurehead, or are we

Senate OKs bill to fund school pay

By Drew DeSilver
Times-News writer

BOISE — The state would take over much of the funding for school employees' salaries under a bill passed overwhelmingly Wednesday by the Idaho Senate.

The bill would overhaul the formula governing state aid to local school districts, in an effort to even out the disparities in funding between urban and rural districts and property-rich and property-poor districts.

Sponsors, including Sen. Denton Darrington, R-Declo, said that addressing the so-called "equity" issue was critical to setting a lawsuit by 40-some school districts against the state.

"With the passage of this legislation, I think the lawsuit will disappear," Darrington told the Senate before the 29-6 vote.

Previous funding formula reforms have been doomed by squabbling among Idaho's 113 school districts. But local superintendents worked with key senators, including President Pro Tem Jerry Twigg of Blackfoot, to come up with a bill most of them can support.

How the bill faces a rocky future across the Statehouse-rotunda. House Education Chairman Ron Black, R-Twin Falls, said he didn't think it would pass his committee if the vote were held now.

Several committee members object to tying up so many state dollars in salaries, Black said, and others want any formula reform to limit state reimbursement for student transportation.

Under the Senate bill, about \$463.6 million of this year's estimated total state aid package of \$655.6 million would be earmarked for salaries. Another \$93.6 million would go for salary-linked retirement benefits.

The funding formula, and the bill seeking to reform it, are so complex that the Senate Republican and Democratic caucuses held a rare, joint session Tuesday evening, so all the senators could be briefed on the issue before Wednesday's vote.

Black said a similar briefing session for all House members will be held next Monday.

Boiled down to its essentials, here's what the bill would do:

- Set up a unified system for determining how much of each district's state aid package would go for salaries for teachers, administrators and other employees.

- Districts would still decide how to spend their salary allocations within each category, and there would be no minimum salary or statewide salary schedule, unlike those contained in previous versions of the bill.

- Encourage districts to lower their class sizes in grades 1-3, by lowering the "attendance divisor" for those grades from 23 to 20 over three years.

- Encourage districts to raise more money locally through property taxes, by raising the "equalization factor," or assumed local contribution, to .4 percent from .36 percent.

- Guarantee all school districts that their state support in the 1994-95 school year will be at least 8 percent higher than their current support.

The bill also contains special allocations for classroom supplies, technology, school reform efforts and school safety. Those provisions allow the reform to address educational thoroughness as well as equity, Darrington and his three co-sponsors said.

Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly, was one of the few senators to oppose the bill. Despite the sponsors' intentions, Noh said, the salary allocation system inevitably would shift the focus of salary negotiations to the Legislature and away from local districts.

But Darrington denied that, saying that "there's still a tremendous amount of local control ... Negotiations will not take place at the state level — they will continue to occur at the local level."

Because state aid to schools is expected to rise by at least \$92.5 million this year, all districts will receive more money than

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looking for someone who can be a leader in the education role?"

Supporters have said that removing the qualifications is a necessary step toward shaking up the state's school system. But Vikki Reynolds of the Idaho Association of School Administrators replied, "In order to make change, you must understand what you're trying to change."

Although the panel killed a similar bill two years ago, only Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly, and John Hansen, R-Idaho Falls, voted against this year's version.

The issue of qualifications took on more urgency after the current schools superintendent, Jerry Evans, announced he would seek a fifth term. Nafziger's bill would take effect immediately, and there has been widespread speculation that Democrats and conservative Republicans want to open up

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Idaho/West

Enthusiasts eye dinosaur museum

Seattle Times

A Mercer Island, Wash., woman who in 1990 discovered the largest *Tyrannosaurus rex* skeleton ever found has joined a fledgling effort to build a \$100-million to \$200-million natural-history museum in Seattle.

"This dinosaur craze has created much more interest in natural history than ever before," explained Susan Hendrickson.

The 44-year-old adventurer has helped explore sunken Spanish galleons and hunted amber with prehistoric insects inside—the fictional source of dinosaur DNA in the movie "Jurassic Park."

She found amber-coated, 30-million-year-old termites that yielded fragments of fossil DNA to researchers at the American Museum of Natural History in New York in 1992.

Seattle has the technically educated population, environmental interest and home-grown research to make such a museum a magnet,

Hendrickson said. "We've got to educate about the natural world, or we're not going to have a world left," she warned.

Hendrickson said the proposed museum, with an estimated 250,000 square feet of space, would fill a "big hole" in the Pacific Northwest by providing not only displays on paleontology but other sciences at which Seattle excels, including forestry, zoology, marine sciences and ecology.

The shy Hendrickson's "Indiana Jane" reputation and her network of contacts with world museums has lent some glamour and credibility to the proposal.

A professional undersea diver and skilled amateur paleontologist, she is at work on projects in Japan, Cuba, Egypt, the Philippines and China. At this point the idea for a Northwest Museum of Natural History is little more than a new phone number and a dream. But science buffs hope they can tap regional enthusiasm for a companion museum.

With proposals already made for an expanded Maritime Heritage Center and Native-American cultural exhibit in the city, this new idea was compared by paleontologist Peter Ward of the University of Washington to the mall-and-museum center including the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.

Hendrickson was scheduled to leave Seattle for Tokyo Wednesday to work on book and fossil projects with the Japanese, whose interest in dinosaurs goes well beyond Godzilla.

With ownership of the gigantic T-rex skeleton, nicknamed "Sue" after its discoverer, now the object of a four-way court battle among the federal government, the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe of South Dakota, the Black Hills Institute and a private rancher, the chance of it becoming a museum centerpiece here is remote.

But paleontologists at the University of Washington's Burke Museum and Montana's Museum of

the Rockies have tentative plans to scout the Methow Valley in north central Washington this spring or summer in search of the state's first dinosaur. And the Olympic Peninsula northwest of Seattle recently has yielded some of the most important whale skeletons in the world, fossils that might be traded for bones elsewhere.

Tentative response from potential backers has been encouraging, said Ward, a curator at the Burke Museum and author of books popularizing science.

"It's long past due in the best part of the nation for this kind of exhibit," he said. "People are interested in the quality of life and natural history here—and there's a lot of money in Seattle."

In a recent lecture to a Seattle audience, Harvard paleontologist Stephen Jay Gould remarked on the puzzling absence of a major natural-history museum in the heavily populated Vancouver, B.C.-Seattle-Portland-Ore. corridor.

Supreme court hears Oregon land dispute

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court was asked Wednesday to rein in government's power to require private land to be used for public environmental purposes.

"There's no fairness, there's no justice" when a city can require a store owner to make part of her land a public bike path in exchange for a permit to build a larger store, lawyer David B. Smith argued.

Smith represents Florence Dolan, owner of a plumbing-supply business in Tigard, Ore., a suburb of Portland.

But the city's lawyer said the requirement was a reasonable way to address the increased traffic and storm water runoff a larger store would create.

Dolan and her family could have found other ways to address those concerns, said city attorney Timothy V. Ranis. "They simply didn't take advantage of the system," he said.

The Constitution's Fifth Amendment bars government from taking private land without fair com-

pensation. But government can regulate private land use without payment to the owner as long as it does not deny all economically viable use of the land.

Such regulation should be allowed only when it is in proportion to the environmental effects caused by a new building, Smith said. The court is expected to rule by late June.

Dolan owns A-Boy Plumbing on Main Street in Tigard. City officials said she could tear down the store and build a much larger one only if she turned over about 10 percent of her 1.67-acre lot to public space.

The city said part of the space must be made open public land alongside a creek, while the rest would be used for rebuilding a storm drainage channel and for a pedestrian and bicycle path to a nearby park.

"It wanted it for free to fulfill its longstanding plans for a park and a pedestrian bikeway," Smith told the justices. "It did so without any regard to the actual impact of her new store."

Lawyers seek to restrict Realtors' role

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Legal fees paid by Idaho home buyers would rise under a rule change being promoted by the state's lawyers.

The Idaho State Bar has asked the state Supreme Court to make it illegal for Realtors to handle certain parts of home sale transactions.

Realtors contend the proposed restrictions would make it impossible to buy or sell property without hiring an attorney.

"It's going to put more costs onto the consumer to have attorneys involved in every transaction," said Dan Flanagan, a Coeur d'Alene Realtor. "There are more and more attorneys added to the rolls every year and I guess they just need more business."

Pat Acuff of Acuff Northwest

said homes sell so fast in northern Idaho's hot real estate market that waiting for buyers' and sellers' attorneys is not always practical. In some cases any delay could kill a deal.

"I guess the bar thinks people who are buying and selling real estate aren't astute enough to realize that they already have the option of hiring an attorney," Acuff said.

Tightened rules on home transactions are part of a broad set of "unauthorized practice rules" submitted to the Supreme Court. They propose that non-lawyers not be allowed to offer advice in legal matters relating to the "ownership, use, disposition or encumbrance of real estate."

Lawyers themselves do not agree on the proposed rules. Only 51 per-

cent of the bar's members voted for a motion to put the changes before the Supreme Court.

"It was really close," said Dan Grober, assistant bar counsel. "But we do receive a number of complaints alleging unauthorized practice of law. We don't feel it's something we can sit back and ignore."

The bar is charged under state law with pursuing claims if unauthorized law practice. It can sue a non-lawyer for giving bad legal advice, seeking to stop the practice and impose civil penalties.

