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Clinton: U.S. would strike Bosnia again

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Clinton called on the Bosnian Serbs to return to the negotiating table Sunday, hours after U.S. jets dropped three 500-pound bombs on targets near the town of Gorazde in response to a call from U.N. peacekeepers.

"We said we would act if we were requested to do so," Clinton told reporters. "We have now done so and will do so again if we are requested."

Clinton said he hoped the Serbs would cease their attacks on the Muslim enclave, adding that he had no reason to believe they would retaliate for the NATO-sponsored jet strikes.

"I very much hope that now the attacks will cease, that the Serbs will go back, that the talks will resume," he said.

"We were retreating," he added. "The United Nations made it absolutely clear that there were U.N. personnel in Gorazde, that an attack on the town would be interpreted as a clear violation of the rules."

Clinton met at the White House Sunday afternoon with his top national security and foreign policy advisers to review the attack and its aftermath.

Among the participants were Secretary of State Warren Christopher, Defense Secretary William Perry, United Nations Ambassador Madeline K. Albright, Gen. John Shalikashvili, chairman of the Joint Chiefs, national security adviser Anthony Lake and Vice President Al Gore.

It was the third time that Rose had requested an air strike, and the first-time NATO used close-air support to halt an offensive, said a senior White House official who briefed reporters on condition of anonymity.

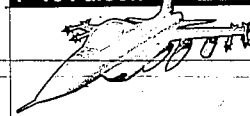
The attacks had a single target, which the official would not identify. It was not necessary to see BOSNIA/A2

NATO air strike

Two U.S. F-16 fighter jets bombed Serb targets near the Muslim enclave of Gorazde on Sunday.



F-16 Falcon



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AP/Tom Holmes

Residential construction leaps in Jerome County

By Mick Northington
Times-News writer

JEROME — Suddenly people are flocking to rural Jerome County.

In February, County Planning Administrator Art Brown issued building permits for \$292,174 worth of new construction. That was a sizeable amount, but it was only the start.

In March, his office was swamped with 49 building applications valued at \$1,881,902.

"It all came on us in March," Brown said. "Most of the construction is for new single-family homes. While many of the new homes are just north or south of the Jerome city limits, Brown said he's now seeing construction in every part of the county, including Eden and Hazelton."

"It's getting pretty sporadic. If they find land they're buying it, I have property that was divided up in the 1970s that is now getting built on suddenly," Brown said. "And keep in mind, our office only has one inspector to handle this."

The new residential construction seems to be young families moving in and established families making addi-



Magic Valley Growth

tions to their homes, he said.

"This month is off to an unusually fast start already with eight building permits by April 8."

Brown said he expects this growth spurt in the county to continue with the help of new companies and expanding local businesses. Last month, the county planning and zoning commission approved two new roof truss makers to set up shop later this year.

Gem State Truss Inc. of Meridian plans to open a truss manufacturing plant next to the Jerome landfill off Highway 93.

And the A.C. Houston Lumber Co. of Las Vegas plans a plant in the new 80-acre Jerome Industrial Park, which is a mile south of the city.

Also, the North Side Implement Co. of Jerome is expanding and has asked the county for permission to also move into the industrial park, Brown said.

Rwanda fighting slips as foreigners evacuate

The Associated Press

KIGALI, Rwanda — Fires burned on the outskirts of the devastated capital of Rwanda and hundreds looted aid warehouses as fighting abated Sunday after three days of savagery. At a hospital in Kigali, doctors claimed, soldiers slaughtered at least 100 patients in their beds.

Relief officials estimate as many as 10,000 people have been killed in Kigali alone. The fighting — the result of a decades-old struggle between the Hutu and Tutsi ethnic groups — has forced hundreds of Europeans and Americans to flee the country, many for neighboring Burundi.

Foreigners were leaving by air from Kigali airport or by convoy to Bujumbura, Burundi's capital.

President Clinton said Sunday in Washington that "the last of the convoys containing all Americans who wish to leave has either passed into Burundi or is about to pass into Burundi." About 250 Americans, mostly missionaries and aid workers, were in Rwanda.

In Kigali, Eric Bertin, a coordinator for the French Doctors Without Borders, said when he and colleagues arrived at a hospital Sunday, they found patients they had treated the day before had been killed by soldiers overnight.

He estimated that at least 100 people were murdered, many in beds in tents set up around the hospital.

"We have decided it is no use to work here anymore," Bertin said. "It is useless to cure someone who is going to be killed anyway. They were just lying in their tents dead."

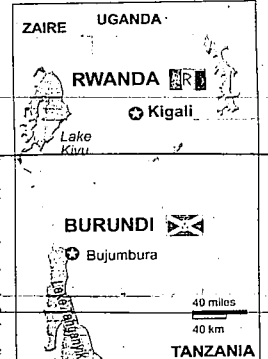
Elsewhere in the city, bodies were strewn in the streets. Fighting had raged since the presidents of Rwanda and Burundi — Juvenal Habyarimana and Cyprien Ntaryamira — died in a suspicious plane crash on Wednesday on return from a conference in Tanzania aimed at ending ethnic strife in their countries.

The Rwandan government said the plane was shot down by unidentified attackers. U.N. officials were prevented from going to the crash site.

In the rampage that followed, residents were dragged from their homes and shot to death or hacked to pieces. The acting prime minister was slain as she sought refuge. Aid workers, priests and nuns were targeted in the massacres.

Outside the capital, fighting has pitted the Hutu-dominated army and the mostly Tutsi Rwandan Patriotic Front. The two sides reportedly agreed to a cease-fire on Sunday, but its effectiveness was in doubt.

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Update on Rwanda:

► A plane crash Wednesday killing the presidents of Rwanda and Burundi renewed fighting between two long-feuding tribes. Soldiers of the majority Hutu tribe have been fighting rebel forces made up mainly of minority Tutsis.

► Civilians were dragged from their homes and shot or hacked to death, and bodies filled the streets of Kigali where an estimated 10,000 people were killed.

► Hundreds of Americans and other foreigners have fled the country and were arriving in safer havens on Sunday. U.S. Marines and French and Belgian forces were being sent to help with the evacuation.

► The Rwandan army and the rebel Rwandan Patriotic Front reached a cease-fire agreement Sunday, but its effectiveness is in doubt.

AP/Tom Holmes

Weather forecasting would regress if satellite launch fails

Orlando Sentinel

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Forget the Hubble telescope. Forget the moon landings. The space launch with the most at stake for the most people is set to go this week from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station.

Hubble may someday unlock secrets of the universe, and the moon shots may have redefined humanity's place within that universe. But the satellite above the Atlas rocket at Launch Complex 36 could save hundreds of

thousands of people from dying along the U.S. coastline during a hurricane.

If something goes wrong early Wednesday with that satellite, and the two overextended satellites now in orbit both fail, weather forecasting in the Western Hemisphere would slip backward two decades.

For the first time since 1975, government forecasters and TV meteorologists nationwide would be without the services of even a single "Geostationary Operational Envi-

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Pardners



MIKE SALSBUURY/The Times-News

Looking for a cowboy, Kel Crane of Gooding talks to local rancher Larry Bauscher about the next day's work. Manager of the Gooding Hotel, Crane said he also finds time to be a cowboy. He had been at a livestock sale and decided to ride his horse to town for lunch Friday afternoon.

Nation



President and Mrs. Clinton leave the Foundry Methodist Church in Washington, D.C., Sunday.

Legalized drugs might be safer, minister says

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton didn't like it when his surgeon general raised the possibility of legalizing drugs. On Sunday he heard similar advice from the pulpit of his wife's church.

The Rev. Walter Shropshire Jr., a minister at the Foundry United Methodist Church, said such a step might "make a safer environment for all of us."

If doctors could write prescriptions for narcotics, addicts could "obtain it cheaply and (they) would not have to go out and arm themselves to obtain the money," Shropshire said in a sermon on Christian fellowship.

When asked what he thought of Shropshire's comments, Clinton said, "I disagree."

Dr. Joycelyn Elders, the surgeon general, started a ruckus last year when she said the government should study the idea of legalizing drugs as a way to reduce crime.

The president promptly disassociated

First lady's friend claims he did no wrong in trading

WASHINGTON (AP) — The man who urged Hillary Rodham Clinton to get into the cattle futures market in the late 1970s said Sunday there was nothing wrong with him placing some orders for her with a broker.

"I can find no regulations of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange covering 1978 and '79 that make it improper for one private citizen to call in an order for another private citizen," James B. Blair said in a telephone interview.

Mrs. Clinton accepted Blair's suggestion to get into the cattle futures market shortly before her husband was elected governor of Arkansas and went on to turn a \$100,000 initial investment into nearly \$100,000 in a little over a year.

During the time of the trading, Blair was outside counsel for Tyson Foods Co., Arkansas' biggest employer.

The Washington Post, quoting an

Trooper says he recruited women for Clinton's trysts

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — A veteran Arkansas state police officer says that a decade ago he regularly recruited women for attempted sexual liaisons with then-Gov. Bill Clinton, according to an upcoming article in the American Spectator magazine.

L.D. Brown, a state trooper who was a member of Clinton's personal security detail between 1983 and 1985, alleges in the conservative magazine article that during that period he tried to solicit "over a hundred" sexual partners for Clinton.

But the 11-page article by writer Daniel Wattenberg cites only one alleged example of Brown successfully recruiting a woman for Clinton. That involved a visit to a disco in Boca Raton, Fla., where Brown alleges he was instructed by Clinton to seek out a woman who later met with the then-governor in the front seat of his car, Brown claims that

Crime will be priority in Congress

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — President Clinton and senior members of his Cabinet will put a major push this week to lobby for the crime legislation that will be at the top of lawmakers' agendas when Congress returns.

Fresh off a week of pushing for health-care reform in town meetings around the nation, Clinton in his weekly Saturday radio address focused almost solely on crime.

"In my travels (last) week, people made it clear to me they expect us here in Washington to take care of one job immediately: to confront the crime and violence that are tearing our communities apart," Clinton said.

"To underscore the administration's continuing efforts and recommitments, there has been so much to address the crime issue, Clinton will attend a rally at the Justice Department on Monday. On Thursday he will host many, community leaders, police 'heroes' and others who will discuss crime-policing and other issues and then lobby Congress.

At the same time, the White House will continue what it calls its "leadership days," in which 50 or more congressional offices send local leaders to the White House for briefings. Other administration officials also will emphasize the crime issue. Education Secretary Richard W. Riley, for example, is expected to give a major speech on crime in schools.

The key elements that Clinton wants in anti-crime legislation are already at the heart of the bills Congress is considering: Three-time violent offenders convicted of a federal crime would be put in jail for life, more prison space would be built and 100,000 police officers would be added to local departments for community-policing efforts.

Shropshire, 61, raised the issue as an example of a topic on which people of faith had sharply differing opinions. He quoted the words of John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, that "we can agree to disagree, but that we love each other."

Hillary Rodham Clinton is a United Methodist; the president is a Baptist. They often worship at Foundry, but have not joined the congregation.

Shropshire said afterwards, "I'm not encouraging recreational use of drugs, (but) all of society needs to reexamine the economic base for the use of drugs."

Shropshire, a former physicist for the Smithsonian Institution, said he had been aware of the furor over Elders' remarks.

Cobain's widow reads note to fans

Seattle Times

SEATTLE (AP) — Kurt Cobain's widow read parts of his suicide note in an angry, profane taped message to thousands of Nirvana fans gathered for a candlelight vigil Sunday.

Cobain, 27, whose anguished lyrics had helped sell millions of records featuring Nirvana's guitar-guitar sound since 1991, was found Friday in the home he shared with wife Courtney Love and their toddler daughter. He died of a self-inflicted shotgun wound to the head, a one-page note nearby, authorities said.

"I haven't felt the excitement for so many years," Love read. "I felt guilty for so many years. The fact is I can't feel you, any one of you. The worst crime is faking it."

Love interrupted her narrative to add: "No, the worst crime is leaving."

"I don't have the passion any more," Cobain wrote, and borrowing from a Neil Young song, added, "I feel better."

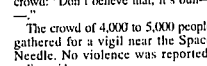
But Love added on tape to the crowd: "Don't believe that, it's bull—"

The crowd of 4,000 to 5,000 people gathered for a vigil near the Space Needle. No violence was reported, police said.

Cobain's problems were well documented: heroin addiction, discomfort with celebrity, domestic disputes and the near-fatal ingestion of drugs and alcohol just last month.

Love recorded the tape after returning to Seattle following Cobain's death. It hasn't been made clear where she was when he died.

"I feel the same way you guys do, I feel so horrible," Love said. "I don't know how it happened. I knew it was going to happen but it could have happened when he was 40."



Cobain

Cheerios, Wheaties may give better inflation indication than Wall Street

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Those little tan O's and golden-brown breakfast bowls may seem like ordinary Cheerios. But to some economists they're leading indicators of low inflation.

Last week General Mills lowered the price of the oat-based cereal by 12 percent. Despite rampant anxiety in the financial markets about rising inflation, some forecasters insist the opposite may now be true: Consumer prices are actually falling in some parts of the economy.

While rolling back Cheerios prices, General Mills Inc., the nation's No. 2 cereal maker behind Kellogg Co., made similar cuts in the prices of Wheaties and other popular cereals.

"That to me was a very telling statement," said Bruce Steinberg, an economist at Merrill Lynch & Co.

"In a few selected parts of the economy, relating mainly to autos or steel, there are some pricing pressures that have shown up. But in much broader parts of the economy, there's pretty intense disinflationary pressure under way."

Attention to signals of inflation has contributed to a powerful sell-off in the financial markets in the last month. Investors abhor inflation, partly because it eats the value of investments such as bonds, which pay fixed interest rates.

Not all economists think investor fears are overblown. Because market players tend to invest in financial instruments for the long haul, they must look beyond current inflation trends and try to anticipate consumer prices over the next year and beyond.

"If people are worried over the long-term that their dollars are worthless, they start taking action immediately to ensure they don't lose money," said Scott Lammie, an investment expert at Ibbotson Associates in Chicago, an investment consulting firm.

But to everyday Americans whose paychecks stretch virtually as far as they did one year ago, evidence of inflation is spotty at best.

Oil prices are at five-year lows. Many food items cost less. Growth in health care costs, a major cause of past inflation, has slowed. Car price increases are subdued. Workers are hesitant to ask for salary increases with all the recent layoffs.

A sustained financial market decline also could keep a lid on inflation, according to William Sullivan, director of money market research at Dean Witter, Discover & Co.

That's because weekend stock and bond markets could dampen consumer confidence and push up interest rates. High interest rates slow down new home sales, which are a fulcrum of consumer demand for all sorts of goods

and services. High demand for goods in limited supply is a cause of inflation.

In Russia, inflation has approached 1,000 percent a year for many food staples. Brazil's government just launched its eighth plan in as many years to check inflation running 40 percent a month.

Its comparison, inflation fears in the United States seem exaggerated. Financial traders fret because inflation threatens to edge higher than the 2.5 percent annual rate recorded over the 12 months ended Feb. 28.

The next round of inflation news that could jolt the markets comes this week when the Labor Department releases March wholesale prices Tuesday and consumer prices Wednesday.

Most economists expect a 0.2 percent monthly rise in producer prices and a 0.3 percent increase in consumer prices, continuing the recent trend of low inflation.

"The issue in a nutshell here is, 'Do you believe we're facing the beginning stages of a pickup in inflation, or do you believe inflation will stay at 3 percent or lower?'" I would put myself in

that latter category, said Donald Taylor, a portfolio manager of short- and intermediate-term bond funds at Fidelity Investments, the nation's largest mutual-fund company.



Emilie Schindler, widow of WWII industrialist Oskar Schindler, lights a memorial flame at the Simon Wiesenthal Center in Los Angeles, Sunday as part of the Yom Hashoah Commemoration.

Woman honored for saving Jews

LOS ANGELES (AP) — During the bleakest years of World War II, Emilie Schindler risked her life helping her husband, Oskar, save hundreds of Jews from Nazi death camps.

She bought medicine and food on the black market. And when her husband was arrested by Nazi officials, she negotiated his release.

The story of Oskar Schindler, a German entrepreneur who saved 1,200 Jews by employing them in his factories, became famous with Steven Spielberg's Academy Award-winning film "Schindler's List."

The story of his wife is not so widely known.

Her efforts were acknowledged during a ceremony Sunday at the Simon Wiesenthal Center's Museum of Tolerance.

She, in turn, lit a flame in the center's courtyard in memory of the 6 million Jews killed in the Holocaust. Jew was one of several Holocaust remembrances held

around the country for Yom Hashoah, which was Wednesday.

"For what I did, I did not expect any reward," Mrs. Schindler said through an interpreter. "I just did what (one does) when others are in trouble, when other people are murdered."

Today, the 86-year-old woman walks with a cane and wears her white hair cropped. A spirited yet quiet woman who makes her home near Buenos Aires, Mrs. Schindler later told reporters she was not fond of her newfound fame.

"I don't like to be in the public eye. I like to stay where I am — like a turtle," she said.

Sunday's ceremony left her a little breathless. As she approached the podium, the crowd of 2,000 rose to its feet and pressed closer to the stage to catch a glimpse of her small frame.

Leon Leyson, one of those saved by Schindler, remembers Mrs. Schindler as quiet and reserved,

"working behind the scenes, no hurrah."

She will not talk of Oskar Schindler, from whom she separated after the war.

"Let's leave him alone. He is dead. We do not talk of the dead," she said, dismissing a reporter's question.

On other subjects, she is lively and punctuates almost every sentence with a smile and a laugh. She speaks animatedly of the animals she raised in Argentina after the war, a beaver called "nutria" in German.

Spielberg's movie, which she has seen five times, gets high praise.

"The movie is excellent... (it was) exactly the way it happened," she said.

Emilie Schindler was more than the woman behind the man. She was more than an equal partner in (Oskar Schindler's) achievements," said Rabbi Marvin Hier, dean of the Simon Wiesenthal Center.

Lightning kills man during Frisbee game

Nashville, Tenn. (AP)

Lightning struck players and spectators "like a grenade" at a Frisbee match Sunday, killing one person and injuring 18 others.

The Ultimate Frisbee Match was being held on a rain-soaked field in Ezell Park when the lightning struck around 1:30 p.m., Detective Brad Bateman said.

Shawn Adams, 29, of Chattanooga, was killed, police said.

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Nation

Russia may miss date for destroying weapons

WASHINGTON (AP) — Russia has not yet begun destroying its hoard of chemical weapons and may not have the technology to do so, despite agreeing in 1990 to demilitarize them, a new U.S. government report states.

"According to U.S. and Russian officials, Russia cannot safely destroy its chemical weapons using its current facilities," according to the report by the General Accounting Office, which conducts investigations for Congress.

Moreover, the GAO found, Russia "currently has no comprehensive plan that defines when and how the weapons will be destroyed."

The United States has begun test human tests on 23,000 tons of chemical weapons, at a cost expected to reach \$8.5 billion.

Russia estimates the cost of destroying its 40,000 tons of weapons at \$5 billion to \$6 billion, and wants \$1 billion in foreign aid to do the work. The only contributions so far have been a pledge of \$55 million from the United States

and \$2.9 million from Germany. The United States and the then-Soviet Union agreed in 1990 to begin a "demilitarization" of chemical weapons by late 1992. The two countries were the world's major holders of chemical weapons.

The United States and Russia have both signed — but neither has yet ratified — a new global treaty on chemical weapons. The Senate Foreign Relations Committee is slated to hold a hearing on the treaty Wednesday.

Early last year, governments began signing the new Chemical Weapons Convention, with the goal of putting it into force two years later, on Jan. 13, 1995. So far, 156 out of a possible 192 have signed.

But the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency says only four have ratified it: Sweden and the tiny island republics of Fiji, Mauritius and Seychelles. Before the treaty can go into force, 65 ratifications are needed.

"The convention is not likely to meet its entry-into-force date,"

according to the GAO.

One U.S. arms control official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Jan. 13 was a goal, not a deadline, and that it was still possible that the needed ratifications could be obtained in time. If not, he said, the only consequence would be further delay.

Many countries are waiting to see what Russia and the United States do before signing the global convention, the report said. They include some suspected of developing poison gas weapons — North Korea, Iraq, Libya, Syria, Egypt and Taiwan.

About 25 countries either have chemical weapons or can produce them, according to John D. Holm, director of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency.

"Dangers from chemical weapons are aggravated by the production and potential proliferation of ballistic missiles that can hurl a chemical weapons warhead hundreds of miles," he told a congressional hearing last month.

U.N. study: Dangerous waste, chemicals threaten workers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Chemicals, mostly from industrialized countries, are causing disease and death in the developing world and the problem is worsened by the buildup of chemical waste, a U.N. study says.

The study released Sunday by the International Labor Organization estimates that up to 2 billion of the world's 3 billion workers are exposed to growing numbers of possibly harmful chemicals in the workplace.

Most are in the Third World, but danger zones range from banana plantations in Costa Rica to skyscrapers in New York, where office workers' health may be affected by emissions from machines, furniture and even "toxic rugs."

The report notes the wide benefits of chemicals but says they are too

often misused, particularly in the Third World. It also cites the possible long-term danger from chemicals whose harmful effects are not yet fully known.

"Basically, we live in a chemical world," said Isaac Obadia, ILO safety and health officer. Production has doubled since 1985, he said, with close to 10 million natural and man-made chemicals.

"Lack of training, lack of knowledge, lack of regulatory controls make it a much more serious problem in developing countries," he said, adding that the biggest risk is from pesticides.

Disposal of chemical waste has also become a major worldwide problem, with poorer countries often trying to ship the waste to the Third World, the report said.

The report was prepared for an international conference later this month in Stockholm at which countries will try to come up with a strategy for worldwide chemical safety.

Dangers from pesticides such as DDT, from heavy metals such as lead and mercury, and from asbestos are widely recognized in the industrialized countries but are still largely ignored in some poor countries, he said.

The report said there are no reliable statistics on harm to human health from pesticides, but agricultural workers in developing countries are clearly most at risk. It accepts an estimate that Third World countries use only 20 percent of pesticides but suffer 90 percent of deaths caused by all such chemicals.

