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Razor-sharp-er

Flintknapper crafts obsidian blades sharp enough to be used as surgical tools

By Julie M. McKinnon
Times-News writer

JEROME — It only takes a second for Gene Titmus to make a volcanic glass blade like those used thousands of years ago and that contemporary surgeons can't do — use.

Getting a core of Central American obsidian to the point where prismatic blades can be popped off, and mastering that technique, took him a lot longer.

"This is the sharpest thing you can get," said Titmus of obsidian blades, the sharpest of which is one one-hundred-millionth of a centimeter wide at its fragile edge. "You can't get anything sharper than glass or obsidian glass."

"The very sharpest actually split cells, does not tear them."

One of the world's experts in flint-knapping, the art of making stone tools, Titmus has proof that the obsidian blades work: A former Twin Falls surgeon removed an obsidian chunk embedded in Titmus' foot with an obsidian blade. The surgeon, Dr. Bruce Buck, also performed abdominal surgery on Titmus' wife, Wilma, with an obsidian blade.

Erna Russell of Twin Falls, who worked with Titmus at Idaho Power Company before she retired, had her surgeon use an obsidian blade to remove a skin cancer lesion from below her right eye. Russell said she talked to Titmus about the blades several times.

"I was thoroughly convinced, or I wouldn't have done it," said Russell, adding that the fine-blade incision healed without a scar.

Twin Falls dermatologist Dr. H. Thad Scholes, who performed Russell's operation, said that is the only surgery he has performed with an obsidian blade. Unless a patient asked him to use obsidian blades, Scholes said he wouldn't suggest using one until he had more experience with them. "They did work well," said Scholes, who had his normal set of surgical tools at hand during Russell's operation. "I wouldn't have any problem doing that with that kind of tool again."

Titmus said he has given obsidian tools to various surgeons, but he would not want to set up a business. Of the eight or so obsidian blade makers nationwide, a couple of them do sell them, he said.

For the past two years, the Boise State University and Herrett Museum lithic technology research associate has been studying the way Aztecs made the multi-purpose blades with a wooden tool. Don Crabtree of Kimberly, now deceased, had first worked on the technique using a copper tool.

The technique, which probably originated 3,000 years ago, is partially described in the book "La Obsidiana En Mesoamerica."

With his back propped against his backyard fence, Titmus wedges an obsidian core in an anvil partially buried in the



Gene Titmus demonstrates the primitive technique of producing obsidian blades which he says can be used as medical instruments.

ground, secures the obsidian with his feet and then uses pressure on a wooden tool to knock off a blade up to 13 inches long. "There is a discussion of how these blades were made written by a Spanish friar," said Titmus, who has made about 8,000 blades. "We really don't know if they used them for surgery."

Health reform foes, advocates greet caravan

By Julie M. McKinnon
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Stricken with polio as a child, wheelchair-bound Sandra Dressel of Heyburn collected medical "horror stories" from Idahoans.

Nearby, partially paralyzed Lori Osborne of Hagerman wrote down her recent experience with the American health-care system while sitting in her own wheelchair.

Both Magic Valley women were at Harmon Park on Sunday for the arrival of lobbyist-supported business leaders are stopping in various places nationwide to collect letters from people supporting health-care reform. Dressel's and Osborne's opinions on the issue of health-care reform, however, were decidedly different. While Dressel advocated broad health-care reforms, such as implementing universal health-care coverage, Osborne said only a few things need to be changed, such as giving tax credits to self-employed people and vouchers for those with low incomes.

"It's getting so that health care is a luxury, not a necessity," said Dressel, who cannot work even part-time because she would not have to be insured by her employer. "As soon as I get a job, I lose Medicaid. I wouldn't care about that, if there was some

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Random acts of kindness

They aren't much, but they're something

The Associated Press

EVANSVILLE, Ind. — Gavin Whitsett is a sort of secret operative in what he considers a guerrilla war. Partisans execute their ambushes stealthily. You may never know who paid the bridge toll for you. Or who sowed nickels in the playground sandbox, swept your elderly neighbor's sidewalk, left a bundle of blankets outside the Salvation Army, sent flowers to the convalescent home, or put doughnuts by the coffee urn.

Gavin Whitsett is only one member of a sly band, one of a growing group of people committed to contributing in some small way to making their communities better places to live.

Their call their offensive, loosely, "Random Acts of Kindness."

"It doesn't have to culminate in something, lead to something, support something," said Whitsett, a communications professor who has written a whimsical purple handbook called "Guerrilla Kindness."

It's not about much, as the author himself will tell you. He's not proposing a plan for international peace or an end to hunger. He does not hope to redefine good citizenship or remedy what ails America.