But the bar actually has not gone after alleged violations because rules defining the unauthorized practice of law are archaic. Grober said the last substantive Supreme Court ruling on the issue was in 1936.

Aftershock jolts Los Angeles area

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A mild aftershock jolted the San Fernando Valley on Wednesday, causing no damage or reports of injuries.

The magnitude-3.2 earthquake was among thousands of aftershocks reported since the deadly Jan. 17 Northridge quake. On Sunday, a magnitude-5.3 aftershock caused some damage. The latest quake was centered near San Fernando about 8 miles from Northridge, said Heather Lovasz, California Institute of Technology in Pasadena.

Friendly fire killed canine deputy

POCATELLO (AP) — Friendly fire — not a gunman officers were trying to apprehend — killed a Bannock County Sheriff's Department police dog.

Officials earlier said Kai Von Dornhekel, a German shepherd, was killed when he was hit in the mouth at close range with a shotgun blast fired by Genid Cox, 36, near Swan Lake. The dog died March 5 when officers were trying to apprehend Cox. But Bannock County Sheriff Bill Lynn said the shotgun blast did

not kill Kai. A veterinarian initially believed Cox's shotgun blast ripped off the dog's jaw, Lynn said. But a review of a videotape shows the shell went through Kai's mouth and down into his leg.

The dog got back up on three legs and went for Cox, who pointed his gun at officers. They fired seven shots at Cox as Kai, his injured leg dangling, lunged for the man. A shotgun blast from one of the officers struck Kai in the jaw, Lynn said.

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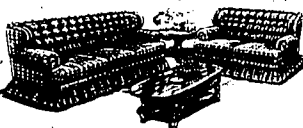
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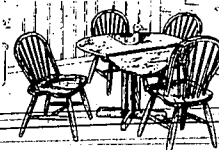
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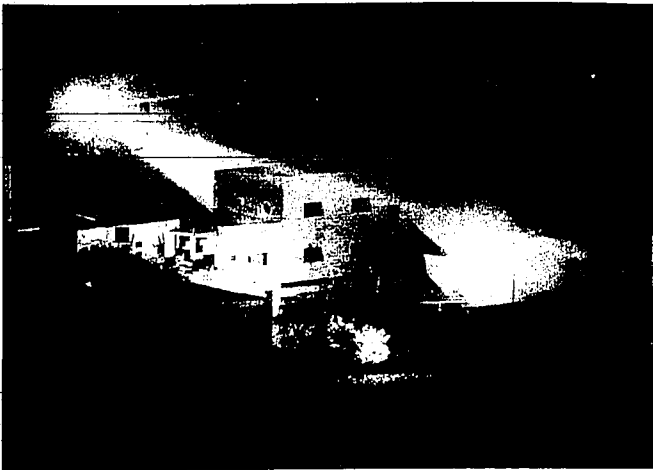
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World



Floodlights isolate a building surrounded by Israeli soldiers in the occupied West Bank town of Hebron early Wednesday.

Mosque callers battle sound of gunfire in guerrilla siege

HEBRON, Occupied West Bank (AP) — As dawn broke Wednesday, the Muslim call to prayer competed with the staccato chatter of machine guns and explosions of rockets tearing apart a stone building suspected as a guerrilla hideout.

When the 22-hour siege ended at mid-afternoon, four Islamic militants and a woman bystander were dead, and Arabs opposed to the resumption of Middle East peace talks had a new rallying cry.

The gunbattle came less than a month after a Jewish settler shot 30 Palestinian worshippers to death in Hebron's ancient Tomb of the Patriarchs about a half-mile away. Palestinian leaders accused the army of endangering civilians with the siege.

Palestinians were especially incensed the roof of a pediatric hospital, holding 32 children was used as a staging point by Israeli soldiers to pour fire at the holed-up guerrillas. That move also drew protests from the International Red Cross and other human rights groups.

Israeli military censors banned news media from reporting on the battle until after it ended, apparently hoping to hold down Palestinian protests in the occupied territories.

But U.N. spokesman Sami Mshasha

said 18 Palestinians were wounded in clashes with troops during protests in Hebron and other towns in the West Bank.

The army said the siege started around 4 p.m. Tuesday, when an Israeli patrol was shot at from the building. An army spokesman, Capt. Ram Izzach, said the last shots heard from inside the building came at around 2 p.m. Wednesday.

"They were called on many times to surrender, but the answer was always gunfire," he told an Associated Press reporter at the scene.

Izzach said five soldiers suffered minor wounds, including the driver of an armored bulldozer who was wounded by glass fragments when guerrillas fired as he battered the three-story building.

Reporters estimated troops fired more than 100 anti-tank rockets along with thousands of bullets from machine guns and automatic rifles.

Night turned to day, setting roosters crowing, when up to 15 yellow flares at a time glided down over Hebron repeatedly Tuesday night. Red tracer bullets streamed at the hideout, which was held in the glare of blinding spotlights that jumped from window to window looking for movement.

"After the thousands of shots

they've fired in these, only ghosts and angels could be left," said Surayya Abu Sineini, 44, who watched the battle that turned a refurbished white stone building into a fire-blackened wreck.

Maj. Gen. Ehud Barak, the military chief of staff, said the four dead were among the most dangerous wanted members of the Islamic Resistance Movement, or Hamas.

Announcing the battle during testimony before a commission investigating the mosque massacre, Barak said the Palestinian bystander apparently died from gunfire by the guerrillas. But Al-Ahli hospital in Hebron said an army bullet killed Huduq Zahdeh, 34, who was five months' pregnant.

The military had no immediate response to a statement by Mohamseh Children's Hospital condemning soldiers for firing from the roof and tromping repeatedly through wards holding 32 children despite their obvious fright.

"The shooting continued all night. The children were very scared and cried all night. They could not sleep," said the hospital's director, Dr. Hisham Abu Gharbiyah.

At a Jerusalem news conference, PLO negotiator Saeb Erekat sharply criticized Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

Somalia withdrawal nearly completed

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — About 450 American soldiers boarded a ship Wednesday for the trip home from Somalia, leaving only a handful of commandos and a Marine rear guard in a land still lawless and ungoverned.

The Empire State, a naval reserve vessel operated by the Maritime College of New York, is to set sail at first light Thursday, taking the departing servicemen and women south to Mombasa, Kenya.

From there, they will be flown to the United States, avoiding the frightening possibility that their transport planes might be shot out of the sky by Somali gunmen as they depart.

The remaining 250 U.S. soldiers will fly out of Mogadishu on a number of planes carrying primarily cargo, and the Marine rear guard of 1,300 men will complete the American withdrawal early Friday.

The final stages of the withdrawal came amid new reports of banditry and inter-clan fighting in Somalia, which sank into chaos when its dictatorial government was overthrown in January 1991.

As the withdrawal of American and other Western troops from the U.N. mission neared its end, the United Nations reported:

• The abandonment of more than a week of fruitless talks by Somali warlords and clan elders in Nairobi, Kenya, on the shape of a future, transitional government.

• The slaying by Somali bandits of

two employees of an Australian firm that helps feed U.N. peacekeepers in Somalia and the wounding of a third in an ambush outside Mogadishu.

A fresh outbreak of inter-clan fighting near the volatile southern port of Kismayu that left six Somalis dead and seven wounded in fighting that the conference in Kenya was supposed to resolve.

The peace talks in Nairobi were abruptly called off by the United Nations on Wednesday after Somalia's principal warlords and 13 other factions failed for the fifth time in four days to reach an agreement.

The acting U.N. special representative for Somalia, Lansana Kouyate, was described by his spokesman as "very disappointed and, indeed, at an earlier stage today, angry at this failure."

The slain employees of the Australian company, Morris Catering, were identified by the United Nations as Kim Sarin, 32, and Ou Sotha, 37, both of Cambodia.

The wounded man was identified only as Mark French, a Briton. He was reported in stable condition in a Pakistani military hospital.

Maj. Chris Budge, the U.N. military spokesman, said the three were shot after they stepped unarmed from one of the Australian firm's trucks at a roadblock set up by bandits.

"They were just standing by the side of the road when they were gunned down," Budge said.

96 killed in weapons search

KIGALI, Rwanda (AP) — Government troops killed at least 96 civilians during a search for illegal arms in impoverished neighborhoods of Burundi's capital, a Western diplomat said Wednesday.

State radio reported 100-500 people were killed Tuesday and early Wednesday following a weekend of bloodletting between the rival Hutu and Tutsi ethnic groups.

Interior Minister Leonard Nyangoma, a member of the majority Hutus, said the number of people killed in the latest raid was as high as 1,000. It was impossible to independently confirm that figure. Nyangoma, who spoke on Rwandan radio, said he was in hiding in Bujumbura, Burundi's capital. Paratroopers and police, supported by Rwandan troops, moved into Bujumbura's suburbs on Monday night after Prime Minister Anatole Kanyembo said he had the authority to seize all illegal weapons.

A Western diplomat, interviewed by telephone from Bujumbura, said he counted the bodies of 56 men, women, children and babies in Kamenge. Most of them had been shot, he said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

A colleague counted another 40 bodies in the suburb of Kinyana, the diplomat said. There was no immediate word on casualties in Cibitoke, another neighborhood where disarmament was carried out.