Al Capone's legendary house goes up for auction

Knight-Ridder News Service

MIAMI — Long ago, a legend settled down around the stately old house on Palm Island: It was Al Capone's secret party house and gambling den, the old-timers whispered.

The stories, with some variations, have been repeated so often over the years that many people believe them. Like some island residents. The fund-raisers who held a showy AIDS benefit with a gangster theme at the house a few years ago.

And like the newest owners of the house. They're putting it up for auction, advertising it as once having been owned by Capone.

Dozens of people trooped through the property during a preview last weekend, or at least they were drawing complaints from island residents irked at strangers parking on their lawns.

But are the tales true? Highly unlikely, if you trust property records and an account by the first owner's nephew.

"No, no, Al Capone never owned that house," said Richard Ebsary, 82, a retired builder whose uncle built the house in 1925. "He visited my uncle

over there once or twice, but that's the extent of it."

It is, of course, well known that Capone owned a walled backyard compound on the manmade island, which was connected by bridge to the

McArthur Causeway. Capone wintered there with his family during the 1920s, then retired to the house after his release from Alcatraz in 1939. He died quietly in his upstairs bedroom in 1947 of syphilis, said Ebsary.

The island also once had a private nightclub where boozing, gambling and cavorting with dancing girls were all alleged to take place even at the height of Prohibition.

But the three-story house was just a family residence called Island Cove, recalled Ebsary, who was a teen-ager when his uncle, William Ebsary lived and threw an occasional party there. William Ebsary, who was inebriated when he died, came from Detroit to Miami in the 1920s to build the old part of Miami and the Fifth Street bridge.

"I never heard of gambling over there. Gin-drinking, yes. Gambling house, no," his nephew said. "People

kick those legends around."

The sellers, their attorney and auctioneer all acknowledged they have no proof that Capone ever had any connection to the house.

"Everybody has a different story," said auctioneer Jim Gall, who printed a slick brochure for the April 17 sale with a picture of Capone on the front.

"It's fascinating. This is supposed to be the big party house where they had gambling and dancing girls. I've had people tell me it was a brothel."

"And someone else told me Al Capone never set foot in that house."

But the owners, who bought and renovated the once-dilapidated mansion three years ago, are convinced that the mobster's ghost haunts over their house.

"Old people would come and knock on the door to see the house because they remembered it," said Claude Petit, a French fashion designer who owns the seven-bedroom home with her husband. "Some people have asked me to dig for Al Capone's treasure in the back. I said, 'What, are you stupid?'"

He noted that the same products — NNAL and NNAL-Gluc — were also measured in a previous funding study that linked secondhand smoke to lung cancer.

NNAL is highly carcinogenic, inducing lung tumors in mice. The study found that black smokers had 30 percent to 35 percent more NNAL in their urine than whites.

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Rev. Michael Pfleger walks through a partially boarded-up strip mall on Chicago's South Side. Pfleger, a civic activist and Roman Catholic priest, is seen from the side, walking towards the camera. The background shows a dilapidated commercial building with many boarded-up windows and doors. A sign for "ANCHOR" is visible on the building.

Minority contract program benefits mostly white areas

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government's flagship program for minority entrepreneurs awarded \$19 billion in contracts over the last six years, with the lion's share going to firms whose headquarters were located in primarily white, well-to-do neighborhoods.

An Associated Press computer analysis of "minority set aside" contracts handled by the Small Business Administration found that just 22 percent of the project dollars went to companies located in minority areas.

And those companies that qualified for the program while remaining in minority areas on average got fewer contracts and dollars than those in white areas, the analysis showed.

The SBA's 8(a) program directs federal contracts to minority-owned companies for work ranging from computer processing to construction or custodial services. SBA has told Congress that one effect of these contracts has been to boost

opportunities in less prosperous city neighborhoods.

Yet to be more competitive, some business owners said they moved out of minority communities to get closer to their federal customers.

"I was (located) so far away from government installations, the SBA was reluctant to give me jobs," said Samuel Hayes, who moved his construction company out of Benton Harbor, a city in southwestern

Michigan where nine people in 10 are black.

With his company, Rah Development, does business from Northville, Mich., in an area of the Detroit suburbs where half the households make more than \$167,374 and nine people in 10 are white.

The program's supporters say its goal is to foster minority businesses, not community development. And like any business, they say, minority companies need to locate near their customers. In the 1980s,

that often means the suburbs. "It's a business decision, not a social decision as to the location," said Cassandra Pulley, SBA deputy administrator. "It is not a program that is designed for economic development in black inner-city neighborhoods."

The analysis of 8(a) contracts showed the average minority contracting company is located in an area where 68 percent of the residents are white, half the households earn \$37,415 or more, and only one

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person in seven is poor.

In contrast, most black-American live-in neighborhoods where minority residents are the majority and where half the households earn less than \$24,550.

"A lot of truly small minority businesses which really would be the backbone of the minority community cannot get a quarter from the SBA," said attorney H.T. Smith, organizer of a recently ended black tourism boycott in Miami.

When it comes to investing in minority communities, Smith believes "as far as the government and the business community are concerned, that's just throwing money away."

There is no requirement that participants stay in minority neighborhoods or that they be poor. In fact, entrepreneurs can qualify with a net worth up to \$250,000, excluding their home and business assets.

When SBA goes to Congress for funding, it presents the program as a business incubator that benefits impoverished minority communities.

"8(a) firms provided employment for over 102,000 men and women during fiscal 1992," the agency said in its most recent report to Congress. "Many of these jobs are in the inner city and in areas of high unemployment."

The AP analysis, however, suggests otherwise.

The study analyzed the contractors' location by the ZIP code of their headquarters, using racial, ethnic and income information from the 1990 census. AP reviewed almost 25,000 contracts, covering \$17.5 billion of the \$19 billion awarded under the program from 1988 to 1993.

About \$1.5 billion was not analyzed because there was no matching census information for the companies' ZIP codes.

Contracts spanned the country, ranging in value from 12 cents to \$96.2 million.

It was not possible to determine from the database where the companies did the contract work, and the SBA said it did not track the background of employees who worked on the 8(a) contracts.

Companies owned by blacks or Hispanics make up three quarters of the program's participants. However, the review found:

- Only 9 percent of the 8(a) contract dollars went to businesses in black-majority neighborhoods.
- 4 percent went to Hispanic-majority neighborhoods.
- 0 percent went to neighborhoods with majority Asian, American Indian or mixed-minority populations.

- 7 percent of contract dollars went to neighborhoods with minority populations from 40 percent to 50 percent.

- The largest bloc of 8(a) dollars — 37 percent — went to companies in neighborhoods with fewer than 20 percent minorities. And three-fourths went to neighborhoods where the typical household income was more than \$30,000.

Mother, child killed in snow, thunderstorms

The Associated Press

Heavy rain in Missouri produced flash flooding that killed a boy and his mother who tried to rescue him, police said.

Snow and thunderstorms hit parts of Kansas on Sunday and heavy rain and hail fell in parts of central Oklahoma.

The mother, her child and a passenger were in a car late Saturday on a road south of Newburg, in south-central Missouri. Flooding from heavy rain swept away the boy and his mother or went after him.

The bodies were found Sunday afternoon in high water. The third person was found alive near the car. Police wouldn't release the victims' names but said the boy was believed to be about 4 years old.

Residents were warned of possible flash flooding across southern Missouri, where the storm dumped up to 3 inches of rain overnight and threatened to send rivers over their banks. Northern Missouri got up to an inch.

CHIROPRACTIC COLUMN

Not many U.S. doctors have heard about the new Canadian back pain study, but they probably will soon because chiropractors can't stop talking about it.

The study — done by a team of Canadian health economists commissioned and funded by the Ontario Ministry of Health — is based on a extensive review of international medical literature, as well as interviews with researchers, practitioners and patients.

Its conclusion: that the best clinical studies show that manipulation by chiropractors is more effective, safer and more cost-effective than other treatments for low-back pain.

The report's principal researcher, Phyllis Mangan, says chiropractors could save hundreds of millions of dollars a year, but he

doesn't stop there. "Many medical therapies are of questionable validity or are clearly inadequate, some are unsafe, or even cause complications," the report says.

Mangan says he found "good empirical evidence patients are very satisfied" with chiropractors and "quite" satisfied with physician management of low-back pain.

Many pay out-of-pocket for chiropractor bills not covered by insurance; they wouldn't if it didn't help, he says.

Mangan, reached by phone at the University of Ottawa, where he is a professor, says he is a "little embarrassed" at having become chiropractors' champion.

"I don't know where they got the study — I did not talk to a single chiropractor or person working with them, and they did not know the

study was being done," he says.

He knows his report may benefit chiropractors. But it seems so positive one can't help but wonder: does he have some personal interest in giving chiropractors a boost?

"My interest is serving the public interest," he responds. "It's not personal, and not family related. If anything, I have many (medical) doctors in my family."

He simply believes his findings. The evidence — is — overpowering," he says.

When asked why, if this is true, medical doctors don't seem to know it, Mangan says, "I think doctors do know chiropractors are better and more effective for back pain. Their best is (chiropractors) — also treat other kinds of problems."

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Study: Blacks more likely to get lung cancer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Blacks may be biologically more likely than whites to develop lung cancer from smoking, according to a study released Sunday at a cancer conference.

The results are particularly relevant because cigarette manufacturers have been accused of aggressively targeting blacks in the marketing campaigns, said John Richie of the American Health Foundation, which conducted the study. The Tobacco Institute has previously denied targeting any one segment of the American population.

Black smokers have long been

shown to have a 50 percent higher incidence of lung cancer and death from the disease. But researchers were uncertain if the causes were behavioral, dietary or biological.

Richie said a difference in metabolism may be responsible. "Our initial data tend to indicate that blacks have a poorer capacity than whites to detoxify NNK, one of the most important tobacco-related carcinogens linked to lung cancer," Richie told the annual meeting of the American Association for Cancer Research on Sunday.

Richie and his colleagues mea-

Member of Roy Rogers group dies at 79

DELRAY BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Ken Carson, who backed up Roy Rogers in cowboy-movie as a member of The Sons of the Pioneers, died last week of Lou Gehrig's disease. He was 79.

Carson, who died Thursday, joined the group in 1942 after founding member Rogers left to become a movie star.

Carson sang on the Western group's two most famous records: "Tumbling Tumbleweeds" and "Cool Water." His tenor was the echoing voice singing

"cool, clear water" on the latter tune.

He appeared in 22 of Rogers' cowboy movies as a member of the musical group that backed up the actor when he sang.

Carson was born in Coalgate, Okla., in 1915 and moved with his family to California during the 1920s.

Funeral services will be Monday at Lorne & Sons Funeral Home in Delray Beach. Burial will be in San Bernardino, Calif.

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Israel to replace Palestinian workers

GAZA CITY, Occupied Gaza Strip (AP) — Until Sunday, Hassan Marouf, 25, thought that no matter what problems arose in the Arab-Israeli peace process, he would keep his 25-year-old job as a construction supervisor in Israel.

Then Israel's Cabinet announced the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip will be sealed off from Israel indefinitely and 18,000 foreign laborers imported. The moves are intended to assuage security fears and break Israel's dependence on Palestinian labor.

But they created widespread despair among Palestinians, who viewed it as collective punishment that will create permanent unemployment and cut them off from Jerusalem, their religious, cultural and political center.

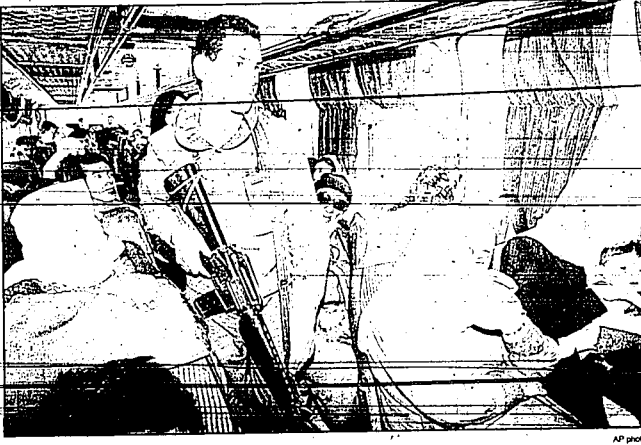
Both Israelis and Palestinians predicted more violence. Maj. Gen. Mitan Vilnai, Israel's southern commander, ordered troops back into refugee camps to deal with the anticipated violence, the Haaretz newspaper reported Sunday.

"I've never been so scared in my life. There were sometimes riots here, but always knew I would go back to work," said Marouf, who has 10 children. "Now, I'm not sure I will have a job to go back to."

Over 120,000 Palestinians had day jobs in Israel until March 1993, when a series of strikes against Israel's economic blockade brought a strict closure and the number of work permits was halved. Fears of revenge attacks after a Jewish settler killed 30 Palestinian workers in Hebron Feb. 25 brought another closure.

Pressure from construction and agriculture firms that rely on cheap Palestinian workers has forced such closures to be rescinded in the past. But each closure leaves fewer Palestinians with jobs in Israel.

The latest closure came after a suicide car bomber from the West Bank killed seven Israelis and wounded 45 last Wednesday, followed a day later



An Israeli soldier checks identification cards of Palestinian bus passengers Sunday at a road block in Ram on Jerusalem's West Bank border. Israeli officials say they will keep the occupied lands shut until the plan for limited Palestinian self-rule is successfully in place.

by a Gaza gunman who killed one and wounded four at a bus stop.

Both attacks, carried out by Palestinians from the occupied lands, were claimed by Islamic fundamentalist groups which oppose the Israel-PLO autonomy accord and have vowed to wreck Israel's Independence Day celebrations Thursday.

Nabul Dabbour, an economist who works at the Palestinian Bureau of Statistics in Jerusalem, said remittances from laborers who work or trade in Israel bring about \$7 million daily into

the Gaza and the West Bank. He predicted unemployment would jump from 37 percent to at least 50 percent.

The Cabinet approved bringing in 18,000 foreign laborers to replace Palestinians. Although Israel's unemployment rate hovers at 10 percent, welfare checks tend to match the wages from the mental jobs Palestinians fill.

Social and Welfare Minister Ora Namir said the foreign workers, mainly from former Yugoslavia and Thailand, will be given six-month visas. In the three to five weeks it will take for them

to be absorbed into jobs here, the ministry will employ soldiers and high school students to fill in the gap, she said.

There are already 8,000 foreign laborers in Israel, about 2,000 in agriculture and 6,000 east Europeans in construction.

Some Cabinet ministers said the closure could stay in place until Palestinian self-rule goes into effect, something not expected for weeks. A pre-autonomy pullback of Israeli troops is expected to slow down.

2 bullet types recovered from mosque victims

JERUSALEM (AP) — A Muslim guard at the Hebron mosque where a Jewish settler massacred 30 worshippers last Sunday, he said, Israeli soldiers to help stop the shooting, but they refused to do so.

Muhammad Abu Salah told the commission investigating the massacre that settler Baruch Goldstein pushed past him into the hall where Palestinians were praying, and opened fire. Abu Salah raced to call soldiers for help, but they would not enter the hall, he said.

"They heard me but refused to agree to what I requested," he said. "I told them that there was a settler firing, and they also heard the shots and they started shooting outside."

Also Sunday, hospital gave medical investigators two types of bullets recovered from victims of the Feb. 25 massacre, an apparent indication that more than one gunman was involved.

Dr. Dahoud Labadi said 25 medical files and two kinds of bullets were turned over to a team that spent five hours in two Hebron hospitals. He said the team also examined X-rays to determine where bullets hit victims.

The presence of two kinds of bullets supports earlier testimony and

PLO, Israel resume peace talks as Wednesday deadline looms

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — The deadline for Israel's withdrawal from parts of the occupied territories appeared certain to be missed, and PLO leader Yasser Arafat complained that the slow pace of negotiations was undermining the credibility of the peace process.

Israeli and PLO negotiators resumed talks Sunday in Cairo, four days before the deadline for Israel to complete a withdrawal that has not yet begun.

Palestinians have expressed hope of at least reaching an agreement defining the pullout by Wednesday's deadline.

But the PLO's top negotiator

said the two sides were unable to agree on who would have legal jurisdiction over Jews and foreigners in areas under Palestinian rule.

Negotiators reportedly agreed that it will take just two weeks for Israel to withdraw from the Gaza Strip and West Bank town of Jericho once a date is set for signing an agreement to implement the Israeli-PLO autonomy accord.

The accord, signed Sept. 13 in Washington, calls for Palestinian self-rule in Gaza and Jericho. A Dec. 13 deadline for starting the withdrawal was missed as negotiations dragged on.

ed that the commission investigate the source of the mystery bullet, suggesting her husband may have been fired on.

Mrs. Goldstein testified before the commission behind closed doors last week. A transcript of her testimony was released Sunday.

"Perhaps there were other people who opened fire, and not especially on the Jewish side," she said, according to the 30-page transcript.

"Perhaps there were people who had other weapons, from another direction. I don't know."

Mrs. Goldstein told the commission she had no idea her husband was planning the massacre.

"It is still a puzzle, that's the truth. I am continually trying to figure it out, but I still haven't found an answer."

In the sixth week of testimony, the five-man inquiry commission panel questioned three guards for the Waqf, the Muslim trust that operates religious sites including the Tomb of the Patriarch, site of the massacre.

The tomb, believed to be the burial place of Abraham, is holy to both Muslims and Jews.

Abu Salah testified that after failing to get help from the soldiers, he ran back to the hall and saw Goldstein change his ammunition clip. Goldstein saw him and turned to fire two bullets at him, Abu Salah said.

Neither Abu Salah or the two other guards who testified saw a second gunman. The Muslim guards were unarmed.

Police say 5 gunmen killed anti-terrorist head

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — The Islamic fundamentalist Al-Gama'a, a ban Cairo bank in which an employee was injured. It was the ninth bank attack since February.

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Rwanda relief workers overwhelmed with death

PARIS (AP) — Relief workers in Rwanda's countryside were in hiding, in fear of their lives Sunday while their comrades in the capital Kigali were overwhelmed by machine-gunned bodies piling up in the morgue.

Drunk men with machetes, knives and grenades set up impromptu roadblocks outside Kigali, aid workers told The Associated Press by telephone from the Rwandan capital, and it was too dangerous to get the wounded to the hospital.

"The Red-Cross is overwhelmed. We are picking up the dead. It's in the thousands, but I can't number it," said Patrick Gasser, deputy head of the International Committee of the Red-Cross in Kigali.

"The wounded have bullet, machete and grenade wounds.

Women and men," added Gasser, a 35-year-old Swiss.

He said the Red Cross has begun asking people to dig mass graves because more than 1,000 bodies have already piled up in the central hospital morgue.

Armed men, their affiliation unclear, have set up roadblocks in Kigali, relief workers said from the capital on condition of anonymity.

"They have machetes, grenades and knives in their hands," one said. "It's hard to get passes in the late afternoon because people (at the checkpoints) have a high level of alcohol. Those are wild, wild checkpoints." In the countryside, local aid workers for the aid group Oxfam were "in hiding and in fear of their lives" after a massacre of at least 15 people at a Catholic mission in Kigali, said Oxfam spokesman John Magrath in London.

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Rebel sympathizers mark anniversary of revolutionary's death

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Tens of thousands of people marched across Mexico City on Sunday in the largest show of support yet for the Zapatista rebels, who launched an uprising Jan. 1 in southern Mexico.

The march was held to mark the 75th anniversary of the death of revolutionary Emiliano Zapata, for whom the rebels are named. It began in Chiapas, covering 460 miles to Mexico City. Thousands joined its final leg.

"Zapata lives!" protesters shouted as

they walked two miles to a rally on the main square, the vast Zocalo. The procession was led by Indians in white headresses dancing to drums, followed by block after block of peasants.

A revered combatant of the 1910 revolution, Zapata was assassinated on April 10, 1919. His death is commemorated each year by Mexico's ruling party as well as opponents of the government, both of whom battle for his legacy.

The rebellion led by Zapata was

prompted by land disputes similar to those that provoked the Indian uprising in Chiapas, where rebels are calling for greater democracy and land reform.

More than 145 people died in the Chiapas uprisings before a Jan. 12 cease-fire. Rebels have since suspended peace talks, following the assassination last month of the ruling party's presidential candidate.

At least 50,000 people took part in Sunday's march, its ranks filled by Indians in brightly tasseled sombreros, farmers in straw hats and residents in the capital with their children. Riot police were absent.

Demonstrators urged the Institutional Revolutionary Party, which has ruled Mexico for 65 years, to enact true democratic and land reforms.

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Even with allied cover, Kurds not sure Saddam won't be back

ERBIL, Iraq (AP) — Abdullah Ghorbani, a Kurdish leader in northern Iraq, said his people need repairs, but he does not fix it even though he has plenty of money.

"What's the use?" he said. "Saddam Hussein might come back one day."

The 60-year-old landowner, clad traditionally in a red-and-white turban and baggy pants, sat before a dank, mudwalled wall hung with framed photographs of himself and his friends. The roof leaked and strips of peeling white paint dangled from the ceiling.

Less than a mile away, across the green flatlands of northern Iraq, Saddam's troops are dug in with tanks and artillery along the 36th parallel, the southern boundary of the self-governing Kurdish enclave. The boundary is a constant affront to the Iraqi leader, whose forces have killed thousands of Kurds in his 20-year effort to crush them.

Many of the estimated 3 million Kurds in the enclave are as uncertain as the future of Goran, even as they build a new state after half a century of fighting for a homeland.

Goran is afraid to take his several Swedish tractors onto land near the line. Twice, he has abandoned his home in the town of Badarash because of Saddam's scorched-earth campaigns against the Kurds.

The U.S.-led Gulf War allies established the enclave as a haven for the Kurds to keep Saddam from taking revenge on them for their uprising after Iraq's 1991 Gulf War defeat.

The zone is protected by allied warplanes based in Turkey and helped by \$150 million in U.N. aid. But it is a precarious existence under constant threat from Saddam, known here simply as "the Beast."

The recent day, Saddam has reinforced his northern army to an estimated strength of 100,000, including at least one division of his elite Republican Guard.