"I'm not out to evangelize," said Whitsett, a kind of overgrown flower child in comfortable sandals and a beard. "My aim is only to remind people of the kind impulses that all of us have, remind people of something they

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Communications professor Gavin Whitsett wrote the whimsical purple handbook 'Guerrilla Kindness,' which suggests ways people can practice random acts of kindness.

Mideast peace pact not certain

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — On the eve of another historic Mideast summit, negotiators for Israel and Jordan worked Sunday on language for a declaration ending 46 years of belligerence and moving the two nations into an era of economic cooperation.

U.S. officials proclaimed that peace finally is at hand in the Middle East. But the parties directly involved appeared more cautious. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel refused to say whether the agreement was ready for him and King Hussein of Jordan to sign.

"We don't make any statements about what will happen," he said, as he and Secretary of State Warren Christopher posed for photographs in his hotel suite. "You will see what will happen when it will happen."

Earlier in the day, Christopher was upbeat, saying that "there is an acceptance of Israel and there is an acceptance of peace."

"One of the most intractable conflicts of this century is ending before our eyes," Anthony Lake, White House national security adviser, wrote in an op-ed article in Sunday's Washington Post.

Rabin and Hussein of Jordan were slated to meet today at the White House.

While the event won't be quite as dramatic as the White House meeting last September between Rabin and Palestinian Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat, it will represent another significant step toward peace.

Rabin and Hussein hoped to declare an end to a generation of enmity between the two Middle East neighbors and outline the economic steps that will follow.

Sources familiar with the ongoing negotiations said there were unresolved questions for Rabin and Hussein to work out when they meet with President Clinton.

Speaking only on condition of anonymity, the sources said it was by no means certain that the two leaders would have anything ready to sign at the White House.

"Things are being negotiated now," said a diplomatic official.

Hussein has said it is too early for Jordan and Israel to sign a formal peace agreement.

A senior administration official, speaking only on condition of anonymity, said the declaration would spell out "some specific steps they can take next to further the relationship that's beginning to build."

Those steps include cooperation on trade, banking and finance, as well as joint development projects to include a cultural heritage park that would straddle their common border.

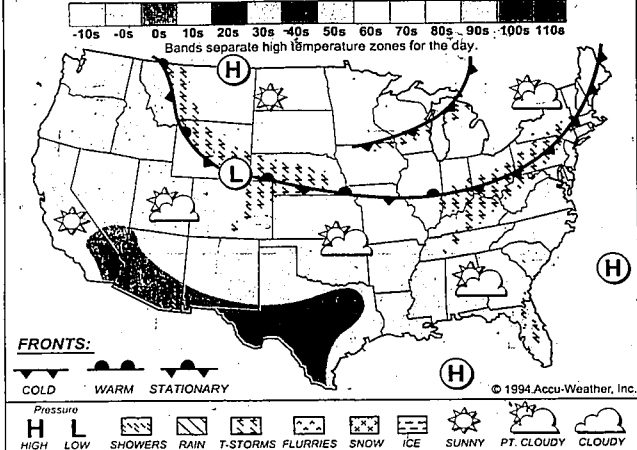
With all the progress toward more normal relations between Israel and the Palestinians and Jordan, basic issues remained unresolved, such as the status of Jerusalem and questions involving refugees and water rights.

In an appearance Sunday on the ABC's "This Week with David Brinkley," Christopher said the White House meetings last September and today mean that "the walls are coming down in the Middle East.... I don't think things will ever be the same in the Middle East."

Weather

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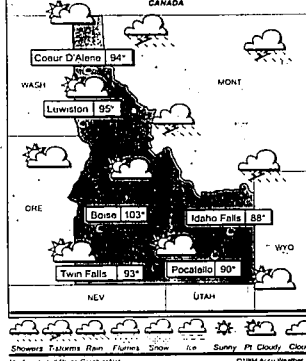
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IDAHO Weather

Monday, July 25

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Weather summary

A strong high-pressure aloft will keep Idaho under hot and mostly dry conditions. However, a weak low pressure at the surface is sufficient to kick off a few afternoon and early evening thunderstorms over mountainous areas.

Mostly sunny skies were the rule over most of Idaho Sunday; except in the southern and central mountain areas, which were partly sunny as clouds were building with the daytime heating.

The highest temperature in the state Sunday was 105 degrees at Lewiston. Yellow Pine reported the lowest at 42 degrees.

Elsewhere in the nation Sunday, the highest temperature was 115 degrees at Lake Havasu City and Bullhead City, Ariz., and Truckee, Calif., reported the lowest temperature at 34 degrees.

