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## Briefly

### Clinton wants no delay on crime bill

WASHINGTON — President Clinton on Monday urged Congress to make quick work of the crime bill, warning that "frivolous" and "political" amendments would annoy an already anxious public.

"The American people have waited long enough," he told a receptive audience of police officers, including a dozen recently hired through his community policing initiative.

"We don't need to waste their time with frivolous or political amendments and delay," he said to the standing-room-only crowd at the Justice Department. "We don't need to take months on a task that can be done in a couple of weeks."

The \$15 billion House crime bill, containing "more police, more punishment, more prevention," includes some of Clinton's key proposals: thousands of additional police, a provision sending third-time felons to prison for life, \$3 billion for state prison expansion, and \$7 billion for prevention efforts.

### Massacre victim out of hospital

GLEN COVE, N.Y. (AP) — Kevin McCarthy finally went home Monday, four months after he was badly wounded in the Long Island Rail Road massacre that killed his father and five other passengers.

McCarthy left North Shore University Hospital wearing a bicycle helmet to protect his skull. He said he remembered little about the shooting.

When asked about his father, Dennis McCarthy said: "It was a great loss. I don't think about it that much."

The 26-year-old McCarthy was among 19 people wounded Dec. 7 when a gunman opened fire on a rush-hour LIRR train. A bullet tore through his right hand and the right side of his skull. Colin Ferguson, 35, has been charged with the shooting.

### Protester targets federal Haiti policy

WASHINGTON — Randall Robinson says he feels betrayed by the Clinton administration's policy toward Haiti. He calls it "profoundly racist" and plans not to eat until it changes.

Robinson, best-known for protests against South Africa, said he "will start a juice and water fast today to protest the administration's policy of forced repatriation of Haitians."

Denying Haitians the right to flee brutal military rule, he said, is tantamount to "sealing them into the death chamber of their own island."

"This makes President Clinton complicit in the behavior of Haitian military leaders as they murder anyone who favors democracy in that country," said Robinson, 52.

### Taiwan sanction ban wildlife products

WASHINGTON — President Clinton told Congress today he has imposed trade sanctions barring the import of wildlife products from Taiwan but has spared China of similar action.

In a letter to House Speaker Thomas Foley, Clinton said he took the action because of Taiwan's lack of progress in prohibiting use of tiger and rhinoceros products. Both species face possible extinction in two to five years if the trade is not curtailed, Clinton said.

However, the president said import restrictions are not now justified against China because that country has made progress in dealing with threats to the endangered species, including burning government-held supplies of tiger bone and rhino horn.

### Woman's breasts are tax break

WASHINGTON — An Indiana woman has won agreement from the U.S. Tax Court that her breasts are business assets and can be depreciated for tax purposes.

Cynthia S. Hess, known as "Chesty Love" in her professional life as an exotic dancer, and her husband, Reginald R. Hess, claimed a \$2,088 deduction in 1988 for depreciation on the surgical implants that enlarged her bust size to a 56FF.

The IRS turned down the deduction, citing a long list of court decisions holding that expenditures to enhance a taxpayer's health or appearance — while useful for business — are so inherently personal that they can't be deducted as a business expense.

But Hess found an ally in Special Trial Judge Joan Seitz Pate, who ruled that the implants increased Hess' income and that the breasts are so large and cumbersome — they are about 10 pounds each — that she couldn't derive personal benefit from them.

### YMCA ceiling dives into pool below

AUGUSTA, Maine — A ceiling fell into a YMCA swimming pool during an adult exercise class Monday, pitching the room into darkness and sending swimmers into a panic.

No serious injuries were reported. The class of 14 women and one man and their instructor were in the pool when more than half the ceiling of acoustic tiles fell into the water, said John Coughlin, executive director of the Kennebec Valley YMCA.

"It was horrible," said Patricia Van Orman, who needed stitches for a cut over one eye. She said she heard an odd noise and looked up to see the ceiling peeling away.

### High court upholds clinic injunction

BOSTON (AP) — A sharply divided state supreme court upheld an injunction Monday that bars Operation Rescue from blocking abortion clinics.

In a 4-3 ruling, the Supreme Judicial Court said the injunction against the anti-abortion group protects the civil rights of women seeking abortions.

The injunction in place since 1991 at the request of the Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts bars anyone connected to Operation Rescue from trespassing on or blocking abortion clinics.

Operation Rescue members had appealed the ruling on grounds they had not violated anyone's civil rights by blocking or coercion, noting that no woman had testified that this had occurred.

Compiled from wire reports

# Clinton's pay over \$14,000 in back taxes

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clintons failed to report \$6,498 in income that Mrs. Clinton made in commodities trading in 1980, the White House disclosed Monday.

They wrote checks totaling \$14,615 in back taxes and interest to cover what the White House called an oversight.

The checks were written to the U.S. Treasury and to the state of Arkansas.

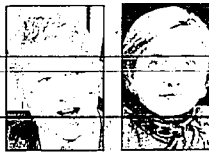
"The Clintons do not know how the error occurred but accept responsibility for it," the Clintons' personal attorney, David Kendall, said in a statement.

The income is in addition to a nearly \$100,000 gain that the White House previously reported Mrs. Clinton made in 1979-1980 in commodities trading.

The White House has said Mrs. Clinton made the money after staking \$1,000 of her own money on risky cattle futures.

New documents made available by the White House on Monday showed Mrs. Clinton put up \$5,000 of her own money in a second trading account in October 1979.

A review of the records showed "that a short term capital gain of \$6,498 from 1980 commodities trading



Clinton Mrs. Clinton

was not reported," Kendall said. "The federal tax on this gain would have been \$3,315; the state tax would have been \$514. The Clintons are today paying these taxes plus accrued interest."

In addition to the check for the back federal taxes, Kendall said, the Clintons paid Arkansas \$652 for back interest, he said.

The Clintons did not pay any penalties on the amounts.

A source close to the Clinton's tax situation, made available by the White House to reporters, said penalties were not paid because the failure to pay the taxes was an

oversight — and not willful. The Clintons came voluntarily, he said. He noted that the statute of limitations on back taxes is three years — five years if the IRS suspects criminal wrongdoing.

The source said the accounts on Mrs. Clinton's trading "are confusing. We understand them as well as we can."

The White House also disclosed that the Clintons were audited by the Internal Revenue Service in 1980 with respect to their 1979 taxes and not required to pay back taxes.

Kendall, in his statement, said the taxes on the previously unreported capital gain of \$6,498 in 1980 were slightly offset by an \$80 loss from commodities trading that was not reported that year.

The existence of a second trading account for Mrs. Clinton, with the brokerage firm of Stephens Inc., had been previously reported. Earlier, it was said that she put up \$5,000 of her own money and closed the account after losing about \$1,000.

The earlier statement "is imperative," a senior administration, speaking on the condition of

anonymity, said Monday. Actually, the new document revealed, Mrs. Clinton opened the account in 1978, put \$5,000 into it in October 1979, and closed it in May 1980, withdrawing \$10,489.

The new documents also contradict earlier suggestions by White House officials and the president that Mrs. Clinton got "cold feet" when the market started to turn sour while she was pregnant with Chelsea, and that she got out.

The new records show she traded until May 1980. Chelsea was born in February, 1980.

The new material only adds to the confusion surrounding Mrs. Clinton's finances in the late 1970s.

Traders have said that Mrs. Clinton's well-publicized \$100,000 killing in the risky cattle-futures market would be highly unusual for a beginner.

Those gains — and now the additional profits of \$6,498 — are expected to be part of a congressional hearings into the Clinton's investment in the Whitewater real estate venture in Arkansas and its relationship to a failed savings and loan.

## Plutonium tests rampant in '40s

WASHINGTON (AP) — Human plutonium experiments may have been more widespread in the 1940s than previously thought, with more than two dozen patients possibly involved, new documents suggested Monday.

The documents, hidden among Energy Department records recently opened for public view for the first time, disclosed that six people drank plutonium as part of medical tests in 1946.

Other documents alluded to two additional patients who may have had plutonium injected as early as 1944 and a third who was injected with a highly radioactive material similar to plutonium. Previously the plutonium injections were believed to have been limited to 18 patients in tests conducted between 1945 and early 1947.

The additional tests involving

patients who drank a plutonium solution were described in a June 20, 1946, memorandum between two scientists at the University of Chicago.

The experiments in which plutonium was mixed in a solution of water and hydrochloric acid was conducted in May of that year to "gain some idea as to the rate of intestinal elimination" of plutonium in humans, according to the memo.

Rep. Edward Markey, D-Mass., on Monday sent a letter to Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary asking for more information about the previously unknown tests and said they represent "another part of the iceberg of human experiments with this deadly substance."

Markey, who made available copies of the documents, said it appeared that the solution drank by the six patients

contained fairly low-level doses of plutonium — much less than the amount used in the injections — but that they, nevertheless, represent additional examples of questionable human testing.

The 1946 memo, characterized as a monthly summary of activity involving medical radiation experiments, was written by Dr. E.R. Russell to Dr. J.J. Nickson, both at the University of Chicago. The two men were among a handful of scientists who in the 1940s were trying to learn how plutonium is distributed in the body and how rapidly it is excreted.

It could not be learned from the memo where these additional tests took place, the identity of any of the patients, nor whether any had been properly informed of the experiments or given consent.

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## Welfare mistakes, fraud cost \$1 billion in 1991; some denied benefits

WASHINGTON (AP) — Welfare recipients were overpaid \$1 billion in 1991 because of fraud and mistakes by state agencies and the families collecting monthly benefits, according to a federal survey.

The survey also found that thousands of other poor families with children were improperly denied welfare benefits by state and county workers responsible for deciding eligibility for Aid to Families with Dependent Children.

The survey by the Department of Health and Human Services measures mistakes by agency employees and fraud and errors by welfare recipients. It found that overpayments accounted for \$1 billion of the \$20.7 billion paid to low-income families in 1991, an

error rate of 4.96 percent and the lowest on record.

In Idaho, overpayments amounted to \$900,000 and the error rate was listed as 1.42 percent in the survey.

Conservative welfare experts say the survey fails to measure more sophisticated fraud, such as cash-for-cash fraud by recipients who work off the books or by using phony IDs, hide assets, claim fictitious children, or "double dip" and collect benefits in two locations.

Liberals complain that caseworkers put more effort into keeping errors down than helping single mothers on welfare become self-sufficient.

The question of welfare fraud is especially sensitive as the Clinton administration drafts a plan to pump billions of new dollars into the welfare

system to help low-income mothers get the skills, education and child care they need to get off welfare and into the work force.

Rep. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., chairman of the House Small Business subcommittee on regulation, says the AFDC survey is the latest evidence of substantial fraud in the nation's welfare programs, set against a backdrop of federal cuts for local fraud investigators.

"These are potential dangers aimed at the heart of welfare reform," said Wyden.

"If you have mistakes in both directions — deserving people losing out and people who are undeserving taking advantage and exploiting the system — it undermines your ability to show that the government can really use

resources wisely and implement overall reform," Wyden said.

Efforts to fight welfare fraud are rarely mentioned in the administration's draft plans to overhaul AFDC. And the Clinton administration on April 1 began cutting back the federal government's share of the cost of investigating both AFDC and food stamp fraud.

States and the federal government divide the expenses of running AFDC and providing cash benefits to 5 million low-income families with children. State or local employees decide eligibility and investigate fraud.

Welfare experts say that about 40 percent of the documented overpayments are the fault of recipients, who either intentionally or mistakenly mis-

represent their incomes and assets. The rest are blamed on caseworkers, who must navigate complex eligibility rules that vary from one welfare program to another.

In addition to the overpayments, the government's survey shows that tens of thousands of families were improperly denied benefits, including 15,057 in Texas, 13,266 in Florida and 11,955 in California.

Mike Genese, deputy director for welfare programs in the California

Department of Social Services, is critical of the Clinton administration for cutting spending on anti-fraud efforts. He said welfare fraud has been ignored by officials drafting the president's welfare reform plan.

"You can save a lot of money in welfare, without hurting anyone who really needs it, by clamping down on fraud," Genese said. "They need to put welfare fraud prevention and detection somewhere at the top of the welfare reform agenda."

## Strategic bombers cripple Luftwaffe for D-Day

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The U.S. 8th Air Force continued to blast the German aircraft industry in April 1944 in order to cripple the Luftwaffe before the D-Day invasion of France.

The heavy bombers went up 20 times during the month. Losses were fairly high on most of these raids. The Germans were unable (or unwilling) to mount major assaults on the bomber formations with the same frequency that the 8th Air Force was able to send them over the continent. The Luftwaffe was now hoarding its planes, fighting only when they could maximize their effort. The tide had turned in the air.

However, flying the bombers was still one of the war's most dangerous assignments.

On April 11, the month's largest raid was sent against aircraft plants at Osnabrueck, Bernburg, Sorau and Cottbus. The 1st and 3rd Bomb Divisions sent 643 B-17 "Flying Forts," and the 2nd Bomb Division contributed 274 B-24 "Liberators." Flying escort were 819 fighters (124 P-38 "Lightnings," 454 P-47 "Thunderbolts" and 241 P-51 "Mustangs").

Yet despite the size of this aerial armada, 64 bombers were lost. Another 406 bombers were damaged as the Germans came up with everything they had. Six hundred seventy-one American airmen were killed or captured.

The enemy also suffered heavy losses. Whenever the German fighters ran into American fighters, in particular the P-51s, they went down in lopsided



numbers. The problem was that the escorts couldn't be everywhere, and the Germans searched for those bombers that appeared to be without the protection of their "little friends."

The American strategy was to let the fighters prowl to cover more territory and, they hoped, intercept more enemy fighters. Also starting in April, the fighters were released to chase the enemy back to his bases and were

encouraged to shoot up enemy aircraft on the ground. This was of particular value on those days when the Luftwaffe was reluctant to come up and fight.

Meanwhile, from Italian bases the 15th Air Force was making itself felt.

On April 5, 23rd B-24s and B-24s were sent against Ploesti in Romania. However, unlike the costly low-level raid sent in August 1943, this time the bombers came in high. One group was sent to hit the rail yard at Bucharest to draw off enemy interceptors and to get the anti-aircraft batteries to use up ammunition before the main effort arrived over the vital oil refineries.

The range to Ploesti was too great for fighter escort, so the "big fighters" were on their own.

The B-24s of the 454th Bomb Group were in the lead heading for the refineries. Enemy Me-109 single-engine fighters made head-on passes, some

flying through the entire bomber formation. Meanwhile, out of range of the bomber's guns, twin-engine Ju-88 bombers that had been converted to "destroyers" fired rockets into the formation. As the target was neared, the interceptors broke off, and the AA guns took over. The 454th lost seven bombers that day.

While the American heavies continued deep strikes, the British heavies were shifted to transport targets in France to disrupt German troop and supply movements. The medium bombers of the U.S. 9th Air Force were also working this territory, softening up the area for the coming ground campaign.



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### Russia, U.S. plan military exercises

MOSCOW — Russian and U.S. troops will hold joint military exercises on Russian soil for the first time this summer, Russian officials said Monday.

The exercises, involving 250 soldiers on each side, will last about one week in July and help prepare for future United Nations peacekeeping operations, Defense Ministry spokesman Vyacheslav Sedov said.