Although officials in Baghdad describe the military movements as mere training exercises, the Kurdish chief of security, Karim Sanjari, said, "We believe Saddam wants to move against us, but we don't know when."

"Many people have already packed their bags and are ready to



Kurds mark the end of Ramadan in prayer at a cemetery in a Kurdish enclave in northern Iraq. Many of the 3 million Kurds in the enclave fear Hussein's troops.

run if anything happens," said Hoshiyar Zehabi, a senior official of the Kurdistan Democratic Party.

Increasingly, the enclave is coming to resemble an independent state, with a 15-member government and a 105-seat parliament elected in 1992.

About 20 million Kurds, a people of Indo-European origin, are spread across Iraq, Iran, Turkey and Syria. Half a million still are under Baghdad's control; but the rest of Iraq's Kurds live in the 19,300-square-mile enclave.

David Phillips, president of the U.S. Congressional Human Rights Foundation, reported after a recent visit: "Democratic institutions have taken root ... but without a continued

commitment from the international community, Saddam is poised to launch new attacks."

The Kurds, about one-fifth of Iraq's population, know they are vulnerable. There may be allied warplanes in Turkey, but no allied troops are at hand to support the 30,000 guerrilla fighters, who have no heavy weapons.

Massoud Barzani, a Kurdish leader whose father was the legendary guerrilla chief Mustafa Barzani, told The Associated Press: "If the U.N. mandate is lifted, it will mean genocide for the Kurds. The international community gives us no support. They've sold weapons to Iraq and these are being used against us."

Japan turmoil leaves bureaucrats in economic control

By Merrill Goozner
Chicago Tribune

Analysis

TOKYO — Once again, American officials gazing across the Pacific in search of answers to their most nagging overseas economic problem have to be asking themselves,

"Who's in charge here?" Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa's resignation Friday throws Japanese politics into yet another round of turmoil, guaranteed to postpone for months any meaningful discussion about lowering the \$60 billion trade imbalance that increasingly threatens to undermine the American economic recovery now under way.

The jockeying for power among rival political factions that will dominate the domestic debate will leave little time for serious consideration of Japan's responsibility for stimulating its moribund economy.

The three-year downturn in the world's second-largest economy, which accounts for 15 percent of the world's gross product — has been essentially painless on the domestic front. But it has become a serious drag on the world economy, which needs a vigorous Japan to stimulate growth.

The new prime minister will not be able to make any more progress with the U.S. on trade than the last one, predicts Noboru Kawai, chief Japan economist for Morgan Stanley & Co. "And on tax reform, they will be paralyzed. All decisions will be postponed."

The political wrangling also will leave Japan's powerful bureaucracy firmly in charge of economic decision-making. That's bad news for the U.S. on several counts.

Washington's negotiators have

been pushing Japan for months to set goals for lowering its trade surplus with the U.S. and the rest of the world — currently running more than \$130 billion a year. Despite an agreement last July that the U.S. believed called for such goals, the powerful bureaucrats in the ministries of Finance and International Trade and Industry rebuffed subsequent negotiations.

The bureaucrats' protests about "managed trade" — an almost laughable complaint from the world's most successful practitioners of macro- and micro-economic guidance — masked their real concerns: that U.S. pressure to open Japan's economy would lead to a sharp reduction in their power and influence over many spheres of daily economic life.

Hosokawa had come into office last August with goals that mirrored Washington's. He commissioned blue-ribbon business and academic groups to outline ways of deregulating the economy that would stimulate new industries and facilitate greater imports.

At two successive summits, including one in February, he promised President Clinton he would pursue a far-reaching deregulation policy that would open Japan's economy naturally to more foreign goods. While the U.S. never backed off its demands for progress that could be measured by numerical indicators, trade officials hoped Hosokawa's administration would take bold measures never before tried in Japan.

Instead, the prime minister offered a series of pallid reforms that even

the usually quiet-tempered Japanese media found wanting. Implementing reform "depends on the quality of the current political leadership," one analyst wrote recently. Another said, "Few expect the Hosokawa government to adopt (more far-reaching reforms) since it is widely considered too drastic for swift agreement among the ministries and agencies."

If Hosokawa proved unwilling to challenge the bureaucracy on deregulation, he warmly endorsed its tax proposals. That further dismayed U.S. trade officials and the U.S. Embassy.

The Hosokawa government last month passed a \$53 billion tax rebate to stimulate domestic demand, a move that was warmly applauded by the stock and bond markets. But the coalition parties — with the sole exception of the Socialists — are nearing an agreement to pass a massive increase in the consumption tax, which would more than wipe out the income tax break.

Why? The answer is that Finance Ministry bureaucrats worry more about their future tax revenues and a balanced budget than about stimulating either Japan's economy or anyone else's.

In the immediate aftermath of Hosokawa's resignation, leading politicians in his coalition, now maybe on its last legs, indicated that the next government would be even less interested in tackling the tough questions of deregulation and economic reform.

"It is more important at this time to have a stable administration than to push forward with reforms," said Foreign Minister Tsutomu Hata, considered the likeliest next prime minister.

Wolves in Siberia flourish as bounty money ends

MOSCOW (AP) — In Russia's economic crisis, keeping the wolf from the door is more than a figure of speech.

The ITAR-Tass news agency reported Sunday that wolf population in Siberia is flourishing, apparently because the state is no longer able to pay bounties for wolves.

In Soviet times, the bounty for a single wolf was equal to about a month's average wages. But with the bounty gone, systematic wolf-hunting has ended and game wardens are reporting a striking increase in their numbers, the agency said.

Wolves are on the move at this time of year, with large packs

migrating from the Tumen region southward toward the Omsk region, ITAR-Tass said.

It said the ice crust that forms over huge expanses of the Siberian wilderness during the spring cycle of thaw and frost is like a highway for wolves, enabling them to cover long distances, the report said.

Alleged drug ties rattle Brazil's already besieged government

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RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil — Computer disks and documents seized from a gambling boss have raised an alarming question: How much influence have drug traffickers achieved over Brazil's struggling government?

In the same week that a U.S. State Department report charged Brazil with an inadequate response to rising drug trafficking and consumption, hints of a possible explanation were emerging from the records, discovered in the course of a ground-breaking federal investigation.

Those records suggest that as many as 100 police officials, state and federal legislators, judges and journalists have been receiving bribes from the bosses of an illegal lottery, who are believed to be controlled by drug traffickers. At the same time, a federal prosecutor said he had found "incontrovertible proof" of financial ties between the lottery syndicate and the Cali, Colombia cocaine cartel.

On Thursday, several federal legislators called for a congressional investigation of the findings. On Wednesday,

Prime minister's killer could have been caught

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — Prime Minister Olof Palme's murderer could have been caught within minutes if police had answered an emergency phone call, a witness told Swedish radio Sunday.

The witness said his fruitless attempts to reach police that February night in 1986, when Palme was assassinated after leaving a theater in central Stockholm.

Ljungqvist said he saw Palme as the prime minister lay dying. Next to his bleeding body, Palme's wife, Lisbeth, was on her knees. Ljungqvist said the killer watched nearby and made no attempt to run away.

Ljungqvist grabbed his cellular phone and dialed Sweden's emergency number.

"Murder on Sveavägen," he said.

"Talk to the police," the operator replied, and transferred his call. But no officer answered, Ljungqvist said. After about another minute and a half, Ljungqvist hung up. By that time, the killer had started running away.

one of the country's leading newspapers, O Globo, urged in a front-page editorial that the armed forces intervene.

"It's appalling, but not that surprising," the editorial said of the bribery suspicions. "What better explanation for the calm arrogance of crime, organized or not, than a police humiliatingly dependent on criminals' gratuities?"

Brazil has suffered an extraordinary series of scandals in the past two years, including one that brought down a president. But the new revelations touch new and sinister ground.

Brazilian and foreign analysts said the information confirmed long-held suspicions that drug traffickers, working through the lottery bosses, have paid off police and politicians to ignore their growing influence.

"Below the surface, there is one hell of a problem," said a U.S. narcotics official who insisted on anonymity.

The documents seized belonged to Castor de Andrade, the accused leader of the illegal lottery known as the jogo do bicho, or animal game. The bicheiros, as the lottery bosses are

known, have long been tolerated by authorities and society, to the point where they have sponsored soccer teams and neighborhood leagues participating in the annual Carnaval parade.


But as part of the wave of moral housecleaning that has been sweeping Brazil since Fernando Collor's impeachment in 1992, a Rio judge last year managed to sentence 14 bicheiros to prison. Subsequently, de Andrade's bookkeeper turned informant and led police to his records.

When the now-fugitive de Andrade heard about the raid, he reportedly demanded to know why police had not acted him in advance.

On Tuesday, Rio Police Chief Jorge Mario Gomes, whose name appeared on the list of bribe recipients, resigned.

Among other listed names are the acting governor of Rio de Janeiro state; Nilo Batista, Rio Mayor Cesar Maia and the former superintendent of federal police. On Thursday, Brazil's SBT television network reported that Collor and the former Sao Paulo mayor, Paulo Maluf, were also on the list.

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Sydney Omarr Horoscope

IF APRIL 11 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Mother excited more influence than did father, and she's considered unorthodox, "off the wall," inventive, creative, fascinating, with unique sense of humor and unusual taste in foods. You are drawn to the occult arts and sciences, including astrology. June will be your most fortunate month in 1994.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Lunar position highlights initiative, courage, risk-taking. Popularity increases, social activities accelerate. Additions to wardrobe build confidence in "body image." Sagittarius involved.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You exceed expectations - applies to professional, personal endeavors. Study Aries message for additional information. Published material enhances prestige.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You'll be saying, "This is my kind of day!" Emphasis on excitement of discovery, reading and writing, learning through process of teaching, sharing.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Family member says, "From now on, I'm out there with you!" Spotlight on money, love, money, domestic adjustment that could involve where you live, marital status.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Maintain friendly involvement with "old friends." "pleadings," refuse to tell all. New moon highlights diplomacy, philosophy, communication with one overseas.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Stress independence, civility, willingness to meet deadline. Spotlight on promotion, production, love relationship, marital status. Resources previously hidden came to light. Hinted.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Long-range prospects become crystal clear. Refuse to be held back, outmoded. Focus on food, security, home building. life style, marital status. Individual involved in "rearranging questions." Rejected financial prospects. Cancer native figures in scenario.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): High-light independence, courage of convictions - you'll encounter romantic Leo, these letters, initials in name: A.S. I. Legal agreement requires scrutiny - check signatures. Detective work.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Focus on food, security, home building. life style, marital status. Individual involved in "rearranging questions." Rejected financial prospects. Cancer native figures in scenario.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Relative noted for "nagging" turns over new leaf, declares, "From now on, no more complaints from me!" Short trip involves "doom," "hell," "hell" records. Cancer figures prominently.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You get "second chance" to recover financial loss. Focus on investigation, willingness to ask "rearranging questions." Rejected superficial responses. Get to heart of matters.

Saturday's Puzzle Solved:

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Texas 'lane' beyond norm

Any farm boy will tell you the "lane" is the fenced cow path between barn and pasture. But few farm boys have ever seen one like the fenced lane that used to run between Sorensen and Dray in Texas. It was 250 feet wide and 100 miles long.

Q. Do porcupines climb trees?
A. They do. And frequently fall out.

Q. Cardinal Richelieu decreed that the blades of all dinner knives have rounded ends. Was he afraid of getting stabbed?
A. Maybe, but what really bothered him, he said, were guests at his table who "picked their teeth with the old pointy ones."

Q. The Sultan of Brunei certainly built a day garage in his basement. It parks 800 cars.
A. Your horse is a vehicle. On it you're subject to your local "drinking while driving" laws. If you saddle up with a few pips under your belt, you may want to give the reins to a designated... Don't know. What you're looking for here is a jockey maybe. Or a wrangler. Or a

L.M. Boyd
What's, what?

teamster who doesn't drink. This is a tough one!

The black dragonfish is weird. In the dark of the deep, it projects through its eyes a red light other fish can't see. So unseen it seems to hunt.

It has been proved repeatedly that aspirin sales go up when the economy goes down. And vice versa. But why?

A. Theists can only survive people who go to doctors for prescription medicines during good times, but try to treat their own ailments when times are tough.

History records that Queen Elizabeth I slept in a jostled bed with fur.

That historic escapist Harry Houdini practiced extraordinary muscle control from an early age. And demonstrated same by doing curious tricks sometimes. Such as picking up pins with his eyelashes.

Opinion

Other views

Backtalking can cause political damage in the end

What's the matter with gubernatorial candidates Larry Echolfaw and Doug Dom anyway?

Don't they know that statements now against the Legislature's property tax relief bill could be politically damaging for them?

The timing of the Legislature's passage of a massive \$127 million property tax cut last Friday didn't bode well for the Echolfaw campaign. The campaign had already scheduled an official announcement trip in several cities and, according to Echolfaw's campaign manager, had already scheduled a trip to the Legislature.

If Echolfaw were really interested in saving his political hide, he could have delayed his entrance into the race by two or three days until Gov. Cecil Andrus had made his decision on whether to veto the bill. Or he could have chosen to not answer questions about it, saying he was leaving it up to the governor.

"We knew he (Echolfaw) would get asked about it and we also knew his response would become the lead story in the papers in the next day rather than his announcement speech," Kress said. He was and it did. Echolfaw told reporters he would veto the bill if he were governor. "It's too risky and it jeopardizes the future of our children," he said.

Those more interested in partisan politics rather than the economic future of the state

were gleeful. "Frankly, I think that's great," said state Republican Chairman Randy Smith, who went on to say that the GOP can now portray Echolfaw as much an "enemy" of the property taxpayer as Andrus, who opposes the bill and may veto it today. "We can label him (Echolfaw) with the whole thing. I'm very happy that he came out the way he did."

And if Smith was gleeful, Ron Rankin, the independent candidate for governor who pressured the Legislature to rush through the tax-cut bill, was overcome with joy. "That was his concession speech," Rankin said of Echolfaw.

Credit Echolfaw and the GOP's Dom, who chose to abandon politics for principle. They oppose the property tax cut, for all the right reasons: it's deficit spending because schools are still promised the money, though there are no revenues to provide it, the Legislature refused to list any areas it may cut to make up for the loss of revenue, and it puts school funding just shored up by a massive budget increase back on shaky ground.

If this is an early indication of how Echolfaw and Dom might perform under political pressure as governors, Idaho is well served by their candidacies. They've proven to be leaders rather than followers. Good for them.

—The Post Register

Society's pressures finally make the government act

It seems as if government at every level has gone to war against smoking. Washington State enacts a ban on office smoking. A congressional committee votes for a big increase in the tax on cigarettes. The federal government proposes a ban on all workplace smoking.

But in the case of government, it's not leading the charge, it is cleaning up the battlefield.

Social pressure is squeezing the life out of a habit that was once the epitome of cool. Restaurants are glared at on the street. Smokers are pressured to sit aside more space for non-smokers. House guests who smoke are banished to the back porch. Spouses are implored to think of the children.

While congressmen inhaled tobacco industry dollars (about \$2.3 million for the 1991-92 election year), a report in The Wall Street Journal, their constituents, seeing friends and relatives felled by smoking-related illnesses, took action.

The tobacco industry isn't giving up easily. It's a profitable business. As smoking rates declined among its core customers, the industry has gone after women and minorities and young people.

Philip Morris, the largest tobacco com-

pany, has been busy tilting suits against those it sees as enemies, including a \$10 billion libel suit against ABC News, which aired a report alleging that cigarette makers increase the nicotine levels in cigarettes to make them more addictive.

Philip Morris also helped form the National Smokers Alliance.

The industry continues to warn that its demise would hurt the economy. Industry statistics say tobacco provides nearly 700,000 jobs and contributes \$51 billion to the gross national product. Not only that, tobacco taxes put about \$20 billion into government treasuries.

How can we afford to lose such an industry, they ask?

Here's how. All of the money that goes to buy cigarettes now, will stay in the economy. It will just buy other, less deadly goods.

When the scales hold lives on one side and money on the other, there is only one real choice. A job for a life is not a good trade.

Because most ordinary people see it that way, their impact on their friends, neighbors and even their congressmen overshadows the industry's dollars. Sometimes the leaders aren't the people holding office.

—Seattle Times



Alexander: A man on his way to the top

Lamar Alexander was a two-term governor of Tennessee and U.S. secretary of education, but more to the point he was president of a university (the University of Tennessee).

Having dealt with faculty parking and football boosters, the U.S. presidency hardly seems daunting, so he probably will seek the Republican nomination for that office, sounding an anti-Washington theme with which Americans usually agree. "Leadership cannot come from Washington because solutions are not in Washington."

Because senators work where television cameras are concentrated—in the capital, in the Capitol—their prominence lends them an aura of presidential plausibility. But the last two serving members of the national legislature to win presidential nominations—McGovern and Goldwater—carried a combined total of just seven states. Kennedy, Harding and Garfield are the only presidents elected while serving in Congress.

Americans may think Congress is no place to prepare for the presidency, perhaps because the capital's political culture is unwholesome. Another reason may be that legislators specialize in coalition-building and difference-splitting, whereas presidents should be prepared to take polarizing decisions. Governors take them. Alexander did, overcoming the public education lobby's resistance to reforms, including pay differential based on teachers' merits.

"I assume," says Alexander dryly, "the Republican Party was voted out of office for a reason." The reason, he thinks, was that the party "could not say what the promise of American life is in the 90s."

To have his say about that he has organized a continuing series of cable and satellite Republican "meetings," featuring Republican luminar-



George F. Will

ies (including his rivals for the presidential nomination) and watched by the party faithful at about 2,500 places, from Big Dog's Sports Bar and Grill in Las Vegas to the house with a satellite dish in western Nebraska where four women gather. This is, he knows, preaching to the choir, but he says, "the choir needs practice."

Alexander dismisses Clinton's "erect card" security blanket" view of America's future and sounds a theme he acquired from Howard Baker, for whom he worked long ago, the theme of "the citizen legislator." Congress, he says, should convene in January, pass the authorization bills, and be back home by the beginning of the baseball season. It should reconvene after Labor Day, pass the appropriation bills, and adjourn "by Thanksgiving, maybe Halloween."

Congressional salaries should be cut "at least in half" and all the so-called ethics rules, except those requiring full disclosure of income, should be abolished, so legislators could hold jobs and lead normal lives. New Hampshire, he notes, pays its state legislators \$100 a year and that state (which he is not reluctant to flatter) has no scarcity of legislative candidates, and has low taxes, perhaps because the legislators lead normal lives among normal people.

The 1996 primary season will be so compressed that there will be virtually a national primary in March. About 70 percent of the Republican delegates—and probably the nominee—will be chosen by the third week of that

month. This may mean a huge advantage for the well-heeled, such as, Bob Dole. However, it is conceivable that a fresh face making a strong early showing could be propelled through March by the "slingshot effect" of free media—remember Gary Hart's giddy weeks after beating Walter Mondale in New Hampshire in 1984.

Alexander believes that if he runs he will be able to supplement any slingshot effect with hefty spending. His first electoral challenge may be to finish second to Dole in Iowa, but his immediate challenge is to start finding the \$22 million to \$25 million that he thinks a candidate will need to have raised before armageddon—California's winter-take-all primary, currently set for March 26 (California, which used to vote in June, has moved its primary to make it more decisive. It may have to be even earlier to matter by the evening of March 19, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Texas, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Tennessee and others, perhaps including New York and New Jersey, will have voted).

Alexander believes a candidate will need \$10 million in the bank by the end of 1995. "I'm going to be prepared to do that. I've had some practice." He has raised \$4 million for his television operation and expects to pick up the pace.

Alexander, who is 53, says he is getting "intellectually, physically and financially prepared," adding, "It's like a country-music singer who's been slopping out there for 25 years and is suddenly discovered—here comes the spotlight."

Spoken like a man who lives in Nashville but might want a change of scene.

George F. Will is a Washington Post columnist.

A technicality overrides productiveness

I have been a Minidoka County School Board member since July 1991, and because I have purchased a home outside of my elected zone, I must resign my position.

The past two and one-half years have been most productive for students of Minidoka County. Two and one-half years ago, we hired Michael Bishop as our superintendent and under the board's direction he has begun to make significant, yet educationally sound, decisions to improve our district.

During the last few months, a few patrons have orchestrated a campaign to oust Mr. Bishop as well as the board members. I believe many of you have now recognized that this is the case and feel that their cause has been fueled by animosity and malice rather than the desire to better the school district community.

In January, a very capable citizens committee looked into the questions that were raised against Mr. Bishop. This committee composed of Minidoka County patrons asked all the questions that were suggested by our disgruntled patrons. These questions were answered to the committee's satisfaction.

To the Minidoka County Education Assoc-

Reader Comment

Randy Ketterling

lation; I would like to say that the superintendent of schools does not act alone. The superintendent completes tasks that are requested of him by the board. We, as a board, have asked for specific changes to occur within the school district. Mr. Bishop, as superintendent, has complied with all of the board's requests.

Being a leader of a professional organization and association is an honor. However, the local organization followed some very poor decision-making practices. It was very evident to me and many others close to the situation that the course of actions taken by the local organization was orchestrated by the state organization. Your procedures, your styles, your tactics were extremely unprofessional and explicitly wrong.

As the MCEA knows, there is an employee agreement negotiated by them that explicitly prohibits what they are doing. They know that not one grievance has been filed by any teacher under the process negotiated by them. As an organization serving all

members, I certainly hope you will learn from the mistakes you have made and become an organization that represents a local entity rather than one that is being exploited. It is time to take some responsibility and demonstrate some leadership.

I wait all the employees of Minidoka County schools to know that your administrators and the board are working very hard to alleviate your frustrations and to improve the overall atmosphere of the school district. I feel the district has begun a process to let you, the employee, have a voice within the operational structure of the district.