Visible planets

Morning: Saturn, Mars
Evening: Venus, Jupiter

Fire danger index

Public range lands: high
Public forest lands: very high

Rain soaks South, Northeast; showers bring relief to dry West

The Associated Press

Thunderstorms spread heavy rain across parts of the South and the Northeast on Sunday, while rain also drenched higher elevations in parts of the dry West.

A cold front spread thunderstorms from the Ohio Valley into parts of New England.

Afternoon thunderstorms produced high wind that damaged trees in Kentucky and dropped half the size of quarters near Pickford, Mich., the National Weather Service said.

Rainfall during the 24 hours up to 6 a.m. MDT included 2.22 inches of rain at Allentown, Pa.; 1.80 inches at White Plains, N.Y.; 1.16 inches at New York City and 1.13 inches at Worcester, Mass. Late Saturday, 3.5 inches of rain fell at New Middletown, Ohio, and near Bessemer, Ala.

Moist air and high temperatures spawned thunderstorms

Temperatures

	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	97	67	...
Anchorage	91	72	14
Boston	90	74	...
Chicago	85	65	...
Dallas	101	77	...
Denver	91	60	17
Des Moines	81	67	...
Detroit	84	67	...
Honolulu	89	78	...
Houston	99	74	...
Indianapolis	85	67	...
Kansas City	81	67	02
Las Vegas	107	81	...
Los Angeles	86	65	...
Memphis	89	77	01
Miami Beach	91	75	...
Milwaukee	87	68	...
Minneapolis	80	57	02
New Orleans	93	68	...
New York	89	70	04
Oklahoma City	85	62	...
Omaha	81	65	02
Phoenix	108	86	...
Pittsburgh	87	67	...
Portland, Me.	84	68	03
Portland, Ore.	86	62	...
Reno	94	60	...
St. Louis	88	71	...
Salt Lake City	99	81	...
San Francisco	71	59	...
Seattle	76	59	...

Forecasts

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding: Today and Tuesday mostly sunny and continued hot, isolated afternoon and evening thundershowers. Highs in the lower to mid-90s. Lows tonight near 60. East to south winds 10 mph today.

Camas Prairie and Wood River Valley: Today and Tuesday mostly sunny and continued hot. Widely scattered afternoon and evening thundershowers. Highs 85 to 90. Lows tonight 45 to 55.

Extended forecast: Southern Idaho - Today and Tuesday mostly sunny. Isolated afternoon and evening thundershowers. Continued hot. Highs 90 to 102. Lows 45 to 55 east and the 60s west. Extended forecast, Wednesday through Friday partly cloudy with widely scattered afternoon and evening thundershowers, mainly over the mountains. Continued hot. Lows in the 50s to lower 60s. Highs in the 90s to 102.

Northern Utah and Nevada: Utah - Tuesday partly cloudy. A few afternoon and evening showers and thundershowers. Highs 95-100. Lows upper 50s to lower 70s. Extended forecast, Wednesday through Friday partly cloudy. A few afternoon and evening showers and thundershowers. Lows in the 60s. Highs 95-100.

Elko County - Today mostly sunny. Isolated afternoon and evening thundershowers east, mainly over the mountains. Highs in the upper 80s to upper 90s. Tonight fair skies. Lows lower 50s to lower 60s. Tuesday mostly sunny. Isolated afternoon and evening thundershowers east, mainly over the mountains. Highs upper 80s to near 100.

Sunday across the Gulf Coast and Southeast.

Daytime heat generated thunderstorms across higher terrain of the West with showers in the mountains from Idaho into Arizona and New Mexico. Similar weather on Saturday produced 1.76 inches of rain at Fort Collins, Colo.

Hot, seasonal weather continued across much of the country. Overnight lows cooled only into the 70s in the Southwest, south of a line from Texas to the Atlantic, and along the East Coast into southern New England.

Temperatures fell only into the 80s in parts of Arizona and Nevada, with a low of 56 at Yuma, Ariz.

A high pressure system pushing southward from central Canada carried cool temperatures into the northern Plains and Rockies. Lows were in the 40s at higher elevations of the Rockies and in western North Dakota.

Sunday morning's low for the Lower 48 states was 40 at West Yellowstone, Mont.

Health

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I could get some insurance so I could go ahead and have a career."

Meanwhile, when Osborne was treated last December following a car accident that injured her back, another uninsured woman also was hospitalized with a similar problem, she said.

"She received some insurance. I did. I don't see that our system is broken," said Osborne, a rancher who has private insurance. "For people who need care, it's there."

The Health Security Express started its journey Friday from Seattle. Letters will be presented to Congress and when buses from around the country meet in Washington, D.C.

"At Harmon Park, buses with about 140 'reform riders' were greeted by about 30 sign-waving opponents of health-care reform and about 40 supporters of reform."