They will be held near the town of Tsvetkovo, about 450 miles east of Moscow. The site was used for a 1954 above-ground nuclear test involving Soviet army servicemen, but Sedov said the level of radiation is not dangerous.

The troops will come from Russia's 27th Motorized Rifle Division and the U.S. Army's 3rd Infantry Division, he said.

### Detained Shanghai dissidents released

BEIJING — Three Shanghai dissidents detained during French Prime Minister Edouard Balladur's weekend visit to the city have been released, one of them said Monday.

Bao Ge, who was taken from his home Saturday by police, was released Sunday but not allowed to leave his apartment, he said by telephone from Shanghai. Police guards were posted outside his building.

Wang Fuchen was released Sunday evening, Bao said. Wang had been attacked by three people, believed to be plainclothes police, as he left the home of veteran dissident Yang Zhou. Bao said Wang sustained stomach injuries and could not keep food down.

Yang also was detained, and released early Sunday afternoon, about an hour after Balladur's departure, Bao said.

### International observers scout Hebron

HEBRON, Occupied West Bank — An advance team of international observers scouted the tense city of Hebron on Monday, and a clash between Israeli soldiers and Islamic militants broke out in their wake. Three Arabs were wounded.

The violence was an indication of the challenge facing the observers, who will be sandwiched between Islamic fundamentalists and Jewish settlers, and face suspicion from both Israelis and Palestinians.

It could well become a mission impossible. Leaflets from Islamic militants have threatened attacks on observers, and opponents said they viewed the 160-member observer unit as a token designed to assuage Palestinian anger but powerless to protect the 80,000 Arabs.

Jewish settlers were no warmer.

"It seems they are coming with a predisposition against the presence of Jews in Hebron," said Yehiel Leiter, a spokesman for West Bank settlers.

### Scientist to replace prime minister

ALGIERS, Algeria — Equipment Minister Mokdad Sifi, a physicist and chemist, was named Monday to replace Prime Minister Redha Malek. Malek, who presided over the bloodiest months of Algeria's Muslim insurgency, submitted his resignation and that of his Cabinet on Monday to President Liamine Zeroual, a government statement said.

Zeroual accepted the resignations and immediately appointed Sifi to form a government. Sifi, 53, was trained in physics and chemistry in Algeria and Paris. He has served in high-ranking posts in the Ministries of Commerce, Public Works and Finance.

The government statement did not say why Malek was stepping down.

### Archaeologists uncover Roman ruins

AMMAN, Jordan — Excavators have unearthed ruins of what appears to be a 2,000-year-old Roman settlement, the Department of Antiquities said Monday.

The ruins, found in an area called Yajouz, six miles north of Amman, contain remains of a large Roman temple with Corinthian capitals, portraits, relief friezes and sculpture, said Safwan Tel, the department chief.

"Indications are that the site must have comprised large buildings and that a Byzantine church could have been set up on the ancient Roman temple found there," he said.

Archaeologists moved into the area several months ago after workers digging the foundation for a private residence stumbled onto the ruins, Tel told The Associated Press.

### PLO chairman loyalist killed in shootout

SIDON, Lebanon — A senior loyalist of PLO chairman Yasser Arafat was killed in a shootout Monday with opponents of the Middle East peace process, security sources said.

Hussein Abu Zeid was shot at an intersection in the Ein el-Hilweh refugee camp on the outskirts of the southern port city of Sidon, the sources said. The PLO detained two suspects and turned them over to Lebanese police, said the sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Abu Zeid, 42, was among the most senior officers of Arafat's mainstream Fatah PLO faction. He was the fourth Arafat loyalist killed in Lebanon since the Sept. 13 peace accord between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Compiled from wire reports

# New fighting reported in Rwanda

BUTARE, Rwanda (AP) — Chaos, despair and blood flowed through this small African country for a fifth day Monday.

The air was heavy with the stench from thousands of corpses and from the smoke of villages burned by marauders.

Hundreds of foreigners have fled since the ethnic-based violence gripped Rwanda. Some foreign aid workers had elected to stay, but even some of the most dedicated were packing their bags Monday and hoping to find a way to escape.

In Butare, Rwanda's second-largest city, refugees from the countryside told of gangs of men roaming the countryside, setting fire to villages and hacking the residents to death with machetes.

In Kigali, the capital 50 miles north of Butare, automatic weapons fire in the streets played a terrifying counterpoint to the roar of shells on the city's outskirts. Armed men, many of them clearly drunk, manned checkpoints and went house-to-house looking for victims.

"From the roof of the French school, while evacuees were being loaded on trucks, you could look across a valley and see people, especially women, being hauled out of houses and being taken to death on the road," Mark Hubbard, a reporter for the London Guardian, said by telephone from Kigali.

Hubbard said there was shelling to the east and north of Kigali's airport, the jumping off point for foreigners unwilling to risk driving through the anarchic countryside.

The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies said Monday it had pulled all but one of its foreign staffers out of the country and "expects the worst" for the 250,000

refugees who had fled earlier violence. The U.N. High Commission for Refugees also has withdrawn its workers.

U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher said all of the 250 Americans, mostly missionaries and aid workers, who wanted to leave Rwanda had been evacuated by late Sunday. Some were flown to Nairobi, Kenya, while others went by truck convoy to Bujumbura, capital of Burundi.

The United Nations has been trying to broker a cease-fire between the rebels and the army, but the rebels on Monday again rejected the efforts. "We have not signed any cease-fire agreement and we don't intend to do it," said Christine Omutonyi and Bosco Butera, members of the RPF's political bureau in Kampala, Uganda.

French troops were in control of the Kigali airport, where a command post was set up in the bar. Soldiers' knapsacks and helmets were lined up in the departure lounge next to the duty-free shop.

By Monday evening, 620 French nationals had left Rwanda with a "very reduced number" remaining, said French Foreign Ministry spokesman Richard Duque in Paris.

Four Belgian planes and 250 paratroopers also arrived in the capital to assist in evacuations, and about 330 U.S. Marines were in Burundi.

Belgian Defense Minister Leo Delcroix said the 900 Belgians in Kigali could be gotten out within four days, but it could take 10 days or longer to evacuate the 600 Belgians living outside the capital.

Belgium administered Rwanda and Burundi — which had been parts of German East Africa — from the end of World War I until both countries became independent in 1962.



A Canadian woman is helped in Nairobi, Kenya, Monday from a plane that evacuated her and other foreigners from the Rwandan capital of Kigali.

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## THE 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 an extensive review of international medical literature, as well as interviews with researchers, practitioners and patients.

Its conclusion: the best clinical studies show spinal manipulation by chiropractors is more effective than medical treatments for low-back pain.

The report's principal researcher, Pran Manga, 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," he reports.

Manga says he found "good empirical evidence patients are very satisfied" with chiropractors and "considerably less 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.

Manga, 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. I think doctors do know (medical) doctors in my family."

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

When asked why, if this is true, medical doctors don't seem to know it, Manga 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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# Opinion

## Editorial

### At last, a chance to make county government sensible

When Lincoln County's sheriff sued his own county commissioners last year, some voters were bewildered.

A county suing itself? Could such a thing be?

Yes it could, because in Idaho, a county is a dog with nine tails, each of which wags independently.

The sheriff is responsible for law enforcement, just as the coroner, the assessor, the clerk-recorder, the treasurer and the prosecuting attorney are responsible for their own little corners of the courthouse. But the three county commissioners control the budget.

And none of these nine elected officials has authority over any of the others.

This crazy setup works OK in some counties. But sometimes — especially in larger counties such as Twin Falls — it can lead to confusion and frustration.

Help may be on the way at last. At the end of the legislative session, state lawmakers agreed to let Idaho citizens vote on a constitutional amendment permitting county reorganization.

If the amendment passes, it won't force any counties to change their systems. But it will allow options.

A county might, for example, adopt a system similar to what the city of Twin Falls has: a board of elected, part-time

commissioners overseeing a professional manager, who in turn supervises department heads.

Of course, that idea is only speculation. Several steps lie between here and there.

• First, Idaho voters have to approve the constitutional amendment. It will be on the November ballot.

• Next, the Legislature must pass a law stating what options will be available to counties.

• Then, individual counties would put specific plans on local ballots.

• Finally, local voters could approve (or reject) those plans.

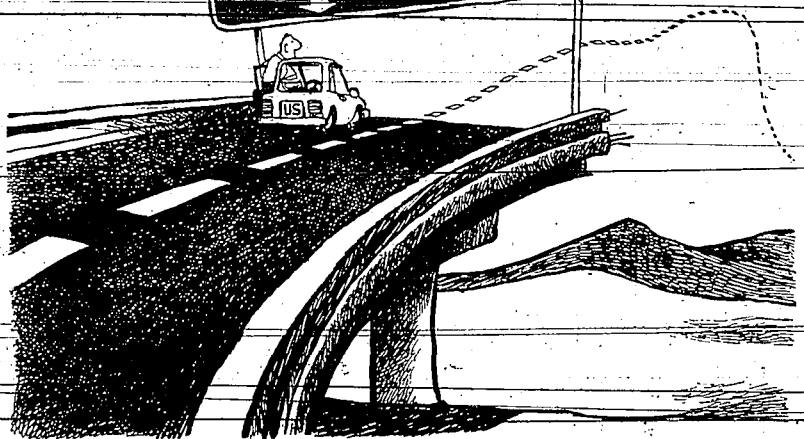
That's a long process, and it needs to start now. Our advice to voters is twofold: One, plan to vote "yes" on the constitutional amendment in November.

Two, make reorganization an issue in this year's campaign for county commissioners, especially in Twin Falls County. Voters should quiz candidates about where they stand on the issue: Are candidates willing to eliminate their own full-time salaries, if that's what's best for the county?

County reorganization offers opportunities for efficiency and progress, but only if local voters and officials pursue the possibilities. Now is the time to start.

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## Information Superhighway



## It's time to consider legalizing drugs

Said Brother-in-Law irritably: "That's it! I've had it!" It was. And he had.

B-in-L was reading about the Boston SWAT team that mistakenly raided the apartment of a 75-year-old black minister from the Caribbean, broke into his bedroom after a chase, and handcuffed him brutally. Forty-five minutes later the terrified victim was dead of a heart attack.

You cannot put yourself in his place, but consider the scene: Thirteen police officers, some or all of them with masked faces, set upon a gentle cleric with a warrant charging "drug-dealing." It so happened that the Rev. Acelym Williams had spent most of his adult life fighting the drug traffic. What was he to think?

Well, B-in-L and I think it was a damned outrage, the latest in a series of ham-handed police actions in the failed war on drugs. Let him talk.

"I wouldn't have said this a few months ago. Today I say it is time to decriminalize some drugs. Not all of them at once. Start with marijuana, which has medicinal properties. If that works, after a time go on to something else."

"At the same time I'd outlaw machine guns. They have no place in hunting game and are useful only in killing people."

B-in-L, let it be noted, is a stalwart member of the National Rifle Association and a deeply dogmatic Republican who follows the party line with dogged devotion. He has broken, if slightly, with both philosophies or platforms. I

Don Shoemaker

was surprised. And, I suppose, cheered.

The drug thing, as George Bush would say, is hopeless. We have had a steady round of aspiring politicians and some sincere people mud-wrestling over the years with drugs. As long as there are fortunes in running cocaine, contriving crack and setting up situations the threat of legal actions will give zest and challenge to law violators. The money thing.

Take that away and the running and buying of drugs lacks romance as well as profit. Many Americans living today saw all that happen with Prohibition. That misbegotten movement created a generation of drinkers without noticeably drying up the supply of drink. The worst of it was the hotting up of crime. When a street-level kid can drop out of high school and peddle crack, why be concerned about education and its legendary rewards?

The money made in illegal handling of drugs is beyond description. High-priced homes, luxury cars and boats, seamless sex, trunks loaded with money — all these and other things are the product of our current market economy in drugs.

On the other hand is the amount of money lost. Drug policing is sophisticated and expensive. The law is up against greedy and careless entrepreneurs who too often can buy protection for their illegal activities. When stupid cops have nothing to do but track druggies,

real, people-destroying crime can flourish.

Ever notice that a stolen car is irrevocably lost? Thousands in your community and ours are stolen every year. Where do they go? They go to obscure warehouses and garages where they are repainted and altered in many respects or broken up for the spare-part industry. Do the police know where these places are? Kid me not.

So long as organized law enforcement concentrates on drugs, which are overwhelming us, so long can real property and personal crimes be ignored. Safe streets?

This promise of scores if not hundreds of political candidates is the monumental irony of our times. It would take an army of police to make them truly safe. And then the cops would have to get out of their cozy patrol cars and really patrol the streets, which is actually the process of which "cops" is the derivative — Constable on Patrol.

Decriminalizing drugs in the United Kingdom is frequently cited as an American model. Has that worked? You get different stories. All that is available today and certifiable is that things are in a hell of a mess without any handy devil to put them right. When the backwoods surgeon general suggests it might be a good idea to take the money out of drugs, the White House reacted as though it had seen Ronald Reagan sleeping in the Lincoln bed. Guts, anybody?

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## Letters

### Idaho managed as game farm

It didn't dawn on me until I read about the Department of Fish and Game's predator eradication program that Idaho is basically managed as a large game farm for pleasant hunters. I had mistakenly thought that native species such as foxes, coyotes, badgers, skunks and raccoons had some intrinsic value because they enriched the natural environment which makes Idaho such a unique place to live.

Now I see that they're being killed because they reduce (how much is debatable) the population of an introduced species that is more desirable to shoot. To the hunting fraternity, I would suggest that when you place a food item under the nose of a predator, you should be prepared to accept some losses.

Fish and Game's ludicrous policy was even more confusing as it's implementation happened to coincide with my donation to the "Wildlife/Endangered Species" fund on the Idaho tax return; while I was helping the state protect wildlife, locally its agents were trapping and killing it. I believe that most Idahoans recognize that all wildlife contributes to the beauty and diversity of nature; we need to reshape the misguided policies that have led to this latest nonsense. As a start, let's rename the agency the Idaho Department of Wildlife and charge it with enhancing and protecting all species, not just a few.

ANDREW CRANE  
Twin Falls

### Use taxes to clean up society

You're so right, Charlie Hallen! Public whippings, barbaric? What about the crimes that are being committed?

Let's start with Gooding — front lawn of the courthouse with throat-slashing Johnson and Peterson. Oh, that's right, one of them will tattle on the other to save his own neck. Can't whip him, he's a good guy. He didn't mean to cut anyone's throat.

Let's rescue our system from this embarrassment, turn our tax dollars to better use and clean up our society. We sit here with hands in empty pockets, asking, "Where is this reform we're buying?" We give three chances? What a crock, and at the taxpayers' expense!

I remember when a "Granny Gruns Scolding" would embarrass a child to tears, and if the parents learned that their child did something wrong, there was a willow switch to make an impression. (Can't do that anymore, the parent would be accused of child abuse; can't teach morals in school either, but we do teach about condoms — wouldn't want to lose our federal tax money!)