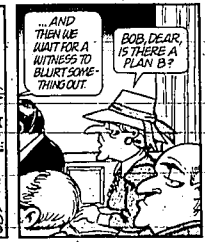
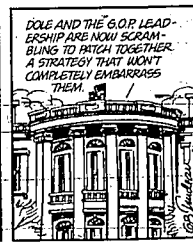
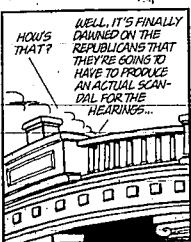
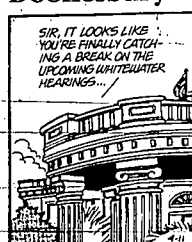
To the patrons of this district, I want to thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve a year fine school district. I hope with this letter you can see that this campaign was truly a vendetta to destroy the man rather than the position.

In closing, I ask all those patrons who have standing on the sidelines to please step forward and support a School Board and administration that have been and will be making changes that is in the best interest of the Minidoka County school children.

Randy Ketterling of Rupert recently resigned from the School Board there.

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

Doonesbury



Write to us

The Times-News welcomes letters from readers on subjects of public interest. To make sure your letter is published promptly, here are a few guidelines to remember.

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Letters

Humans not predators problem

Hudson control, no way. Man destroys everything he touches. We need man control, not predator control. They have had predator control for 100 years. It has not worked, and it will not work. Let nature take care of itself.

Coyotes, foxes, skunks, weasels, snakes and mice are not the reason there are no pheasants. Remember some time ago we had a grasshopper problem, so they said. Man complained and they sprayed for them. What do you think happened to the dead ones on the grass that was sprayed with spray? They were ate by pheasants. This is why there are no pheasants. There are no rabbits now too.

If I take my greyhounds back out to those deserts and one gets caught in one of those traps, somebody is going to hear from me, loud and clear. Do you understand me?

PERRY REASCH
Jerome

P.C. vs. the right decision

Gov. Cecil Andrus and Attorney General Larry Echolfaw tried to give away \$1 million every five years when they sent appointed Lottery Director Wally Hedrick out to cut a deal with the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee.

Trying to give half of the lottery profits to NPTC, Andrus and Echolfaw were telling most retailers on the Nez Perce Reservation that

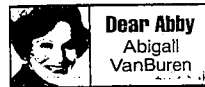
Valley life

Horrors of Holocaust should make us speak up

DEAR ABBY: I've just seen "Schindler's List," a very powerful movie that every American should see. I was reminded of a piece you had in your column titled "I Didn't Speak Up."

Now that "Schindler's List" has won seven Academy Awards, that column merits repeating.

NANCY SMITH, PHOENIX



DEAR NANCY: I have run that column several times over the years. It was written by the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. after a German Lutheran pastor who was arrested by the Gestapo and was sent to Dachau, a concentration camp, in 1938. He was freed by the Allied Forces in 1945.

Here is his moving piece: "I DIDN'T SPEAK UP."

"In Germany, the Nazis first came for the communists, and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a communist. Then they came for the Jews, and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a Jew. Then they came for the trade unionists, and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a trade unionist. Then they came for the Catholics, but I didn't speak up because I was a Protestant. Then they came for me, and by that time there was no one left to speak for me."

DEAR ABBY: I am a recently divorced woman. I had not been with a man for more than a year — until two weeks ago when I met my next-door neighbor and his live-in girlfriend. I knew him slightly in high school. He is very attractive, and I felt an instant magnetism when our eyes met.

Well, his girlfriend went out of town, and he came over. One thing led to another, and he spent the night here. It was one of the most wonderful experiences of my life. I am not easy, but I'm now feeling a lot of mixed emotions like guilt, shame, depression and joy. I don't know how to act around him when his girlfriend is around. I'm on the verge of tears every time I think about it.

Abby, normally I can solve my own problems, but I've never been in a situation like this before.

Please don't use my location — they have a newspaper on their doorstep every morning too.

By the way, I made him use a condom — that's one less thing to worry about. We were both sober; he's in AA, and drinking is against my religion. Please tell me what to do. I feel like a schoolgirl again.

DEAR SEEING STARS: A person who is living with someone of the opposite sex should definitely be considered off-limits. I advise you not to see him again, as long as he and his live-in lady are roommates. If you do, you will surely end up with a broken heart. Or worse.

DEAR ABBY: Please settle a disagreement between a work associate and me. Is it proper to apply lipstick at the table after lunch or dinner in a restaurant?

— T.L.R., Chula Vista, Calif.

DEAR T.L.R.: A 10-second dab of lipstick is permissible. However, it takes more than half a minute and might cause dandruff to fly, or powder to settle on the tablecloth, is a no-no.

Young suicide: Many tried to help, but couldn't

Confused 20-year-old ends life leaving others to wonder how they failed him

Arizona Republic

PHOENIX — Don Playman looked to the north from the 11th-story balcony of the prominent condominium in Phoenix.

The view is of city skyscrapers, with mountains in the distance. On this particular afternoon, Feb. 1, the thermometer struggled to reach 60 degrees.

Don and been on a portable telephone calling anyone he could think of as he paced around down the short balcony. He'd downed a bottle of wine and a few beers.

At one point, he ducked inside, shook his head and told his grandmother, "I'm so confused." Then, he returned to the balcony.

Moments later, he climbed up on the wrought-iron railing, looked to the north one last time, and plunged to his death. He was just 20.

It had been no secret that Don Playman needed help. He was a bright kid, those closest to him say, but he was in trouble.

His death could go unnoticed. Someone in America kills himself every 17 minutes or so.

Playman's parents, even mental health workers, are struggling for answers to his suicide, partly, because all the warning signs were there and his family had reached out for help.

"Someone, he didn't get what he needed," said Cheryl Collier Becker, executive director of the Mental Health Association of Maricopa County, an advocacy group.

"Someone, we as a community let him down."

In the end, no one was able to protect Don from himself.

"He was on a downward spiral," said his mother, Marsha Playman.

"No one knew how to help him."

Lots of people tried.

The first violent episode came when 16-year-old Don trashed his home and set fire to the carport because of an argument over a car he wanted.

After firefighters doused the flames, Don was admitted — against his will — to a private psychiatric hospital.

Over the years, Don continued to have unpredictable outbursts, like the time he locked himself in his father's car and refused to emerge. When he finally got out, he grabbed a car and threatened his father.

Once, while driving with this mother, he grabbed the steering wheel, nearly causing an accident.

His mother persuaded him last year to see a psychiatrist, who prescribed anti-depressant drug lithium.

Don told several people he was manic depressive, caused by a chemical imbalance in the brain that leads to extreme mood swings. But he disliked the medication, opting for his own tonics of liquor and marijuana.

Though a dropout, he often spoke of wanting to attend Oxford University. One moment he wanted to be a Hollywood director, the next an American gigolo.

"He would flunk all his classes, and then he'd say, 'Next time, I'll get all As,'" said the Rev. Robert Mathewson, president of Brophy College Preparatory, which Don had attended.

"He couldn't see that you have to live before you can run."

Don's tragic life seemed to have early beginnings. His grandfather recalls Don, as a toddler, banging his head against a wall.

"You look back on these things and wonder," said Norman Fuchs, a soft-spoken man whom Don looked up to. "Was there something wrong early on?"

Don's parents divorced when he was just 2 years old, an event that gnawed at him.

"We talked about it," his mother said. "I know it was hard on him. I don't think he ever really accepted it. I told him it didn't mean we didn't love him. I hope he knew that."

The short life, senseless death of Kurt Cobain

Knight-Ridder News Service

It is the bad dream from which rock finds itself powerless to awaken: another sudden, senseless loss, another Voice of a Generation self-destructing at what seems to be the peak of his power to challenge and confound. It happened to Hendrix and Joplin, Morrison and Moon.

Now it has happened to Kurt Cobain.

Cobain, 27, lead singer and co-founder of Nirvana, pioneer of what came to be known as Seattle's grunge rock movement, was found in his Seattle home Friday morning, dead of an apparently self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head. Seattle police said a suicide note was found nearby but gave no details on its content.

Cobain had been in ill health recently because of complications from a long-term stomach ailment. Last month in Rome, he was hospitalized for several days after lapsing into a drug- and alcohol-induced coma.

Nirvana was the anti-hero of a new generation — the children of diminished returns, lowered expectations, fractured families and crime gone wild in the streets. The broken promises of the Me Generation reflected in the nihilism and apathy of their music.

And no one screamed with more passion, rage — or volume — than frontman Kurt Cobain.

To be sure, Cobain's message often garbled, done in by slurred vocals, cryptic lyrics and the merciless onslaught of Nirvana's pounding rock. But the frisson of "Smells Like Teen Spirit's" exuberant chorus ("I feel stupid and contagious/Here we are now entertain us") reached its intended audience — disaffected teens and college-age listeners — in droves. The tune's parent D.C. 1991's "Nevermind," topped Billboard's album chart and has sold more than 4 million copies.

Nirvana — whose sound Cobain



Kurt Cobain, pioneer of the grunge rock movement, was found dead Friday of a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

once described as "the Knack being molested by Black Sabbath" — was the right hand at the right time. The band was born into a world of "hair" bands, cookie-cutter soundalikes like Poison, Warrant and Motley Crue, whose chief concerns ran no deeper than the next party or sexual conquest. Nirvana arrived like a hurricane, knocking down the artificiality and excess of corporate rock.

Nirvana, formed in Seattle in 1989, had its genesis in the friendship between high schoolers Cobain and Krist Novoselic, both from the financially depressed lumber town of Aberdeen, children of divorce who found a common bond in their mutual alienation from school and family.

The two were absent from class more often than not, but the school library, a remembered Cobain a young man who "devoured" books. Cobain, always extremely shy, asked her to

enter, returning to Thunderbird High in his junior year. But just three weeks before the end of the school year, he abruptly announced to his father that he was quitting.

"School to him was more of a social event," Robert Playman said. "So when he said he was quitting, I told him then he'd better get a job."

To Robert's surprise, Don talked his way into a job selling cars at a local dealership. He was 17.

"You had to be 18 to work there, but somehow he talked his way in," his father said. "And he did pretty well. He said some cars made some money, and I thought maybe this is his forte."

Like most of Don's pursuits, it was short-lived.

Don turned his attention to party-

ing off the handle if he couldn't find his shirt and tie.

At various times, Don casually told several people that he wanted to kill his father, saying once, "I may die, but I'm going to take others with me."

It was clear he wasn't fitting in with the family, so Don moved into an apartment by himself. His mother helped pay the rent.

"I thought if he got out on his own, he would learn some responsibility," she said. "He needed that, I thought."

These became fun times for Don, who was a handsome young man — 5-foot-10 inches tall, trim, dark hair, green eyes. He never really had a steady girlfriend, but he loved partying with people.

He took odd jobs in telemarketing and other areas to scrape together beer money.

At times, Don was a deep thinker, talking about various philosophies and studying world religions, especially Buddhism.

He was into health foods and

practiced yoga exercises. At one point, he recovered the natural aggression of his father and tried to meditate himself.

But soon, the voices came.

In the months preceding his death, Don told friends and relatives that he was hearing voices, though he wouldn't say much else.

He became paranoid, as shown by visits to restaurants in which he thought his food was being poisoned.

In January, Don was to move back with his father, but by this time, his troubles were painfully evident to nearly everyone he met.

During one luncheon with his father, Don stood up in a crowded restaurant and yelled, "I am the lizard man!"

He refused to see a psychiatrist, and he would disappear for days, calling his family from San Diego, Las Vegas and finally, Colorado Springs in late January.

His parents petitioned ComCare, a mental health organization, to begin the process of having their son involuntarily committed, a difficult process, because Don was over 18 and legally able to make his own decisions about his health, physical or mental.

A petition was drawn up, but officials with ComCare were unable to see Don, who avoided all requests for a meeting.

He seemed to be running, his family said, from the possibility that he'd be committed, running from family and friends, from himself.

He had stolen and pawned the family television to get bus fare for January. From there, he called his father, again saying he was confused.

"What's going to happen?" he asked his father.

"I told him that we were going to have to talk," Robert Playman said.

"Everything was a fight with him," Robert Playman said. "He'd

use a fake ID to buy beer for himself and friends.

"I'd always be the one who ended up cleaning up," Brant said.

"It was like he didn't have a care or responsibility in the world."

Along with alcohol abuse and the use of marijuana, however, came what his mother called "the webs."

"His mind was cluttered," Marsha Playman said. "He became so irrational."

He called his mother at all hours of the day and night, sometimes as a dozen times in several hours, ranting and raving. His moods would vacillate from friendly and loving, to shouting in anger. "I hate you, bitch!"

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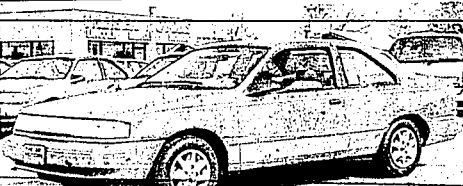
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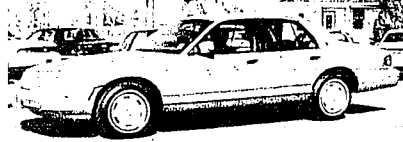
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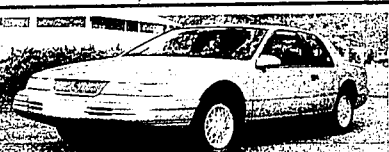


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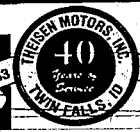
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Kenyan sets world 10-mile run record

WASHINGTON — William Sigei of Kenya broke the world best for a 10-mile race Sunday, winning the Northern Telecom Cherry Blossom event for the second straight year, in 46 minutes, 1 second. The previous best of 46:13, set by Greg Meyer, had stood since 1983.

Thomas Osano and his nephew, Josphat Machuka, 18, were second and third at 46:05 and 46:07, respectively. Kenyans also took the first two places in the women's race. Helen Chepengo won at 54:05, one second ahead of Jane Omoro. Chepengo was the women's winner at the World Cross Country Championships. Russia's Olga Markova, training for the April 18 Boston Marathon, was third at 54:55.

The winners received \$5,000 each.

Flyweight titleholder keeps WBA crown in Thailand

BANGKOK, Thailand — Thailand's Saen Sor Ploenchit punished Jesus Rojas of Venezuela with devastating looks and upsets and retained the WBA flyweight title Sunday with a unanimous 12-round decision.

Rojas, staggering and dazed, was saved by the bell in the 10th round, but managed to go the distance despite incurring a hard pounding.

The judges scored it 117-111, 118-109 and 118-110 in favor of the Thai, who was making his first title defense against the No. 4 contender.

Saen Sor got the better of the exchanges, and only Rojas' fitness and gutsiness saved him from a knockout.

Saen Sor won the title from David Griman of Venezuela in February.

Canadian opens Firestone Indy Lights season with win

PHOENIX — Canadian Greg Moore led all the way in winning the opening round of the Firestone Indy Lights Championship at Phoenix International Raceway Sunday.

Moore, from Maple Ridge, British Columbia, started from the pole in one of the Lola-Buicks driven by all the Indy Lights competitors and led all 75 laps on the one-mile oval, beating outside front row starter Steve Robertson of England by 6.688 seconds.

Eddie Lawson, a four-time world motorcycle champion, finished third, followed by Brazilian Andre Rebeiro and Markus Lieneser.

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Foreign eyes see green, again

Olazabal wins 1st Masters, keeps tradition

The Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — The Masters. Another foreign champion. A player of enormous talent finally realizing unfulfilled promise.

The story line held up. Just substitute the name Jose Maria Olazabal for Greg Norman. Olazabal stumbled slightly over the last two holes, but so did Tom Lehman and Larry Mize. The Spaniard walked off with the green jacket with a closing round of 69 on Sunday, giving him 279 for 72 holes, two strokes ahead of Lehman and three ahead of Mize, the winner here in 1987.

"It took a while," Olazabal said of his first victory in one of the four major tournaments. "It was worth waiting for. It is like a dream."

Norman, the overwhelming favorite coming in here, faded miserably, shooting 75-77 the last two rounds after trailing by only a stroke at the 36-hole point.

Playing in the same group with Lehman and just behind Mize, Olazabal scrambled when he had to, tamed the tricky Augusta greens, and never cracked under the pressure down the stretch. He didn't make a bogey until he hit a poor chip on the 17th.

And on 18, after missing the green, he made a brilliant chip to save par. Olazabal all but closed it out by rolling in a 40-foot eagle putt on the par-5 15th after his second shot just barely cleared the water and didn't roll back into the pond as others had all week.

"I knew it would clear the water," he said, "but after I hit it I thought it might roll back into the water. It was one foot short of going into the water."

Lehman, who shot 72, made a great run at a 20-foot eagle try on the same hole but left it just short. He fell to the ground and pounded the rock-hard Augusta green with his fists in disappointment.

"I put my heart and soul in that putt, but it didn't go in," Lehman said. "To lose by two as well as I've been playing is really disappointing."

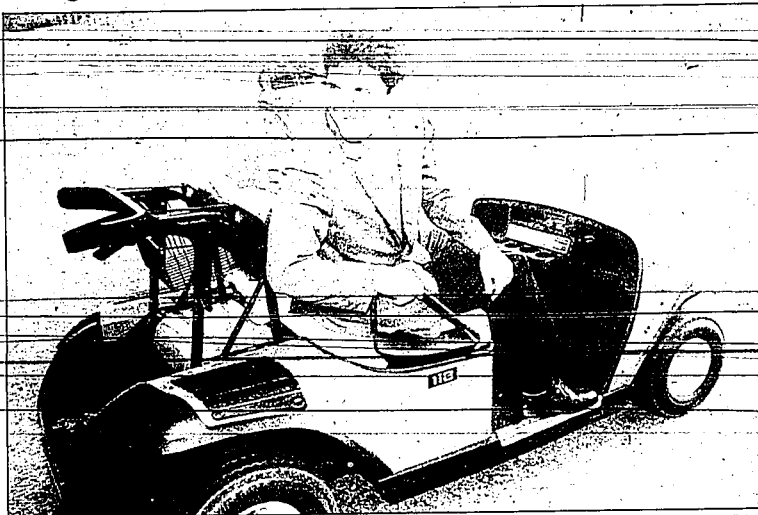
Olazabal walked off the 15th green with a two stroke lead. And Lehman never made another putt that mattered after that. Lehman was given new life after Olazabal bogeyed No. 17, but he drove into the fairway tray on 18, hitting a 1 iron, and missed a 20-foot par putt.

It was the third time he had bogeyed No. 18 in the tournament.

The 35-year-old non-winner on the PGA Tour only returned in 1992 after leaving in 1985 to play in Asia and on the satellite tour.

Olazabal, who started the day 6-under, one stroke behind Lehman, birdied Nos. 2 and 8 on the front nine — both par 5s — and then ran off six consecutive pars before his eagle.

Olazabal took home \$360,000, Lehman earned \$216,000 and Mize collected \$136,000.



Jose-Maria Olazabal from Spain, above, gets a ride across the Augusta National Golf Course sporting his Masters jacket after his win Sunday. Tom Lehman, right, can't believe his eagle putt on No. 15 did not fall during final-round Masters play.

Putting key to tournament title

The Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — One shot stayed out, the next one in.

And because his ball nestled snugly in the cup instead of the pond fronting the 15th green at Augusta National, Jose Maria Olazabal became the Masters champion.

Fourteen holes of meticulous, patient golf had put Olazabal in position to win. It took a putt with disaster, followed, finally, by a huge putt to make it all but certain the Spaniard would win.

Olazabal's ball perched precariously on the edge of the green on the final par-5, stubbornly refusing to roll back in the front pond. Twelve inches shorter and the ball would have begun a slow trickle into the water — like so many others during the week.

"When I hit it I thought it was going to clear the water pretty well," Olazabal said of the 5-iron shot. "Then I saw it bouncing. I thought to myself it could go in the water. Thankfully, it stayed up."

As if grateful for the break, Olazabal responded by calmly stepping up and rapping his 30-foot putt into the center of the hole for

an eagle. When playing partner Tom Lehman's eagle putt stopped an agonizing inch short moments later, Olazabal had a two-shot lead with three holes left. The ceremonial green jacket was all but his.

"I tried to keep cool. I tried to keep on being patient and try to concentrate on the next two holes," Olazabal said. "I knew two shots wasn't enough to play the last few holes."

Two shots was enough to win, although Olazabal had to survive a bogey on 17 and a shaky 18th hole. Lehman helped out by missing a 20-foot putt on the 18th hole.

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Vicario overcomes emotions, beats Sabatini

Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel

AMELIA ISLAND, Fla. — Arantxa Sanchez Vicario had been fighting emotions all week.

First, her own. Her father, Emilio, had a heart attack on Tuesday, but begged her to remain in Florida and win the Bausch & Lomb Championships rather than be at his side. Which she did Sunday, 6-1, 6-4 over Gabriela Sabatini.

Then, the crowds. Despite whipping Sabatini and Martina Navratilova on successive days without the loss of a set, she was never the audience favorite.

She has neither Navratilova's legacy nor Sabatini's flair and that, unfortunately, still seems to matter more to paying customers than the quality of her tennis.

This lack of respect chiseled at her pride a bit, but she refused to let it get under her skin.

Not this week, anyway, when she had more on her mind than her place in contemporary tennis history.

Family members called Tuesday night to tell her of the heart attack, but she couldn't talk to her father until Wednesday.

"He asked me to stay and win, and I did it for him," she said. "I dedicate this tournament to my father."

Emilio Sanchez is out of danger. "He was much better Thursday and today he was sitting up at the hospital," said Sanchez Vicario. "Everything is much better."

You could argue about both participants in this final, too.

The top-seeded Sanchez Vicario had not won a tournament since May 2, when she defeated Steffi Graf 6-3, 6-3 in the final of the infamous Citizen's Cup in Hamburg, where Monica Seles was stabbed. She had never five consecutive finals since — four to Graf and one to Navratilova.

Sabatini, seeded fourth, came here having failed to win her last 32 tournaments, but



Arantxa Sanchez Vicario beat Sabatini 6-1, 6-4 to win the Bausch & Lomb Championships in Amelia Island, Fla., Sunday.

played excellent tennis and reached her first final in 11 months.

She came away with a sense that a trophy isn't far off now. "I am happy about the week. It was special for me," she said.

It was a repeat of last year's final, when Sanchez Vicario beat Sabatini in three sets.