Democrat Penny Fletcher, who's challenging Rep. Michael Crapo for his 2nd District seat, said she supports health-care reform. Fletcher said she

would like to see a plan get through Congress this year with universal coverage implemented in two to three years.

Fletcher also said that the percentage of people insured through "universal coverage" should not be an issue: "Let's not quibble over figures. Let's cover as many as we can."

The most difficult piece of health-care reform to deal with is deciding how much of an employee's insurance coverage should be paid for by an employer, Fletcher said.

Some of the protesters, supporters and reform riders discussed their views with each other. While many of those wanting reform bemoaned the inability of people to get coverage, especially those in the middle class, some protesters said they do not want socialized medicine, restrictions on health-care provider choice or federally funded abortions.

Yet some protesters, supporters and reform riders agreed that Republicans, Democrats and members of Ross Per-

ot's Independent Party need to work together to handle health-care reform. Other protesters said government should not be involved because it cannot take care of the programs it already has and unnecessary physician malpractice claims must be eliminated.

The only reform rider to the Health Security Express in Twin Falls - and the only rider from Idaho - was Steve Prendergast of Pocatello, national committeeman for the College Democrats and Idaho Young Democrats.

As Health Security Express people were leaving, letters from Osborne and health-care reform supporters alike, Dressel said was gathering information for the Idaho Citizen's Network of Boise. This fall, the network plans to have an ambulance tour Idaho to collect health-care stories that will be presented to Idaho politicians next month.

"Nationally, it's going to take too long and we have to do something with Idaho's health-care system," Dressel said. "Our legislators just don't think there's a problem."

Kindness

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already know, which is that it feels good to act on those impulses."

Around the world, every day, "great horrors are easy to find. And so, in the face of it, random acts of kindness seem to mean nothing at all."

But in capital letters, Random Acts of Kindness somehow begin to add up. "It's pretty basic stuff. Do unto others. Turn the other cheek. Or, as an on-line wordsmith reminded friends in cyberspace not long ago, 'Good is the most contagious virus... one person's good behavior spawns more good.'"

Fine. But what does this really have to do with anything important?

Well, for whatever reasons, the idea has caught on.

Whitsett's manual, a silly sort of book that will fit in your hip pocket, is only one of several such efforts, a piece of something bigger. Oprah Winfrey has devoted a show to the idea. Citizens have written letters to their editors, and editors have assigned reporters to the story.

Anne Herbert, a San Francisco-area writer, is generally credited with coining the slogan "Practice random acts of kindness and senseless acts of beauty" in the early 1990s. A response to current news of another "random act of violence," it has appeared on thousands of bumper stickers, on the which inspired Whitsett to join in.

A Bakersfield, Calif., college professor asked his class to commit such acts. Billboards have appeared along highways. Reader's Digest told 20 million readers, "Here's one underground movement you'll want to join."

William Damon, a psychologist and professor at Brown University in Providence, R.I., does not dismiss the call. "It's only symbolic," he said, "but we are a symbol-creating, symbol-consuming culture."

It is in small ways, through small gestures, that larger strides forward sometimes begin. In a world of overwhelming troubles, guerrilla do-gooders perhaps feel they are at least taking a stand, however modest.

"These little things that remind you that people care ... are uplifting rather than degrading," said Damon, co-author with his wife of "Some Do Care: Contemporary Lives of Moral Commitment."

"It's an expression of something people feel has been diminishing in modern times ... the sense that as a natural part of your everyday social life, you contribute to other people's welfare. You don't have to have a reason ... Making another person's life better is good in and of itself."

Undertaken in that spirit, Whitsett explained, his book simply offers "some fun, neat things you can do to

Books explain benovolence

The Associated Press

Here's a list of recent books aimed at explaining the how's and why's behind Random Acts of Kindness:

- "Acts of Kindness," by Meladec and Hanoch McCarthy (Health Communications, \$10.00). To order direct, call 800-441-5569.
- "Guerrilla Kindness," by Gavin Whitsett (Impact Publishers, \$8.95). To order direct, call 800-246-7228.
- "Random Acts of Kindness," compiled by editors (Conari Press, \$8.95). To order direct, call 800-685-9595.
- "Random Kindness and Senseless Acts of Beauty," by Anne Herbert and Margaret Pavel (Vilavans Press/Kazan Books, \$14.95). To order direct, call 209-296-3445.

surprise people and feel good at the same time. That's all."