Touvier says he treated prisoners humanely

VERSAILLES, France (AP) — Paul Touvier, the former militia chief on trial for crimes against humanity, said Wednesday he freed at least 42 French prisoners after D-Day to prevent their massacre by retreating Nazi troops.

But a prosecutor called him a liar when Touvier, 78, testified he personally freed a newly recruited Resistance fighter for humanitarian reasons.

"He was just a boy, only about 20," Touvier said from his bulletproof glass booth. "He hadn't gone on any raids yet, so I decided to let him go."

Under questioning, Touvier — the first Frenchman to be prosecuted for crimes against humanity — admitted he freed Jean-Pierre Rozier in June 1944 as propaganda for the pro-Nazi militia.

"I thought it would be good for us if the family got help from the militia," he said, insisting he did not accept a reward from the wealthy family of jewellers.

"I personally drove him back to his father's jewelry store. It would have been easy for me to take something, but the thought never entered my mind."

Lawyers for the civil parties — families of Resistance fighters and Jewish deportees — told the court Rozier's father testified after the war that Touvier forced him to pay 1 million francs (about \$500,000 today) for his son's freedom.

Prosecutor Henri de Touzin said he had documents to prove many prisoners remained in detention long after Touvier claimed to have let them go, and that the figure of 42 has never been proven.

Touvier was unable to recall the names of Jewish prisoners he claims to have freed during the summer of 1944.

Efforts to resume talks move to Cairo

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — PLO and Israeli negotiators tried to wrap up an agreement Wednesday on protecting Palestinians in the occupied lands, and Israeli lawmakers said Israel was considering removing one of six Jewish settlements in the heart of Hebron.

Negotiators in Cairo are trying to find a formula that would bring the PLO back to the bargaining table to finish plans for Palestinian self-rule in the Gaza Strip and West Bank town of Jericho.

Those talks were suspended after a Jewish settler massacred 30 worshippers at a mosque in the West Bank town of Hebron last month.

Palestinians are demanding security guarantees before resuming the autonomy talks. "We have come here to prevent another Hebron massacre," chief Palestinian delegate Nabil Shaath said. Shaath said negotiators were discussing an international security force in the occupied territories and a Palestinian police force.

As the delegates broke for dinner, Shaath said the talks were "going well."

Sources in Tunis, Tunisia, had said a tentative agreement was reached in talks there Monday and Tuesday, but that Israel's final decision was up to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

The tentative agreement reportedly called for putting some foreign troops in the occupied lands and moving Jewish settlers out of Hebron to the nearby settlement of Kiryat Arba. Israel has long resisted both moves.

In Jerusalem, lawmakers said Israel was considering closing down Tel Rumaida, one of six small settlements in the midst of Hebron's 80,000 Palestinian residents.

Tel Rumaida is home to only seven settler families, but its residents include activists in the recently banned, anti-Arab Kach movement. Dr. Baruch Goldstein, the settler who carried out the Hebron massacre, was a Kach supporter from Kiryat Arba.

The PLO has demanded that all 43 settler families — about 450 people — be moved out of Hebron.

Foreign Minister Shimon Peres refused to say whether a decision was near on moving any settlers out of

Hebron. Such a move was not being negotiated with the PLO, he said.

The U.S. envoy to the Middle East, Dennis Ross, arrived in Israel and met with Rabin after visiting Syria, Tunisia, Egypt and Jordan to discuss ways to get the negotiations back on track.

The autonomy talks interrupted by the massacre are aimed at implementing Israel's withdrawal from Gaza and Jericho and turning over control of those areas to the PLO. The moves are outlined in the Sept. 13 Israel-PLO accord as a model for a broader autonomy to be negotiated later.

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Body to be cremated can use rental casket

DEAR ABBY: "An Avid Reader in Woonsocket, R.I." wrote you about a funeral home that charged \$1,200 for a casket when the deceased was to have been cremated. Perhaps you didn't know that if the deceased is to be cremated, it is possible to rent a casket for the viewing. I have two experiences with this — one in Florida, where the rental was \$500, and one in Rhode Island, where we paid \$1,200. (The cost covered the use and refurbishing for later use by someone else.)

The \$700 difference is easily explained. In Florida, the funeral home had one casket that was used only for rentals in Rhode Island, we were allowed to choose what we wanted, and we chose something a little more elaborate. I have spoken to many people who have never heard of this practice. Perhaps it would be worthwhile to inform your readers.

— ANOTHER AVID READER
IN NEWPORT, R.I.



Dear Abby
Abigail VanBuren

DEAR ANOTHER AVID READER: Perhaps you're right. Yours was one of many letters sparked by that column. I checked with John Blake, executive director of the Continental Association of Funeral and Memorial Societies, who informed me that the average price range for casket rental is between \$400 and \$600.

DEAR ABBY: In response to the couple who was burned up over the cost of a cremation casket: Many families purchase a casket when choosing cremation for a loved one. The casket containing the body is placed in the retort (cremation-chamber) and will be cremated with the body. Our statistics show that approximately 17 percent to 20 percent

all cremations in the United States include a casket. Many funeral directors offer rental caskets to be used for visitations and religious services. The body is then cremated in an inexpensive, combustible, closed, leakproof container.

— JACK M. SPRINGER, CREMATION ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA

DEAR MR. SPRINGER: Those who wish to burn the casket along with the deceased will be pleased to know they are in good company. However, the rest should know that for a cremation, all that is needed is an original combustible container, which costs approximately \$50. If you don't have a viewing, only the combustible container is necessary.

DEAR ABBY: I am the wife of a funeral director and want to set you and your readers straight. You are correct that the FTC prohibits funeral directors from telling customers that cremation

requires a casket. However, you failed to tell your readers that the crematory requires a container of some sort for the protection for their staff. (These containers normally cost \$125.)

You made it sound like all funeral directors are crooks when you said, "If the funeral director misleads a customer and sells him (or her) a casket, he is in violation of federal law." My husband always explains the FTC law, but has to explain the crematory requirements.

When people use our services, they are not always in the best of shape emotionally. They are dealing with the shock of their loss and don't always hear what has been told to them. An experienced funeral director will take time to explain the correct procedures whether he is dealing with a full funeral service or a cremation.

— KRIS MARKHAM

Valley happenings

Twin Falls seniors plan 'couch cruise'

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Senior Citizens Federation has planned its monthly "Couch Cruise" trip for Friday at the senior center, 616 Eastland Drive. Les Hess will host event, which is set to begin at 12:45 p.m. Anyone wishing to eat lunch should arrive shortly before noon. Suggested donation for lunch is \$1.75 per person. All seniors are invited. A special taste treat will be served.

Authentic Basque dinner set at church

HAGERMAN — St. Catherine's Catholic Church has planned its annual authentic Basque Dinner for 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday at the American Legion Hall. Suggested donation is \$7.50 for adults and \$3.50 for children under 12. An auction is planned as part of the event.

Kimberly seniors plan fund-raiser

KIMBERLY — The Ageless Senior Citizens Inc. has planned a fund-raising dinner for Saturday. The baron of beef dinner will be served from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the senior center, 310 N. Main. Reservations are required. Cost is \$5 per person. For more information or to make reservations, call 423-4338.

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

Lutheran students win awards at LEST meet

The Times-News

Sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade students from Clover Trinity Lutheran School in Buhl and Immanuel Lutheran School in Twin Falls recently participated in the 32nd Lutheran Elementary School Tournament held at Concordia College in Portland, Ore.

Clover students receiving individual awards were Josie Denton, first in writing; Matt Hegdahl, blue ribbon in saxophone; and Jeremy Munson and Desi Stutzman, third in spelling. The girls' basketball team took third and the boys' team came in second.

Students made a respectable showing but did not receive awards in chess, cheerleading, math and knowledge bowl. The school also had 12 pieces entered in the art display.

Immanuel's cheerleaders, Rebecca Allred, Kim Andresen, Jessica Nelson, Kristin

Heidemann, Nikki Martens, Christa Whitmore, Jodi Hettinga, Katie Dane and Shawna Vestra, took first place. They are coached by Debbie Martens.

The school's drill team, coached by Roberto Beck, also won first place. Team members are Jessica Laird, Natalie Brill, Morgan Slawson, Mary Beuthin, Blair Dane, Becky Degner, Bethani Frantz, Sydney Vestra, Rebecca Allred, Kim Andresen and Kristin Heidemann.

In the basketball tournament, the girls' team came in second. Angela Davis and Lorre O'Neal are the coaches for Jennifer Fountain, Jessica Nelson, Jamie Sybesma, Bethani Frantz, Blair Dane, Nikki Martens, Katie Dane, Jodi Hettinga and Christa Whitmore.

The boys' basketball team, coached by James Baerenklau, won the consolation championship. Kai Mathews, Philip Sievers, Evan Smith, Mike VanderPol, Kevin Bolt, Justin Hoagland, Peleke

Mathews, Jake VanHouten, Dusty VanHouten, John Degner, J.R. DeVries, J.D. Majerus, Jed Snedson and Craig Vanderlam are the team members.

Music competition awards went to Morgan Slawson and Becky Degner, both honorable mention in vocal; Kristen Sievers, honorable mention in piano; Lisa Detweiler, first in piano; and Bethani Frantz, first in saxophone.

Jake VanHouten and Mary Beuthin finished second in the spelling competition. Evan Smith placed fourth in the chess contest and Becky Degner came in second in essay.