The heat on the stadium court clay was estimated at 90 degrees much of the afternoon, but Sabatini, who used to wilt badly in these conditions, was strong throughout the match.

Minor league baseball makes debut in Salt Lake

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — After a decade without a Triple-A franchise, one opening night isn't considered enough for Salt Lake fans anxious to celebrate the return of top-drawer minor league baseball.

They quickly snapped up all the tickets to Monday night's home opener against Edmonton, the first of 72 Pacific Coast League games scheduled at the city's new \$22.4 million Franklin Quest Field.

The Salt Lake Buzz, formerly the Portland Beavers, decided on a Wednesday encore to mark the Minnesota Twins farm club's inaugural season in Utah.

"We sold out the opening in an hour and a half," said Don Leonard, Buzz executive vice president.

"They went so quickly we decided to repeat the whole thing with a 'Home Opener II.'"

For Leonard, seeing the Buzz spark the interest of Utah baseball fans is a trip back in time. As a child,

he watched Salt Lake's last Triple-A team, the Gulls, play at picturesque Decker Field.

"I have some fond memories of Decker. I remember as a kid coming down to see fireworks, and it was a great place to see a ball game," he said.

But early memories remain of the Gulls, whose cash-starved demise in 1984 left the state without a Pacific Coast League team until the Beavers were lured to Utah last year.

Decker, too, is gone. The wrecking ball swept away the stadium where the Class A Trappers of the Pioneer League seldom filled its 10,000 seats.

In its place is the gleaming new two-level brick and open steel structure with the feel, on

a smaller scale, of a major league park from yesterday.

"We've preserved the best view in baseball, which is looking out at the Wasatch Mountains," Leonard said of the outfield backdrop memorialized in "Stolen Season," David Lamb's book on life in the minor leagues. "The fans will see lots of great baseball — players who will go on to long and successful careers in the major leagues."

Buzz fans are assured of watching future big league stars playing their trade this summer, Leonard said. Last year in Portland, the team sent nine players to the parent club.

The relationship between Utah's capital city and the PCL dates to 1916 and produced teams with names like the Padres and Angels before the advent of the Bees and then the Gulls.

Mayor Deedee Corradini, who helped ramrod the combination of state, county, city and private funding to build the new facility, says Salt Lake deserves to have minor league baseball's best.

"We have a reputation for being one of the best cities in the U.S. and the reasons for that are what we offer — culturally, the outdoors, and athletically," she said.

"I can't believe how excited people here are," she added. "The view is spectacular, the stadium is spectacular and, hopefully, we'll have a spectacular season."

Steve Pearson, assistant general manager during the Gulls' final season, also had longed for Salt Lake's return to the Triple-A fold.

"I remember cold April opening nights, sweeping snow off the field, and teasing the crowd by putting a cigarette lighter to the thermostat."

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Don Leonard, Buzz executive vice president

Mansell, Andretti don't want tension

Chicago Tribune

PHOENIX — When Ernest Hemingway wrote "The Dangerous Summer," he was exploring a season of bull fighting mano-a-mano between two men who danced ever closer to danger's naked edge with each passing corrida.

If Hemingway were writing in the summer of '94, his landscape could be Indy-car racing and the two men would be Michael Andretti and Nigel Mansell. The two will deny it and the very nature of the sport almost precludes it but the roles were drawn in dramatic fashion with Andretti's victory in the season-opening race in Australia.

It is very well for Mansell to say "I don't see Michael as my main threat for the PPG Cup championship. I still see the Penskes as the main threat."

"Good," Andretti responds. "I hope that's the feeling that he doesn't have to worry about us. On the other side I don't think he's the only guy we've got to worry about either. There's the three Penskes to worry about and there's Nigel."

Whatever the reality, the perception is out there that the entire Indy-car season will come down to the series of mano-a-mano between the young American who went to Europe last year and found humiliation, and the engaging Englishman who brought his world championship to the United States and found success and admiration.

Alone in an alien environment, with little support from his team, Andretti's dream of winning a world championship quickly became a nightmare. Mansell, warmly accepted by the U.S. racing community, was lionized for winning the PPG-Indy-Car championship.

When Andretti returned to Indy-car racing this year and vanquished the field, including defending champion Mansell in Australia, Shakespeare might have told it as a tale of a beaten, brooding warrior quietly rebuilding his army and reaping sweet redemption.

As a matter of fact that's exactly how Andretti's father, Mario, would tell it.

"Last year I was sharing his pain, no question," Mario recalls. "We're used to having support around us, because of people believing in us and our abilities. Michael was left in the middle of the lake without oars."

"He was catching it from all sides

and everyone was loving to tear him apart. But every negative has a positive and the positive for Michael was he was able to maintain his focus and maintain his cool and come back and prove that all of this was not going to alter his commitment to this sport."

"I'm very relieved because I felt he was vindicated in many ways. A lot of people in racing were harping on the point that all of a negative experience like that it'd be like having a splinter in your finger. It would be festering. It would probably affect somebody who didn't have a very strong character."

"Sure, one race doesn't prove anything, but it proved he was a man on a mission."

Even Mansell could see that.

"I feel the whole (Chip) Ganassi team with Michael feels it has points to prove," said Mansell, who clearly does not want the season defined in such terms.

"Michael has done enough in Indy-car racing to stand alone and I have done enough in my career," he says.

Both drivers scoff at reports they came close to blows after an aborted restart in Australia.

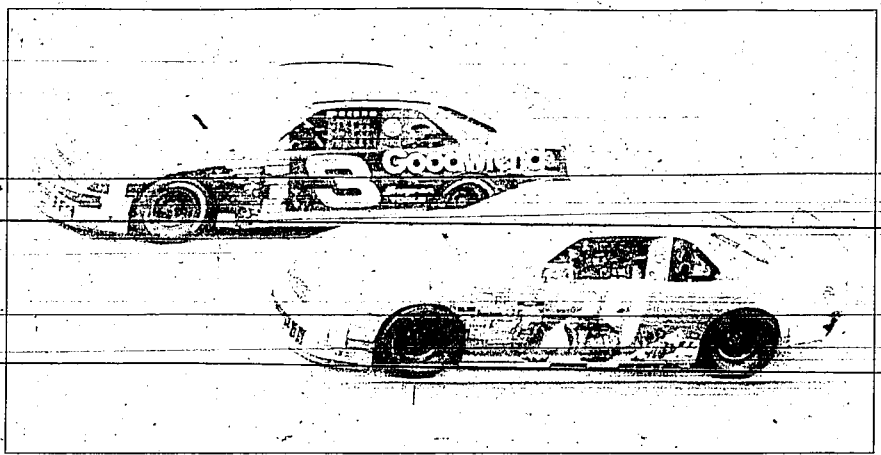
"I was there and I didn't think anything happened," Mansell said. "One person said we had physical contact. It's nonsense. I thought about suing for libel. We had an exchange of ideas for three or four seconds. Our voices weren't even raised."

Michael describes his victory in Australia as "one of the more emotional wins in my career. Probably the second most emotional; the first being when I won the championship in 1991. This race was close because of all I went through last year and then to come back."

He never had any doubts that he could come back and regain the shapeness that made him the acknowledged top dog in Indy-car ranks before he went to Europe.

"I felt I didn't lose any sharpness over there," he reasons. "With what I had, I did all I was able to show. The first day I was back I ran quicker times than Ari (Lucyndyk, his predecessor on the Ganassi team) had run in Sebring."

Because it was Mansell to whom he was being compared unfairly through all his troubles last year, his victory in Australia would not have been complete in many eyes had not the Englishman been part of the pack of losers.



Dale Earnhardt, in car No. 3, passes Steve Grissom in Car No. 29 during the Food City 500 in Bristol, Tenn., Sunday.

Earnhardt dominates Food City 500

BRISTOL, Tenn. (AP) — Dale Earnhardt snapped out of an uncharacteristic short-track jump Sunday by pulling away for a dominating victory in the Food City 500.

Tire troubles and wrecks by his closest pursuers helped Earnhardt lead the last 183 laps at Bristol International Raceway and record the 61st victory of his career and his second in a row.

"We just dodged the trouble and stayed cool," Earnhardt said, "and everything worked out for us."

It was Earnhardt's 24th short-track victory but his first since North Wilkesboro, N.C., in October 1991, when he broke Harry Gant's four-race winning streak. It also was Earnhardt's eighth victory on Bristol's .533-mile, high-banked layout, where he had not won since 1988.

Earnhardt, who started 24th, won from farther back in the field than anybody in the history of Bristol, which held its first Winston Cup race in 1966.

He took the lead for the first and only time on lap 318, and he went on to finish 7.6 seconds — nearly one-half lap — ahead of an out-

classed Ken Schrader. Luke Speed, another five seconds back, was the only other car on the lead lap.

Earnhardt also regained the lead in his bid to win a record-tying seventh Winston Cup title. Earnhardt, who came in 81 points behind Eric Irvin, left with a 40-point edge over him in the season standings.

The race was marred by 10 wrecks. Earnhardt triggered the first wreck, the largest one, on lap 210 when he bunched his Chevrolet Lumina into the rear of pole-sitter Chuck Bowman's Ford Thunderbird as the two exited turn two. Bowman clipped the retaining wall and then slid back into the racing groove, setting off a seven-car collision behind him as drivers frantically tried to stop in time.

Geoff Bodine appeared as if he might give upstart tire manufacturer Hoosier its first victory. He led twice for 16 laps in the middle of the race before pitting under green

for routine maintenance on lap 318, putting himself a lap down and handing the lead to Earnhardt.

Four laps later, Rick Mast's wreck into the fourth-turn wall brought out a caution, allowing Earnhardt to pit under yellow and stay in the lead.

His best competition the rest of the way appeared to be Bodine, Rusty Wallace and Mark Martin. But Wallace and Martin both blew tires and bounced off the retaining walls, knocking them from contention.

Bodine never got his lap back. He wound up fourth.

Irvin came into the race having completed all but one of every possible lap so far this season. But he had to pit on lap 110 because of a timing chain problem. By the time his car was ready to race again, Irvin was 212 laps off the pace. He wound up 33rd in the 37-car field, 333 laps off the winning pace.

The most serious wreck occurred

when Ricky Rudd nudged the front end of his Ford into the pit road wall along the front stretch. Rudd was taken first to the infield care center, then transported by ambulance to Bristol Regional Medical Center, where he was examined for possible neck and shoulder injuries and was later released.

While the ambulance was slowly driving up the track to leave through the third-turn gate, an emergency worker who was riding on the running boards fell off and landed hard on the racing surface. The worker, identified only as Brett Compton, also was taken to a hospital. His condition was not immediately available.

Bown, whose first career pole came through a record-setting qualifying run in Bobby Allison's Thunderbird, was knocked out of contention early. Martin tapped the rear of Bown's car as the two were battling for position on lap 16, sending Bown's car into a 400-foot slide down the front stretch and into the first-turn retaining wall.

Bown spent six laps in the pits for repairs and was unable to get back in contention. He finished 23rd.

Kosar still seeks NFL starting role

CLEVELAND (AP) — Berthie Kosar has a standing offer to return as the Dallas Cowboys' backup quarterback. But he's hoping to join a team that will give him some more playing time.

Kosar has been a free agent since his contract with the Cowboys expired at the end of the season. The sudden resignation of Jimmy Johnson as coach has not changed the team's plans for Kosar, the former Cleveland Browns quarterback said.

Johnson's decision to quit surprised Kosar, a 30-year-old Fort Lauderdale, Fla., resident.

"I anticipated something happening, but not like that," Kosar told The Plain Dealer of Cleveland for a story published Sunday.

Kosar has spoken with Miami coach Don Shula, Kansas City coach Marty Schottenheimer and Washington coach Norv Turner about a job.

"I'm peace with what's happening, the way things materialized for me," Kosar said. "I'm as convinced as ever that I'm going to go somewhere I like and will have fun playing. I really

want to play at a place that will be fun."

All three teams are struggling to make room for experienced quarterbacks under the NFL's salary cap of \$34.2 million per club. Shula needs a veteran passer the most.

Dolphins starter Dan Marino, already recovering from Achilles' tendon surgery, went under the knife again last week to have bone chips removed from his ankle.

Shula has only one healthy quarterback, second-year player Doug Peder-son, under contract with the team's minicamp just a month away.

At last month's league owners meeting in Orlando, Fla., Shula was non-committal about possibly signing Kosar.

"He's a guy we've always had interest in," Shula said. "We were interested in him when Dan went down." Kosar said he will return to Cleveland in June to provide one of his annual charity golf tournaments at Tanglewood Country Club. After he retires from pro football, he plans to make his home in the Cleveland area.

Fittipaldi gets lucky with Slick 50 200 win

PHOENIX (AP) — Emerson Fittipaldi ducked, dodged and drove to a victory Sunday that he considered one of the luckiest of his illustrious racing career.

Fittipaldi was nearly involved in two major accidents, then had to fight off new Penske Racing teammate Al Unser Jr. to win the Slick 50 200 at Phoenix International Raceway.

A year ago, Fittipaldi crashed after driving over a piece of debris while leading the Phoenix race. This time, he somehow managed to avoid the pieces that littered the one-mile oval after each of the nasty-looking crashes that punctuated the 200-lap race.

"It was a very tense race, one of the most tense I have ever participated in," said Fittipaldi, whose victory, combined with a second-place finish in the season-opening race last month in Australia moved him into the PPG Cup points lead. "I was up on my feet all the time."

The first of the bad accidents was a frightening five-car crash on lap 62 that began when Tony Ratti ran over the front wheel of Hiro Matsushita as he overtook him. That collision scattered debris and sent both cars skidding into the third-turn wall.

Race leader Paul Tracy, the third Penske entry and the record-setting

'I was very lucky. Paul went to the outside and someone hit him and I went to the inside and just got by. Everything went in our favor.'

— Emerson Fittipaldi, Slick 50 200 winner

pole winner, got pinned to the wall by Matsushita.

Rookie Jacques Villeneuve, the surprise of the weekend by qualifying on the outside of the front row, got high in the turn and was unable to stop before slamming into Matsushita's stopped car just behind the cockpit. That separated the front of the car from the engine and gearbox assembly.

Dominic Dobson, running fifth at the time, also got caught up in the accident.

Nigel Mansell, the defending PPG Cup champion who finished a lap down in third place, said, "I've never experienced anything like this race in my career. On the big crash, half a car was flying one way and half a car was flying another. I came along right in the middle of it and didn't know where to go. It was one of the scariest times I've ever had in motor racing."

Tracy had a small laceration on his

left elbow from flying debris, and Matsushita came away with a slightly separated left shoulder.

"After I saw my car, I knew I was very lucky," Matsushita said.

Fittipaldi, second at the time, barely escaped the accident.

"I was very lucky," the 47-year-old Brazilian said. "Paul went to the outside and someone hit him and I went to the inside and just got by. Everything went in our favor. I'm very pleased."

Unser was the only driver on the lead lap with the winner at the end of the 200-lap event. His crew brought Unser into the pits during the last of the race and just got by. Everything went in our favor. I'm very pleased."

The winner averaged 107.437 mph in the race.

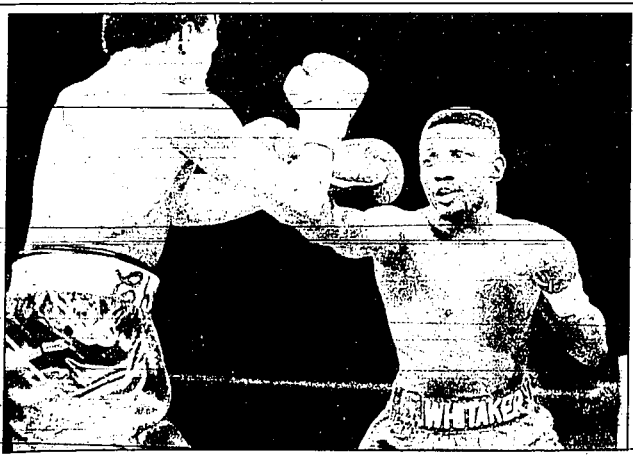
All of the caution flags were brought out by accidents, with Willy T. Ribbs hitting the wall in turn two on lap 28 and Mario Andretti, Mansell's teammate, spinning into the third-turn wall on lap 166 after a brake rotor exploded in his car.

Andretti's crash spread debris across the track, and the car driven by his son, Michael, the winner of the Australian race, ran over a piece of that debris and bounced off another car. Michael's left front tire was ripped off and flew high into the air, over the wall and into a hospitality area, where three spectators were slightly injured.

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The younger Andretti said, "I came out of that debris and saw the big cloud of dust and I thought it was a sandstorm. I couldn't see anything and I hit someone hard. It was like coming up on someone in the fog."

Fittipaldi nearly was involved in that accident, too.



Pernell Whitaker hits Santos Cardona during their WBC welterweight fight Saturday in Norfolk, Va.

Welterweight champ, Whitaker, eyes big paydays

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — Pernell Whitaker earned \$1.75 million for his latest WBC welterweight title defense. Now comes the big money.

Whitaker is guaranteed \$15 million by HBO for four fights, according to promoter Don Duva.

The fights must be against other champions, such as IBF welterweight champion Felix Trinidad or WBA champion Crisanto Espana, with two exceptions.

The current non-champions on the list are Julio Cesar Chavez and James "Buddy" McGirt.

McGirt, who won Saturday night on the card on which Whitaker easily outpointed Santos Cardona at the Scope, would appear at the top of the list to be Whitaker's next opponent in September or October.

Whitaker, however, said, "He still doesn't deserve a rematch because of the excuses."

Whitaker won the WBC 147-

pound title from McGirt March 6, 1993. But McGirt and his manager, Al Certo, both maintain McGirt would have beaten Whitaker if he hadn't had an injury to his left shoulder.

"It was his choice to fight," said Shelly Finkel, Whitaker's co-manager. "After he lost, he should have just said, 'I want a rematch.'"

Despite Whitaker's stance, Finkel said, a Whitaker-McGirt rematch "at this moment appears the most likely fight to happen."

"That's our preferred fight," said Seth Abraham, president of sports for Time Warner, owner of HBO and pay-per-view TVKO.

"I'd bet on the McGirt rematch happening because (promoter Don) King isn't going to agree to have the Chavez-Randall winner fight for Whitaker."

Despite his controversial draw with Whitaker last Sept. 10, in a fight most ringers thought

Whitaker clearly won, and his WBC super lightweight title loss to Frank Randall, Chavez remains the star of King's stable, with Mike Tyson in prison.

Chavez is scheduled to try and regain the title from Randall May 7 at Las Vegas.

McGirt, who had surgery for a ruptured tendon in a shoulder March 15, 1993, threw numerous left hooks in scoring a 12-round, one-sided decision over Livingstone Bramble.

Whitaker, who boxed brilliantly against Chavez, put on another fine performance in beating the top-ranked Cardona.

"It's not about defending the championship, it's about defending the title of best pound-for-pound fighter," Whitaker said.

Many people in boxing consider Whitaker the best pound-for-pound fighter in the world. He'll probably get another chance to prove it against McGirt.

Magic Valley

Around the valley

City Council plans Old Town district tour

TWIN FALLS - The City Council plans an afternoon tour of the Old Town districts Monday with members of the city's parks department and the Old Town Redevelopment Coalition.

The public is invited to attend the tour, scheduled to begin at 4:30 p.m. at City Hall. The tour will follow a 4 p.m. work session in the City Hall conference room.

At that work session, the council will:

- Review budget instructions for the 1994-95 fiscal year.

- Review assignments to nine strategic planning teams dedicated toward achieving the city's major objectives for the next two years.

- Consider bids for supplying the city with 450 tons of magnesium chloride. WRR Industries of Salt Lake City is the apparent low bidder at \$19,773.

- Consider a request by Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital to temporarily block the sidewalk on part of Shoshone Street East during construction work on the clinic building.

Firm eyes gold drilling in proposed wilderness

KETCHUM - A minerals exploration firm, Curator American, Inc., is seeking permission from the Ketchum Ranger District for exploratory drilling in a "proposed wilderness" area along the West Fork of Trail Creek.

Curator American conducted exploratory drilling in the same area in 1989 and is now asking for permission to drill at three nearby sites. A diamond core drill will be flown to the drilling site and placed on pads constructed by crews on the ground.

The crews will reach the site by trailbike and by foot along existing trails, according to the proposal. Mitigation measures and restrictions are anticipated in any approved, operating plan.

Public comments are requested in writing by May 6 to the Ketchum Ranger District, P.O. Box 2356, Ketchum, ID 83340.

MVRMC asks for no bill questions until Wednesday

TWIN FALLS - Billing questions for the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center will be put on hold next week.

The hospital's business office computer will be down next Monday and Tuesday to get a program update. The hospital is asking for patients and companies to hold their billing calls next week until Wednesday.

United We Stand seeks regional coordinator

TWIN FALLS - The state chapter of the political group, United We Stand America, will seek nominations for a regional coordinator at a Wednesday meeting.

The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. at the Weston Plaza, 1350 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. Region V includes Twin Falls, Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Elmore, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln and Minidoka counties.

For information, contact Latham Williams at 726-1233 or Platt Thompson at 336-1090.

Compiled from staff reports

Crime report

A weekly look at the number of felonies reported to the Twin Falls City Police Department and Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department



Twin Falls law enforcement agencies report these crimes

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls law enforcement agencies reported the following crimes from last week:

Last week	YTD
Twin Falls Police Department	
Car Burglaries:	167
Home Burglaries:	58
Business Burglaries:	30
Total Burglaries:	255
Narcotics:	3
Rape:	6
Child abuse:	6
Stolen vehicles:	26
Grand theft:	77
Bad checks:	16
Total Felonies:	465

Twin Falls Sheriff's Department	
Drug cases:	6
Aggravated assault:	2
Larceny/Grand Theft:	13
Burglary:	38
Total Felonies:	61

China Gardens wary of complex

By Raymond D. Mc Alpin
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - With a screwdriver in his shirt pocket, a soft-spoken Dave Brown soft-sold his design for an apartment complex at last week's meeting of the Hailey Planning and Zoning Commission.