I was lucky to grow up during the Depression. We had parents who loved us and taught respect for others. We didn't receive a toy when we went to the store, we were lucky to get food. Now children have a fit if they don't get a new "thing" each time they walk into the supermarket. We got one doll or toy for Christmas, maybe something for Easter and the beginning of school, and we appreciated it with the utmost respect. Today, kids think everything is owed them, including what is not theirs.

These three things we owe our children: (1) love; (2) respect for God, parents and all others; and (3) independence. Everything else falls into place!

Like Charlie said, we watched the Do-Gooders and Educated Idiots pull our freedom away from us through enactments of the Legislature. Let's put our lives back into our own hands. Public whippings? You bet! It wouldn't take long to gain respect and shape derelicts into responsible citizens.

I thought that Charlie is a law-abiding citizen who respects other people's lives and belongings. I'm not a malicious — he sees the end to have something done. Twin Falls, Jerome, any city, would get many votes, and Charlie, if the whippings didn't work, I would personally buy you a new Sunday shirt.

MARY FULLMER  
Shoshone

### Idahoans deserve health plan

We, the people of Idaho, deserve a good health care plan. Our president and his administration have promised us a plan that will guarantee health insurance to everyone. What more could we ask?

We, the people of Idaho, need to get on the phone and call our representatives or write to them to forget about socialized medicine and give us some health care insurance we can use.

My wife and I raised a family, put them through school and paid off a 30-year mortgage; but a stroke, Alzheimer's or heart attack would be a catastrophe for our family. Long-term insurance is something we cannot afford.

Fellow citizens of Idaho, get on the phone and start calling or sharpen up your pencils and write. We have overcome a lot of hardships during and since the Great Depression. Let's get busy.

DUKE GILMAN  
Burley

### Prepare for long, hot summer

Good morning, been awhile. Looks like it's shaping up to be a long, hot summer in Twin Falls. I recall 1967. That summer, fires burned all over the United States of America.

Schools gonna fight over more money; Rankin's gonna fight over less. Farmers gonna fight for more water; fish gonna fight for less. Folks gonna fight for more houses; government's gonna fight for less.

My wife, in Blue Lakes Boulevard crowd, call such a contradiction — the serene, laid-back qualities of "Blue Lakes." The feeding frenzy at Albertson's, Ernst, mega mall, the real Blue Lakes.

—You know, the wildflowers are just starting to bloom on the lower desert. Won't be long and the aspens will be popping up on every ditchbank from here to Rogerson, and oh, the dandelions. A delightful sea of dandelions will soon burst forth on my yard. A lawn full of "tiny lilacs."

Maybe we can learn a lesson from the kids and take the summer off. Better yet, why wait? Think I'll take the spring off too. After all, I'm gonna hang out a sign: "I surrender — gone fishing and hiking."

Peace on earth!  
PHIL AUTH  
Bergers

## Victims of domestic violence need hope

"I want to focus on what I've done. I don't want to be a victim anymore," a woman I'll call Sandi, says with great conviction.

The professionally dressed woman with the confident manner has an all-too-familiar story. She recounts a time when she was three months pregnant and had a child in her arms. Her then husband dragged her by her hair down the stairs. He tried the child from her, dragged his wife to the car and drove her barefoot to the country, where he dumped her. She thinks he did that because he guessed she was going to find a way to leave.

The day she finally got away, she took her children and hid at a rural church camp her parents were attending. She applied for welfare, got a lawyer, moved in with her parents.

Eventually she asked her welfare caseworker about going to college, and was put into a work program that allowed her to go to school. She got her associate degree with honors and then her B.A. with honors at Wichita State University. Now she is working on a graduate degree in public administration. She has remarried, has a job and, with her kids and new husband, has just moved into their new home.

She says she has friends who have been victims of domestic violence and who are also doing well. But she knows that a productive life isn't easy for women who are abused by their partners. "They say every day they have got to get out," she acknowledges. "But where do they go?"

She says that safe houses help, but they

Myrne Roe

don't house anyone forever. She knew she needed to leave, but she kept going back to her abuser because she didn't know where else to go. And she says, "It gets scarier each time you go back because they (the abusers) know you have no place to go. That was the way it was for me, anyway."

She waited until her parents were able to take her in and tell her that she could stay as long as it took. It took six years.

"What made me finally leave was I had a place to go," even though her abuser "threatened and tried to break Dad's fingers ... and was arrested and convicted on battery charges."

Eventually she moved into a house, rent-free if she would help fix it up, and met her neighbor across the street. "Right from the beginning he kept an eye on us." They have been married now for more than a year.

She says that the book she has thought about writing about her ordeal has been "waiting for a happy ending, and I almost have one now." Even so, it has been a long and arduous task to raise her children, go to school, work and deal with all the legal concerns that arise from a situation like hers.

She has been in and out of court for five years over custody, visitation rights and child support. Not once in all the courtrooms regarding those issues did abuse come up. "If it didn't occur during the visitations, then it

wasn't relevant," she was told. She isn't through with the courts yet. A month ago, she says, her ex-husband broke into her house.

She had the help of her parents to get her to this point. And, she says, she had God's help. "He helped me by watching over me and my kids." She adds, "I have the things I dreamed about. I love my husband. I have a new house, a wonderful job, am getting my master's. My kids are OK and I have hope. (The hope) is something I didn't have in my other situation."

"I used to want to be a lawyer," she says. Her college internship was in municipal court where domestic violence cases are heard.

"Women need support getting through the legal system. My experience has shown me that the law system is broken. It's too big for me to fix." But, as a public administrator, "maybe I can fix policy and make it easier to change like the ways the court system works in cases like hers."

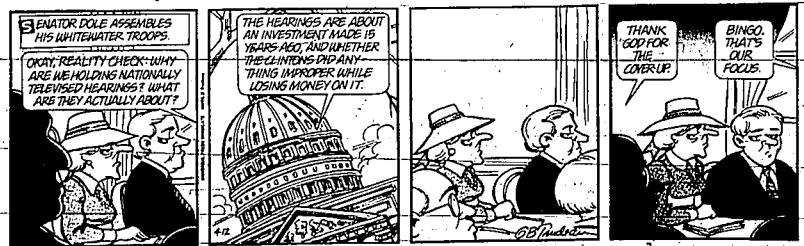
A Kansas State University publication, "Transitions," states that an estimated 30 percent of all women in America have faced some sort of domestic violence. Sandi thinks someday she may be in a position in her career to make it easier for other women who don't want to be victims, who need hope.

It's a big job. It will take a lot of Sandi to get it done.

Myrne Roe is an editorial writer for The Wichita (Kan.) Eagle.

## Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



# Texas voters to decide on challenger

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Voters decide today whether political veteran Jim Mattox or former Ross Perot adviser Richard Fisher will be the Democrat to challenge U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison in November.

A weekend poll showed a neck-and-neck race between Mattox, a former state attorney general, and Fisher, a Dallas millionaire businessman. Their heated contest focused on a building purchase, a check to a Bush-O'Quay campaign and country club membership.

In Harris County, a transsexual ex-convict once hours from the electric chair makes a third bid to lead the Democratic Party.

And in California, among closely watched contests there, state Sen. David Roberts, a powerful Democratic lawmaker who was co-author of a state

ban on military-style assault weapons, battles a recall bid backed by gun advocates.

Roberts, a liberal Democrat, faces five other candidates on the recall ballot in his San Fernando Valley district. Even if he survives the recall effort, Roberts will be leaving the Legislature in December under the state term-limits law.

In the Mattox-Fisher race, both candidates slammed each other in a tough interparty battle for the right to face the Republican Mrs. Hutchison in the general election.

A poll of likely Democratic voters, published Sunday in The Dallas Morning News and Houston Chronicle, showed Mattox with 48 percent and Fisher with 46 percent of support. Of 713 Texans polled, 6 percent were undecided. The survey's margin of sampling error was 4 points.

Fisher, 45, is a multimillionaire investor who was foreign policy adviser for the 1992 Perot presidential campaign.

Mattox, 50, served in the Legislature and Congress before election to two four-year terms as attorney general. In 1990, he lost a gubernatorial runoff to Gov. Ann Richards.

The candidates have blasted each other at every opportunity. Mattox accused Fisher of being a secret Republican for donating to Republican candidates, often displaying a blown-up copy of Fisher's \$1,000 check to the 1992 Bush-Quayle campaign.

Fisher said he asked for and got a refund, then his wife gave \$1,000 to the GOP White House ticket.

Under challenge from Mattox to resign from an all-white country club, Fisher has refused on grounds it would be hypocritical.

Fisher, meanwhile, has attacked Mattox's purchase of a 10-story Austin office building that received questionable financing from Mattox-business partners. Mattox says he had nothing to do with the financing.

Perot has not commented on the race.

The transsexual, Leslie Birtus, Perez of Houston, faces real estate developer David Minberg in a runoff. As Leslie Douglas Ashley, Ms. Perez was sentenced to death for the 1961 fatal shooting of a Houston businessman.

Four hours before the scheduled execution in 1963, a judge granted a stay of execution. The death sentence was later overturned because of suppressed evidence and in a retrial Perez received a 15-year sentence. After being paroled in 1971, Perez underwent sex-change surgery.

# Judge disqualifies Oregon anti-gay rights initiative

SALEM, Ore. (AP) — A proposed statewide anti-gay rights initiative is legally flawed and not eligible to go on the ballot, a judge ruled.

In a decision made public Monday, Marion County Circuit Judge Rod Miller said the proposal violates the rule of the Oregon Constitution requiring initiatives on constitutional amendments to have a single subject.

It was Miller's second ruling this year on the initiative sponsored by the Oregon Citizens Alliance. He withdrew his previous decision

because of a technical error.

Alliance Chairman Lon Mabon said Miller's new decision would be appealed. The group has been circulating petitions in hopes of submitting to the voters a revised version of the anti-gay-rights measure the voters defeated in 1992.

Miller, in a ruling dated Friday and disclosed Monday, said the proposed measure would do several things. The alliance had argued that all the measure's provisions deal with one goal, the "prohibition of minority status based on homosexuality."

# Man slain in confrontation with police

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Investigators are reviewing the fatal shooting of a 30-year-old man who allegedly picked up a tree limb and attacked two police officers responding to a domestic violence complaint.

Authorities said the two officers at first used Mace and their batons in an attempt to subdue Birtus Wilson, but when he swung the branch at one officer, the other shot him three times in the chest.

"With what we have in hand, it appears the officers acted in self-defense," Police Chief Ruben Ortega said.

The officers were identified Monday as Joel Schow and Michele Rendon. Both have been officers about 1½ years. Only Schow fired his weapon.

The officers were called to a west-side Salt Lake apartment complex

about 4 a.m. Sunday after an altercation apparently developed when Janet Wilson, 27, tried to pick up her car from her ex-husband.

Police Lt. Jim Jensen said that when officers arrived, they had to separate Wilson from his ex-wife. Rendon stood with him outside while Schow talked with Janet Wilson.

Salt Lake police Sgt. Phil Kirk said that Birtus Wilson seemed cooperative at first. "Then unexpectedly, he became very violent with the officers," Kirk said.

The officers struggled with Wilson, spraying him with pepper mace and hitting him with a police baton. At some point, he picked up a very large tree branch and advanced at the officer, Kirk said.

Wilson apparently swung the branch at Rendon, barely missing her. Then he advanced toward Schow.

"After the other levels of force, the officer (Schow) decided to use his service weapon," the sergeant said.

Three shots were fired. Wilson was pronounced dead at the scene.

A neighbor, who asked not to be identified, told the Deseret News "He was fighting and swinging to get them off," the neighbor said. "He (Wilson) was struck a few times before he started picking up items."

"I heard him say, 'Oh, you're going to shoot me. You're going to shoot me,'" the neighbor said. "All of a sudden I heard, 'Pow! Pow!' and I looked out and saw Birtus lying on the ground. ... I didn't hear any kind of warning signs."

# 4 seriously hurt in L.A. shootings

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A carload of men sprayed gunfire in two drive-by shootings, injuring four people including an actor in the movie "South Central," authorities said Monday.

The shootings were within minutes of each other late Sunday in the seaside community of Venice. There were no arrests as of early Monday.

The occupants of a car first shot a man and a woman in another vehicle, then a few minutes later opened fire with a semiautomatic rifle at two men standing in front of a music store a half-mile away, said police Lt. Otis Dobine.

One of those shot outside the store was identified as actor Byron Keith Minns. He was in good condition at UCLA Medical Center with wounds to the forearm, back and abdomen, said hospital spokeswoman Jackie Michaels.

Minns, 23, played the criminal friend of an embattled street-gang veteran who tries to spare his young son from gang life in the 1992 movie "South Central." The film was produced by Oliver Stone.

Dobine said he doubted the attackers knew that Minns, who was shot just after he stepped out of the store, was an actor.

The two other wounded men were in critical condition, while the woman's condition was not immediately released.

A witness said he was leaving the music store when a wounded man staggered toward him.

"He was shot in the head. If it had been 10 minutes earlier, it could have been me," said Scott Taylor, a vacationing Englishman.

The shootings occurred near a section of Venice where a turf war between black and Hispanic gangs has led to more than a dozen deaths since September. Dobine said none of the victims Sunday was known to be affiliated with gangs.

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# Andrus signs dime-a-pack increase on state cigarette tax

BOISE (AP) — A dime-a-pack increase in the state cigarette tax was signed Monday by Gov. Cecil Andrus, a former smoker who said the increased duty may have an effect on tobacco users.

"If this saves one life or improves others, this is a worthwhile measure," Andrus said during a signing ceremony in his office.

The increase in the state tax to 28 cents a pack will raise about \$7.7 million a year that will be earmarked for substance abuse education in the public schools.

"This is really aimed at prevention and education for kids," Democratic

Sen. Sue Reents of Boise said. "I'm really hopeful we can do something about keeping kids from beginning to smoke."

It also marked the only action taken in the past two years to fulfill the state's pledge to Idaho's Indian tribes to provide some economic development assistance. For depressed reservations.

Although the higher rate becomes effective July 1, cigarette dealers will be able to use tax stamps purchased prior to that at the old rate of 18 cents a pack until they run out.

When the tax was last increased from just over nine cents to 18 cents in 1987,

lawmakers made it effective immediately and there was still a lag of a month or more in getting the cheaper tax stamps out of the system.

The tax on other tobacco products will increase 5 percent.

Although supported by a solid majority of House members, the bill cleared the Senate by only one vote, and Reents and other supporters gave at least some of the credit for their narrow victory to the tobacco industry itself.

"There's one dude who exemplified the help that got this bill passed and that's Joe Camel," Reents said. As the bill moved toward a final vote in the Senate two weeks ago, lawmakers

repeatedly expressed amazement at claims by industry spokesmen that R.J. Reynolds' "Joe Camel" and other cartoon characters were aimed at an adult audience.

"This is not a product that is aimed at adult markets," she said as she presented a framed collector pack of Camel cigarettes with Joe Camel on them.

Claiming the cash from the higher tax would help offset a \$55 million a year industry advertising effort in Idaho alone, supporters said public schools will be able to increase the money they spend annually on substance abuse education from \$6 a

student to about \$33, just \$2 below the national average.

Critics of the tax hike argued that it would only increase sales at the Indian reservation smoke shops, where no tax is charged.