The knowledge bowl team, consisting of Dane Martens, Joshua Shatto, Kai Mathews, Jake VanHouten and Lisa Detweiler, finished fourth.

Clover Trinity Lutheran School students also participated in the South Idaho Fine Arts Festival held in Nampa recently.

Superior ratings in art went to

James Jarvis, Christy Sailor, Jonathan Jarvis, Christina Brown, Catrina Ruiter, Darlene Gaalswyk, Laura Stutzman, Katie Sailor, Kasie Hadley, Philip Grimm, Elizabeth Smith and Christy Lassen. Christina and Karl Brown and Kasie Hadley received superior or marks in dance, while Darlene Bothof earned superior in creative writing and vocal. Ezra Miller got a superior in reading, as did Josie Denton and Desi Stutzman as a vocal duo. The Eighth Grade Chime Choir also received a superior rating.

Those receiving excellent marks were Tyler Lassen and Denim West, both in art; Brianna Bivens, art and creative writing; Tesh Denton, art, vocal and vocal duo with Shelley Reinke; Brandon Carter, reading; Janelle Wiersma, Mandi Turner, Darlene Gaalswyk, Laura Stutzman and Kade West, all creative writing; Matt Hegdahl, creative writing and saxophone; and Rebecca Miller, piano.

Hospital honors Romans, Lions, Kvanvig at recognition dinner

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation held its annual donor recognition dinner recently.

The banquet was attended by various businesses, individual supporters and foundation board members. Several donors and volunteers were recognized for their efforts in supporting the foundation's mission during 1993.

The Outstanding Donor Award was presented to Florence Romans of Twin Falls for making the foundation her "charity of choice" and providing 21 gifts during the year. Romans has won the same award for four consecutive years. She has given to the Cancer Fund, the Chapel Fund and the Memorial Fund.

Russell Kvanvig was presented the Volunteer of the Year Award for his conscientious legal and administrative efforts on behalf of the foundation. He is a past president of the foundation.

The Outstanding Organization of the Year Award went to the Twin Falls Lions Club for its many years of support of the Festival of Trees. The Lions Club has been instrumental in tree, wreath and Christmas accessories delivery on an annual basis.

Volunteer efforts such as these are greatly appreciated and are reflected in the greater financial support the foundation provides to the hospital's and the community's health care programs.

For more information about the foundation or volunteer services, call the office at 737-2481.

Anniversary

The Hankinses

TWIN FALLS — Mr. and Mrs. H. Duane Hankins of Twin Falls, will be honored at an open house Sunday in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 1:30 to 5 p.m. at the Disabled American Veterans Hall, on the corner of Shoup Avenue and Harrison Street. The couple requests no gifts.

Hankins and Leona May Cullinan were high school sweethearts and were married March 30, 1944, after graduating from high school. They have spent an interesting life of many successes and some failures in the 50 years that they have spent together, but have weathered the storms of life quite well. He worked at farming and truck driving and served in the Navy during



Duane and Leona May Hankins

World War II and the Korean War. He is semi-retired but still enjoys working part-time and doing his favorite hobby. She is a housewife and teaches students the joys of oil paintings, and sells many paintings at art shows.

The event is being given by their children, Carmen L. VanZante and Michael D. Hankins, of Twin Falls and W. Dick Hankins of Shoshone. The couple has seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

New Gem park guide available

The Times-News

BOISE — Visitors to Idaho's state parks will find it easier to get around the parks this year. A new, expanded Idaho State Parks Guide is available. The 48-page guide gives basic information on all of Idaho's 22 State Parks and the City of Rocks National Preserve, which is managed jointly by the Idaho Department of Parks and

Recreation and the National Park Service. The guide includes maps of each park, a complete fee schedule and information on group camping.

The new guides are free. They are available at all Idaho State Parks and most visitor centers in Idaho. Guides may also be obtained by writing to Parks Guide, Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0065.

U of I offers Summer Start

The Times-News

MOSCOW — The University of Idaho is offering a Summer Start program for high school graduates who plan to head to the university for the first time this fall.

The program is planned for June 13 through July 22. Students who attend will gain a special orientation to the university and meet with college instructors. Qualified tutors will be available, and how to register for courses will be explained.

Freshman Transition, a two-credit course, is planned for all Summer Start students who may elect to take one other UI course for credit, usually one

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CSI cheerleader tryouts set April 9

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TWIN FALLS — Tryouts for the 1994-95 College of Southern Idaho Golden Eagle cheerleading squad are planned for 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 9 in the CSI gym. For more information and an application, call Sylvia Jensen at 733-9554, Ext. 278.

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World

Limited road openings ease, but don't end Sarajevo's siege

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Civilians crossed the war-battered Brotherhood and Unity Bridge for the first time in 23 months Wednesday, reviving a measure of multicultural unity on which Sarajevo once prided itself.

The opening coincided with the limited reopening of a road north through Serb siege lines to a region controlled by the Muslim-led government and allied Croats. Routes also opened to thread past front lines around the Sarajevo airport and link separated Serb and Muslim areas.

But the Serb looting of 94 tons of food and medicine and some trucks from a U.N. convoy headed for Muslim-held Maglaj 50 miles north of the city cast a pall on the progress made in Sarajevo. U.N. spokesman

Peter Kessler described the theft as "the most serious incident since last June, when Bosnian Serbs shelled a convoy for Maglaj."

U.N. trucks that reached Maglaj across mostly Croat-territory-Sunday were the first overland shipment to reach the enclave since October. U.N. officials had viewed the latest convoy, which had to cross a winter-Serb-controlled area, as a test case for Serb compliance with U.N. demands for access to Maglaj.

In Sarajevo, only 47 people were issued permits to cross the tightly guarded Brotherhood bridge, which passes over the Miljacka River between government- and Serb-held districts.

But the 600 Sarajevans who crowded two lanes of the once-



Relatives separated by two years of war are reunited Wednesday.

dearly "Sniper Alley" to watch the opening illustrated how much a 6-week-old truce is changing life in the besieged city.

"If this was the Sarajevo 'Wall,' then it is falling apart," said Borislav Cuh,

68, as he crossed from Serb- to government-held territory to see his two sons for the first time in nearly two years.

Sofija Corovic, 55, a Muslim who paid a visit to Serb-held Grbavica, said: "My sister was shocked when she saw me at the doorstep. All the time we didn't talk much. We only hugged and cried out of happiness."

The 17 people who used the road north out of the city to Visoko traveled on a bus escorted by British and French armored vehicles in the U.N. peacekeeping force. There was a minor delay while French engineers filled some large holes in the road. U.N. officials said.

Though the limited openings allowed some relatives and friends to reunite or leave Sarajevo, they hardly amounted to a lifting of the Serb siege.

People seeking passage must apply at least 24 hours in advance, and both sides must approve each name. Criteria for approval remain vague, and the routes are open only a few hours daily.

Bosnia's Serbs say Sarajevo is a Serb city, and they want to keep at least part of it for their self-proclaimed state. The Muslim-led government, which hopes to preserve Sarajevo's cosmopolitan image, opposes any division.

Though occasional small-arms fire and explosions persist in Sarajevo, the U.N.-mediated cease-fire has worked wonders.

Streets are filled with people who stroll instead of dash through sniper zones. Some can even ride recently repaired streetcars in government-held districts.

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Move portends higher rates for consumers

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The Associated Press

WASHINGTON—The Federal Reserve may not be slamming the brakes on the economy, but it is easing off the accelerator. As a result, two banks raised their prime lending rates today, and consumers and businesses can expect a range of other rates to rise.

After the Fed's announcement Tuesday that it was tightening credit for a second time this year, analysts predicted higher rates on everything from adjustable mortgages to auto and small-business loans.

Those higher rates started showing up today with the announcement of a leading money market rate—the three-month Treasury bill—rising by a quarter point to 6.25 percent.

The action by Norwest Bank of Minneapolis, the country's 15th largest bank, was expected to be followed by other banks. Indeed, within the hour, Bank One of Indi-

anapolis had announced a similar hike in the prime rate, which has been at 6 percent since July 1992.

But even if the threat that higher short-term interest rates could slow the economy, the Clinton administration has refused to criticize the Fed's action, with President Clinton declaring today that "the economy is on the rise, you bet it is."

Clinton, who met with Greenspan last week, told reporters that the Fed's effort to nudge up short-term rates might actually help to push long-term rates down, a view he said was held by Greenspan as well.

Greenspan "believes there's no inflation in the economy, that the growth is strong and that this may actually result in declines in long-term rates," Clinton said in response to questions during his morning jog.

The president said Greenspan had hoped that would occur with the first rate hike, but the markets had the opposite reaction, pushing long-term rates higher.

Journal of Commerce

NEW YORK—So your organization is hosting a golf tournament—Dozens of friends and business associates are gathered to hobnob and chip some birdies around the links.

But you can't concentrate on your game. No matter where you are on the course, you keep nervously peering back to the seventh hole, trying to figure out which foursome is up on the tee.

The seventh hole isn't that remarkable. It's a typical little par three—a straight-on shot with a couple of sand traps to each side. Nevertheless, it's a special hole.

It's special because your organization, with your encouragement, decided to offer a huge prize to whoever hit a hole-in-one on that hole.

It seemed like a good idea at the time. After all, the odds of hitting a hole-in-one are only one in every 10,000 attempts. And it generates excitement among the players. But now you are not so sure. The prize could

cost your organization dearly. And some of the tournament players were looking awfully hot on the driving range.