As the architect with rolled-up sleeves made his pitch, homeowners in China Gardens squirmed. It was as if Brown were putting the screws to us, said one China Gardens resident.

"They will not give China Gardens a break. The funny thing is that finally China Gardens is coming along," said Linda Smith in her home on Willow Street, a block north of the proposed project.

The complex of eight apartments, planned for 510 S. Willow Street, would sit on about one acre.

Project backers said they considered how best to fit the apartments on the land without drastically changing the neighborhood.

That is not possible, Smith said.

It has taken a long time for homeowners to improve the houses in the neighborhood, she said.

"It used to be just renters in China Gardens, and as prices for homes got more expensive, people began buying in there," Smith said. "Bringing multi-family housing in is going to bring the property values back down."

Ketchum real estate agent Sherry Daech owns the land and planned the project.

Ketchum attorney Barry Luboviski said the project met all design review

and comprehensive plan goals. While acknowledging the apartment complex could change the nature of the neighborhood, he stressed they were a permitted use in the general residential area.

"It has an impact, but it could be worse. The units could be bigger," he said.

The project is one of three projects the commission reviewed and approved for conformity with the city's comprehensive plan and design review ordinance.

China Gardens residents expressed their concerns.

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STEVE KEEHLER/The Times-News
Louis Irace gets ready to launch model cars powered by compressed carbon dioxide gas.

Technology class builds rocket-powered cars

By Steve Keebler
Times-News correspondent

WENDELL - Designing and building rocket-powered cars in a technology class might be the first step in an auto design career for Wendell Middle School students.

Dave Strong, class instructor, said the students drew their car designs on a computer. Using a program called "Car Builder," each student's design was checked for drag, or wind resistance, Strong said.

Students carved their car bodies from basswood and had to size them within basic dimensions so they could be compared in races.

Students quickly learned that the lighter the car, the faster, so they hollowed them out, Strong said.

Louis Irace figured that spokes on the

wheels increased drag so he covered those on his car with plastic.

A cartridge of compressed carbon dioxide gas powered each car. The cars were raced from a launcher, which punctures the back end of the cartridge, to a goal, which has a switch that turns on a light the instant a car arrives. Nylon fishing line through screw eyes underneath each car guided the machines from launcher to goal.

Students used stopwatches to time the cars. A cloth behind the goal stopped the cars without damage, though in some cases a wheel flew off during travel.

Students discovered that when they warmed the gas cartridges, the gas pressure inside the cylinder increased and made the cars go faster, Strong said.

Justin Anderson's car was the fastest, traveling 60 feet in .84 seconds, about 49 mph.

Day-care hearing tops Hailey council agenda

By Raymond D. Mc Alpin
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - A public hearing on zoning for day-care businesses is an agenda item destined to heat up the city council chambers at 6 p.m. Monday at the city council courtroom.

Blaine County Childcare Association members and supporters of its move to loosen zoning restrictions on where day-care businesses can operate have promised to be there in force.

Four other public hearings will occur. All involve changes in the city's zoning ordinance.

Two of the changes involve redefining limited residential zones.

The city wants to create a new zone called LR-O, carved from the existing general residential zone.

The new zone, recommended by the Hailey Planning and Zoning Commission, would re-

strict housing within it to single-family.

In addition to restricting housing to single family, the new definitions would clarify inconsistencies in the existing minimum lot sizes and lot widths now in the general residential zone.

LR-O would also decrease the allowable minimums for lot size and lot width to 6,000 square feet and 50 square feet respectively.

LR-O would join two other residential zone categories: LR-1 and LR-2.

The zoning change would restrict minimum lot size to 8,000 in the LR-1 zone and to 12,000 in the LR-2 zone. The same lot width for LR-1 and LR-2 would be 75 feet.

The city will also consider a proposed amendment to drop its limited business restricted and business review zones. And it will again look at an amendment that would allow multi-family housing in the floodplain areas of the city.

Uncertainty surrounds training range plans

The Associated Press

BOISE - The Air Force will decide in two months whether to develop a new state-owned training range in Owyhee County.

But still up in the air are two crucial elements: a plan for range operations and commitments to lessening and avoiding effect on the lands and wildlife.

It's part of the uncertainty surrounding the proposal, which has generated angry opposition and ardent support.

Whether Mountain Home Air Force Base - and hence the economy of Mountain Home - survive future military cutbacks depends on the Department of Defense and the Defense Secretary's Base Closure and Realignment Commission.

How the relatively untrammeled high desert, with its steep canyons and a prized bighorn sheep herd, might fare depends on protection of its resources.

Training range critics contend that just the range's presence would harm the character of a high-altitude ecosystem found nowhere else in the lower 48 states.

"Often times we get lost in the details and forget the passion involved," said environmental activist Mike Medberry, "that the canyons are a beautiful place, that they're wild, and it's just too damn nice to destroy."

Range proponents balance that against the future of the base, which Gov. Cecil Andrus says is more assured with an expanded range - despite Air Force assurances that it would keep the base open with or without the new range.

Supporters say damage to the land from an estimated 30,000 practice bombs annually will be confined to a bomb target area, and they contend effects on wildlife and habitat are manageable.

Range plans

Air Force Secretary Sheila Widnall will decide in about two months whether to go ahead with the range for Mountain Home base's fighter-bomber tank composite wing.

At the same time, the Department of Interior

will decide whether to swap more than 25,000 acres of federal and state lands. The trade is needed for the state to own the range, and the Idaho Air National Guard to operate it.

Turning more than 5,000 acres of public land over to the military for a range would require congressional approval.

Federal laws require evaluation of the effects of the range on environmental and cultural resources of the site, and require mitigation of damage.

Critics say the Air Force has violated some of those laws.

If the Air Force says yes to the range - as many observers expect the Idaho Air National Guard would develop a management plan for range operations, which must be approved by the state Land Board.

Environmentalists say the plan should be laid out now so the public can fully evaluate it.

The Air Force's preferred alternative: a 25,000-acre range north and south of the East Fork of the Owyhee River.

But Dave Jett, Andrus' special range assistant, said the state won't draw up its plan until after the range is approved and by some time in 1996, when construction is to begin.

"We can't put any detail to the plan until a site is chosen," he said.

A Resource Management Board, led by the Idaho Air National Guard, would be responsible for overseeing the plan. Members would include state agencies with resource responsibility, such as the Fish and Game and Parks and Recreation departments.

The 366th Wing at the base, the Bureau of Land Management, Owyhee County, Indian tribal leaders and two public representatives would advise the board.

The public would be given a chance to comment on the plan, according to the Air Force, but it doesn't specify how.

Mitigation plans

The Idaho Fish and Game Commission in February withdrew its earlier approval of the range, saying the draft version of the environmental statement lacked a legally binding

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Ballots point out plethora of Republicans

From the Statehouse to the courthouse, there are more Republican candidates on the ballot this year than you can shake a stick at, and barely enough Democrats to make a decent softball team.

At first I thought this was just a local thing, with nine Republicans running for two open Twin Falls County Commission seats. (To their credit, local Democrats are challenging for both seats, and even have a primary in District 3. When was the last time that happened in this county?)

And in tiny Camas County, eight Republicans are vying with two Democrats (one of them an incumbent) for three county commis-



Drew DeSilver
On politics

sion seats.

But the GOP dominates the 1994 primary side general elections all around the state. Con-

• For the 1st Congressional District: four Republican candidates (six until two dropped out a few weeks ago).

• For governor: four Republicans.

• For lieutenant governor (a part-time job, no fees): three Republicans.

• For auditor: three Republicans.

As for the legislative races, Republicans already are guaranteed majorities in the House and Senate before a single vote has been cast, because Democrats are contesting so few seats.

Republicans are the only people running for 48 Senate seats, 35 House seats, and one GOP representative faces only token opposition from a Libertarian. Democrats, by contrast, are guaranteed only two Senate seats and six House seats, all in north Idaho or Blaine County. Not a single Democrat is running for

the Legislature in Magic Valley districts 22, 23, 24 and 25.

For the past two years, the GOP has been one Senate seat away from the two-thirds majority in both chambers needed to override gubernatorial vetoes. In fact, just about the only Senate Democrats have had was their ability to uphold Gov. Cecil Andrus' vetoes.

Now, they'll have to defend against Democratic incumbents facing Republican challenges, and pick up all three open seats, just to stay where they are.

You get the impression the Democratic hi-

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ICA annual banquet in Boise draws 80

By Frank E. Lockwood
Times-News correspondent

BOISE — He's been called a neo-fascist, a racist, a bigot, and a hate monger. But Lon Mabon, chairman of the United States Citizens Alliance, says he just a citizen who is using "constitutional politics" to restore the values of George Washington and John C. Adams in America.

Mabon was the keynote speaker at the Idaho Citizens Alliance annual banquet in Boise, which drew 80 supporters and a host of conservative candidates to the Broadway Avenue Baptist Church on Saturday. The ICA is promoting an anti-gay rights initiative for the November ballot, warning that without it, "lesbian couples will seek — and gain — special rights in Idaho."

Since 1960, Mabon said, violent crime has soared, along with child abuse, abortion, teen suicide, and welfare spending. Citing "a rising tide of hurt and sorrow and pain," he called for Idahoans to "re-establish basic, simple, moral standards and teach them to our kids."

Mabon claims a "cultural war" is raging in America.

"This is a war, and we need to approach it as a war and we need to fight it as a war."

It's time for conservatives to wake up, he said, and to fight for the values and the principles that we want

to represent," Mabon said. As the architect of the citizens alliance movement, Mabon has proven to be a master of grass-roots political activism. The Oregon Citizens Alliance has 4,000 members, 20,000 supporters, a mailing list with 250,000 names, and an enviable fundraising machine.

Despite a hostile press and a host of enemies in both parties, "We are changing what is arguably one of the most liberal states in the union," Mabon said.

Now, Mabon is focusing on Idaho, Washington and Nevada, and he predicts another citizens-alliance will be formed in a Midwestern state later this spring.

Mabon's steadfast opposition to abortion and gay rights infuriates some. "I stand before you as one of the most controversial people in the Northwest, but I shouldn't be," he told the audience Saturday. "I'm just a citizen who decided things had gone too far and I decided to get involved."

When Mabon says he's in the midst of a war, the assertion isn't necessarily hyperbole. As chairman of the USCA, Mabon receives hate mail and death threats. His home was fire-bombed in December.

United States Citizens Alliance. Mabon is looking to move farther east. He is considered leaving Oregon and moving to Reno — or even Tulsa — USCA officials say Arizona is another possibility.

If Mabon did settle in Idaho, he would get a warm welcome from a number of Idaho Republicans, including

former Senate Majority Leader Rod Beck, Ada County Commissioner Gary Glenn and gubernatorial candidate Larry Eastland. Beck, Glenn and Eastland were all speakers at Saturday's banquet. Idaho Supreme Court candidate Wayne Kidwell was originally scheduled to speak, but he did not attend. He sent his family instead.

The Idaho Governor's chairman, Heyburn building contractor Kelly Walton, also addressed the audience, urging his listeners to keep collecting signatures for the anti-gay rights initiative.

"We've got to get on the ballot or the whole country will know that Idaho is pro-homosexual," he said. "That's the way it will come across."

Earlier, Walton refused to disclose how many signatures he has collected. He predicted his proposed legislation for the November ballot. "We're not doing as well as I wanted, but we'll make it. There's a lot of our opposition that's calling us DOA (Dead on Arrival), but we'll make it."

To qualify for the November ballot, the group needs the signatures of 32,061 qualified voters by July 8.

Walton plans to cross-cross Idaho for two weeks next month, collecting signatures in every corner of the state.

Walton's strategy of collecting signatures at post offices, churches and "anywhere there's a crowd: gun shows, boat shows, rodeos ... anywhere there's people."

Opponents claim the ICA is trying to solve a problem that does not exist in Idaho, attacking an invisible and unorganized minority. Walton disagrees. He

notes that the University of Idaho and the city of Troy have passed protections for gays and lesbians and predicts other cities could follow.

"Beyond that, when you get groups like the Idaho Library Association and the IEA, the teachers union, radically advocating, in the name of academic freedom, that teachers should have the right to tell kids what's healthy and normal, we've got a problem."

Walton quoted Winston Churchill to bolster his argument: "If you will not fight for the right when you can easily win without bloodshed, if you will not fight when your victory will be sure, you may come to the moment when all the odds against you and only a precarious chance of survival."

The ICA's chairman said Churchill's "transcendent" words applied to the Third Reich in the 1940s and to Idaho in the 1990s. He urged supporters to take a stand against homosexuality now.

"Folks, we can easily win this initiative if we get this thing on the ballot. Why wait five or 10 years when they're knocking on our door and we only have a precarious chance of survival on winning the measure?"

Before the banquet, the ICA sponsored a training workshop for 30 ICA county directors. The training included a "boot camp for new recruits" and advice on "plucking novices through media interviews." Mabon said the workshop gave supporters "a lot of good nuts-and-bolts information. The folks that were here, their pumps were primed."

This week at CSI

The following is a schedule of meetings and events that will take place this week at the College of Southern Idaho.

TODAY
Student Senate meets at 2 p.m. in student conference room of Taylor Building.
Symphonic Band rehearsal will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Fine Arts 121.
Bob-Spreyer-Hat Day judging at noon in Eagle's Nest of Taylor Building.

TUESDAY
Region IV Development Association meets at 11:30 a.m. in Desert 113.
Alcohol and Drug Awareness Program meets at 1 p.m. in Desert 112.
Military testing will be held at 6 p.m. in Shields 102.
Magic Valley Symphony rehearsal will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Fine Arts stage.

WEDNESDAY
Napa Auto Parts workshop will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. in Desert 104C.
Swing Band rehearsal will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Fine Arts 121.

THURSDAY
Magic Valley Choral rehearsal will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Fine Arts 133.

SATURDAY
Idaho Science Olympiad will be held from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. in gym.
Magic Valley Early Iron Car Show will be held from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. in Expo Center.
Military testing will be held at 10 a.m. in Shields 102.

SUNDAY
Magic Valley Early Iron Car Show continues from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. in Expo Center.
Magic Valley Choral spring concert will be held at 3 p.m. in Fine Arts auditorium.
Crime prevention concert will be held at 8 p.m. in gym.

Range

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commitment to mitigation.

The two-inch-thick document has an eight-page table of possible mitigation measures for wildlife, plants and cultural uses.

But Jett said the final environmental statement, to be issued in about a month, will contain some commitments to mitigation.

Other commitments will be in the state range plan and the final record of decision from the Air Force. And still other guarantees already are in laws such as the National Historic Preservation Act, which requires protection of historic sites and mitigation of impacts on them.

"It's in black and white," Jett said. "Jesus, we're going to bite the damn law."

Range construction and operation, of course, would damage the surface. Targets will cover about 500 acres, and the Air Force says the greatest damage from practice bombs with spotting charges would occur within 300 feet of the targets.

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The final environmental statement will commit the Air Force to staying out of canyons and to protective strips along roads to curb effects on the sheep, and to studies that would help determine further mitigation, Jett said.

The canyonlands also host southwestern Idaho's biggest pronghorn antelope herd.

Fish and Game predicted that effects, such as fire, could hurt antelope habitat and cut the herd by from 25 to 75 percent.

Air Force research has turned up 456 archaeological sites in the range area, dating back as far as 5,000 years, and the Air Force says the greatest damage from practice bombs with spotting charges would occur within 300 feet of the targets.

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for GOLD — the Greater Owyhee Legal Defense.

Still, Medberry, former public lands director for the Idaho Conservation League, said the range is heading into choppy waters.

"They have a nightmare of administrative and legal requirements, that one by one may not be significant," he said. "But piled on top of each other, they make it extremely difficult for the bombing range to go forward."

These include compliance with the historic preservation law and protection of resources.

The Greater Owyhee Legal Defense and land officials are already suing in U.S. District Court over the double environmental impact analysis: The one that brought the 366th Wing to Mountain Home, and the present range analysis.

Political fray
Congress could also jump into the fight.

Last year, Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nevada, sought to stop \$6.7 million to buy 7,043 acres of private ranches to make way for the range.

Last month, he and Sen. Jim Sasser, D-Tenn., wrote the Department of Defense a reminder that the Defense Secretary must still certify the range is needed for training and readiness before the funds are spent.

Since then one of the "willing" sellers has withdrawn his offer to sell private property in the area.

Andrus — the range's chief proponent in Idaho — is pushing hard to get the range approved quickly before he retires at the end of his fourth term on Jan. 2.

His possible successor, Attorney General Larry EchoHawk, says he hasn't made up his mind on the range, but says he has "grave reservations."

But when the governor retires, the political equation changes, Medberry said.

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt has not indicated whether he will approve the land exchange — a necessary prelude to developing the range.

"A political decision is going to be made," Medberry said. "The Department of the Interior will no longer have as much pressure on it."

Babbitt's deliberations take in more than Idahoans' concerns for and

against the range, Greater Owyhee Legal Defense attorney Feldman said.

The Army, Navy and Air Force are proposing expansions of training facilities elsewhere in the West, including the Fallon bombing range in Nevada.

"He's looking at a different framework than somebody in Idaho," Feldman said. "He's evaluating it in terms of a whole range of expansions across the nation."

Each person has a faction of people, friends and supporters, who are going to come out and vote for them," said Twin Falls County GOP Chairman Dave Munroe, speaking of the county commission candidates.

"That means more people will come out to vote, and there'll be more incentive to vote, because with that many people in the race, a few votes could make the difference."

And more people coming out to vote for local candidates translates into more votes for the top of the ticket, said state GOP executive director Mike Reynoldson.

He added that, while nasty primaries can damage the eventual winner, more often they make him or her a better candidate for the general election. (Mike Crapo in 1992 is a prime example.)

With some competition in there, the winning candidate comes out stronger for having taken some shots, and the Democrats have less ammunition to throw at them," Reynoldson said.

Drew DeSilver covers politics for The Times-News.

Complex

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their opposition to the apartments that would be across the street, during the public hearing.

More than a week ago, a petition against the apartments was being passed along China Gardens' streets.

Reasons for opposition differed. From her home on Aspen Drive, a few blocks away from Smith's, Bonnie Fisher gave hers.

"There are about 88 houses in China Gardens and there are only two streets to get into the area. There are no sidewalks," she said. "All of the kids in the neighborhood have to come down that hill on Ivy past the project."

Fisher also complained that Daech's past maintenance record of the land has been poor.

"I am really concerned that if she hasn't taken care of the lot before, is she really going to do it now?" she said.

Architect Brown said the apartments would be maintained.

Finding the right conditions for approving Daech's complex took half of the commission's four-hour meeting. But the commission, willed from four unsuccessful motions, was determined to take some action on the measure.

The fifth motion finally flew with commissioners Gini Ballou and Susan McBryant voting for approval, Debra Simkus and Kevin Neaman voting against, and chair John Stokes breaking the tie.

TODAY
Buhl City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Blaine County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Bliss School Board, 7:30 p.m., school library.
Camas County commissioners, 9:30 a.m., courthouse.
Camas County School Board, 7 p.m., high school.
Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
District School Board, 8 p.m., high school.
Eden City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Gooding County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Hagerman School Board, 8 p.m., elementary school.
Hailey City Council, 6 p.m., courthouse.
Hansen City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall.
Hazelton City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Lincoln County commissioners, 10 a.m., courthouse.
Minidoka County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Mortguth School Board, 7 p.m., high school.
Richfield City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Richfield School Board, 8 p.m., high school.
Shoshone School Board, 8 p.m., high school.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
Valley School Board (Eden-Hazelton), 8 p.m., high school superintendent's office.

TUESDAY
Blaine County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Blaine School Board, 7:30 p.m., a school in the district.
Filer School Board, 7 p.m., elementary school library.
Gooding School Board, 8 p.m., school administration office.
Jerome School Board, 8 p.m., middle school library.
Kimberly City Council, 7 p.m., community center.
Rupert, DeMay Memorial Library Board of Trustees, 5:15 p.m. library, 417 Seventh St. in Rupert.
Twin Falls City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

WEDNESDAY
Castelford City Council, 7:30 p.m., J & D Enterprises.
Declo City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Hyburn City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Hollister City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall or grange (depending on attendance).
Minidoka City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
Mortguth City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
Paul City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
Twin Falls Public Library Board of Trustees, 5 p.m., library board room.

THURSDAY
Bellevue City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Hagerman Chamber of Commerce, noon, Hagerman Senior Center.
Rupert Area Chamber of Commerce, noon, Rupert Elks Lodge.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Commission, 8 p.m., Twin Falls County Office Building, 246 Third Ave. E.
Wendell City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall.

FRIDAY
Twin Falls County Commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

Death notices

Helen Edwards
BURLEY — Helen B. Edwards, 80, of Burley died Sunday, April 10, 1994, at her home in Burley. Arrangements are pending with Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Garth Payne
BURLEY — J. Garth Payne, 69, of Burley died Sunday, April 10, 1994, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending with Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Dr. Eusebio Saras
SHOSHONE — Dr. Eusebio D. Saras, 71, of Shoshone died Saturday, April 9, 1994, in Orange, Calif. Services are pending at Demary's Bergin Chapel in Shoshone.

John Hosman
JEROME — John Hosman, 85, of Jerome, died Sunday, April 10, 1994, at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome.

Services are pending with the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Mary Williams
TWIN FALLS — Mary C. Williams, 67, of Pinedale, Wyo., died

Friday, April 8, 1994, at The Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Services are under direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel.

Lillian Chritton
BURLEY — Lillian Wedel Chritton, 72, of Declo died Friday, April 8,

Services

Treva Mac Trautwein, of Twin Falls, graveside service 2 p.m. today, Sunset Memorial Park, Twin Falls. (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Milton J. Hill, of Rupert, 7 p.m. today, Rupert First Christian Church, (Hansen Mortuary in Rupert).

Anna L. Mason, of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. Wednesday, White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Magdalena R. Sandoval, of Wendell, graveside service, 2 p.m. today, Wendell Cemetery, (Demary's Wendell Chapel).

Joseph Venera, of Buhl, 11 a.m. Tuesday, Buhl First Ward LDS Church on Main Street, (Moffett's Memorial Chapel in Buhl).