And if that is the case, it would provide the only economic assistance the state has given Idaho's tribes in the

nearby 21 months since lawmakers, at the governor's direction, voted to ban casino-style gaming on the reservations. In making that decision, which voters ratified in November 1992, the state promised to provide alternative economic help to casinos that several tribes saw as a major money- and job-producer.

## Filters strain pesticides from water

FORT HALL (AP) — Granulated-carbon filter systems are being installed at the Fort Hall Indian Reservation as a temporary solution for water contaminated by a pesticide.

The first filter was installed in the public well located by the Bureau of Indian Affairs facility and the second will be added next week in the town-site well, said Charlie Bidondo, Fort Hall water quality specialist.

"The first couple of samples we've tested shows the dirty water going in and coming out clean," Bidondo said. Bidondo said the filters currently are a stopgap, but they could be "temporary-permanent."

Fort Hall has been trucking in water since February after tests of the two public wells and some rural ones showed the presence of ethylene dibromide, a pesticide.

Bidondo said up to now about 7.5 million gallons of water have been brought in, but the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes want to get out of the "water trucking business."

The tribe is leasing the filters. Bidondo said the initial cost of installing the system in the Indian Affairs well was \$40,000 and the lease is \$3,000 per month. He is expecting the same cost on the town-site well.

For private wells with contaminated water, the carbon filters will cost between \$2,000 to \$2,500.

Non-Indian residents on the reservation presently are not getting any assistance on putting filters in place.

Bidondo said the testing has shown five public systems, involving 300 homes, with contaminated water.

"Two of the areas are adjacent to old landfills and three are related to agricultural activities," Bidondo said.

He said he was waiting for the results on 50 rural wells recently tested and was looking at testing 100 more.

## Woman, 67, dies in Lewiston fire

LEWISTON (AP) — A 67-year-old Lewiston woman died in a fire in her family home Sunday morning.

Bernetta Jackson was unable to escape the blaze and was discovered near a window by firefighters.

Jackson's husband, William Jackson, co-owner with her of Lewiston's Good Health Inc. store, was able to crawl out of the house with the assistance of a neighbor, but he did suffer smoke inhalation and minor burns to both arms. He is hospitalized at St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center.

Jackson said he awoke and found his bathrobe burning on the night stand beside his bed. He believed the robe ignited from being placed too close to a lamp that had been left on.

During their escape attempt, Bernetta became separated from William and was unable to exit the building. She was apparently overcome by smoke and perished in the fire.

Family and neighbors said she was very fond of her eight cats and believe she may have been trying to rescue them.

## Genesee teen dies

GENESEE (AP) — A 19-year-old Genesee woman has died at St. Joseph's Regional Hospital from injuries she received in a single-vehicle accident near Genesee.

April Swanson, of Genesee, was a passenger in a pickup truck that rolled off Highway 95 at 7 p.m. Saturday. She died Sunday morning.

Kathryn Waag, 17, of Genesee, was the driver of the pickup. Both girls were wearing seat belts. Waag was treated at St. Joseph's and released.

## Crash kills driver

PAYETTE (AP) — A Weiser man has been killed in a head-on collision with a tractor-trailer rig.

The Idaho State Police identified the victim as Kenneth Ward, 23. Authorities said Ward's car apparently crossed the center line of U.S. 95 just north of Payette Sunday morning and slammed into the truck.

The truck driver was not injured.

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# Magic Valley

## State rebuffs Idaho megafarmer

By William Brock  
Times-News writer

BOISE — One of Idaho's biggest farmers vowed Monday to keep seeking state approval to pump wells in eastern Idaho. The Idaho Department of Water Resources announced Monday that only two of 33 "transfer" requests made by Blaine Larsen and Larsen Farms Inc. of Hamer have been approved. The transfers, some of which have been routinely approved for years, targeted water rights as far away as Minidoka and Lincoln counties.

The two approvals allow Larsen to use 13.22 cubic feet of water per second — a far cry from his applications to pump 124.5 cfs of water. A cfs is 449 gallons every minute.

Larsen, in a telephone interview, said he's being singled out — but he expects a scaled-down request to be approved within three weeks.

"It's popular to pick on the big guy," said Larsen, who is Idaho's third-largest farmer behind J.R. Simplot Co. and Agri-Beef Co. He farms 32,000 to 45,000 acres in Clark, Jefferson and Fremont counties.

In Monday's order, Water Resources Director Keith Higginson gave that approval of all 33 transfer requests would reduce flows in Camas Creek, the Henry Fork, Snake River and inflows to Mud Lake. Further, approval would harm holders of senior water rights in those areas, Higginson wrote.

Larsen maintained that Water Resources has encouraged him to transfer water from CRP lands instead of drilling new wells — and he's complied.

"They've let me invest all this money and now they're against it," he said. "They knew exactly what I was doing."

In the past, Larsen has conceded that he invested in irrigation improvements on 4,200 acres in 1986 and 1987 before receiving permission to pump. In both years, the state ordered him to shut

down his new wells in mid-summer, and in both years he worked out agreements with the state to save his crops, Larsen has said.

In 1988, he leased water rights from landowners in Minidoka and Lincoln counties and got permission from Water Resources to pump those water rights from his Mud Lake wells near Hamer. That permission was not renewed Monday.

He said Monday that other requests to transfer water from CRP lands have been approved by Water Resources this year. Larsen's requests were opposed by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, as well as irrigators in the Magic Valley and Mud Lake areas.

The transfer requests concerned about 4,200 acres north of Hamer and about 3,000 acres near Dubois.

If approved, the transfers would have brought 29 wells back

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## Around the valley

### Inmate attempts escape during MVRMC visit

TWIN FALLS — A Twin Falls County Jail inmate didn't get far Monday afternoon after trying to escape while on a medical visit to the hospital.

Robert Hasch, 52, was released on his own recognizance for a visit to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Shortly after 4 o'clock, Hasch walked out of the hospital but sheriff deputies recaptured him before he was out of the parking lot, Chief Deputy Ed Gudgell said.

Hasch was in the jail for violating his probation after a drunken-driving conviction, according to 5th District Court documents.

### Rogerson man arrested during Watch meeting

ROGERSON — Friday's meeting to form a Neighborhood Watch group was interrupted when a man was arrested on a charge of being drunk at a public meeting.

David J. Heaton, 38, was booked into jail Friday night and released on bond Sunday morning, said Twin Falls County sheriff Sgt. Bill McDaniel. McDaniel had gone to Rogerson to help residents organize a neighborhood crime watch group.

In a "probable-cause statement" filed in 5th District Court, McDaniel said Heaton disrupted the meeting and became abusive when McDaniel asked him to leave. When Heaton entered the meeting, he appeared to have trouble walking and was slurring his words, according to McDaniel's affidavit.

When McDaniel started showing a short film, Heaton loudly interrupted him, wanting to know where the film was made, McDaniel said. Heaton interrupted the film three times, McDaniel said.

McDaniel said he stepped outside the meeting room and Heaton became abusive. McDaniel called for assistance, and Heaton was arrested around 7:30 p.m.

### Twin Falls police free cat from trap Sunday night

TWIN FALLS — A Twin Falls police officer freed a cat from a spring-loaded trap Sunday at a city residence, according to a police report.

Police were dispatched to a city home around 7:30 Sunday night, where they found the cat caught in the trap by its hind foot, according to a witness statement in the police report.

The statement did not say whether the cat was injured. The trap was tied to a fence, and police saw what they thought was electric wiring surrounding the fence.

The homeowner could not be contacted Sunday night, according to the statement.

### Police wish to return Cadillac hood ornaments

TWIN FALLS — City police have seven hood ornaments from Cadillac cars and would like to return them to car owners.

But Lt. Bill Stonemets said Monday to claim one of the ornaments, a person must have already filed a police report saying a hood ornament was lost from a Cadillac.

The ornaments will be given out on a first-come, first-serve basis, he said. The ornaments were turned in Monday by a parent who found them in his child's drawer, Stonemets said.

The police department also has a box of hood and trunk decals — the "H" from a Honda car, for example — and Stonemets said those also can be claimed.

Anyone wishing to speak with Stonemets can call him at 736-2224.

### Jerome opens garbage transfer station Monday

JEROME — The Jerome County garbage transfer station opened Monday with a flurry of vehicles hauling trash to the station.

Commissioners Veronica Lierman and Jerry Ridley were on hand for the grand opening. "People were just dumping before we got there," Ridley said. There was a truckload ready to transport to the regional landfill before 9 a.m., he said.

Construction of the transfer station, located on Highway 25 about half way between Jerome and Eden, has not been completed, and the office has not been finished, Ridley said. Garbage, appliances, tires, compostable waste products and other materials are being accepted at the transfer station. A small area is available for dumping concrete and other construction materials, "but that will soon be filled up," Ridley said.

The transfer station is open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays. There is a fee for appliances and tires. Out-of-county wastes will be assessed a fee. Drivers bringing in uncovered loads will be charged \$10.

The Jerome landfill on Highway 93 has been closed in compliance with Federal regulations.

—Compiled from staff reports

## A day on the Old Town



As Twin Falls officials discuss future plans for the Old Town district, Fred Allen addresses his own immediate concern by recycling pallets into firewood to heat his Twin Falls home.

## Twin Falls eyes new look for district

By Sean L. McCarthy  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The city is moving forward with a sense of urgency as civic and business leaders look to finance the redevelopment of the city's Old Town district.

The City Council has called for a special meeting Wednesday morning with the city's urban renewal agency.

The 7 a.m. meeting at City Hall is open to the public.

City council members toured two sections of Old Town Monday afternoon with members of the urban renewal agency, city parks and recreation representatives and other interested citizens.

City Economic Development Director Dave McAlindin, who led the tour, said the city needs to act quickly to acquire at least some of the land near Rock Creek Canyon.

The Old Town plans show that area as future open parks space and as a hub for Rock Creek Canyon.

Amending the city's urban renewal plan to reflect this need would take three to four months, McAlindin said Monday.

"Some of those properties may not be available... between now and when that plan is amended," he said.

City Manager Tom Courtney said that public investment could help spur private investment in Old Town.

An example of such investment could be made in a small triangular section off Minnie Avenue in front of the old J.J. Parsons building.

By fall, that building should be the home of the Twin Falls Brewing Company.

But the streets surrounding the building are in dire need of curbs, gutters and sidewalks, McAlindin said.

A hilly patch of dirt — now sporting piles of busted wooden pallets — could be transformed into a parking lot for the Parsons building, he said.

Vacating Second Street South, paving Fifth Avenue South and upgrading city water and sewer service to that area also would tempt potential entrepreneurs to bring their businesses to Old Town, he said.

Scott McClure, president of the urban renewal agency, said the agency's attitude is "quite positive" toward the city's efforts in Old Town.

McAlindin added that several businesses between the railroad tracks and Rock Creek Canyon have said they are willing to cooperate with the city in possible land transactions.

On Monday, he said, the city received word from June Briggs that she, too, would be willing to sell 18 acres she owns inside Rock Creek Canyon.

That land matches up well with property on the south side of the canyon that Old Town planners have proposed for a village-style neighborhood, he said.

## City battles speculators over Graybill tract

By Mick Normington  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — To beat out real estate speculators who are starting to circle, the Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency may buy the Graybill Building for the city as the kickoff for the Old Town redevelopment.

Speculators who are aware of the city's redevelopment efforts are eyeing the building at 725 Shoshone St. S. to buy and sell for a profit, said Dave McAlindin, city economic development director.

The building sits on 20 acres of land that could be converted to a sports park as an inaugural development in Old Town.

To buy the tract, the agency might expand the "revenue allocation area No. 1," eastward around some of the downtown warehouse district and the 20-acre tract.

The revenue-allocation-area's boundaries now encompass part of the west end of Twin Falls, including the Henningsen Cold Storage Co. area. The agency issued bonds to pay for the original development of that area. Property taxes from the businesses in that area go to pay off those bonds, McAlindin said.

But the agency is getting excess money from Henningsen. Expanding the "alloc-

ation area" would allow the agency to spend that extra money to buy the Graybill Building and give it to the city.

The building's owner, Clarence Nye of Three Creek area, wouldn't comment Monday on what offers he's received. Four speculators have expressed an interest in the building, which Realtor Tad Haney has listed for \$150,000.

Nye said he would like to see the building in the hands of the city.

"I hope that they buy it. It would be the logical thing for the city to do," he said.

The agency may buy the Graybill Building as early as this week, McAlindin said.

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Southwick also filed suit against the county commissioners last fall, saying the budget commissioners approved for his department was not sufficient to allow the Southwick to follow the constitutional duties of his office.

The suit is scheduled for an April 26 start in Shoshone with Judge Wood hearing the case. The regional E911 board, which comprises commissioners from Lincoln, Gooding, Jerome and Twin Falls counties, had asked to join the suit on the side of the Lincoln County Commission.

Wood denied that however, saying the board already was represented by the Lincoln commissioners.

## Judge: Jerome can dispatch Lincoln deputies

By Phil Sahm  
Times-News writer

SHOSHONE — Following an Idaho Falls judge's ruling allowing the Lincoln County to move the sheriff's department dispatch to Jerome, the county commissioners will ask the judge to dismiss Sheriff Stephen Southwick's lawsuit over his budget.

Judge Ted V. Wood of Idaho Falls ruled Friday that the Lincoln County Commission can move the sheriff's dispatch to the Jerome County sheriff's office. Commissioner Clarence Tews said Monday that the dispatch will be moved by May 1.

"Essentially, we got everything we wanted," Tews commented on Wood's ruling.

The ruling arrived in Lincoln County late Monday afternoon. Contacted early Monday evening, Southwick said he had not read it yet and therefore couldn't comment. The commissioners planned to move the dispatch last fall, but Southwick filed suit, and Wood temporarily stopped the move.

Friday's ruling Tews also stated the commissioners do not have to authorize money to pay a private attorney for the April 26 hearing on Southwick's other lawsuit, Tews said. The commissioners will have to pay for a special prosecutor to advise Southwick before the hearing, however.

Finally, the ruling indicates that the Legislature cleared up matters about the regional emergency 911 system by giving a law to the made the regional concept legal, Tews said. "I

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## Irrigators challenge water laws

By Drew DeSilver  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A group of Hagerman-area irrigators is challenging two new water laws that seek to rewrite the rules governing the Snake River Basin Adjudication.

The Hagerman Water Rights Owners on Monday asked 5th District Judge Daniel C. Hurlbutt to decide whether the laws, passed less than two weeks ago by the Idaho Legislature, are unconstitutional or inconsistent with Idaho constitutional law.

Attorneys for the Hagerman group said during legislative hearings on the bills that they believed them to be flawed, and indicated they would challenge them in the adjudication court.

The group's motion also asks Hurlbutt to decide whether it can have its legal bills paid by the state, under what's known as the "private attorney general doctrine."

Under that doctrine, private parties who raise important legal issues can have their costs paid by the state. Hurlbutt awarded the Hagerman group fees under the private attorney general doctrine last year, in a case asking what role the state Water Resources director plays in the adjudication.

The Hagerman water users say in their motion that they may not be able to pursue their challenge without a guarantee of attorney's fees.

But the 1994 Legislature, in amending the statute governing the adjudication, specifically forbade any attorney's fees from being assessed against the state. Lawmakers feared that, with the precedent set last year, the state could be held liable for tens or hundreds of thousands of dollars in legal fees.