Nervous? Fireman's Fund Insurance Co. wants to talk to you. They will sell you insurance to cover that hole-in-one risk. And under a retailed pricing program, they'll do it fairly cheaply too, compared with some of today's greaps fees. "Most people don't know this type of insurance exists," said John Kozero, a spokesman for Fireman's of Novato, Calif. "What we're doing is protecting whoever is putting up a huge amount of money as a prize."

Firemen's has been selling hole-in-one insurance for 12 years. And doing a pretty brisk business. The company has averaged more than 2,500 policies a year over the last 10 years. Some regional insurance companies also sell hole-in-one policies. Fireman's claims to be the only national company doing so.

Now it is aiming to boost the hole-in-one indemnification business through a new pricing

program. The new program bases the premium on the size of the prize, the distance between the tee and the cup, the number of players, and whether or not any professionals are playing.

The company says the new program offers "significant" savings over its old pricing methods. It refuses to quantify the savings, however. The premium can be as low as \$134 a tournament. Fireman's will cover up to \$50,000 in cash and prizes. It will only insure a par three hole. And the hole has to be a minimum of 125 yards.

The company also offers a few bells and whistles to the insurance policy. For instance, optional coverage can be written in so that a designated charity will receive 10 percent of the policy limit if a hole-in-one is scored. Or an additional condition can be written in so that 5 percent of the policy limit can be awarded to the player who comes closest to the pin after a hole-in-one is scored. (That's to keep the tournament interesting should a hole-in-one come early.)

Markets

Dow-Jones

NEW YORK (AP) Final Dow-Jones index, for Wednesday, March 23, 1994

Dow Jones	5,891.41
S&P 500	389.14
NASDAQ	3,302.45
NYSE	1,173.81
AMEX	1,173.81
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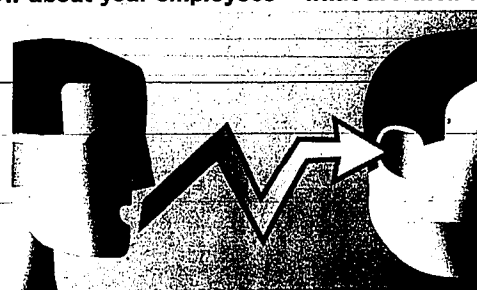
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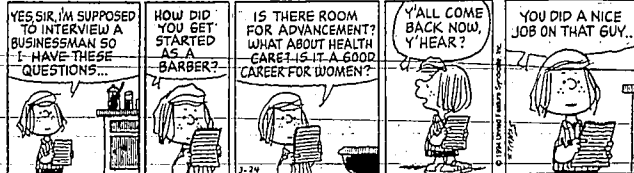
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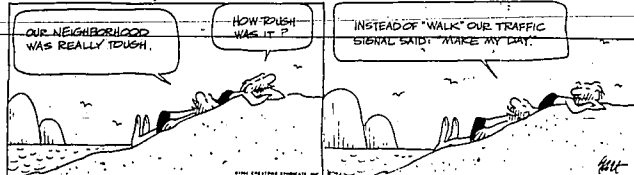
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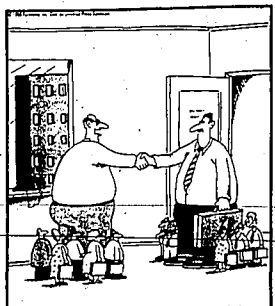
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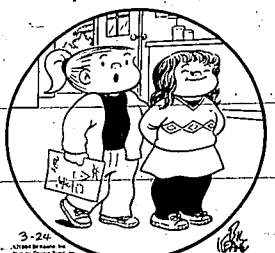
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Sydney Omarr Horoscope

IF MARCH 24 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You have unusual voice, a "sweet tooth," are drawn to theater, music, the arts, are idealistic, romantic, family-oriented. Current life cycle highlights travel, gain via writer work, marital status, possible addition to family. During April, horizons expand, you'll be active on "international level." New love on horizon in May, a month during which you make fresh start in new direction.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Romantic alliance sealed. Gift received representing token of "serious love." Domestic adjustment involved, lifestyle, marital status.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Attention revolves around real estate, land deals, negotiations that help you see people as they really are — off camera "roses-colored glasses."

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Focus on career, community, strong love relationship. Your mission: to bring order out of chaos. Relative involved, key is to be polite without making too many compromises. Integrity!

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Money on the way, division of profits will be if you let your superiors know you mean business. Focus on international markets, don't be limited by those who lack imagination, faith. Aries involved.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your light shines brightly on target, circumstances move in your favor, events transpire to bring you closer to ultimate goal.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You're being pulled in two directions — family member says stay, love of your life insists "Go!" Dilemma resolved. Adapt to changing conditions, accept the unwelcome.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Check Aries message. Divergent, blend humor with profundity. Don't permit any person to "stop your music." Wish fulfilled in dramatic fashion, as befitting Leo moon. Gemini also involved.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You'll be saying, "I don't understand all of it, but this is my cup of tea!" You'll be trusted with assignment involving cash. Profoundly superior indicates your promotion imminent. Taurus involved.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Emphasis on travel, communication, flirtation or chance meeting that could develop into something serious.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Money available once proper forms are presented. Papers go through, you receive "approval." Domestic adjustment involves travel, love relationship, Ooh-la-lah!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't capsize delay with defeat on view will be vindicated within 12 hours. Focus on partnership, legal rights, public relations, marriage. Fascination with crystals leads to psychic hobby.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Focus on arbitration involving time, money, ownership. Have important papers at hand you are in the right, umpire decides in your favor.

Scalped victims can survive

Q. If you're scalped, can you live?
A. Evidently. History records that Comanches stole and scalped a Texan named Jonathan P. Wilberger in August of 1833. He played dead. And survived. Do you know of others?

You use language to sort, store and retrieve what you want to remember. That's why "earliest" recollections "usually" date back only to age 4 or 5. So says a memoirist. Still, unanswered. Could an artist draw something seen at, say, age 1? Lapps lassoed reindeer long before coys lassoed cattle.

Contrary to previous report, some news accounts indicate all five Great Lakes were 100 percent frozen over in 1978.

Q. Didn't your Love and War man say men were talk about their troubles only to women?

A. Troubled young men tend to talk to women rather than to other men. Few do so in their 30s and 40s. As they turn 50 or thereabouts, they talk again to women. But after 70, they rarely discuss their personal problems with women or men. That's said to be the general pattern.

Q. How come those little lizards called geckos, which can climb anywhere in "domestic" households, are almost never found on the upper floors of high rises?
A. Not enough insects.

Q. Where and when was the first bomb dropped from an airplane?
A. On San Francisco's Tishorn race track. In 1910.

Excuse me, but if you make wine, you're an "oenologist," and there's nothing I can do about it.

In the wrestling of ancient Greece, head butting was allowed. And the choke hold was standard.

Our language is out of balance. We speak of "high seas" but not "low seas," "high-strung" but not "low-strung," "high-falutin'" but not "low-falutin'." "High-falutin'" but not "low-falutin'."

L.M. Boyd What's-what?

Outdoors

Idaho should divide politics, wildlife

Let's just take a cursory check of what the "hunters' rebellion," perpetrated upon us by a few righteously indignant but uninformed souls, has allowed the state legislature to do to Idaho's wildlife resource.

Just count what sportsmen are giving up because of the overblown hue and cry.

First, a very favorite quote "let's take politics out of big game management."

This from the same people who went to their legislators in unsubstantiated panic. (The rebellion started in



Larry Hovey
Outdoors

southeastern Idaho on the basis of too much deer loss. This spring 76 percent of those sportsmen, at a department public meeting, asked that some antlerless harvest opportunity be offered this fall, only 11 percent sought a no-antlerless hunting regulation.)

The rebellion has gleefully raised the legislative perception that the average Idaho hunter wants the department demolished. And now, there is great political interference, more correctly called department bashing.

Remember this specifically. All funds accruing to the Fish and Game account are "dedicated" and must be used for wildlife perpetuation and/or enhancement.

What the legislature does is give the department authority to spend the funds. Big mistake because the majority of Idaho legislators are agriculturally and/or livestock oriented and any hunter in his right mind understands the logical progression of that.

The department asked that some of its money be used to increase the enforcement arm, particularly put more officers in the field to combat poaching and slob-hunting practices. The legislature erased that from the list.

Three projects designed to help three species of wildlife in Idaho were trashed. And those projects were to be financed by federal money from fish and hunting excises. "No, only did the Idaho legislature cripple the study resource, it saw to it that many thousands of federal dollars wouldn't even come into the state. Obviously those federal dollars aren't as big as Air Force dollars. Those funds will wind up helping some other state. This list could go on.

But the petty, stingy part — for which our legislators become quite famous — is best summed up in two "amendments" to the department budget bill.

First, Bruce Newcomb of Cassia County wants something in the area of \$80,000 to fund two wildlife biologists to go out on the Owyhee Desert and bring back information. Information that doubtlessly would let the Fish and Game Commission reaffirm its opposition to the Owyhee bombing range.

Newcomb's amendment is totally punitive. The Fish and Game Commission could no more vote in favor of the bombing range than Newcomb would vote to keep a multi-billion dollar industry out of Cassia County. Both positions are too aimed.