For example, among his book's suggestions:

- Write an article about opportunities for kindness in your area.
- If a friend has bad breath, buy your friend a pack of mints or gum.
- Tell your best friends that they're your best friends.
- Send flowers to your partner at his or her workplace.
- Return anything you borrow in better shape than when you received it.
- Consider leaving your body to a regional medical school.
- Wave to kids in school buses, police officers, firemen, truck drivers, school crossing guards, people in other cars, hot-air balloons, on trains, and on boats.
- Buy at least \$25 worth of greeting cards ... so that you'll always have the right card to send someone you care for, whatever the circumstance, as soon as you get news of the occasion.

Several related books have been published, selling hundreds of thousands of copies. Each carries its own flavor, seasoned perhaps with New Age sentiment or a bit of Pollyanna or Zen.

Though they aren't specifically about Random Acts of Kindness, the best-seller lists also have been home lately to "The Book of Virtues," William Bennett's compendium of moral tales, and "The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People," Stephen Covey's take on value-based management.

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Democrats push to expand Medicare

WASHINGTON (AP) — For Americans without health insurance, there's already one sure way to get it: They just have to reach their 65th birthday.

Thanks to Medicare, the program born in Lyndon B. Johnson's Great Society three decades ago, barely 1 percent of the 38.9 million Americans with no health insurance are elderly.

Now Democrats in the House are pushing to create a new branch of Medicare to cover the country's poor, the uninsured, part-time workers, people between jobs and many of those working for small and medium-sized companies.

This so-called Part C of Medicare is the brainchild of Rep. Pete Stark, D-Calif., and the House Ways and Means Committee, and it will be an integral part of the bill that House leaders soon will send to the floor.

It is coming under fierce attack from private health insurers and big businesses worried about the competition. The American Medical Association is also wary.

"If you worry about a massive government takeover of the health-care system... you've got to be concerned about the size of Medicare Part C," said Dr. James Todd, the AMA's executive vice president.

But a majority of physicians surveyed by the Times-Mirror Center for the People and the Press said Americans under 65 should have the option of choosing Medicare.

Some critics view it as a stalking horse for even-

ually putting all Americans into a government-run health system.

But Stark says this is not a Canadian-style single-payer system.

"It's Medicare. It's very American," he said.

And it has the advantage of being a familiar, well-liked program.

'Our polling finds that it's very popular. The American public favors (Medicare Part C) by three-to-one.'

— John Rother, for the American Association of Retired Persons

"Our polling finds that it's very popular," said John Rother, legislative director for the American Association of Retired Persons. "The American public favors (Medicare Part C) by three-to-one."

It would be coupled with a requirement that all employers help pay insurance for their workers. Firms with 100 or fewer employees could enroll them in Medicare or buy private insurance.

The \$161 billion Medicare program is now reserved for 32 million elderly Americans and 3 million disabled workers. Their benefits under Parts A and B of Medicare would be expanded to cover

prescription drugs.

Medicaid, the insurance program for the poor that has been a big headache for governors, would be abolished.

Medicare Part C's annual premiums would run from \$2,140 for an individual to \$5,670 for two-part families, with subsidies available for the low-income families.

Bill Gradison, president of the Health Insurance Association of America, warns Medicare Part C would become "the largest entitlement program ever."

His group, which represents 270 insurance companies, claims it "will almost certainly require billions of dollars in new taxes to cover the inevitable shortfalls and expanded benefits."

Stark disagreed.

"We're just taking the people the private companies don't want," he said. "The private companies can't touch it. They're not as efficient. They can only profit by denying people care."

Medicare claims to spend less than \$3 billion — under 2 percent of its budget — on administration. Some private plans for individuals and small groups spend up to a third of their premiums on overhead.

But the insurers argue that Medicaid and Medicare pay hospitals just 80 percent to 90 percent of their actual costs, while private plans pay extra to make up the difference.

"There's a 30 percent premium paid on private hospital bills so that Medicare can look good," griped Gradison.

Counsel: Clinton aides did not defy ethics laws

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — White House counsel Lloyd M. Cutler said Sunday some of President Clinton's aides used poor judgment in talking to Treasury Department officials about a request for a criminal inquiry that touched on the Clintons. But he said the aides violated no ethics laws or regulations.

Cutler said he would create more specific rules on White House contacts about sensitive federal investigations and promised to do more to ensure existing rules are enforced.

Cutler, on CBS' "Face the Nation," deflected questions about whether Deputy Treasury Secretary Roger C. Altman misled Congress in February when he testified on White House meetings with Treasury officials about a federal investigation of Madison Guaranty Savings & Loan. The Resolution Trust Corp. was conducting both criminal and civil inquiries into the institution, which was owned by James B. McDougal, the Clintons' business partner in the Whitewater real estate venture. Cutler said Altman would have to "work out with the Congress" whether his testimony was accurate.