The issue of attorneys' fees, then, will be the first issue Hurlbutt must decide.

The two amending laws, House Bills 969 and 990, make several other changes in the way the adjudication proceeds. Among the most important:

- Removing Water Resources Director Keith Higginson as a party, and redesignating him as an "independent technical expert."
- Giving more weight to Higginson's reports on the water rights in each sub-basin, and

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## Vehicle office will accept credit cards

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Starting Friday, county residents will be able to use their MasterCard, Visa or Discover cards to pay for motor vehicle registrations, license plates and auto titles.

The county commissioners passed a resolution Monday establishing a pilot credit card program for the motor vehicles department of the county assessor's office.

"I think it's going to work out really well," said county Assessor Donny Hamby. "We've had a lot of requests (for it) in the motor vehicles department."

D.L. Evans Bank is providing one credit card approval machine to the county at no cost, Hamby said. But a 2 percent transaction fee will be levied on users of the machine.

Blaine County has a similar credit card program in place already, as does the state Transportation Department in Boise, she said.

Using credit cards instead of checks leaves less room for error and for fraud because the credit card machine gives an instant credit check before processing a charge, Hamby said.

She said she does not know how many county residents will take advantage of the pilot program.

The county will evaluate the success of the program in October before deciding whether to expand credit card usage to other county departments, said county Commissioner Norma Blass.





## Valley life

## Women are doing the ogling while sculpted men strut stuff

Dallas Morning News

The women sit and the men parade. Back and forth the men strut sculpted bundles of striding muscle, pumped and roped, grinning the grins of men who know they look great with their shirts off. And the women, all the while, are greedily getting what used to be known around the barbershop as an eye full, looking those men up and down, licking their lips, grinning a different sort of grin.

This scene is drawn from Salt-N-Pepa's Shop, a video made almost unavailing over the last several weeks by MTV, but these days it could have come from just about anywhere.

Across the popular media, images of men as sex objects are, both figuratively and literally, the new big thing. In a diet Coke commercial peppering network prime time, a bulging construction worker peels off his T-shirt before donning a frosty drink to a chorus of coos from the cluster of office women shuddering over curves from a nearby window.

Seemingly every other magazine advertisement — Calvin Klein's Escape springs to mind — is a voyeur's homage to some rippling and shadowed male torso, while NYPD Blue's David Caruso is busy stirring sighs by baring his bum.

Even rock 'n' roll, once the exclusive province of stick-figure party boys, is increasingly muscled — it's getting so you can't flip through MTV without confronting a suspiciously sculpted Anthony Kiedis or the pulsing torso that is Danzig. Whatever happened to sleeping all day? And rap? Don't even ask. To judge by its big stars — LL Cool J, Ice-T — most rap is recorded in the gym, between sets.

The world men live in, as men have noticed, is changing — and judging by responses such as Time's recent cover story "Are Men Really That Bald?" — changing in ways men aren't altogether happy with.

Well, men had better brace themselves, because from the looks of this trend, things are only going to get badder for them. And, perhaps, as all those hard bodies we are increasingly invited to gaze upon.

In practical terms, the emergence of this trend is a straightforward matter. Women are pushing boundaries and reversing roles, with statistics confirming that women are emerging as the leading consumers everywhere from Wall Street (where studies estimate that 60 percent of the new investors are women) to cars (Automobile Trade Association figures show that 50 percent of new cars are purchased by women).

Not surprisingly, the immediate emotional response to this trend has

been to see it in karmic, what-goes-around-comes-around terms. Women and their bodies have long been treated as sex objects for the viewing pleasure of men. So the turnaround — men as the objects trotted by and appraised with a wink or a smirk — as they are on a recent Hyundai Elantra commercial — can be readily interpreted as progress in gender relations, an amusing sign of these ever-balancing times, the product of what Esquire has tagged "Do-me feminism" in which women transform themselves into the watchers while

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men become the watched.

"I think a lot of people assume that this reflects some sort of equality for women, to be able to look at men's bodies as men have looked at women's bodies," says Michael Messner, editor of an upcoming book, "Exercising Power: The Making and Remaking of the Body." And certainly, to an extent, that is what's going on. But that is only part of the phenomenon, and it is hardly equal. Women are still treated this way much more than men.

Similarly, Caroline Brettell, anthropology professor and director of Southern Methodist University's women's studies, fails to see the liberating aspect of the trend.

"I just think, rather than 'an eye for an eye,' that it's unfortunate that, in the way we have for women, we are imposing some ideal for men that men can't live up to."

Sure enough, it doesn't take long in the barrage of male-body ideals for a single image to emerge. He is young, naturally, and ever-shirtless, so much the better to admire his chiseled musculature.

Though it is a look that can be traced back through the male dancercare of the mid-'80s and muscle-men of the ages, it is an image that found its media ideal in Marky Mark, a negligible rapper who became a sensation as the official torso of Calvin Klein underwear.

From a giant poster overlooking Times Square to countless magazine advertisements, America has been

inundated with images of Mark's symphony of sinew, and the legions of similarly shaped models/actors/ruck stars who have followed.

In an age of breast implants and tummy-lucks, it is appropriate that the male body being idealized is one that occurs nowhere in nature, but is rather, the product of a weight-room-centered lifestyle. It is an ideal, then, just as artificial and narrowly drawn as the perfectly curved feminine ideal. It's not men who are being treated as sex objects; it is a particular kind of man.

The kind of man — a lot of men can't be, and even if they can, don't have the time to be.

"There are three basic body types," says Kent Maris, a physical trainer for Goodbody's and former Mr. Missouri contestant. "...The ectomorph is like the taller, thinner guys. The endomorph is like the plumper, rounder, pear-shaped people, and the mesomorph would be the more athletic-built, just generally inclined to be athletic. The person with a little wider shoulders, a little narrower hips and so on. So if you don't have the right body type, it's going to be very difficult to get that cut look."

The guys you see on TV and in magazines that have that look — that look is what they do for a living. The maintenance of that look is what their entire lives are based on — it's a lifestyle. It's 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week. We're such a now society. Guys come in thinking that in three months or by swimsuit season they can be looking all ripped and hard. And that's, um, pretty unrealistic.

So are we to believe that just because Madison Avenue and MTV start flashing variations on the hunk at us, men will soon wish to look like some cross between Fabio and Gerardo (Fabard)? Let's hope not.

But the trend and its look are achieving the ubiquity that comes with hit videos and soft-drink commercials. Watching those women swoon over the diet Coke stud (Lucky Vanous), it is easy to imagine some pear-shaped endomorph, furiously exercising to no avail, complaining, "It's not fair, no matter what I do, I can't look like that." Echoing, in other words, the complaints of all those women who can't look like Cindy Crawford.

"I doubt if you'll find men and boys becoming as obsessed with the body image as most girls and women are," says Messner, an associate professor of sociology at the University of Southern California. "Since men still hold most positions of power and authority in this society, I think masculinity will always be defined more broadly than just body image. But that's not to say that the ante hasn't been upped."

## Sacker feels miffed when stiffed

DEAR ABBY: I am a 17-year-old male who was at a store at a large supermarket. Today a young couple came into the store and bought \$310 worth of groceries (approximately \$250 was in food stamps).

I worked for nearly 15 minutes, sacking at full speed to get their groceries loaded into three baskets. (The load was so big, I had to call another sacker over to help me carry their groceries to their car — which happened to be a taxi.) Guess what kind of a tip I got? Nothing! Not even a quarter. I suppose some people would say, "Well, that's just part of the job for which you are getting paid." Well, so are waiters and waitresses. Their pay amounts to very little, but if they give good service, their tips are what they live on. Please comment.

— STIFFED BAG BOY  
DEAR STIFFED: A tip is always optional. I agree, it would have been gracious that couple to have tipped you, but some people feel that those who are employed are well enough paid, so they either tip very little or nothing at all.

Perhaps they are not aware that most people who work as waiters, waitresses, bellhops, doormen, etc., live on their tips — not their salaries. I recently saw a neatly printed little sign posted on the wall of a checkroom. It read: "Tips are optional; our people are paid a living wage."

DEAR ABBY: An acquaintance of ours invited my husband and me to spend the day on their new boat. There were eight of us. When we got on the boat, I didn't see any life jackets, so I asked our host (call him Fred) if he had any. He replied, "Yes, we have lots of them." But he didn't offer us any or point out where they were stored.

As we got into deeper water with more boat traffic around, I asked Fred if I could please have one of those life jackets. He said, "What's



Dear Abby  
Abigail  
VanBuren

the matter, can you swim?" Then his daughter, who was piloting the boat, asked jokingly, "Don't you trust my driving?"

Abby, first of all, as hosts, they should have offered us life jackets as soon as we got into the boat — it would have put us at ease. Second, they should know that even a gold medal Olympic swimmer could drown in a boating accident if seriously injured.

Please print this with your comments. Maybe someone will write in to say that a life jacket saved his or her life.

— MRS. N.M. in MARYLAND  
DEAR MRS. N.M.: Your hosts were irresponsible to have invited guests aboard their boat without giv-

ing them life preservers and explicit instructions on how to use them in case of an accident. Furthermore, their "humor" was inappropriate. Water safety is no joke.

DEAR READERS: Your chuckle for today: "If all the economists were laid end to end, they would not reach a conclusion."

— George Bernard Shaw

## MOVIES

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**MALL CINEMA**  
The Paper R 7:00-9:15

**JEROME CINEMA 4**  
Greedy PG-13 7:00-9:15  
Sister Act 2 PG-13 7:10-9:20  
Lightning Jack PG-13 7:00-9:00  
Mighty Ducks PG 7:10-9:20

**TWIN CINEMA 9**  
Thelma & Louise PG-13 7:30-9:45  
Major League II PG-13 7:30-9:45  
Schindler's List R 7:45  
Mighty Ducks PG 7:00-9:15  
Jimmy Hollywood R 7:30-9:45  
Gunslingers PG-13 7:30-9:30  
Lightning Jack PG-13 7:30-9:45  
Gilbert Grape PG-13 7:00-9:15

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## Valley happenings

## Twin Falls seniors head to Jackpot

TWIN FALLS — The monthly bus trip to Jackpot sponsored by the Twin Falls Senior Citizens Federation Inc. is planned for Wednesday.

The bus leaves the Twin Falls Senior Center, 616 Eastland Drive at 3 p.m. Cost is \$7 per person, which includes the bus ride, buffet dinner and fun packet. Reservations are required. Call 734-5084 before noon Wednesday.

## Parenting for Stepfamilies will meet

TWIN FALLS — The Parenting for Stepfamilies group has planned its regular meeting for 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in Room 116 of the Shields Building at the College of Southern Idaho.

The theme is "How to Become an Informed Consumer of Your Attorney." Fran Kornblum will speak on what a person should know before calling an attorney, myths of custodial rights, questions to ask an attorney and what counts as documentation.

Admission is free. Pre-registration is required. Call 733-9554, Ext. 361.

## Jerome Rod, Gun Club sets meeting

JEROME — The monthly meeting of the Jerome Rod and Gun Club is scheduled for 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Jerome Rifle Range, located northeast of Jerome (traveling north on Highway 93, turn right at Milepost 69). All interested people are invited to the meeting and to come early to look around the range.

## Computer user group plans meeting

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Computer Genealogy User Group has planned its monthly meeting for 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Seminary Building, 401 Maurice St. N.

The agenda includes quizzies, quarks and bugs in PAI-2.3, updates to reclaim-forest and PAISPLIT. For more information, call Charles Sestanovich at 734-6701 or 733-8073 or Howard Johnston at 423-4293.

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# Briefly in business

## Steel company backs off plans for NW mill

**LONGVIEW, Wash.**—Nucor Corp. has put plans to build a \$400 million steel-sheet mill in the Northwest on a back burner, the company's chairman says.

"We are taking it slower on the West Coast and we have backed away from going at it as aggressively as we did earlier," F. Kenneth Iverson, chairman of Charlotte, N.C.-based Nucor, said.

If Nucor decides to locate a mill in the Northwest, it won't do so for at least several years, Iverson said.

Barlow Point near Longview and Port Westward near Clatskanie, Ore., are among sites Nucor has explored for the plant, which would employ 500 workers. The company has a 450-acre purchase option at Port Westward.

Iverson said that while the steel company is still interested in expanding in the West Coast, the region generates half the \$3,000 tons of scrap metal the plant would need monthly.

## Lumber production, orders decrease, shipments on rise

**PORTLAND, Ore.**—Lumber production and orders decreased, but shipments increased in 12 Western states last week, a trade association reported.

The Western Wood Products Association said Thursday that lumber production was 337 million board feet, 10 million feet less than the previous week. Orders were 338 million board feet, 27 million feet under the previous week's level. Shipments were reported at 353 million board feet, an increase of 25 million feet.

Figures for the same week a year ago show production at 323 million board feet, orders 263 million feet and shipments 305 million feet.

**Year-to-date figures through 13 weeks of 1994 show production at 4.685 billion board feet, orders at 4.264 billion board feet and shipments at 4.343 billion board feet. Totals for a year ago at this time show production at 4.677 billion board feet, orders at 4.506 billion board feet and shipments at 4.583 billion board feet.**

Inventories in the region are 2.328 billion board feet, 16 million feet less than the previous week.

Figures for the same week a year ago show inventories were 2,006 billion board feet.

Knight-Ridder News Service

**WASHINGTON**—Competitors call it the "Death Star"—a 2-ton black tube hovering 22,300 miles over the Earth that soon will rain 150 channels of television, movies-on-demand and other entertainment down on American homes.

After more than a decade of hype, hope and disappointment, high-quality Direct Broadcast Satellite television will finally be offered in five cities next month and six more by summer.

By the end of the year, pizza-sized home satellite dishes perched on rooftops, windowsills or porch railings will snare programs relayed from space to every state except Alaska and Hawaii.

"We believe DBS has the ability to revolutionize the way Americans watch TV," said Stan Hubbard, president of United States Satellite Broadcasting, of St. Paul, Minn., one of two companies offering pictures and sound from the satellite to you.

Direct-satellite television is a \$1-billion gamble by some of the major players in communications and broadcasting. They are betting the system's digital sound and picture quality, along with program diversity, will overcome consumer resistance to its hefty initial cost.

To get started, you must put up \$699 for the 18-inch satellite dish, videocassette recorder-size decoder box and hand-held remote controller. After that monthly costs are comparable to cable television or lacking.

Backers predict millions of the little dishes will sprout across the land in the next couple years, especially in small towns and rural areas where cable is limited or lacking.

Some 4 million rural homes already have the big back-yard dishes that cost thousands of dollars and receive an older, cruder form of TV signal. The new satellites transmit a more powerful signal at a higher frequency, which allows for a smaller receiver and minimizes interference from rain or snow.

As the latest contestant in the Information Age Olympics, small-dish satellite television will compete with the operators of cable companies and video rental stores, the colorful of American, cable domination, Canadians call it the "Death Star."

"This is evidence that this is an increasingly competitive market," said Rich D'Amato, a spokesman for the National Cable Television Association. "There is a worthy competitor. They'll push us to do better."