Newcomb has said the Air Force shouldn't have to fund a study and the department should foot the bill. Suspect logic since the Air Force is the beneficiary of the range, not the commission. And, it is assumed here, that Newcomb's vendetta reached to voting against the federally-funded projects the department had proposed — indicating his love of the fed does know bounds.

The second is the continuing JoAn Wood, Rexburg, "I hate the Fish and Game Department" holocaust. This time JoAn wants \$421,000 to recompense nine families for losses sustained when Market Lake flooded a spring ago.

Her plea is to help nine families from "going under, a very similar plea that she made for a half-million bucks a few years ago to compensate landowners driven to the brink of bankruptcy by elk moving off the INEL reservation to graze on private land at night and return to federal protection at dawn. Or the time she demanded the three-month winter closure of a road through critical elk habitat on BLM ground that amounted to a whole 20-mile detour at the low point of the travel season.

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Mercury found in popular fishing hole

The Associated Press

BOISE — Methylmercury in fish from the sportsmen's favorite, Brownlee Reservoir, has state health officials advising at-risk groups against eating anything caught there.

The mercury was found in frozen fish filets taken last year from Brownlee on the Snake River in Hells Canyon. The limited testing by the Oregon Health Division prompted the Idaho advisory.

"Health risks are greatest for pregnant women or women who plan to become pregnant, mothers who are breast-feeding infants, and for children under 7 years," said Pat McGavran, Idaho state toxicologist.

The advisory is in effect for Brownlee and the section of the Snake River downstream from its confluence with the Owyhee River.

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Power Co.,

plus the Idaho

department of

Health and

Welfare, and

Fish and

Game, plan to

collaborate on a

fish-sampling program.

Brownlee is one

of the top fishing attractions for Idaho

anglers.

"The job now is to find out how much

'The job now is to find out how much is in the fish and whether people should limit or curtail eating fish from these waterways.'

— Pat McGavran,
Idaho state toxicologist

Mercury is often found naturally in rock or soils, or it could have originated from historic mining in the Owyhee Mountains. Oregon tests showed methylmercury

in fish from Owyhee Reservoir as high as 1.77 parts per million. Sampling of the Brownlee fish had levels up to .78 parts per million. Idaho's level of concern starts at .5 parts.

The mercury is transformed by microorganisms into methylmercury, which is concentrated through the food chain and accumulates in the tissue of predatory fish such as bass, crappie and trout.

Long-term consumption of contaminated fish causes symptoms such as numbness, tremors or behavioral changes.

"Children are more sensitive than adults because their nervous systems still are developing," McGavran said. "The fetus is most sensitive to the effects of methylmercury."

Outdoors comes indoors



Steelhead slow to reach Salmon River

By Larry Hovey
Times-News writer

ELLIS — A late spring and low water temperatures have resulted in slow movement of steelhead into the upper Salmon River drainage.

Bob Moore, superintendent of the Idaho Power Palsimeri plant, reports that as of Monday morning, his crew had processed 102 spawners through the weir near the confluence of the Palsimeri and main Salmon Rivers.

"They're coming in at a rate of about eight to 10 a day," Moore said. "It's still very slow. There's ample evidence that the bulk of the run is still below North Fork."

That evidence was gleaned through creel censusing on the main stem last weekend. The catch rate was 19 hours per steelhead below North Fork — deemed very good — to 143 hours per steelhead in the Palsimeri area.

"We're looking for about half the total we had last year according to the

Gun club hopes to open firing range by summer

By Stu Murrell
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — The recreational opportunities in Twin Falls will be increased with completion of an indoor shooting range, located at 253 Fifth Ave. W., is expected to be ready for use this summer.

The Twin Falls Rifle and Pistol Club is constructing a combined 50-foot firing range and meeting room which will be available for conducting hunter education class, junior rifle team training, holding NRA smallbore rifle and pistol matches, teaching NRA personal protection courses and for member's practice.

The range, located at 253 Fifth Ave. W., is expected to be ready for use this summer. It is built entirely with volunteer labor and many of the building materials, heating equipment, ventilation system, electrical work and furnishings were donated by individuals and local businesses.

Additional funding for construction has been supplied by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, individuals purchasing \$300 lifetime memberships and private donations.

Annual club membership dues are \$30.

Four steel bullet traps were salvaged from National Guard

armories in Hailey, Gooding, Buhl and Jerome.

These 3,000-pound monsters were moved to the range by volunteer labor to serve as the basis for the 10-point firing positions.

The inside of the range, including the ceiling, has been lined with 2x6 lumber on edge to prevent any bullets from escaping the building.

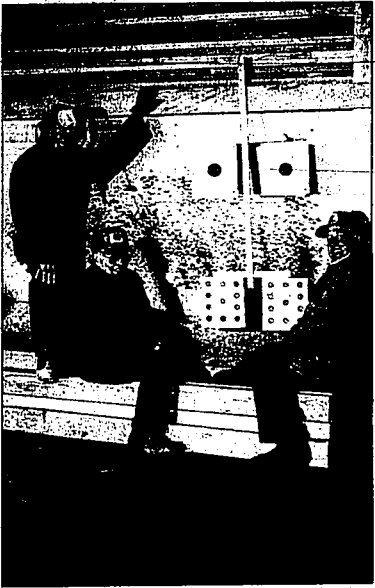
The range is set up for 22 rifle and pistol shooting plus large bore pistols with light loads. No magnum loads or big bore rifles will be allowed.

The adjoining meeting room will accommodate about 50 people and will be accessible for the physically challenged.

There has been a demand for personal protection courses in Magic Valley for people purchasing a handgun for the first time or wishing to complete a firearms proficiency course to obtain their concealed weapon's permits.

This writer was recently certified as an NRA personal protection instructor to provide this service.

Anyone wishing to help with the community project or join the Twin Falls Rifle and Pistol Club can call Murrell at 324-5960 or Larry Culver at 733-4213 for more information.



Rockie Egner, left, Larry Culver, center, and Ralph Hann work on the indoor shooting range, above. The three show off the bullet traps with targets already set up, below.

Alaska passes bill to encourage wolf kills

The Associated Press

JUNEAU, Alaska — Legislation intended to force state wildlife officials to use more wolf kills and other techniques to increase big game populations was overwhelmingly approved Monday by the Alaska House.

Animal-rights and wildlife groups oppose the legislation, saying it favors moose and caribou prized by hunters at the expense of wolves and other predators.

"This is the worst thing that could happen to Alaska's wildlife," said Sandra Arnold, spokeswoman for the Alaska Wildlife Alliance in Anchorage. "This bill is based on politics, not biology. It's just ridiculous."

The bill passed the House 29-8. The Senate already passed a similar measure and



was expected to approve the House changes. A spokesman said Gov. Walter J. Hickel had not yet decided if he would sign the legislation.

The issue of state-sanctioned wolf kills to enhance big game populations in Alaska's Interior has generated international controversy. A plan for aerial shooting of wolves last year was canceled after opponents launched a tourism boycott against the state.

But the Game Board in October approved a scaled-down plan to kill up to 150 wolves in an area south of Fairbanks, where predators were blamed for a severe decline in caribou. State hunters had killed 92 wolves by Monday, mostly with snares.

The bill would attempt to expand the use of such programs by establishing a preference for human consumption in the taking of big game, such as moose, caribou, deer and sheep. It would require the Game Board to maintain or increase big game populations through predator control and other "intensive management" techniques, such as controlled burns to generate more browse.

The bill's prime sponsor, Sen. Bert Shaw, R-Fairbanks, said the legislation would give the board a clear mandate to use wolf kills more aggressively.

(Columbia and lower Snake River) dam comes," he said.

He and his crew processed 2,275 last year "but that was an exceptional year," Moore said.

Right now the worry isn't as much about the upstream migrants as the first push of smolts toward the ocean.

Through Tuesday night the Idaho Department of Fish and Game had not received a license, or permission, from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to release any hatchery-raised steelhead or salmon.

Downstream interests in Oregon and Washington are questioning release of hatchery fish, considering them superfluous to maintaining a hardy, native strain.

Neither state has honored Idaho's years-old requirement of releasing unharmed all wild fish if caught while sport fishing.

Idaho also has reserved several important drainages — including the Middle Ford of the Salmon — for wild-spawned steelheads only to maintain the integrity of the gene pool.

Tom Rogers, former superintendent of the Sawtooth Hatchery and now on the state anonymous fish staff in Boise, said "We're hoping for this week" to get the licenses because "we hope to start releasing Monday."

He said the department isn't expecting the difficulty it encountered in getting last year's licenses two to three-weeks late.

"They assure us this is simply a matter of getting the time to process all the licenses for all the hatcheries and release points," Rogers said.

Rogers said the department will be in a race between the release of this year's smolt crop and the growth rate of the 1994 products.

Idaho Power's Niagara Springs steelhead facility is scheduled to be expanded by five new raceways and a new settling pond.

The improvements will not mean an increase of fish production, which will remain at 400,000 pounds. But it should provide better growing conditions. For the past couple of years, Idaho Power has been renting rearing space in a commercial hatchery.

Scientists search for owl droppings

SEATTLE (AP) — Most people try to duck bird droppings. Scientists studying the threatened northern spotted owl are trying to catch them.

By camping beneath nests, scientists from the Seattle Center for Wildlife Conservation hope to learn whether hormone levels in owl pellets can be used to compare the effect of various logging practices on the birds' stress levels.