Cutler began an internal review last month, after special prosecutor Robert B. Fiske Jr. cleared White House and Treasury officials of wrongdoing. The White House has been criticized for its contacts with the Treasury Department over the Madison inquiry because the RTC is supposed to be an

independent agency and because the RTC, in criminal referrals, had named the Clintons as possible beneficiaries of illegal practices at the S&L.

Cutler said limited contact between the White House and the Treasury Department about the criminal referrals was proper. "It's perfectly appropriate if a high government official is even tangentially involved, for the agency involved to give a 'heads-up' to the White House so the White House will be able to deal with the inevitable press questions," he said.

But Cutler said the discussions should have been limited to then-White House counsel Bernard Nussbaum and Treasury general counsel Jean Hanson. Instead, about a dozen White House and Treasury officials got involved in discussions about the referrals and possible civil fraud suits stemming from Madison's failure.

After Hanson briefed Nussbaum on the criminal referrals, she and other Treasury officials met in mid-October with Nussbaum. White House communications director Mark Gertman and senior Clinton adviser Bruce Lindsey. In addition, Altman informed other top White House officials in a February meeting about how the RTC would proceed on civil suits against Madison's officials.

Asked why so many aides got involved, Cutler replied: "I think every White House has a better-seller quality to it. People get excited in the heat of the moment."

Packwood re-emerges as key as probe slows

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The Senate ethics committee's probe of Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore., is grinding toward its third year, complicated by lingering disputes arising out of Packwood's struggle with the panel over access to his personal diaries.

The committee's criminal wing appears unlikely to hold hearings on allegations of sexual and official misconduct against the veteran senator until after the Nov. 8 congressional elections, according to several sources. And the inquiry, which opened in December 1992, threatens to last longer than the two-year "Keating Five" probe into five senators' financial dealings with savings and loan executive Charles H. Keating Jr.

With the probe proceeding almost entirely out of the public eye, Packwood has used the interval — and his pivotal position in the health-care debate as ranking Republican on the Senate Finance Committee — to try to resurrect his image as a serious player on major national issues.

He has been pushed forward by Minority Leader Robert J. Dole, R-Kan., and other Republicans as point man on health care and other major issues, reinforcing the effort with press releases and television appearances.

A press release from his Washington office Thursday reported that Packwood had been "invited by Hillary Clinton to accompany her on Air Force One" to participate in a health-care rally the following day in Portland.

Ore. He had to decline the invitation, he said, because he would be meeting with President Clinton on trade problems at the time.

Packwood has received a surge of contributions to his legal-defense fund, which posted \$152,000 over the past three months, following a sag in fund-raising efforts earlier in the year.

Packwood has also tightened his ties with fellow Republicans, upon whom the onetime maverick must depend in a showdown over possible disciplinary action, which could range from a mild rebuke to expulsion. The six-member ethics committee is evenly divided between Democrats and Republicans, giving GOP members an effective veto on any proposed action.

Packwood has joined Republicans by abandoning his support for mandated employer contributions to workers' health insurance, and in another reversal, voted recently to sustain a filibuster against banning employers from permanently replacing strikers. Two years ago, he sponsored a compromise aimed at breaking such a filibuster.

Whether he has "rehabilitated" himself, as some Republicans suggest, is far from certain.

The issue remains open until the ethics committee concludes whether there is sufficient evidence against Packwood to merit hearings. A tough bill of particulars from the committee could ignite the controversy all over again. A public hearing or Republican refusal to hold one could raise the heat even more.

Dems won't go home without health-care action

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats prepared for the August showdown on health care are united on the premise that all Americans should be covered but uncertain how long it will take to achieve that goal.

Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell said Sunday that the debate could begin on the Senate floor in a week or two, and "we're just going to stay in session as long as it takes" to act on health care legislation.

But Senate Minority Leader Robert Dole said the Senate should not take its August recess, in order to have more time to review the legislation.

"I don't think there'll be any August recess. My view is that's not important," Dole said in an appearance on CNN's "Late Edition." "The more important thing is to deal with health care. Let's just don't rush it. If we're going to do it, let's do it right."

House Majority Leader Richard Gephardt also made clear that the House will not take its August recess until health care is dealt with, and said he thought the House could complete its bill by August 12 or 13.

Mitchell, Gephardt and Vice President Al Gore discussed health care on NBC's "Meet the Press." The majority leaders are now involved in putting together, out of legislation passed by four committees, bills they will present on the House and Senate floors.

Gore said he was confident Congress would emerge with a health-care reform plan before the November election. "The odds are overwhelming that we will pass it because history is on our side. The American people know that we need this legislation," he said.

Gore repeated the administration position that universal coverage must be a part of the final package. He indicated that one plan approved by the Senate Finance Committee would insure about 95 percent of the population would not be acceptable.