But satellite television is not the only competitor on the horizon. The emerging alliances among the telephone, cable, film and publishing industries are pushing for a new, more powerful technology to deliver high-speed, two-way, interactive signals to your home, perhaps making satellite television obsolete before it has hardly begun.

Nevertheless, the little dishes will give cable and the telephone companies a good run for their money," predicts Peter Huber, a communications analyst in Bethesda, Md. "Let 'em go after each other. Let's get some blood on the satellite."

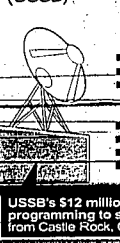
Huber intends to subscribe to the satellite service as soon as it's available. "I think cable is ugly, and I don't want any fat wire coming into my house," he said. "Some disgruntled consumers will change for the sheer joy of telling the cable company to go to hell."

As its name implies, direct satellite television will reach your home straight from space, bypassing the ground relay stations now used by broadcast television.

## A \$100 million gamble

In the spring, United States Satellite Broadcasting (USSB) and GM Hughes Electronics will be the first companies to compete in the new market for high-powered direct broadcast satellite (DBS) television. Entertainment programming will be transmitted directly to small, inexpensive home satellite dishes. DBS will compete with cable.

## United States Satellite Broadcasting (USSB)



USSB's \$12 million facility in Oakdale, Minn., beams programming to satellite (compared DirectTV transmits from Castle Rock, Colo. or El Segundo, Calif.)

Sources: USSB, GM Hughes Electronics, the Arlington Co. and industry analysts.

- Costs**
  - Satellite cost: About \$100 million
  - Money raised to date: \$75 million
  - Biggest investor: Hubbard Broadcasting
- Services**
  - Viacom: Includes Showtime, MTV and FLD
  - Time Warner: HBO
  - FACTA: Christian programming
  - Others being negotiated

## Digital Satellite System

- Located: 22,300 miles above the equator
- Capacity: USSB will have 25 to 28 channels; competitor DirectTV, a division of GM Hughes Electronics, will have 16 to 18 channels
- Receives: Longview, Minn., and El Segundo, Calif.

## Potential Market

92.9 million households with television sets including:

- 33.5 million homes without cable TV (including 5.9 million for whom cable TV is not available)
- 59.3 million homes with cable TV (including 5.9 million for whom cable TV is not available)
- 71 million (today a \$21.5 billion market)

Includes: advertising, pay-per-view, home equipment rental and additional home TV connections.

## Do you want to know more?

Knight-Ridder News Service

**WASHINGTON**—Here's a little more information about Direct Broadcast Satellite service.

**WHERE:** The service is scheduled to begin in late April in five cities—Albuquerque, N.M.; Little Rock, Ark.; Shreveport, La.; Tulsa, Okla.; and Jackson, Miss. Six more cities will be added in the summer—Charlotte, N.C.; Columbia, S.C.; Indianapolis, Knoxville, Tenn.; Roanoke, Va.; and Charleston, W. Va.

**By the end of the year, direct satellite television should be available to consumers in every state, except Alaska and Hawaii, as well as in lower Canada.**

**WHAT:** The two providers will offer different program lineups.

DirectTV, the larger partner, will offer 30 cable channels, including CNN, C-SPAN.

ESPN, A&E, Disney, the Discovery Channel and Court TV. Prices will range from \$21.95 to \$29.95 a month. There also will be 40 channels of pay-per-view movies, costing from \$1.95 to \$3.95 each.

DirectTV is a unit of GM Hughes Electronics of El Segundo, Calif.

United States Satellite Broadcasting will provide 14 channels, including HBO, Showtime, MTV, Nickelodeon and The Movie Channel. Prices start at \$7.95 and go up to \$34.95 a month.

Both providers have additional channels for special-interest programming, such as sports, concerts, opera, education, health and public service.

USSB is a subsidiary of Hubbard Broadcasting of St. Paul, Minn.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Call DirectTV at 800-DIRECTV or United States Satellite Broadcasting at 800-24-USSB.

Audio and data channels also are available.

Because the signals are digital—transmitted in the 1s and 0s of computer language—the sound and pictures are much sharper and clearer than that provided by older wavelike analog technology.

"The sheer elegance and simplicity of the system is extremely attractive, especially when you see the on-screen program guide and the digital quality," said Jeff Almen, of Herndon, Va., vice president of the National Rural Telecommunications Cooperative.

Success of the satellite venture is by no means assured. Viewers already saturated with mediocre programming on regular TV and cable channels may be reluctant to shell out more money to get the same kind of stuff from outer space.

But about 40 million American homes don't have cable, and the tangle-dangle interactive is trivial compared to the alternative—laying fiber optic wires to every home, which would cost at least \$125 billion.

Satellite TV officials insist they can succeed where others failed. Consumer expectations for home entertainment and communications technology have advanced.

Let's see what happens. The initial investment is recouped, the cost of adding new customers is trivial compared to the alternative—laying fiber optic wires to every home, which would cost at least \$125 billion.

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### Sugar

NEW YORK (AP)—Sugar futures trading on the New York Cofee, Sugar and Cocoa Exchange.

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## Business

# Minority contractors often fail after SBA program

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Florence Alexander started her management consulting firm in the basement of her home, equipped with a typewriter and a dream.

Success came quickly after she joined the Small Business Administration's 8(a) program, the government's flagship effort to develop minority entrepreneurs.

Her company's first federal contract, for \$1,000 in 1988, set it on a path that led to a \$233 million contract to work as a Justice Department's asset-forfeiture program.

At its peak, Ebon Research employed 1,450 people at 350 sites nationwide, nearly all in minority neighborhoods. Alexander's workers pro-

cessed data, analyzed information, cared for laboratory animals and monitored safety at government work sites.

But the fall came swiftly.

The company graduated from the SBA program in 1990 and, without the edge given to minority contractors, lost the Justice Department business. "It was such a devastating loss to me," Alexander said. "I'm struggling to stay alive."

Today, Ebon Research has laid off two-thirds of its workers and 90 percent of its management. Alexander is suing the Justice Department to get the contract back.

And her story is common, according to the SBA.

An agency study shows 46 percent of the companies that graduated from the 8(a) program from October 1989 to

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— Parren Mitchell, former Maryland congressman

September 1992 went out of business or cut back their operations substantially.

Parren Mitchell, a former Maryland congressman who chaired the House Small Business Committee in the mid-1980s, said the program's record reflects the high failure rate of small businesses generally.

"Once they were out of the 8(a) program and tried to compete in the private sector, they ran into difficulties — the old boy network and all of that

stuff," he said.

Alexander says bluntly that the SBA program failed to prepare her company for real-world business competition. "All of the things you're sheltered from in the 8(a) program."

Graduates who survive warn that relying solely on SBA business can harm a company's prospects.

"We didn't wait for SBA to knock on the door," said Bob Tucker, owner of a Louisiana high-tech counseling firm that left the program last year and

continues to prosper.

"We've gone through little doorways, big doorways and no doorways at all to effectively market ourselves. We have been able to effectively compete," he said.

Faced with mounting criticism, the SBA is working to make changes, said Cassandra Pulley, the deputy administrator who is drafting the reforms.

"The program has over time become almost exclusively focused on government contracting," Pulley said. "And we're trying to provide additional assistance to program participants in terms of the technical and managerial skills that the company develops."

The SBA is set to announce a joint effort with NationsBank this week to expand information centers that provide small businesses with specialized

education and technical assistance.

The 8(a) program has come under increasing scrutiny in recent years.

Congressional investigators concluded recently that the SBA is failing to meet some program requirements set by law.

The General Accounting Office reported last year that the SBA:

- On average takes 117 days to process an application to join the 8(a) program, nearly a month longer than the maximum set by Congress.

- Needs to do a better job reviewing each participant's business plan to ensure it remains realistic, another legal requirement.

- Was five years behind in installing a new management information system that would allow the agency and Congress to better assess the program's effectiveness.

## S. Korean economy ignores signs of war

The Washington Post

SEOUL, South Korea — The rhetoric from North Korea is bellicose, and a fearsome array of North Korean artillery and missile launchers menaces this South Korean capital from a short distance.

Yet South Korea's economy is booming along as if there were nothing to worry about — which must people here seem to think.

The city limits of Seoul, a traffic-choked sprawl of office towers, hotels and apartment blocks, lie just 20 miles from the demilitarized zone separating the two Koreas. A bombardment by the communists North would not only kill and maim vast numbers of Seoul's 10 million residents, but would devastate one of Asia's miracle economies.

Seoul and its environs contain more than two-fifths of South Korea's manufacturing capacity and nearly all of its important banks, corporate headquarters and universities.

In recent weeks North Korea's totalitarian regime has warned that the Korean peninsula stands on the brink of war that would turn Seoul into a sea of flames.

U.S. officials have taken a tough line too, acknowledging that war is one possible outcome of international pressure on Pyongyang to scrap its

nuclear-weapons program.

But residents of Seoul are shrugging off the North Korean threats as typical bluster from an isolated enemy that would not dare attack lest it suffer ferocious retaliation at the hands of the U.S. military.

Banks report no increased withdrawal of cash, and grocers report no hoarding of food. Most people here are pursuing their livelihoods with typical zeal, distracted only by the arrival of a pleasant spring.

"Our customers don't take the North Korean threats seriously," said Bae Hye Joo, a manager at the Jong-won supermarket.

The people who do take the threats seriously apparently tend to be far from the potential line of fire.

"My mom has called me up wanting to know when I'm leaving," said Stephen Marvin, head of research at the Seoul branch of Jardine Fleming Securities Ltd. "I had some fund managers come here expecting to see war preparations, tanks on the streets, troops checking for North Korean infiltrators and so forth. But there's none of that."

Government officials admit they are worried that overseas news coverage of the issue may ruin "Visit Korea Year," and already some Seoul hotels have reported a modest number of cancellations from foreigners who presumably wondered

whether the invitation to visit might be accepted by North Korea's 1.1 million-strong army.

The government also has noticed, with some consternation, that foreign lenders are demanding higher interest rates than usual from South Korean companies looking to borrow money abroad.

Korea's LG Electric Power Corp., which was planning to issue \$400 million in bonds on the international market, decided to postpone the issue until foreign nervousness abates.

Foreign financial institutions are also mainly responsible for the fact that the Seoul stock market has dropped about 12 percent since Feb. 2, although worries about North Korea evidently played only a limited role in the overseas selling.

According to Marvin and other analysts, foreigners have simply decided they invested too enthusiastically last year in Asian markets such as Hong Kong, Seoul and Singapore. "The North Korea issue has had what I would classify as a small effect," Marvin said.

Aside from the limited problems in the financial markets and the tourist trade, government officials and economists said they have not detected anxiety among business executives or ordinary citizens over all the war talk. Indeed, the most predominant concern among experts about the South Korean economy this year is that it may overheat, rekindling inflation.

## Southwest tops airlines

WASHINGTON (AP) — Southwest Airlines edged past American Airlines in overall quality in 1993.

While overall quality of the nation's biggest airlines continued to slip, according to a study released Monday, Southwest was the only one that improved.

Southwest came out on top in handling baggage, on-time percentage at nearly 90 percent and in frequency of low fares, the researchers said.

The fourth annual study, a joint effort between the Nebraska researchers and the National Institute for Aviation Research at Wichita State University in Kansas, showed overall airline quality last year measured slightly lower than in 1992. It has been slipping since the study began.

Southwest came out on top in handling baggage, on-time percentage at nearly 90 percent and in frequency of low fares, the researchers said. America West tied Southwest in baggage handling.

"Southwest is noted by many airline observers as the nation's model

air carrier," Bowen said.

Southwest is the nation's seventh-largest air carrier in terms of passengers.

American had been No. 1 for the first three years of the study. United Airlines drew the worst score for baggage handling with a 1993 average of 65 pieces of baggage per 10,000 passengers mishandled.

American topped the list for fewest passengers "bumped," while Southwest had the worst rating in that category.

The worst on-time percentage belonged to Delta Air Lines, with an average 76 percent of its flights taking off and arriving on schedule. The industry-wide average is 82 percent.

Behind Southwest and American, the airlines in order of their 1993 rankings were: United, Delta, US Air, Northwest, TWA, America West and Continental.

United, Delta, US Air and Northwest were in the same positions as last year. TWA was in last place in 1992.

## Satellite

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vanced enormously since 1982, when the Federal Communications Commission set aside a slice of the radio spectrum for satellite television.

A digital signal, unlike an analog one, can be compressed, so as many as five channels can be squeezed onto each of the 16 "transponders" — electronic relay stations — aboard each satellite.

The first satellite was launched Dec. 17 from French Guiana on an Ariane rocket and maneuvered into a stationary orbit over the equator south of Texas. General Dynamics Co. is scheduled to launch the second one in July and park it near its companion.

The satellites are owned and operated by Hughes Communications Inc., a subsidiary of General Motors Corp. The home equipment — the dish, decoder and remote — are manufactured by Thomson Home Electronics under the RCA label and will be sold in Sears, Circuit City and other consumer electronics stores.

Direct TV Inc., of El Segundo, Calif., is the second company that will be offering the service.

## Dow rallies; broad market ends mixed

NEW YORK (AP) — Blue-chip stocks rallied Monday, while the broader market ended mixed ahead of key government data on inflation.

A bond market advance that pushed down interest rates slightly, and a decline in commodity prices helped fuel the modest rally in share prices.

While the Dow Jones industrial average rose 14.57 points to 3,688.83, advancing issues outnumbered declines by about 9 to 8 on the New York Stock Exchange. Other major market barometers ended little changed.

And many market watchers said the light volume dampened the significance of the advance. Volume on the floor of the Big Board came to just 243.1 million shares, or 2 p.m. MDT, down from 264.0 million in the previous session. It was the lightest full trading day for the NYSE since Jan. 17.

The smaller capitalization Nasdaq market, which ended lower for the day, also experienced relatively light volume, at 237 million shares. That was the smallest number of shares changing hands on the Nasdaq since Dec. 27.

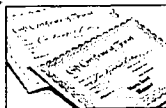
Analysts said many investors sat out the session ahead of today's scheduled Labor Department data on producer prices and Wednesday's reading on consumer prices.

Still, at least blue-chip investors were encouraged Monday by a drop in commodity prices as well as by a sharp decline in gold prices, Hays said. Higher gold prices are often considered an indicator of future inflation.



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— Jay Leno, on George Mitchell's post-Senate career options — baseball commissioner or Supreme Court justice

### Briefly

#### 16-team Angie Wyatt-White Satin meet set

TWIN FALLS — The 16-team Angie Wyatt-White Satin Sugar Track Meet will be held at Bruin Stadium Thursday.

In addition to the seven Canyon Conference schools, Butte County, Malad, Buhl, the Twin Falls JV, Hansen, Murtaugh, Castleford, Raft River and Oakley will compete.

Field events start at 1 p.m. and the running events at 2:15 p.m.

#### Men's, women's spot remain in two-man bestball tourney

TWIN FALLS — About 10 spots still remain available in both the men's and women's division of the Cove-Rock Creek two-man bestball tournament slated for Twin Falls Municipal this weekend.

Host professional Mike Hamblin said entry deadline will be 8 p.m. Wednesday.