Raymond Alec Reece, of Twin

1994, at the Cassia Memorial Hospital.

A graveside service will be at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Declo Cemetery with Bishop Dan Darrington officiating. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Wednesday at the McCulloch Funeral Home or just before the graveside service.

Charlie Floyd Roberts, of Twin Falls, graveside service, 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Twin Falls Cemetery, (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Becky Bernice Barkes, of Murtaugh, 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Leon Marshall Lowe, of Boise and formerly of Twin Falls, graveside service, 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls, (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Doris M. Rice Moore, of Gooding, graveside service, 3 p.m. Friday, Elmwood Cemetery, (Demary's Gooding Chapel).

and Katherine Whalen of Havre, Mont.

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CASSIA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Maria Granados, Albert Hankel, Alvan Heide and Celia Rocha, all of Burley, Silas Smith of Rupert, and Wilma White of Heyburn.

Released

Rosetta Higley of Burley, and Connie Newton and Kaylyn Weeks of Paul.

Hospitals

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Magic Valley/Idaho County retrieves missing girl's uncle

The Times-News

JEROME — The County Sheriff will bring the grand-uncle of a missing Challis girl back to Jerome on a probation violation.

Sheriff George Silver will take Friday for Parker, Ariz., to pick up Robert Paul Crane, 44, on a bench warrant.

issued June 22, 1989, for Crane's arrest. Crane will be returned to the Jerome jail by Monday, "but the only thing we're bringing him in on is the probation violation," Silver said. Crane was arrested in the state capital building after the disappearance of 9-year-old Stephanie Crane.

He was cleared when FBI agents determined he was in Colorado when the girl disappeared. Authorities continue to search for the girl. Crane narrowly missed being brought back to Jerome on two occasions when paperwork signed by Gov. Cecil Andrus did not reach law enforcement agencies in Colorado in

1993 and again in Arizona in March 1994 in time to meet filing deadlines. Crane had disappeared after being released from a Colorado jail. The investigation of the missing Challis girl turned up the location of Robert Crane and gave Jerome authorities the opportunity to bring him back to face the parole violation charges.

Council to hear audit results

The Times-News

JEROME — Results of an audit of the Jerome Waste Water Treatment plant will be revealed at a special City Council meeting tonight. The council called in a Texas company, Professional Services Group, to look at management procedures, staffing, and actual handling of waste being processed through the plant. The treatment plant was upgraded last year to handle industrial

and residential waste at a cost of about \$1.9 million. At a meeting last week, the council approved spending \$14,190 for a pump and compressor "to operate the way we want it to operate," Mayor Gerald Ostler said. Ostler said the equipment could be purchased out of the contingency fund. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. in the city hall and is open to the public. In other business, the council:

- Approved spending \$1,500 for a chemical analysis of the Waste Water Treatment plant as required by the Environmental Protection Agency.
- Granted use of the city parks for an antique car show by the Motor Car Club of America, on Aug. 13 and 14.
- Approved buying a micro-computer for the deputy city clerk at a cost of \$1,269.
- Unanimously agreed to donate \$200 to the Magic Valley Safe Kids Coalition.

F&G frees hatchery fish

BOISE (AP) — The National Marine Fisheries Service has finally allowed the state to release young hatchery salmon and steelhead into the rivers, the Idaho Department of Fish and Game says.

Fish and Game was issued the necessary permits on Friday afternoon. The agency described the chances for the smolts to survive and return as "grim."

If the delay had been much longer, biologists and salmon advocates feared the release would be beyond the time when the young fish begin to change to brown and white.

Because of the extremely poor migration conditions in the Snake and Columbia rivers with this year's drought, it could take at least two months to reach the ocean, Fish and Game said.

Without the eight hydroelectric dams between Lewiston and the Pacific, the migration used to take only a few days.

The conditions this year are similar to 1992, which produced a very low return of returning adults predicted.

About 10 million smolts languished in the hatcheries waiting for the permits. Idaho biologists question why the paperwork process has to take so long each year.

The Snake River sockeye is on the endangered species list, while Idaho's chinook runs are threatened.

Challis celebrates mine rebirth

CLAYTON (AP) — About 50 people, including Idaho Gov. Cecil Andrus, commemorated the rebirth of the Thompson Creek Mine, a huge open pit molybdenum mine that has been the lifeline of Challis since the early 1980s.

Formerly owned by Cyprus Minerals, the mine shut down in December 1992, laying off its last 200 employees and throwing Challis economy into a tailspin. At its peak in the mid-1980s, the mine employed about 450 workers.

Once primarily dependent on agriculture, the community of 300 grew for a while to more than 1,000 and found new vitality in the demand for steel-

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— State Rep. Lenore Barrett

molybdenum mine last fall. The mine currently employs 125 miners and will hire another 25 when the operation gets into full swing. Most of the employees are from the Challis area, Mooney said. If the market remains stable, the mine should stay open for about 12 years.

Most at Friday's commemoration hailed the reopening as a much-needed economic boon to Custer County.

"It's positive for us that we can move back into the pie chart," state Rep. Lenore Barrett said. "It's nice to have good old folks back in town enjoying the burdens as well as the good."

Northwest salmon habitat plan surfaces

The Times-News

KETCHUM — A proposed survey for improving anadromous fish habitat on public lands in the Northwest has been released jointly by the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management for public review.

Titled "PACFISH," the "ecosystem-based water habitat strategy" is designed to restore

and conserve riparian areas and freshwater habitat for anadromous fish: salmon, steelhead and sea-run cutthroat trout — on Northwest public lands.

A public meeting has been scheduled by the Sawtooth National Forest, at 7 p.m. on Tuesday at the Ketchum Town Square meeting room in Ketchum to present information on PAC-FISH and to take public comment.

A second meeting will be held Thursday, April 14, at the Community Building in Stanley. That meeting also begins at 7 p.m.

Copies of the 100-page PAC-FISH environmental assessment, if available, by contacting Sawtooth National Forest offices in Burley, Twin Falls, Fairfield, Ketchum and Stanley. An 11-page summary is also available.

Study looks at Hispanic discrimination

NAMPA (AP) — Hispanics who believe they've been discriminated against often turn to community meetings — rather than state agencies — for help, a study released by the Idaho Human Rights Commission said.

Those "community resources," the study reports, could serve as forums for liaisons between government agencies and Hispanics — and improve relations among the Hispanic and non-Hispanic communities.

There's no question discrimination exists in Idaho, it's time to move on, said the study's author, Laura Edles, adjunct professor of sociology at Boise State University. "Hispanics are circumventing the agencies and going straight to the people. There's where I see the solution because that's what's going on."

Edles' \$30,000 study was part of a federal grant designed to examine ways to teach immigrants their legal rights. About \$50,000 in grant money is available until September; Edles hopes the money can be used to begin training "community resource people" for the interviews.

Edles' study reveals that Hispanics have little faith in government agencies to solve discrimination problems. Instead, they prefer to turn to neighbors or other perceived knowledgeable people — usually other Hispanic women who speak English or who are particularly sympathetic or understanding.

Other recommendations included bilingual training for government employees and more English as a Second Language classes available at the community level.

Humberto Fuentes, executive director of the Idaho Migrant Council, supports the study's recommendations. His agency receives about 50 to 100 "legitimate" complaints of discrimination from around the state each year, he said.

DUTTON FARM EQUIPMENT AUCTION

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 1994

Location: Jerome, Idaho. From spotlight at city center, 3 miles North, 1 East, 12 North. Watch for the JMA Auction signs.

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GROUND WORKING EQUIPMENT

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CONSIGNED EQUIPMENT

Chrysler 2 ton truck, 6 cyl. does not run — John Deere A tractor, single front 12-4x30 rubber — Farmall A tractor, single front end — implement 12 ft. till and trailer, single axle — International #16 tractor side rake — John Deere cult. stalk corrugator — Oliver grain drill 20 ft. hdd. disc w/eletric, steel wheel — Edwards 2 ton dump, 3 pt. hitch — John Deere single ball w/row harrow — old John Deere manure spreader — 3 pt. grower — dump rake — ball disc — 20 tire wheel.

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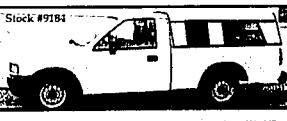
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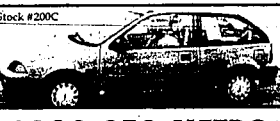
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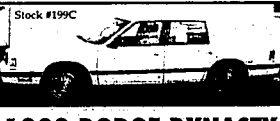
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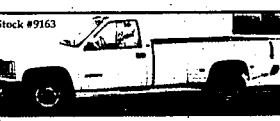
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I don't mean to be critical, but ...

The following message appeared on a menu in a New York City diner:
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We chuckle because this message reflects something we all know: We live in an age beset with negatives. And among the most bothersome of the "small-time" negatives that gnaw and chew at us is criticism.



JoAnn Larsen
Psychology

Criticism turns out to be a rampant, annoying habit besetting other people, inasmuch as we do not appear to be suffering from this affliction ourselves.
Of course, as we also know at heart, we all struggle with this habit, and, unfortunately, our shortcoming is often the cause of Calvin's.

After a disastrous encounter, Calvin said, "My whole problem is my lips move when I think."
Unfortunately, says Leo Aikani, "most of us are umpires at heart; we like to call balls and strikes on someone else."

However, when we do offer criticism, it is obviously for the other person's good. And, of course, when we deem it proper to improve someone else — as a self-appointed improvement committee of one — we use only "constructive criticism" inasmuch as we "care enough to say the very worst."

But we must ask the question: Is there such a thing as constructive criticism?
The very term seems to involve a contradiction in terms. How can one be "constructive" and "critical" at the same time when, according to the dictionary, criticism involving finding fault, censuring and disapproving?

It's hard to see what's so constructive about that. Most of us would emphasize, in instances of our being the recipient of such silliness: "Don't give me that 'constructive' business!"

Mignon McLaughlin probably said it best: "No one wants constructive criticism. It's all we can do to put up with constructive praise."

And Hal Chadwick expands our perspective, observing, "No one so thoroughly appreciates the value of constructive criticism as the one who's giving it."

Judith Martin, who writes the "Miss Manners" column, provided the clincher: "Perhaps the greatest rudeness of our time comes not from callousness of strangers but from the solicitude of intimates who think that their frank criticisms are welcome."

Why then is "constructive criticism" such a flop?

First there's the fact that being critical simply doesn't work if one's goal is to influence others in ways that are palatable, helpful and effective.

Please see CRITICAL/D2

Why Johnny keeps getting sick

Rising tide of ear infections, falling effectiveness of antibiotics tax doctors' abilities to keep toddlers healthy

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Forget CD-ROM, interactive television and frozen-yogurt futures.

America's true growth industry of the '90s is represented by the fussy toddler with the flushed face sitting on his mom's lap in the corner of Dr. Ben Katz's waiting room.

He's pulling on his ear, and he won't be comforted. You wouldn't either if you had an ear infection.

Treatments, troubling microbe — D2

"Ear infections make up about 40 percent of our office visits," said Katz, who practices in the Pediatrics Center along with six other doctors. "And we're seeing more of it all the time."

The numbers are striking: According to the Washington Post, American physicians diagnose about 25 million cases of otitis media — the 30-cent term for ear infections — each year.

Ear infections are three times more prevalent than in 1975, and by one estimate the reason for 15 percent of the nation's antibiotic prescriptions, the Post said.

In 1992, ear infection was the most frequent diagnosis in emergency room visits in the United States, and two years earlier it was the second-most common reason people visited doctors in their offices, behind high blood pressure and ahead of normal pregnancy, the newspaper said.

To understand why, you need to know that medical science's magic bullet is firing blanks more and more often nowadays.

"The antibiotic treatment that was so successful for 30 years isn't working as well anymore," Katz said. "If we lose the effectiveness of antibiotics, we're back to horse-and-buggy medicine."

Blame that on some street-smart bugs. Microbes are survivors, and they've lasted for a billion years by adapting to and learning to live with what once was lethal — including penicillin and its cousins.

They've gotten a big boost from the fact that antibiotics are everywhere, giving bacteria plenty of chances to evolve immunity to them.

"If a patient comes in with a cold and doesn't get a prescription for antibiotics, he almost feels cheated," said Dr. Mark Grefenson, a Twin Falls ear, nose and throat specialist. "Doesn't matter whether the antibiotics will do him any good or not."

Ear infections may be the best evidence that those antibiotics are slowly losing the race with microbes they suppressed so effectively for the past 50 years.

"It used to be you gave a kid with an ear infection a prescription for amoxicillin, and that took care of the problem in most cases," Grefenson said. "That's not always the case now."

Add all of those drug-resistant bacteria to viruses that are immune to antibiotics, and you've got a doctor's dilemma.

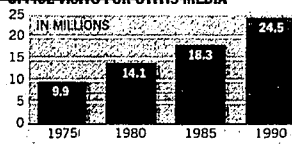
You have to go with your best guess," said Dr. Julian Nicholson, a Twin Falls ear, nose and throat specialist. "In some cases the infection comes back again, and again. It's very frustrating for parents."

Otitis media is an abscess, or an infection of an enclosed space. It happens when the eustachian tube, which connects the back of the throat to the middle ear, closes up. Bacteria or viruses then grow between

THE RISE OF OTITIS MEDIA

Acute otitis media is an abscess of the middle ear, the space directly behind the eardrum. It can be caused by viruses or bacteria and sometimes follows a cold, especially in children under age 2. Otitis causes pain and fever and can occasionally spread to nearby organs to cause serious illness.

OFFICE VISITS FOR OTITIS MEDIA



THE EAR



HEALTHY MIDDLE EAR

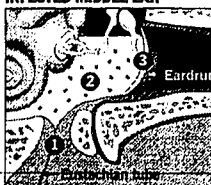


In a healthy ear, the eustachian tube provides an open passage from the middle ear to the throat.

Its purpose is to allow equalization of atmospheric pressure on both sides of the eardrum.

SOURCE: National Center for Health Statistics

INFECTED MIDDLE EAR



1 When the eustachian tube swells shut, the normal drainage of the middle ear is lost.

2 Trapped bacteria can multiply, causing inflammation that results in the accumulation of pus.

3 The fluid creates higher than normal pressure inside the closed space, forcing the eardrum to bulge outwards and cause intense pain.



Washington, D.C., physician Dr. Francis Palumbo checks 1-year-old Stewart Mical for an ear infection.

the eardrum and the blocked part of the tube, causing fluid buildup, stachian tube and put pressure on the eardrum and sometimes fever.

Many — but not all — cases happen after a cold or a flu, and infants and toddlers are afflicted because their eustachian tubes are short.

If it happens often enough or the infection is severe enough, it can cause damage to the eardrum and permanently affect the child's hearing.

Given their druthers, many doctors would treat ear infections the way they treat any other kind of abscess — they'd insert a small plastic tube to allow it to drain. The tube eventually comes out on its own as the child outgrows it.

But few parents — and even fewer kids — risk surgery, so antibiotic treatment is almost always the first course of action — and frequently the only approach.

"Amoxicillin still works in most cases, and there are a whole range of antibiotics available," Katz explains.

And doctors must take cost into consideration when prescribing the alternatives, Grefenson said.

"The nice thing about amoxicillin is that it's cheap," he said. "But when it doesn't work, the other antibiotics are more expensive, and you have to take into consideration whether the parents can afford a \$60 prescription."

Ear infections come back again and again because very young children are again walking Petrie dishes for bugs.

"Changes in society have exposed children to more diseases," Katz said. "It used to be that a kid who got sick stayed home; now he's likely to go to a day-care center."

Three-fourths of American children spend some time in day care, which makes the task of finding out the next ear infection difficult.

"I don't know if it's practical to prevent a kid from getting an infection in a day-care setting, but there are some things you can do," Nicholson said. "The biggest would be keeping the child away from exposure to cigarette smoke."

Allergies can also play a role in ear infections, Nicholson explained — allergies from everything from dairy products to pet hair. So can the way a baby is left nursing with a bottle in a crib, Grefenson said.

Given all the ways kids can get ear infections, some doctors treat them prophylactically — with low doses of antibiotics designed to stave off the bugs.

Others do nothing.

That's because analyses of many otitis studies suggest that only one-third of children with the acute illness are likely to be helped by antibiotics, according to the Washington Post. The disease — regardless of cause — often goes away on its own even without treatment.

In one study, at Cleveland, Ohio, Metropolitan General Hospital, 93 percent of children got better within six days if they took an antibiotic that killed the bacteria in their middle-ear fluid. However, 62 percent of children whose bacteria were not eliminated by the antibiotics also got better within that time — as did 80 percent of those with non-bacterial infections, the Post said.

European doctors, by and large, deal with ear infections by watching and waiting, but that's not a suggestion you're likely to hear from many Magic Valley physicians.

"I think it's important to treat ear infections because of the risk of permanent hearing loss," Katz said.

But however they're treated and however many times ear infections come back, he offers hope for kids whose pediatricians' waiting rooms are their second homes between October and April.

"They will outgrow this."

Inside

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Looking good

Sporty styles move into mainstream

Orange County Register

It started when Madonna wore Laura Whitcomb's long-sleeved calf-length Adidas dress last year.

Sporty style has since jumped from the gyms, running tracks and cycling routes to the runways and streets, becoming a spring trend.

The elements of the sporty style: big varsity logos and letters trimming the front and back, racing stripes on the sides of the sleeves or legs; a mix of loose and sleek silhouettes such as leggings, cropped tanks, sleeveless bodysuits, anoraks, cropped sweatjackets, bike shorts and micro-shorts in cotton or cotton/spandex. The colors: white, navy, bright blue, red, leather gray, black and yellow.

Sports shoes in the same palette or just plain white complete the picture, but for funky types, the chunky-heeled sneaker is the must-have. Of late, Adidas, Con-

verse and Puma have become strong fashion statements, but some people swear by their Avias, Reeboks and Nikes.

Here's the good part: Some of these clothes are made for serious athletic activity. They don't just look sporty — they are sporty.

Ralph Lauren certainly had serious sports in mind when he designed classic cropped tanks and sleek bottoms for his Polo Sport line. Polo's involvement in things athletic goes back a long way with its sponsorship of American men's sports teams which, in turn, wear functional Polo clothing.

Donna Karan's skimpy spectator dresses might be better off on the sidelines, but her white pique wrap skirts with shorts underneath, matching white scoop-necked tops and cropped and zippered sweat jackets might score well on the tennis court, Karan herself is a workout buff.

Please see SPORTY/D2



AP photo

This gym gown from designer Norma Kamali features a Shilte satin train on a satin jacket over a black stretch, long-sleeved gown with star pattern.

Health notes

BASHFUL BLADDER: As many as 10 percent of men may suffer from the "bashful bladder" syndrome, an inability to urinate freely in public restrooms, researchers suspect. In the worst cases, it results in people becoming unable to leave their homes. Treatment requires patients to use several rest rooms in the University of Michigan medical center, starting with small ones that are out of the way and gradually moving to ones that are more widely used. The therapist at first stands outside the restroom to assure that the patient will have total privacy. As treatment proceeds, the therapist forces the patient into more realistic situations.

SUBSTANCE OF ABUSE: Begin talking to your children about drinking when they're in grade school and continue doing so right through their teen years. So say substance-abuse experts, who tell Family Circle magazine that alcoholics whose drinking problems emerge before age 20 are much more likely to experience clinical depression, attempt suicide and spend time in jail as adults.

AND BABY MAKES THREE: How will having a baby change your life? "Fifty percent of marriages experience substantial decline in quality; 15 to 20 percent ... showed improvement; while the remainder ... were relatively unchanged," according to a study by Pennsylvania State University researcher Jay Belsky, author of "The Transition to Parenthood: How a First Child Changes a Marriage,

Why Some Couples Grow Closer and Others Apart."

HELP FOR WOMEN: The cholesterol-lowering drug lovastatin has been found to lower the risk of heart disease in men. Now a new study shows that women also can benefit from the drug's protective effect. A two-year study of 331 patients, of whom 62 were women, showed that low doses of lovastatin worked equally well in males and females to retard the progression of fatty deposits in coronary arteries and to prevent new ones from forming. Dr. David Waters reported in Circulation, a publication of the American Heart Association. New coronary blockages occurred in only 4 percent of the women taking lovastatin compared with 45 percent of the women taking a placebo, Waters said.

CONTACTS RISKY: Of the 12,000 cases of contact lens-related ulcerative keratitis that occur each year in the U.S., an estimated 6,000 to 8,000 of these cases may be caused by wearing contact lenses overnight. A Johns Hopkins study has found. With an estimated 24 million Americans using contact lenses, the risk of this type of infection is relatively low and the infection can be effectively treated, noted Dr. Peter Donshik, of the University of Connecticut Health Services Center and a member of the board of the Contact Lens Association of Ophthalmologists.

Compiled from wire reports

Ear infection treatment no longer 'perfect' cure

The Washington Post

There was a time when doctors could confidently treat virtually all ear infections with amoxicillin, a decades-old cousin of penicillin that in many ways was the "perfect" therapy.

A course of treatment costs less than \$10. It is safe, and it is used to be effective against all three microbes causing most of the bacterial otitis media.

But now about one-third of *H. influenzae* and about 90 percent of *M. catarrhalis* are resistant to amoxicillin. They disarm it with an enzyme called beta-lactamase, which has evolved and spread as more and more of these bacteria grow up in an environment full of amoxicillin.

This has led many doctors to turn to a dizzying array of alternatives. Among the more popular are cefaclor, marketed as Ceclor, a combination drug called Augmentin; trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole (Bactrim or Septra); erythromycin; and cefixime.

All have advantages and disadvantages. Ceclor is gaining the familiarity of an old war horse but is not invariably active against beta-lactamase producing organisms. Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole is not affected by the enzyme, but has been associated with a few fatal allergic reactions. Cefixime tastes great and is given just once a day, but may not be as effective against *S. pneumoniae* as amoxicillin.

Even greater differences are seen in cost.

Worrisome penicillin-resistant microbes appear

The Washington Post

The emergence of penicillin-resistant *S. pneumoniae* in children with otitis is especially troubling, and not just to pediatricians.