"I don't think that gets us universal coverage. I think that the final result will probably not be based on that model," he said. "Gore said it would be impossible to control costs, without coverage for all. 'If you don't have universal coverage... it's like trying to carry water in a

leaky bucket. You just can't do it."

Last week, the White House had to mobilize to reaffirm that the administration was not lowering its universal coverage goals after President Clinton, in a speech in Boston, said he would accept "some" where in the ballpark of 95 percent coverage.

The Democratic leaders left vague what they are considering for a phase-in period to achieve universal coverage. The original Clinton plan called for two or three years, but that has been lengthened by Congress' reluctance to force employers to pay for the program.

Gore said that the eight to 10 years suggested by some is unacceptable. "We don't want to wait that long."

Mitchell, D-Maine, said a six-to-eight year phase-in period is "one of many options" being considered. Gephardt, D-Mo., said reaching universal coverage in four or five years made sense.

"This is a big moment for the country," Gephardt said. The phase-in will probably be extended "to give people time to get ready for this. The important thing is to plant the flag, make the decision."

Intelligence panel will study CIA discrimination charges

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The House intelligence committee will hold hearings in September to air charges of discrimination against women in the CIA and other intelligence agencies, according to Rep. Ronald D. Coleman, D-Texas, a member of the panel.

In a statement, Coleman said the committee also would look into "new allegations of retaliation against employees who have complained of discrimination," but he did not give any examples.

"There is a building acrimony among minority and women employees throughout the intelligence community who believe they have been discriminated against for a number of years," Coleman said.

In addition, the congressman indicated that minority hiring practices at the National Security Agency, which collects and analyzes intercepted electronic intelligence, would be included in the hearings.

Coleman said that a Defense Department inspector general report

on hiring and promotion practices at the Fort Meade-based NSA disclosed "staggeringly low numbers of women and minorities employed in the intelligence community." Coleman said only 11 percent of NSA's 20,000 employees are members of minority groups compared with 27.7 percent of the entire federal work force. He said only 200 of NSA's employees are Hispanic.

The report said that the NSA established a recruiting office in Phoenix specifically to recruit Hispanics. The office was staffed with one non-Spanish-speaking African American, Coleman said, and was closed three years later because of budget-cutting activities resulted in 11 Hispanics of them Hispanic, according to the IG report.

The CIA and private lawyers representing a group of one-third of the CIA's female case officers have begun negotiating a settlement to claims that the agency's clandestine service has discriminated against female officers in promotions, country assignments and spying tasks since 1986.

'Monster truck' kills spectator

CLAREMORE, Okla. (AP) — A "monster truck" lost control during an exhibition and crashed through hay bales and a fence, killing the driver's best friend and injuring five other spectators.

Thomas Meents said the throttle stuck on his truck as he circled in the muddy track shortly before midnight Friday.

The huge wheels rolled over barriers around the track's pit, and then

the truck flipped over onto the fleeing spectators, the Highway Patrol said.

Meents, 27, of Paxton, Ill., was not injured. But Mike Hickerson, 39, of Broken, Mo., was pronounced dead of a brain bleed.

A caretaker at the Claremore Roundup Club near Tulsa said Meents and Hickerson were best friends. Meents was very upset over it — we all are," Greg Hobbs said.

Mild stroke hospitalizes dancer Kelly

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Gene Kelly, the acrobatic dancer who starred in Hollywood musicals of the 1940s and '50s, was hospitalized after a mild stroke.

Kelly, 81, was in stable condition and "resting comfortably" at UCLA Medical Center after his stroke Saturday night,

nursing supervisor Susan Davidson said Sunday.

Kelly's publicist, Warren Cowan, said doctors described the stroke as mild and "in such a... minimal way that I don't believe that there was any permanent damage."

Crew evacuates flaming fish processor; 1 missing

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) —

A fish processing ship burned off of control Sunday off the southwest tip of Alaska, forcing the evacuation of 132 people. One person was missing, the Coast Guard said. Small ammonia and propane tanks thrown overboard by the crew of the All Alaskan exploded as the fire spread to fuel on the lower. Leaking oil created an 8-mile sheen in Unimak Pass waters of the Alaska Peninsula, Coast Guard Lt. Michael Patterson said.

"There's a toxic ammonia cloud coming from the ship and heading down wind, but it's not threatening any people on land," Patterson said.

"It's a volatile situation. So there probably won't be any firefighting possible. It's burning out of control and burning fiercely."

The Coast Guard had no estimate of the amount of oil or chemicals that leaked. The cause of the fire was not immediately known.