#### Men's Golf Association plans clubhouse business meeting

TWIN FALLS — Due to inclement weather, the Twin Falls Men's Golf Association will hold its monthly business meeting Wednesday night at the clubhouse.

Another two-man scramble is planned before the meeting with entries asked to register by 5 p.m. to allow for a 5:30 p.m. shotgun start. A maximum of six strokes spread will be allowed per team.

#### CSI schedules golf classes at Gooding Golf Course

GOODING — A College of Southern Idaho golf class for beginning and intermediate players will be held today and Wednesday and April 19-20 at the Gooding Golf Course.

Classes are limited to nine students. One session will meet 5:5-4:5 p.m. and another 6-6:45 p.m. The fee is \$40.

For more information call 934-8678. Compiled from staff reports

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Wendell at Jerome (2), 4:30 p.m.

Prep golf  
Wendell at Buhl, 1 p.m.

Prep tennis  
Wood River and Declo at Rupert, 12:15 p.m.

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## Brewers take advantage of new park

Milwaukee passes Texas, features of Rangers' new arena work against them

Associated Press Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas — The Texas Rangers don't know their way around their new home yet, and the Milwaukee Brewers took advantage.

The Ballpark in Arlington, the Rangers' \$189 million new arena, opened to fans Monday. But some of the old-style stadium's most unique features — a short right-field porch and tight foul lines — worked against the home team in the Milwaukee Brewers' 4-3 victory.

### More baseball — D3

Dave Nilsson put the Brewers ahead with the stadium's first home run, a shot into the 349-foot porch in right, and Kevin Seitzer tripled down the first-base line on a ball that was brutally misplayed by Rangers right fielder Rob Ducey.

"We didn't use our ballpark to our advantage today," Rangers manager Kevin Kennedy said.

The ballpark's inaugural game also ended with a scare as a 26-year-old female fan fell from the upper deck. She was flown by helicopter to a Dallas hospital and listed in serious condition.

Team officials said she was posing for a picture and slipped as a security guard was coming to ask her to move.

Although the incident cast a pall on the day, the stadium opener was a major success.

"To think you could build a new ballpark that has the character that this park does, that reflects the history and tradition not only of the region but of the game, is remarkable," said Bud Selig, baseball's acting leader.

Nilsson's homer in the fifth gave the Brewers the lead. Then in the sixth, Ducey charged Seitzer's sinking liner but missed. The ball caromed off a side wall and rattled into the corner, allowing Darryl Hamilton to score.

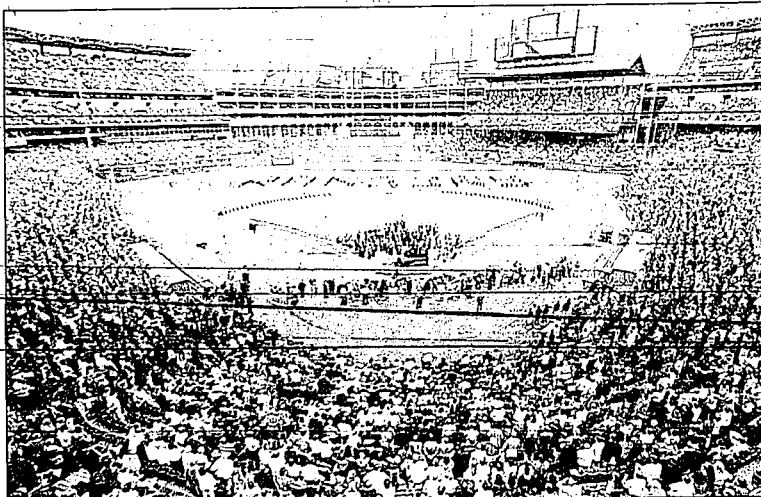
"Kevin wants us to play aggressively and that's what I did," Ducey said. "The only way you can play it right is to wait until the ball stops rolling, then pick it up."

Another Texas blunder ended a possible rally when Doug Strander was thrown out rounding first after his single drove in Ivan Rodriguez to make it 2-1.

Strange goofed again the next inning, bobbing a ball that allowed Nilsson to reach base and eventually score.

Will Clark pulled the Rangers to 3-2 with his first American League homer run, a solo shot in the seventh.

Please see BREWERS/D2



AP photo

The Texas Rangers played their first game in their new stadium, The Ballpark in Arlington, in Arlington, Texas, Monday against the Milwaukee Brewers. The Brewers won 4-3.

## Old, new stadiums incomparable

The Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas — Forget that overgrown minor-league dump. After 22 seasons in Arlington Stadium, the Texas Rangers moved Monday into The Ballpark in Arlington, a \$189-million throwback to the great old parks.

"Coming in here is just an exhilarating feeling," Texas closer Tom Henke said. "It gives you an adrenaline boost compared to playing in the old park. I felt like a kid being out there."

The distance between the two is several hundred yards. The feel and the amenities are light years apart.

"You can't compare the two," Rangers third baseman Dean Palmer said. "The facilities here are 10 times better. You're a lot more comfortable here and I think you

look forward to coming to the park more. They did it first class."

Rave reviews for The Ballpark have flowed in, with some of the most heartfelt coming from Bud Selig, baseball's acting leader.

"To think you could build a new ballpark that has the character that this park does, that reflects the history and tradition not only of the region but of the game, is remarkable," said Selig, who is trying to raise funds for a new stadium for his team, the Milwaukee Brewers.

The Ballpark evokes warm emotions because of its old-fashioned look, much of which is borrowed from other stadiums such as Fenway Park, Wrigley Field and Tiger Stadium.

A lot of the credit for The Ballpark's beauty goes to architect David Schwarz,

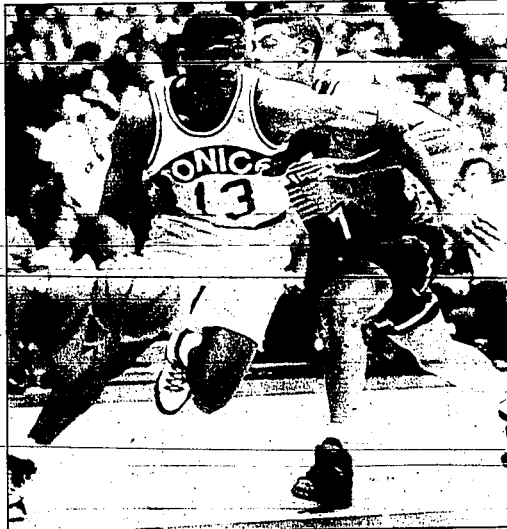
whom fans made feel like a player Monday by asking for his autograph as he toured the concourses.

"They've been coming up gushing to me," Schwarz said. "Everyone's response is somewhat equivalent of the word 'wow.'"

Gates opened four hours before the game was scheduled to start, but fans missed seeing batting practice because the tarp covered the field during afternoon rains that delayed the first pitch by almost an hour.

The ceremonial first pitch was tossed out by Arlington Mayor Richard Greene, who was instrumental in getting taxpayers to pay most of the stadium's cost. The great pianist Van Cliburn, a Texan, performed the national anthem.

Please see BALLPARK/D2



AP photo

Seattle SuperSonics' Kendall Gill drives around Phoenix Suns' Kevin Johnson Sunday afternoon. The Sonics beat the Suns 111-108.

## Sonics ride gimmick defense to 2nd division title, playoffs

The Associated Press

SEATTLE — The Seattle SuperSonics' full-court, trapping defense may look like a gimmick.

— If it is, it's a gimmick good enough to have given the Sonics only their second Pacific Division title ever and the NBA's best record. Call the Sonics Team Chaos. Their relentless defense may be just different enough to steal them a league championship.

The Sonics overcame a 17-point deficit in the fourth quarter to beat the Suns 111-108 Sunday and clinch their first division title

### More basketball — D2

since they won their only NBA championship in 1979.

And their defense made Charles Barkley disappear in the final quarter, holding him to a single point. Barkley finished with 23 points and 14 rebounds but he wasn't there for the Suns when the game was decided.

Nate McMillan, Gary Payton, Kendall Gill and Shawn Kemp don't play defense like the main-and-maul, man-to-man New York

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## Olazabal drew from past experiences in Masters

The Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Jose Maria Olazabal picked delicately at the dead pine needles surrounding his ball beneath the trees on the right side of the 13th fairway.

He grabbed a short iron and sized up the shot, a necessary layup on the 485-yard par 5. Olazabal took his stance, then backed off, asking the marshals to move the crowd back.

Then he hit a gorgeous high hook, around the trees in front of him, catching the right-side hill perfectly and ending in the middle of the fairway, leaving a short putt to the green.

A wise shot at the right time, involving some cool, some cunning and a bit of nerve. Asked if he was afraid the ball might move when he picked at the pine needles, Olazabal said: "That was a chance, but I had no choice if I wanted a decent chance to impact the ball."

Asked if he considered a different path for the shot, he said: "Not very long."

That's what winning a major championship is all about: Knowing when to gamble. Knowing when to play it safe. Knowing how to handle the pressure.

That's why Olazabal is the winner of the Masters and that's why Tom Lehman is the runner-up.

"When I get better under pressure, I'll do better in these kinds of tournaments," said Lehman, a 35-year-old non-winner on the PGA Tour who only returned in 1992 after leaving in 1985 to play in Asia and on the satellite tour.

That's exactly right. Lehman showed enormous control in the final round at Augusta National. He made only two bogeys all day — one at No. 12 and one at 18. But after he barely missed a 15-foot eagle putt on No. 15 — "I put my heart and soul in that putt" — he missed a 5-foot birdie putt on 16, a 15-foot birdie putt on 17 and a 15-foot par putt on 18.

Experience will help that next time around. Just ask Olazabal. He drew on all of his considerable experience masterfully Sunday.

Two birdies, an eagle and 11 pars on the first 15 holes. Only two bogeys over the last 58 holes. And always, the right shot at the right time.

Olazabal all but closed out the Masters on the 15th when he went for the green in two, hitting an iron that barely cleared the water, then rolled back to within a foot of the pond.



AP photo

Jose Maria Olazabal won the Masters golf tournament Sunday in Augusta, Ga.

He kept his cool as his 40-foot eagle putt dropped in the hole, merely raising his arm and walking calmly to pick his ball out of the hole.

"I knew it would clear the water," Olazabal said of the approach shot. "But after I hit it I thought it might roll back into the water. It was one foot short of going into the water." Then he made his putt and Lehman missed.

Olazabal, 28, has been a professional since he was 19 and great things had been expected of him. He's won a lot in Europe, but not much here and never a major.

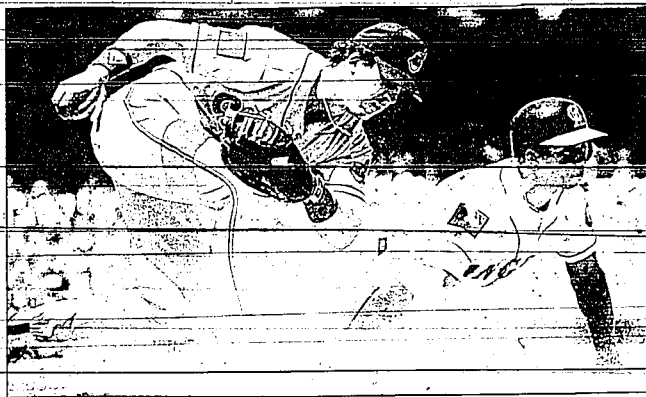
He has been in contention at majors several times, finishing second in the 1991 Masters and third in the 1992 British Open.

Somehow, that has not been good enough for his critics.

"I have won 18 tournaments," he said. "I think that is pretty good for someone my age. But I think winning a major will help."







California Angels runner Damon Easley makes it safely back to first after a pickoff attempt during the second inning Monday. Cleveland Indians first baseman Paul Sorrento tries for a tag.

## Rookie leads Indians to 9-6 win

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Rookie Manny Ramirez homered in consecutive innings and had five RBIs to lead the Cleveland Indians to a 9-6 victory Monday over California in another sparsely attended home opener for the Angels.

A crowd of 37,285 — more than 27,000 short of capacity at Anaheim Stadium — watched Cleveland starter Mark Clark (1-0) allow only two hits over seven innings to secure the victory.

And they saw Ramirez, a 21-year-old who won the starting right field job this spring, hit a two-run homer off John Dopper (1-1) in the fifth, then add a three-run shot off Bob Patterson in the sixth to put Cleveland up 9-0.

The Angels rallied for five runs in the ninth with two outs, but Steve Fart struck out Bo Jackson with two runners on.

**Orleans 7, Tigers 4**  
DETROIT — Ben McDonald pitched seven

### American league

statist innings and Cal Ripken tripled in two runs as the Orioles spoiled the Tigers' home opener.

Baltimore scored four unearned runs in the third inning and added three runs in the sixth. Ripken hit a two-run triple in the sixth.

McDonald (2-0), carried a one-hitter into the eighth before giving up two runs. He allowed three hits in 7 2/3 innings, struck out eight and walked three.

Detroit starter Tim Lincecum (0-2) gave up seven runs and seven walks in 5 1/3 innings.

**Blue Jays 14, Athletics 5**  
OAKLAND, Calif. — Rookie Carlos Delgado drove in five runs with two homers, and John Olerud and Paul Mulder added four RBIs apiece for the world champions.

Olerud, last year's batting champ, also homered twice. He and Mulder each went 4-for-5.

The Blue Jays led 1-0 after seven innings, and after the A's rallied for four runs in the seventh, Mulder hit a two-run double off Oakland reliever Bill Taylor to extend the lead to 10-5.

**Red Sox 8, Royals 5**  
KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Orel Hershiser tripled leading off the 10th inning and scored the lead

run on Billy Hatcher's sacrifice fly, and Tim Lincecum added a two-run triple Monday night as the Boston Red Sox beat the Kansas City Royals 8-5.

Nixon scored after left fielder Vince Coleman tripled and Hatcher's fly. Hatcher's fly was the winning run. Mike Greenwell singled off Mike Napione (0-1). Mo Vaughn grounded out, Andre Dawson was intentionally walked and Naching tripled to right.

Paul Quantrill (1-0), Boston's sixth pitcher, went 1 1/3 innings and got the win after blowing a save chance in the ninth. Magrane allowed three runs and five hits in 2 2/3 innings.

Kansas City trailed 5-2 in the ninth but rallied to tie on Lind's run-scoring single off Jeff Russell. Coleman's RBI double and Brian McRae's run-scoring double off Quantrill.

Boston starter Frank Viola gave up two runs and five hits in 2 2/3 innings. Royals starter Mark Gubicza, who pitched out of the bullpen last year and was seeking his first win as a starter since June 19, 1992, allowed two runs and six hits in six innings.

Vaughn's RBI double gave Boston the lead in the first, but McRae's RBI single tied the score in the bottom half. Joe Valentin's RBI single put the Red Sox back on top in the second, but David Howard hit a sacrifice fly in the fifth.

Boston took a 5-2 lead in the eighth on Nixon's sacrifice fly and Vaughn's two-run single.

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## Rockies slugger pounds 5th homer

### Bichette puts Colorado past Philadelphia 8-7

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Dante Bichette hit his fifth homer of the season, a two-run shot in the eighth inning that sent the Colorado Rockies past Philadelphia 8-7 Monday, spoiling the Phillies' home opener but not the return of John Kruk.