"If we can ultimately say that certain kinds of forest practices are more or less stressful to owls than others, we can save the timber industry a lot of time and money," Dr. Sam Wassser, who recently left the Smithsonian Institution to become scientific director of the research consortium.

Similar techniques have been used on baboons, red wolves, Kentucky warblers, African elephants and other rare species, Wassser said.



Wildlife specialist Sam Wassser collects droppings from spotted owls at the Woodland Park Zoo in Seattle as part of a project to develop timber harvesting technologies that could benefit both industry and owls.

The consortium, sponsored by zoos and universities, is conducting the study with a \$107,000 grant from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Most studies of the owl to date have focused on what happens to the small predators when their habitat is wiped out by clearcutting, said Leonard Young, a scientist with the Washington State Department of Natural Resources.

Young recently helped write a report urging the state to expand protection for owls on state and private forest land.

"The spotted owl has been studied up the wazoo... but the studies haven't looked at the more subtle effects of forest practices that modify habitat without completely eliminating it," he said. "Suppose you do a partial timber harvest, remove 40 percent of the trees. Is that still suitable owl habitat or isn't it?"

Preliminary field tests in the Wenatchee National Forest are scheduled to begin in a few weeks.

Meanwhile, using captive owls at the Woodland Park Zoo, Wassser has learned that their hormones are concentrated in a small pellet, rather than scattered throughout the whitewash.

What may prove much more difficult is winning support — or at least cooperation — from timber companies to be able.

"Unless we get the timber industry on board, it's going to be hard to talk about different practices," Wassser said.

"I'm not a wildlife biologist," said Toby Murray, president of Murray Pacific Corp. in Tacoma, "but one thing I've learned in the last 10 years is that every time one of these guys shows up, it becomes more difficult for me to do business."

Murray's company was the first

in the state to develop a federally approved plan that allows clearcutting of some spotted owl habitat. In return, the company agreed to manage part of its land as migration corridors for the birds.

Murray Pacific officials fear other animals may be added to the endangered species list.

The company would be interested in Wassser's experiment if it helps determine the best logging techniques to protect the greatest number of species, Murray said.

Land swap would benefit bears, school, homeowners

IDAHO FALLS, (AP) — A land swap involving Ricks College, the Forest Service and some lease holders could provide prime grizzly bear habitat on the Wyoming border.

Ricks College of Rexburg owns 95 acres at Squirrel Meadows in Wyoming, within the Targhee National Forest lands.

Homeowners on leased forest land in the Island Park area have offered to buy Squirrel Meadows and turn it over to the Forest Service, said Dave Richards, Ricks development director.

In exchange, the agency would give the homeowners the 23 lots they lease on 45 acres.

The Forest Service is assessing the proposal, but the swap looks good, said Robert Williams, recreation specialist.

"From what we've seen, no really major concerns have come up," he said. "It seems like it makes sense for everybody, but you never know until you get through the environmental studies."

Because the land parcels are

in two different states, Congress must approve the trade.

Rep. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, introduced a bill in November to do that, and a House Natural Resources subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands held a hearing on it last week. The measure will head to the full committee for consideration.

The Greater Yellowstone Coalition environmental group supports the proposal.

"It will benefit wildlife and recreation values in Squirrel Meadows, it will benefit cabin owners in the Island Park area of Idaho without serious disruption or impact to adjacent Targhee National Forest lands, and it will benefit Ricks College," the coalition's Bart Koehler said in a letter to subcommittee chairman Bruce Vento, D-Minn.

Richards said Ricks intends to use the money to buy facilities in the Island Park area for natural science studies.

Sheriff unappealed by bill interpretation

PHOENIX (AP) — A country sheriff who sued the government to block the Brady Act is being told he may not have to research the background of handgun buyers as the law requires.

But Graham County Sheriff Richard Mack says a court filing by the U.S. Justice Department on Monday and a memo issued last week interpreting the law have done nothing to ease his objections.

He still thinks the law is an unconstitutional intrusion into states' rights that will swamp his 12-member department with paperwork and leave him open to lawsuits by gun victims.

"The bill is still on the books and this still provides ammunition for people to come back on me if I don't do the background checks — say, 'If he had complied with my brother wouldn't have been shot,'" Mack said from Suffolk.

In a legal brief filed Monday, the Justice Department said it's up to the top law officer in each jurisdiction to interpret the law's requirement that a "reasonable" effort be made to check the backgrounds of gun buyers.

The department said Mack could properly decide that other crime-fighting duties are more pressing than background checks "at any given time" in the southeastern Arizona county, population 28,000.

"In other words, a 'reasonable' effort may be no effort at all," the government brief said.

"I could do anything else," Mack responded. "I could stand on a street corner and wait for a kid to come by and talk to him on the dangers of drug abuse and it would be more useful."

Taken with a Justice Department interpretation released last week, the filing suggests government lawyers are finding themselves hard-pressed to defend the law, said Mack's lawyer, David Hardy. The department said Friday it wouldn't prosecute officials who failed to conduct the background checks.

"They're trying to win by fleeing the battle more rapidly than we can attack," Hardy said from Tucson.

Justice Department lawyers referred questions to a spokeswoman in Washington who didn't return a late-afternoon call Monday from The Associated Press.

Mack sued the government March 1, the day the law took effect. Several similar suits have been filed elsewhere with the assistance of the National Rifle Association.

The legal arm of the NRA helped prepare Mack's suit. But the sheriff, who didn't own a gun until he became a police officer and doesn't belong to the NRA, is paying Hardy himself.

Mack contends the law violates the 10th Amendment, which reserves for states any rights not specifically given the federal government, and the Fifth Amendment protection against vague laws.

Montana bull trout face another threat

KALISPELL (AP) — Biologists are alarmed over recent genetic tests of bull trout in the Swan Lake drainage of northwestern Montana.

In at least two major tributaries that flow into the lake, several bull trout are showing signs of hybridization with brook trout, biologists say.

The Swan Lake drainage is Montana's stronghold for bull trout, which are being considered as an endangered species.

The state Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service said they found bull trout-brook trout hybrids in Lion Creek, a main spawning stream. Hybrids also have been found in Root Creek.

"Every one of those hybrids replaces a potential bull trout in the habitat," said federal fisheries biologist Wade Fredenberg.

When bull trout and brook trout crossbreed, the young generally are sterile hybrids. An over time, the brook trout can cause the demise of the bull trout.

"In the Bitterroot River, the

bull trout has basically been wiped out," Fredenberg said. "The tributaries have either brook trout or bulls."

The Swan Lake drainage has had brook trout for decades, although hybridization has not been identified as a major problem in the past. Even in Lion Creek, where 20 percent of sampled fish were hybrids, biologists are counting increasing numbers of bull trout nests.

"We don't know what stage this is in," Fredenberg said. "That's the scary question no one knows the answer to."

Wade Fredenberg, federal fisheries biologist

Two areas where the bull trout have remained strong are Hungry Horse Reservoir and Swan Lake. But the reservoir is facing a record drawdown to help salmon runs in the Pacific Northwest, and biologists predict that

to other native fish, one reason being they spawn in the fall, as do the bull trout.

Brookies are aggressive breeders, fertilizing bull trout eggs even though bull trout are 10 times bigger. Bull trout cannot breed until they are 6 years old, while brookies can breed at age 2.

Brook trout also thrive in streams that are too silty for bull trout. If habitat starts to suffer, brook trout have the edge.

So protecting bull trout from brook trout largely consists of protecting habitat, Fredenberg said.

What else can be done?

"Realistically, damned little," he said.

It is difficult to tell hybrids from pure bull trout.

Biologists use genetic fingerprinting, but individual hybrids often have coloring characteristics of both species.

Brook trout have been found in the Flathead drainage, but so far biologists have not found signs of hybridization with bull trout there, Fredenberg said.

Spawning runs in the Swan River have been strong and even on the increase recently.

The Swan Lake drainage doesn't face some of the problems that plague bull trout elsewhere. The Bigfork Dam blocks competitive, introduced lake trout, which biologists believe eat bull trout in the Flathead.

But the Swan does have brook trout.

Brook trout pose a bigger threat to bull trout than they do

Warm days slow winter recreation

TWIN FALLS — Winter is slowly giving up its hold on recreational opportunities on the Sawtooth National Forest.

Hovey

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JoAn never has any small monetary wildlife problems in her district.

What this basically does is make the department responsible for the fact more water ran off the hills last year than had in a long while.

The department was running three pump stations — but not up to eastern Idaho engineering standards, evidently. That may or may not be provable.

What is provable is that only that private land lying within the old lake bed was flooded. This begs the question of whether putting that ground into cultivation was sensible or pure greed.

Anyone who develops inside a high water mark should have no cause for complaint — even to a sympathetic, vindictive legislator.

When the mechanism used by the state to settle such issues was brought into play, it offered a settlement. But JoAn told the boys not to settle, she could go to the floor of the house and get them lots more.

Probably.

But any Magic Valley legislator who votes for that amendment would be entitled to special mention here when voting time rolls around again.

And since when should the floor of the legislature become a forum for dispute settling of mat-

The Twin Falls Ranger district reports warmer days are costing a lot of snow in the South Hills and trails no longer are being groomed. Magic Mountain has closed for the season.