That microbe is the most common cause of bacterial pneumonia in adults, and a major cause of meningitis and several other diseases.

"Resistance has consequences not only to children with otitis media, but to their parents and grandparents," said Benjamin Schwartz, an epidemiologist of childhood and respiratory diseases at CDC.

In 1992, the Medical Letter, a nonprofit company that evaluates new drugs, compared the wholesale prices of antibiotics for 10-day courses of treatment. (Adult dosages were used, but the price differences presumably hold in pediatric dosages also.)

As expected, drugs such as Ceclor (\$54.97) and Augmentin (\$49.93) covered by patent and made by only one company are more expensive than "name-brand" generics (Bactrim \$21.78), which are more expensive than true generics (trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole \$1.95 to \$8.45).

Husbands' blood pressure rises more than wives' in arguments

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — When couples argue, the blood pressure of the man is more likely to go up than that of the woman, a University of Utah researcher found.

Over time, that reaction could lead to heart disease and other stress-related illness, said psychologist Timothy Smith.

"People who are chronically angry and hostile ... are more likely to develop cardiovascular disease. The question is: What is the connection between these kinds of social patterns and developing heart disease?"

Smith studied 60 Salt Lake couples. First, he measured blood pressure as each couple discussed a topic such as how to handle budget cuts.

Then Smith had the couples discuss the same topic again, but this time, they were told independently to persuade or influence their spouses.

Each partner had a financial stake in the outcome. Smith offered the persuasive victor a chance to win \$100.

He found that blood pressure shot

up in men trying to control or influence their wives' opinions. In fact, it doubled the rate measured when they simply were discussing the topic with their spouse.

"That difference was true for the wives. The blood pressure of wives who were attempting to influence husbands didn't go up any more than when they were simply talking with their husbands."

The research also found that the men got much angrier than the women.

"It may be that attempts to exert interpersonal influence and control are tied up with anger for men," said Smith.

Women do experience physiological effects when arguing, Smith said. They had elevated blood pressure similar to their husbands' when they were trying to influence strangers.

More research is needed to see if women do not experience the same rise in blood pressure when arguing with their husbands, Smith said.

CSI offers kids computer class

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — A College for Kids Introduction to Computers class for fifth through eighth graders is being offered at the College of Southern Idaho.

The class will provide students with an overview of major software applications. It will include training in word processing, electronic spreadsheet, database management,

DOS and a brief session on windows.

Bus transportation will be provided by Trans IV from the students' schools to CSI. The class will be held from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Parents/guardians are responsible for picking up their children. Cost is \$55; registration may be done in the Taylor Building Records Office. For more information, call Shonna Parsons at 733-9554, extension 266.

Critical

Continued from D1

"I have seen many amazing things in my life, but I have never seen anyone who could take criticism well," Roger Rosenblatt said. "All criticism, be it casual or vicious or constructive, is unpalatable. Sure you can profit from criticism in the long and painful run. But taking it is something else. Taking it means letting it go down like custard — no blinking, no flinching, no wishing you were dead."

Further, there exists a near 100 percent correlation between a sender's giving "constructive criticism" and a recipient's responding defensively. Give a dose of "constructive criticism" and what do you get? Volat! Instant negative reaction and an obstacle to communication that you may never overcome.

A note from an advertising executive to a writer in another agency, written after the executive had been criticized by the other man, serves to illustrate it. "Dear Doc, Yes I am black. Kettle."

As in this instance, a person on the defensive often counterattacks, which serves to escalate an argument, with both parties blaming the other for starting conflict.

So what are the alternatives to criticism? Here are a few for starters:

1. Incorporate as a style of life, focusing on what's going right, rather than on what's going wrong.

Sporty

Continued from D1

Perhaps the most welcome aspect of this athletic inspiration is the overt way it conveys the message that to look athletic is to look good.

Norma Kamali expressed this idea best when she chose real-life athletes to model her uncluttered sport-influenced designs for a spring runway preview in New York last November. Slinky, strong abs, firm buttocks and powerful legs looked right at home in her clothes.

"The collection on athletics is athletic wear," Kamali said. "It's the real thing, not clothing for the streets inspired by athletic clothing. Leathery athletes to make that point, not models."

"They're functional — they do what they're supposed to do for different types of athletes, and for you and me."

Although she acknowledges that sporty design is a trend in clothes now, she sees it as a permanent aspect of a woman's lifestyle rather than a fad. And yes, she practices what she preaches.

"As we women evolve, we tend to think of fitness and beauty as one rather than as separate. We are making different ways of exercising a regular pattern in our lives."

So adamant is Kamali about her

Giving people feedback about what they are doing, or have accomplished, motivates them to do better. Praise has power, noted Bern Williams. "Praise can give criticism a lead around the first turn and still win the race."

"And practice works," Norman Vincent Peete said. "Most of us would rather be ruined by praise than saved by criticism."

Establish yourself as a person who has the best interests of another at heart; something that occurs over time and with many affirming acts.

"He has a right to criticize who has a heart to help," Abraham Lincoln said. James Dobson added, "The right to criticize must be earned, even if the advice is constructive in nature. Before you are entitled to tinker with another person's self-esteem, you are obligated first to demonstrate your respect for him as a person. When a relationship of confidence has been carefully constructed, you have earned the right to discuss a potentially threatening topic. Your motives will have been thereby clarified."

When you do need to discuss something in a relationship that is going awry, be open to options that might include your making the adjustments, as in the instance of a husband who said to his wife, "I'm uncomfortable about something, but, in talking to you about it, I am

sports clothes emphasizing function that she prefers they not be placed in trend shops where they could be pegged as ephemeral. Ideally, she'd rather see them in gym boutiques or sporting-goods stores.

For research, Kamali counted on several areas: her own experience in designing swimwear and bodywear, her workouts at the gym and interviews with real athletes.

"Working out is a part of my life," she said. "I have a lot of information and skills in creating patterns for this kind of clothing."

Kamali's fitness regimen includes weight training, aerobics and pilates, a set of exercises that build endurance and strength.

Clearly, it's not a glamazon brand-size-or-a-matchless-thinness that these clothes idealize. Instead, they call for a fit and healthy body — something infinitely more realistic, attainable and kinder to women.

"Women are looking to be in control of their bodies, not by dieting or drinking some chocolate imitation," Kamali said. "That's so crazy."

Kamali believes in good nutrition and exercise.

"Exercising is a serious consideration. It's important for physical fitness as well as stress relief."

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not presuming you're the one who needs to change."

• Be ready to suggest positive solutions that appeal to another person. "There is nothing as easy as denouncing," Will Rogers said. "It doesn't take much to see that something is wrong, but it does take some eyesight to see what will put it right again."

"Don't find fault," Henry Ford said. "Find a remedy."

—Jonanne Larsen is the Salt Lake City marital counselor. Her column appears on Mondays.

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Co-ed aerobic class set at Jerome Rec Center

JEROME—A 4 p.m. co-ed aerobic exercise class will begin today at the Jerome Recreation Center Gym. Susie Homan will be the instructor. The fee is \$20 (\$25 for out-of-district participants) for a six-week session. Class will be held on Wednesdays and Fridays. For more information, call the recreation center at 324-3389.

Learn how to prevent kids from being in accidents

TWIN FALLS—If you are concerned about the rising incidence of fatalities and serious injuries sustained by the children of the Magic Valley, attend the Safe Kids injury prevention class. The class is held at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. This is a new program just released from the American Academy of Pediatrics. The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. today at the MVRMC cafeteria. There is no charge for the program.

Pre-registration is required to register for or for more information, call Blossom Mathews, Safe Kids Program coordinator at 737-2430. Learn what you as a parent, grandparent, day-care provider, teacher or baby-sitter can do to help prevent accidents from happening to your children.

Jerome Senior Citizens Center plans aerobic class

JEROME—A senior citizens aerobic class instructed by Susie Homan will be held beginning today at the Jerome Senior Citizens Center. Class will be held at 11 a.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays and at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Pre-registration is required at the Jerome Recreation District or the senior center. The fee is \$10 (\$15 for out of district participants) for either class session. For more information or to register, call the recreation center at 324-3389.

Learn how to cope with widowhood through series

TWIN FALLS—Widowed Individuals and Consultation Services will begin a series of meetings on "Coping with Widowhood" from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the College of Southern Idaho Office on Aging. The eight-week series will meet every Wednesday. The meetings are for widowed persons who will receive information and support in dealing with problems of being widowed. Some topics will include coping with

grief, stress and loneliness. For more information or to register, call 736-2122.

Lupus Support Group to meet Wednesday at CSI

TWIN FALLS—The Lupus Support Group will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday at the College of Southern Idaho Office on Aging Annex, 998 Washington St.

For more information, call Becky Jensen through the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Senior Connection at 737-2065.

Workshop will teach how to start over after divorce

TWIN FALLS—"Starting Over," a free workshop to help people explore educational and employment options, will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday in the Desert Building, Room 113 at the College of Southern Idaho.

The program will cover the transition process during divorce, coping with grief and anger and identifying transferable skills.

Anyone interested in attending should contact the CSI Center for New Directions at 733-9554, ext. 361 because of limited space in the classroom.

Cancer Support Group plans Thursday meeting

TWIN FALLS—The Magic Valley Cancer Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the waiting room area of the Southern Idaho Regional Cancer Center, 656 Addison Ave. W. At this month's meeting, members will have an opportunity to participate in a group sharing session. The cancer support group meets on the second Thursday of the month. Refreshments are served and family and guests are invited. For more information, call the Southern Idaho Regional Cancer Center at 737-2441.

Red Cross chapter offers 9-hour First Aid course

TWIN FALLS—The Sawtooth Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer a nine-hour course in Community First Aid and Safety from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday. Community first aid teaches cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) for adult, infant and child victims and first aid.

The course fee is \$30 and pre-registration is required. To pre-register or

for more information, call 733-6164 or stop by the Red Cross office at 718 Shoshone St. E.

Utah clinic head to speak at Diabetes group meeting

TWIN FALLS—The Diabetes Education and Support Group will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. April 13 in the conference room at the Health and Welfare Office located on Pole Line Road.

Raul Reber, D.O. Director of the Diabetes Care Clinic at the University of Utah will be the featured speaker. The group is open to anyone concerned about diabetes and regular meetings are offered at no charge. For more information, call Barbara Holloway at 736-8336.

Do you want to learn more about Caesarean births?

TWIN FALLS—The third of each Childbirth Preparation Program is available to anyone wishing to learn more about Caesarean deliveries. The date for the current class is scheduled for 7 to 9:30 p.m. April 19 in the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center second floor conference room.

There will be a lab manual, plus instruction covering medication, hospital procedures and non-conforming labors. A tour of the obstetrical department, including the C-section room, will be given.

The non-refundable fee for the class is \$15. For more information, call the Education Department at 737-2900, weekdays between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Twin Falls Parkinson Support Group to meet

TWIN FALLS—The Twin Falls Parkinson Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. April 19 at the KMYT Community Room.

The topic of discussion will include "Dietary Problems and Innovations Regarding Parkinson's Disease," with speaker Molly Slough, dietitian. For more information, call Don Arrington at 733-8868 or Ray Clark at 324-5013.

Sawtooth Red Cross offers Community First Aid class

TWIN FALLS—The Sawtooth Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer a nine-hour course in Community First Aid from 8 to 9 p.m. April 19, 20 and 21.

Community First Aid teaches cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) for

adult, infant and child victims and first aid.

The course fee is \$30 and pre-registration is required. To pre-register or for more information, call 733-6164 or stop by the Red Cross office at 718 Shoshone St. E.

Prepare for vaginal birth after Caesarean section

TWIN FALLS—A prepared vaginal birth after previous Caesarean birth (VBAC) will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. April 18 and 25. The class will be held at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, second floor conference room. The non-refundable fee is \$20.

Designed to prepare the expectant mother and her support person for a successful labor, parents will learn about VBAC safety, relate their birth stories, and connect with people who have gone through similar experiences. The expectant mother is asked to wear comfortable pants and to bring two pillows. Her support person is encouraged to attend.

Pre-registration is required. To pre-register or for more information, call the MVRMC Education Department at 737-2900, weekdays between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Are you losing your hair? Learn to correct condition

TWIN FALLS—Men or women, is thinning hair a problem? Daily hair loss is normal, however, when hair loss amounts are greater than new hair growth, you should take immediate steps to correct this condition.

Want to learn more? Come to a free information class at 7 p.m. April 19 at Hair Etc. Etc., located at the Campus Commons center on Filer Avenue.

Learn about Nioxin—the hair program with amazing results. A Nioxin representative will be there. For more information, call 733-5082.

Therapist will teach breathing techniques

TWIN FALLS—The Magic Breathers' Club will meet from 2 to 3:15 p.m. April 19 at 998 Washington St. N. (on the College of Southern Idaho campus behind the Office on Aging in the Senior Annex Building). Julie Schwerman, registered physical therapist will demonstrate sitting activities that promote relaxation, body alignment, range of motion and gentle stretching.

Light refreshments will be served. The room is heated and/or air-conditioned.

The meeting area is also wheelchair accessible and accommodates

oxygen units. The club is a support group for people with respiratory disease and is sponsored by the American Lung Association, with support from local hospitals and oxygen-medical supply businesses. Family and friends are welcome. The club is scheduled to meet on the third Tuesday of each month through November.

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This year's best tax tips straight from IRS

Today I am pleased to present the results of the Amateur-Tax-Tips contest, in which I asked readers to submit their tax-preparation tips on postal cards and send them to me at the time I win a valuable used pair of men's briefs signed by humor writer Roy Blount Jr. Needless to say, this prize stirred up plenty of excitement. Many of the entries mentioned it by name ("Do not send me the underwear, please") and some of the winners will receive information and support in dealing with problems of being widowed. Some topics will include coping with

Dave Barry Humor

tions that I've listed include "wage slave," "alchemist" and "saboteur." (M. Denise Moore)

"If you are dead as of midnight, April 15, you may request an extension to file." (George Ellerman Jr.)

"Use that standard \$20,000 deduction for church donations. When you file electronically, you can send in your payment by repeatedly running a dollar bill through your fax machine." (Harold Tapper)

"Do not cheat on your tax return. I cheated last year and was immediately given a high-ranking congressional office. It really scared me." (Phil Harvey)

"Assuming your car produces no income and you file jointly, you can save up to 50 percent of your tax bill. The tricky part is finding the right minister. Before he would perform the ceremony, my minister asked me, 'Son, did you get your car in trouble? Because I won't do weddings like that.'" (Don Kelly)

"Being poor has always worked for me." (S. Dailey)

"I think we can agree that these are all excellent tax tips, and in an ordinary year, any one of them would be good enough to win underwearer signed by Roy Blount Jr. But this is not an ordinary year. This is a year when a truly wondrous Amateur Tax Tip has been suggested by the Internal Revenue Service itself.

Here's what happened: In 1992 the

IRS got audited, for the first time ever, by the General Accounting Office. The results were just related, and guess what, taxpayers? It turns out that the IRS has been doing a terrible job of record-keeping. The Associated Press states: "The IRS system for administering its own money was so bad that auditors were unable even to review 64 percent of the IRS's \$6.7 billion budget in 1992." In auditing the IRS's cash accounts, the GAO also found "unresolved differences of \$63 million."

Now get this. In response, IRS Chief Financial Officer Morgan Kinghorn explained that—I am not making these quotes up—the IRS had been using an "old system" of accounting that "just was simply not auditable and not designed to be auditable." But now, he said, the IRS has a new system.

"My guess," Kinghorn said, "is we'll have a clean opinion next year." Isn't that marvelous, taxpayers? Doesn't that just mean you want to haul your tax forms and your cardboard box full of 12,837 unintelligible tax-related pieces of paper into the air with joy?

Finally, we have an Official IRS Excuse! From now on, if you have any problem with the IRS, and the amount in question is \$63 million or less, simply state that your accounting system was "not designed to be auditable," but that you have a new system, and

that your "guess" is that everything will be OK next year. I'm sure this will be fine with the IRS.

So that is our winning tax tip, and I am going to lauder the grand prize and mail it to Mr. Kinghorn. I'm sure he'll accept it with grace and good humor. Please bring me food in prison. Also bring some for Roy Blount Jr.

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PROFILES IN SURVIVAL

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Better breathing

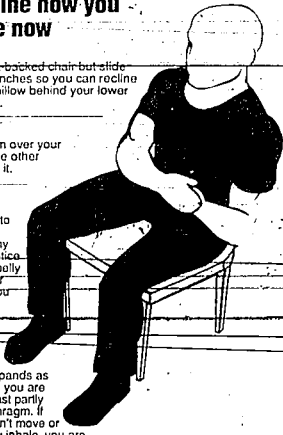
Breathing is the mirror of the psyche. When you are most relaxed, your breathing is different than when you are tense, scared or angry. Your mental state affects your breathing. The opposite is also true: Your breathing affects your mental state. If you learn to breathe correctly, you can help yourself feel more relaxed. The key is abdominal breathing using your diaphragm. Here's how to do it:

1 Determine how you breathe now

■ Sit in a straight-backed chair but slide forward a few inches so you can recline slightly. Put a pillow behind your lower back if you like.

■ Place one palm over your navel; place the other hand on top of it.

■ Without trying to change your breathing in any way, simply notice whether your belly is expanding or flattening as you inhale. This is easiest to do if you close your eyes so you can concentrate. If your belly expands as you breathe in, you are breathing at least partly from your diaphragm. If your belly doesn't move or goes flat as you inhale, you are breathing from your chest.



2 Shift from chest to abdominal breathing

■ Take a deep breath, then blow it out completely through your mouth.

■ As you do this, notice how your belly flattens; now flatten it even more, squeezing out every last bit of air through your mouth.

■ Let the next breath flow in by itself through your nose. Can you feel your belly expand? If not, try again.

■ The trick to shifting from chest to diaphragmatic breathing is to exhale completely for just one breath. Exhaling that breath through the mouth fully empties stale air from the bottom of the lungs. The resulting vacuum automatically pulls in a deep, diaphragmatic breath. Two or three minutes of abdominal breathing provide a real time-out from tension. Even two or three breaths make a difference.

SOURCE: "Minding the Body, Mending the Mind," by Joan Borysenko

Deloitte Free Press, KAT Infographics

Advantages can arise when parents disagree

Q. My husband and I don't always agree on how to handle situations that come up with our two children, ages six and three. I'm concerned that this may be confusing for the children and might contribute to later insecurities. My husband says I worry too much. Who's right?

A. The real issue is not that you and your husband don't always agree, but how you negotiate your disagreements.

In any healthy relationship, one in which the two people involved retain autonomy while maintaining commitment, a certain amount of disagreement is inevitable. Because of differences in background and the perspective of you sees and responds to things differently. It's inevitable, therefore, that your parenting styles will at times be on slightly different wavelengths.

There are, in fact, several advantages to disagreement. First, because you are different people, you bring more than one point of view to any given situation. In other words, your differences create options. This has the potential of imparting more flexibility and adaptability to the manner in which you raise your children. Second, your differences create a more exciting dynamic within your relationship and increase your potential for growth — both as individuals and as a couple. Third, assuming you find creative ways of resolving your differences, your children not only learn how to deal with conflict, but will also see that there is more than one way to skin the proverbial cat.

Disagreement can quickly become a barrier to, rather than a vehicle for, growth and change if you focus too much energy on it. The more attention you pay to disagreement, the further apart you'll seem and the worse your disagreements will be. Under these polarizing circumstances, you can quickly lose sight of the fact that you actually agree about more than you disagree.

For example, although you might differ on how to get the children in bed at night, you may agree on such things as the time you want them in bed, that it's important for the two of you to have time together in the evening with other children, that you're not going to let the children get in bed with you, that you're not going to get in bed with them, and so on. Finding your com-



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mon ground makes it easier to find mutually acceptable solutions.

Disagreeing with your spouse within earshot of, or even in front of, the children is OK as long as the discussion is low-key and creative. Children need, in fact, to see that conflict and hostility are not one and the same thing.

Children have a tendency to want to rescue their parents from conflict, regardless of how low-key it is. When our children were younger and tried to rescue Willie and me from conflict by interrupting or trying to distract, we'd say something like, "We know it makes you uncomfortable to hear us argue, but we'll be just fine. Meanwhile, you aren't allowed to interrupt." If they persisted, we sent them to their rooms until we finished our discussion. Eventually, they learned the old-fashioned virtue of minding their own business.

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Hagerman school sets kindergarten pre-registration

The Times-News

HAGERMAN — A kindergarten pre-registration and screening is set for 1 to 3 p.m. Wednesday in the multipurpose room at the Hagerman Elementary School.

Parents or guardians should bring a certified copy of the child's birth certificate and proof of immunizations. Children enrolling in kindergarten must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 1994.

Find out how healthy you are at fair

The Times-News

HAILEY — Just how healthy are you and your family?

You can answer that question at the Wood River Medical Center health fair during "Healthy Choices: How Healthy are We?"

Sponsored by U.S. West, the medical center, the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare and Blaine County Recreation District, the fair will run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 23 at the Wood River High School.

A variety of services will be available to assess your family's health. All are free of charge with

the exception of a nominal fee for blood cholesterol testing.

The March of Dimes will begin and end its annual "Walk-a-Thon" at the health fair. Tours of the Life Flight helicopter will be available, and Lucky the Drug Dog will be on hand.

Other services and resources include:

- Blood cholesterol, blood pressure and cardiovascular screening.
- Skin fold tests to measure body fat and flexibility testing.
- Skin cancer screening by local dermatologists.
- Diabetes testing.
- Vision checks and information.

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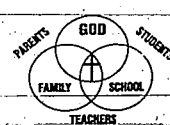
• Information on the "Work Out to Work" program sponsored by the Rec Dist.

Information will also be available for the Hospice of the Wood River Valley, the Crisis Hot Line, emergency services, local child care and youth services. For convenience, a supervised kiddie koral will be available for young children.

Results of testing taken during the health fair will be tabulated to determine the extent of community health.

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- Lupus Support Group • Wednesday, April 13, 7 - 8:30 p.m., CSI Office on Aging Annex, 998 No. Washington. For information, call 737-2065.
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