Kruk, playing only six hours after undergoing radiation treatment for testicular cancer, got three hits for the Phillies in his first game this season. He got up with the tying run on second in the ninth inning with one out, but looked at strike three.

Kruk rewarded a sellout crowd with an RBI double in his first at-bat and went 3-for-5. Bichette, who has homered in all but one of the Rockies' six games, is 13-for-26 with 11 RBIs.

### National league

#### Cubs 9, Mets 5

NEW YORK — Steve Buechele drove in four runs with a double and homer, and the Chicago Cubs won the Mets' home opener.

Buechele doubled home Chicago's first run in the second inning against Bobby Jones (1-1) and then hit a three-run homer off Dave Telchert to highlight a six-run third.

Willie Banks (1-1), beaten by the Mets in their last year, struck out five and walked four.

#### Reds 9, Expos 4, 11 innings

MONTREAL — Thomas Howard hit a public single in the five-run 11th inning as the Cincinnati Reds beat the Montreal Expos 9-4 Monday night and extended their winning streak to five games.

Jacob Brumfield doubled with one out in the third inning and scored on a sacrifice fly in the fourth. Instead of being tagged out, Brumfield

advanced when third baseman Scott Rennie misplayed shortstop Mike Lansing's relay for an error.

Howard singled and scored on Kenny Hattis' double for a 4-0 lead. Jeff Blanton hit an RBI single and Brian Burtch hit his first homer of the season, a two-run drive.

Rockies' first baseman John Kruk hit a stand-up double in the first inning of the Phillies' home opener, but his first home of the season, a two-run drive.

Reds starter Howard allowed two runs and six hits in six innings. Starting pitcher Kirk Rueter, bidding to become the first pitcher since Fernando Valenzuela in 1981 to win his first 10 career decisions, gave up four runs and seven hits in 2 2/3 innings.

Reggie Sanders' RBI groundout put Cincinnati ahead in the first, but Hattis' sacrifice bunt tied the score in the second. The Reds took a 1-1 lead in the third on Hattis' sacrifice fly and RBI single by Sanders and Hattis.

It was the first time since the 1980s that the Reds have won a game in the first inning.

## Kruk returns, hits RBI, scores 2 runs

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — John Kruk slid his nameplate into the lineup board in the Philadelphia Phillies clubhouse. General manager Lee Thomas came by later and started to slide it out, then stopped.

Thomas, change-of-heart signaled good things for the Phillies on Monday, who nonetheless lost their home opener to the Colorado Rockies, 8-7.

Kruk, seeking his first major league action since doctors removed a cancerous testicle March 8, went 3-for-5, had an RBI and scored two runs.

Six hours after undergoing the 16th of 18 low-level radiation treatments he is scheduled to receive, Kruk forced himself into the lineup by talking manager Jim Fregosi into starting him.

"We had discussions," he said. "The concern was if I played one game and then I couldn't play for two-three days, then why take me off (the disabled list). I had to convince them to let them know that I didn't think it would be any problem. They bit."

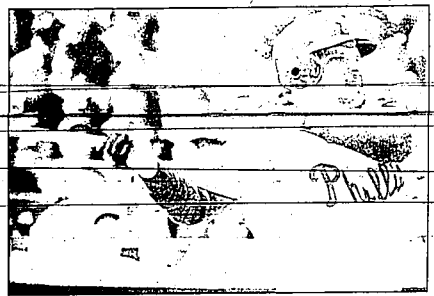
Kruk said he felt like he was ready to be an every-day player, but Fregosi said otherwise.

"I will not play him every day," Fregosi said. "He will have rest. I'll probably play him four-five times a week."

"That's up to him," Kruk said. "I'm just glad they let me play today."

Kruk was told the radiation treatments, which are designed to assure that the cancer does not spread, might make him weak. But he insisted he felt fine.

"Everything will be all right," he said. "They had a concern about



Philadelphia Phillies first baseman John Kruk hits a stand-up double in the first inning of the Phillies Monday game against the Colorado Rockies. The Rockies won 8-7.

whether I could play back-to-back games or three-four in a row, but I don't think it would be that much of a problem."

The five-game certainly wasn't a problem, although Kruk wasn't happy that he dropped a one-hop throw from shortstop Kevin Stocker on his first fielding play in the first inning.

Joe Girardi reached on the error charged to Stocker and then scored on Andres Chirra's double to put Colorado up 1-0.

But in the Phillies' first, Kruk, batting third, drove a high fastball off Mike Harkey deep to center field, bringing home Mariano Duncan with Philadelphia's first run.

His thought at the time? "It's a tie game, thank God, because I dropped that ball Stocker threw and let them score," he said.

The sellout crowd, which saved its loudest and most sustained pregame ovation for Kruk, reared again.

"I didn't know whether I should tip my hat or stand there and be stupid," Kruk said. "So I just decided on that."

Kruk lined a single past second in the sixth and another single in the seventh, but he missed his chance to be the Phillies' hero in the ninth.

With Lenny Dykstra on second and one out, Kruk looked at a curve ball for strike three from reliever Darren Holmes.

## Braves unbeaten despite lost vets

ATLANTA (AP) — Orel who? Ron who?

The Atlanta Braves have roared to a 7-0 start, best in baseball, without a glance back at the key players who were hurt in the offseason.

And they haven't even played at home yet.

They get to do that on Tuesday, hosting the San Francisco Giants, whom they battled to the wire for the title in the old National League West.

The Braves are in a new division, the realigned NL East — but they're still winning, albeit with an altered cast.

Orel Nixon was allowed to sign with the Boston Red Sox after the Braves put their money on Dwight Gooden in center field. Damon Berryhill and Greg Olson were sent packing so the catching job could be given to rookie Javier Lopez.

Then Ron Gant broke his leg on a dirt bike and the Braves decided to cut him and let a group of rookies battle for time in left field. One of them, Chipper Jones, injured a knee and is probably gone for the season.

Still, the four-game sweep at San Diego and three victories at Los Angeles make up the team's best start since its 13-0 run to begin 1982. The streak launches a season in which the Braves, division champs the last three years, hope to finally win a World Series.

"They haven't missed a beat without Ron Gant, not one beat," said Los

Angeles pitcher Orel Hershiser, who started against the Braves on Sunday.

One reason is the pitching that everyone knew was there — but even then there's been a surprise.

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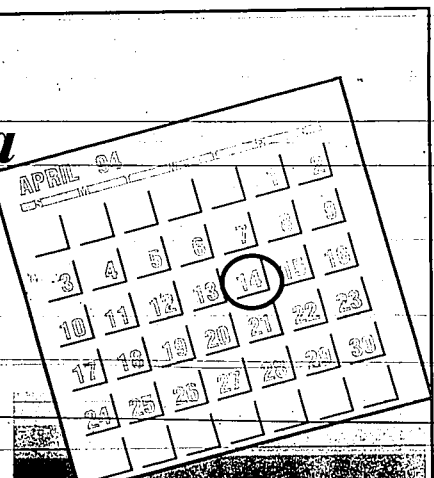
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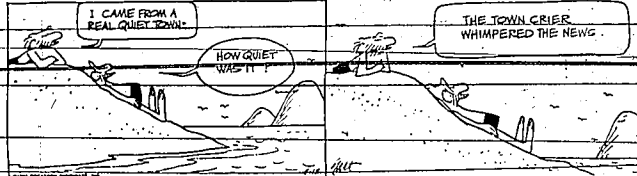
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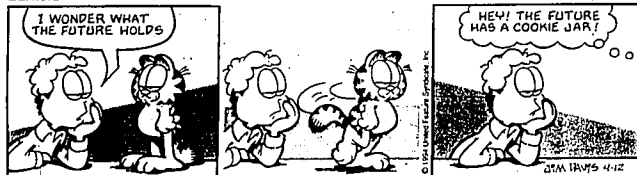
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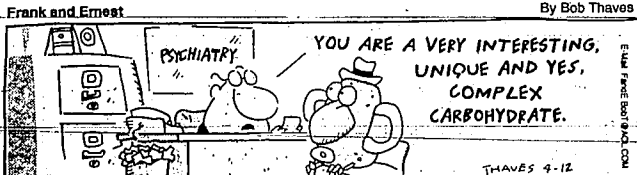
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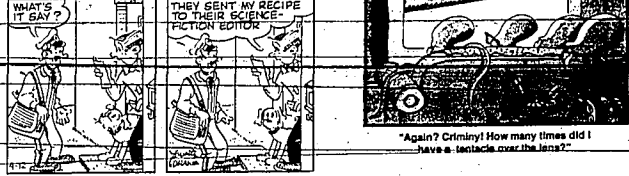
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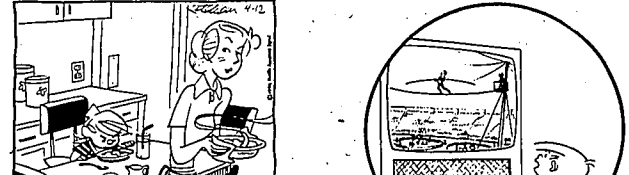
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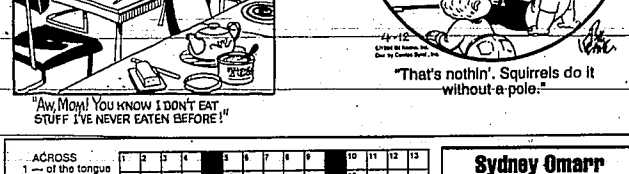
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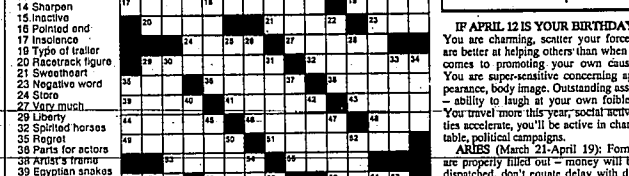
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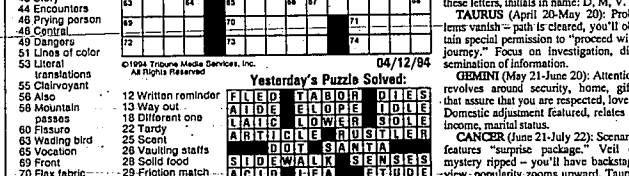
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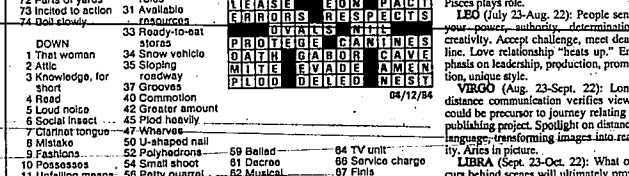
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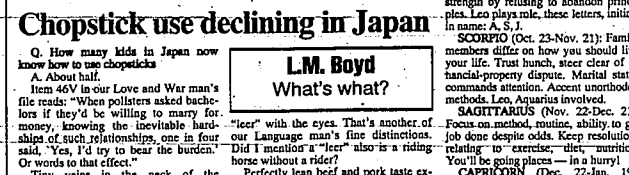
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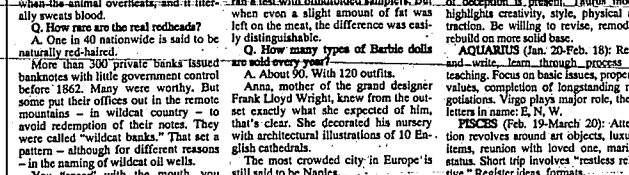
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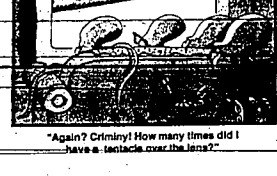
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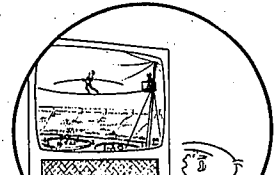
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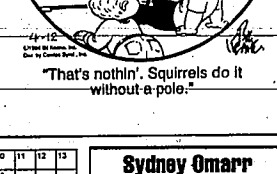
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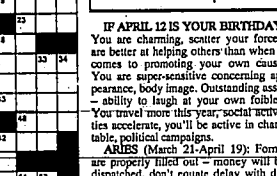
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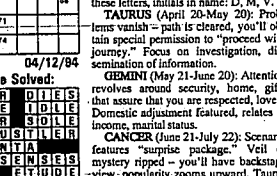
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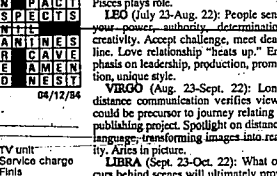
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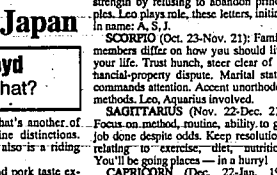
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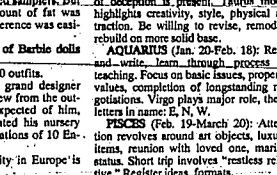
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## Sydney Omarr Horoscope

IF APRIL 12 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are charming, scatter your forces, are better at helping others than when it comes to promoting your own cause. You are super-sensitive concerning appearance, body image. Outstanding asset ability to laugh at your own foibles. You travel more this year; social techniques accelerate, you'll be active in charitable, political campaigns.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Forms are properly filled out - money will be dispatched, don't equate delay with defeat. Scorpio figures prominently, has these letters, initials in name: D, M, V.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20): Problems vanish - path is cleared, you'll obtain special permission to "proceed with journey." Focus on investigation, dissemination of information.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Attention revolves around security, home, gifts that assure that you are respected, loved. Domestic adjustment featured, relates to income, marital status.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Scenario features "surprise package." Veil of mystery ripped - you'll have backstage view, popularity soars upward. Taurus moon highlights fulfillment of wishes. Pices plays role.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): People sense your power, determination, creativity. Accept challenge, meet deadline. Love relationship "heats up." Emphasis on leadership, production, promotion, unique style.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Long-distance communication features views, could be precursor to journey relating to publishing project. Spotlight on distance, language transforming images into reality, Arises in picture.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): What occurs behind scenes will ultimately be revealed. Be quiet within, display inner strength by refusing to abandon principles. Leo plays role, these letters, initials in name: A, S, J.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Family members differ on how you should live your life. Trust hunch, steer clear of financial-property dispute. Marital status commands attention. Accent unorthodox methods. Leo, Aquarius involved.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Focus on method, routine, ability to get job done despite odds. Key resolutions relating to "exercise," diet, "nutrition." You'll be going places - in a hurry!

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Chances increase that a researcher who is a test with blindfolded samplers. But when even a slight amount of fat was left on the meat, the difference was easily distinguishable.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Read and write, learn through process of teaching. Focus on basic issues, property values, completion of longstanding neglected. Virgo plays major role, these letters in name: E, N, W.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Attention revolves around art objects, luxury items, reunion with loved one, marital status. Short trip involves "restless relative." Register ideas, formats.

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## Chopstick use declining in Japan

**L.M. Boyd**  
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**Q. How many types of Barbie dolls are sold every year?**  
A. About 90. With 120 outfits.

Anna, mother of the grand designer Frank Lloyd Wright, knew from the outset exactly what she expected of him, that's clear. She decorated his nursery with architectural illustrations of 10 English cathedrals.

The most crowded city in Europe is still said to be Naples.