On the Burley district, Pomerelle still is boasting great skiing with some new snow. But the low country is beginning to open up and grooming has been discontinued.

On the Sawtooth National Recreation area, spring conditions abound for all activities. The snow is hard in the early hours and soft and soggy in the afternoons.

Galena Trails will be the only ones groomed for cross country skiing. Snowmobile grooming was not done this past week.

Avalanche hazard is low in the morning and increases to moderate for a few hours in the afternoon.

Seasonal closures are in effect on most roads and trails on the Ketchum district due to the melting and wet conditions. The closures are designed to keep damage at a minimum. Roads and trails affected may be obtained by calling 622-5371.

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noon. Cross country skier are cautioned to watch for sinkholes.

Soldier Mountain on the Fairfield district is closed. Snowmobiling remains good over Couch Summit on Salt-Bowen road. The Wells summit is poor due to bare ground and slushy spots.

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Fisherman braves snow to meet fellow angler

By James J. Krunich
Times-News correspondent

FILER — When I pulled my Trooper off the snow-covered road, I was surprised to find another vehicle already had arrived.

I figured the snowstorm, which had arrived two days earlier, would keep even diehard fishermen off the gravelled roads since the possibility of sliding into a snow drift or ditch was still a real concern.

But what the heck — it was only one vehicle and only one fisherman (I couldn't tell by tracks in the snow) and I wouldn't be crowded.

Following Mr. Angler's tracks through a snow-covered hayfield, I was galled he had arrived earlier. In fact, I was indebted to Mr. Angler because he's broken a fair trail through snowdrift which were well above my knees.

I noticed that the track I'd been following became slide marks with some really weird-looking configurations, imprinted at the bottom of an incline (kind of like a child's version of a snow-angle-in-waders rolling out of control).

I sat down, kicked my legs from under my body and slid down the mini-slope at a rather rapid pace.

(Waders; other than neoprenes, are quite slippery on snow and perhaps should have a warning label "also double as sledwaders.")

Still tracking Mr. Angler, I noticed he was a rather creative fellow, practicing various adaptations of his snow angle theme along the streambed.

At some locations, he flung himself face first into the snow while at other locations he'd positioned himself to land on his back or his side.

And the outlines in the snow also highlighted the movement of his arms and legs.

Sometimes one arm was above his head and sometimes both arms flailed in an artistic fashion which, I'm ashamed to say, I couldn't identify.

Mr. Angler was certainly strong, tough, flexible and dedicated. One snow silhouette clearly highlights him straddling a log and sliding the length of some streamside debris into the creek — evidently to gather mud for his next snow sculpture.

Only a person with acrobatic skills would consider such a feat while dressed in cumbersome waders, vest and winter clothing.

The addition of the mud was surely the sign of creative genius. Mr. Angler probably raled up there with Picasso.



Snow can be dangerous for fisherman's clothes and gear.

I followed the path of Mr. Angler, ignoring numerous works of art along the streambank.

And then he appeared, sitting at the side of the creek.

Mr. Angler was nothing out of the ordinary, simply a winter fisherman sitting in the snow and...kissing his fly rod?

But alas, I was wrong. Mr. Angler had the fly rod positioned in front of his face with his lips cupped around one of the rod guides.

While he was thus intimately involved with his equipment, I eased to within arm's length for closer observation. I stood spellbound.

The rod was made from a new IM6 graphite blank and the reel was one of those beautiful hardy makes, manufacturers and imported from England.

I understood Mr. Angler's appreciation of fine gear. I didn't have an IM6 rod or a Hardy and, honestly, was a little lustful at the moment.

But I thought he was going a little too far.

Mr. Angler's display was better left for the privacy of one's own home. You wouldn't see this deplorable behavior in "A River Runs Through It."

"What the @#! are you doing?" I screamed.

Mr. Angler jumped up and stumbled forward, almost sliding into the creek.

"What the @#! are you doing," he screamed back while holding his left ear.

We faced off for what seemed an eternity.

"What? Mr. Angler hollered as he put his nose only inches from mine. At close range and standing

upright, he looked much larger than when seated in a foot of snow. In fact, Mr. Angler appeared to be a relative of Arnold.

Gathering my thoughts while stepping backward, I knew that Mr. Angler was overwhelmed.

Practicing deviant behaviors with fly fishing equipment had to be against the law but I hadn't considered his first amendment rights of expression.

"My duties were jammed with ice and I was thawing them out before you scared me half to death," Mr. Angler screamed.

"If you just lower the rod into the water for a few seconds, the water will melt the ice," I responded. "The water is warmer than 32 degrees and..."

"Don't give me a lecture on earth science."

Again I backtracked several steps since Mr. Angler was moving in my direction. I knew that ice had to be frozen to the felt soles of his wading boots but I still wondered how fast artists could run.

After increasing the distance between us, I thought he might like a little free advice.

"Keep your floatant inside your shirt and next to your body so the heat will keep it from gelling. It'll

flow out of the bottle easier."

"Get out of here," Mr. Angler shouted as he reached for a loose streamside rock.

"Be careful," I cautioned, "ice is frozen on the bottom..."

As Mr. Angler wound up to toss the rock in my direction, he slipped on the frozen waders and slid backward into the creek.

"Take care and good luck," I said while jogging toward my Trooper. "Ice on felt soles can be a real thriller."

I could have told him more, like always pack two pairs of gloves because cold hands will bring an abrupt end to an afternoon's fishing.

Or, bring a dry rag to dry off the hands after release fish back into the water.

Or, always bear a stocky cap or hat. On cold days, a body loses the majority of its heat through the noggin.

And again, after wading, stop and periodically kick against a solid object. A good solid job is needed to break away the ice which forms when an angle-steps from water into snow.

And don't step on top of logs, rocks, etc., even after the kick. When frozen, felt wading soles are extremely slippery.

Yellowstone now charges for fishing

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — Fishing no longer is free in Yellowstone National Park.

Superintendent Bob Barbee says a new law allowing the National Park Service to charge for the cost of activities will be applied to fishing, beginning with this year's season opening May 28.

For years, Yellowstone anglers have been required to obtain a fishing permit for park waters. But the permit was free; it mainly gave rangers the chance to distribute permits and a permit survey form on which anglers could report where they fished and with what success.

Last year, 157,500 free permits were issued.

But beginning this year, fishermen 16 and older must pay for the

privilege of fishing Yellowstone's streams. The fee is \$5 for a one-day permit, or \$10 for a season permit.

Those between 12 and 15 must get a free permit, and those under 12 do not need a permit.

No state license is needed in Yellowstone.

The park estimated it will sell 80,000 permits this year, generating about \$425,000. All the money will remain in the park to support Yellowstone fisheries.

"This program provides Yellowstone the opportunity to pursue a state-of-the-art program which has been woefully underfunded in the past," Barbee said in a statement issued Wednesday.

The permits go on sale May 23 in the park and in some sporting goods stores in surrounding communities.

State salmon experts ask for run protection

OLYMPIA (AP) — PRO-Salmon, a group of state Fish and Wildlife Department salmon experts, is asking the National Marine Fisheries Service to seek protection for nine Puget Sound salmon stocks under the Endangered Species Act.

Without such protection, "we expect these depleted salmon stocks to become extinct or reduced to extremely low fishing levels that will not provide fishing opportunities for future generations," Sam Wright, a Fish and Wildlife senior research scientist, said of the petition filed Tuesday.

PRO-Salmon contends the stocks need to be protected as threatened or endangered species because of loss of salmon habitat and overfishing.

The runs PRO-Salmon suggested for listing are: Hood Canal summer chum, also subject of a petition for protection to the NMFS; Discovery Bay summer chum; Baker River sockeye; Elwha River and lower Dungeness River pink; and spring chinook from the North Fork and South Fork Nooksack, Dungeness and Fork rivers.

PRO-Salmon's members said they organized as an advocacy group to speak out on salmon issues without the constraints linked to their official duties for the state.

Wright said the listings would not significantly effect sport fishing

because the spring and summer chinook stocks already are protected.

"So there are no obvious impacts that you would get if they were coho or fall chinook," he told the News Tribune of Tacoma.

Trout Unlimited said listing wild Hood Canal summer chum could have significant impact on coho net fisheries. The fish spawn primarily in the Quilcaine River, where the run is believed to be down to fewer than 100 fish, said group spokesman Frank Unbeck.

Hood Canal's Fish and Wildlife Department had asked Trout Unlimited to hold off on the NMFS filing while the agency worked to develop a recovery plan.

"We were supposed to see that in January or February, and we have not seen that," Unbeck said.

"We're uncertain of the state's ability to effect a recovery in a timely fashion, given all the other demands on the state's resources," he said.

Area tribes would not be bound by any state plan, Unbeck noted, but they would be bound by a federal listing.

The NMFS has three months to review petitions and may take up to 12 months more to determine whether a listing is appropriate, he said. If a stock is listed, the Commerce Department agency then has another year to develop a recovery plan, Unbeck said.

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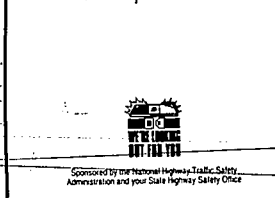
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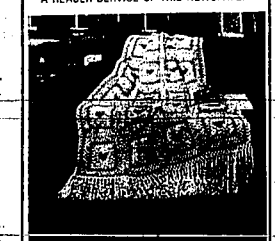
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