One crew member from the 340-foot ship was treated aboard a Coast Guard cutter for smoke inhalation. He and other crew members were being taken to the Aleutian Islands port of Unalaska aboard another fishing vessel.

Crew members first abandoned ship into rafts before rescuers helped them aboard the fishing ship. Crew and rescuers were largely clear of the ship before toxic fumes became dangerous, Patterson said.

Jeff De Bell, a vice president of All Alaskan Seafoods Inc., the Seattle-based owner of the ship, said the company would not immediately comment.

Body found mauled by gator

NAPLES, Fla. (AP) — The body of a man who had been badly mauled by an alligator was discovered floating in a canal in a section of Florida known as Alligator Alley.

The body, missing one arm and half of the other — presumed to be chewed off by the alligator — was found by a passing motorist Saturday afternoon.

Sheriff's officials declined to speculate Sunday about the cause of death or how the body got into the canal. They said an autopsy was planned. Alligator Alley is adjacent to a sec-

tion of Interstate 71 from Naples to Miami where alligators congregate near the highway.

The body had been in the canal for two or three days when the motorist saw it. An alligator was lurking nearby, police said.

A trapper shot the 7-foot gator before investigators removed the body.

"Once they have bitten into a human... (game commission officers) like to destroy it," said R.D. Calabrese, a state wildlife officer. ("Alligators) get a taste for it."

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June executive order traps Haitian crewmen in Miami

Dallas Morning News

MIAMI — Marc Bruno paces up and down a brace-looking dock along a hidden curve in the Miami River and says he is a prisoner — a forgotten prisoner of United States foreign policy.

"Tell Mr. Clinton to let me out of this town," he says as he watches gleaming pleasure boats filled with laughing passengers cruise by.

The 45-year-old sailor is one of about 400 Haitian crewmen stranded in South Florida, along with 40 freighters, because of the U.S. embargo against their homeland.

For several weeks the small cargo ships have remained under the watch of the Treasury Department, the U.S. Customs Service, the U.S. Border Patrol and the Coast Guard.

An executive order issued by President Clinton in June froze assets of some Haitian nationals — and blocked Haitian-owned boats in U.S. waters, from leaving unless they can prove they are carrying humanitarian aid.

As the United States continues to engage in a war of words and nerves with Haiti's military rulers, crew members have wondered when they will see home again.

"We keep hearing we might be let go soon. But in the meantime, we haven't been getting paid. We haven't been allowed to leave the pier. We haven't been able to get in touch with our families," says Bruno, the chief engineer for a vessel called the Rosemarie.

Haitians hear Aristide talks

New York Daily News

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — At 6:30 p.m., in a squalid, one-room home in the Port-au-Prince neighborhood of Maritassant, Madame Edward and her family gather together for what, over the past week, has become a daily ritual.

In the center of the room, 10 people sit on the floor, listening silently to a tiny portable radio, out of which, in scratchy frequency, comes the barely audible voice of exiled Haitian President Jean-Bertrand Aristide.

In what many here see as an effort to prepare Haiti for Aristide's eventual return, the U.S. State Department recently began broadcasting pre-recorded half-hour speeches delivered by the Catholic priest over a new radio frequency they are calling Radio Democracy.

Richard Newcomb, director of the Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control in Washington, says: "We are working with the Coast Guard, Customs and other agencies to determine which of these vessels might be unblocked."

Decisions on some of the ships are expected soon, he says. Normally sailing out of Port au Prince, Haiti, the Rosemarie — like the other boats — has been unable to load or unload cargo. Some ships have rice, beans, cornmeal, flour and cooking oil on board — some of which has been spoiled or damaged by what rats.

Even if some of the vessels are cleared to go, it could take days or weeks to restock the ships' holds with fresh goods, say shipping agents.

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Universities, colleges keep close watch on spending, cut budgets

WASHINGTON (AP) — American colleges and universities survived the budget cuts of the early 1990s by reorganizing, cutting course offerings and keeping a closer watch on spending, according to a study released today.

The financial pinch has eased somewhat, but a substantial number of administrators still believe their schools are in weak financial condition, according to "Campus Trends 1994," a survey conducted by the American Council on Education.

A growing number — 32 percent — are concerned about the adequacy of student financial aid, according to the survey. That's up from the 24 percent who gave their aid programs low marks last year.

And four in 10 schools reported falling enrollment during a time when many are depending more heavily on tuition revenue.

Reorganization and redirection may be the defining themes of the 1990s for American higher education," the study said. "Most campuses have reviewed their current programs, especially to consider how well each program contributes to the institution's overall mission. Close to half have eliminated some academic programs."

The study's conclusions were based on responses from senior administrators at 406 two-year and four-year public and private institutions of higher education surveyed last spring. Responses were adjusted statistically to make them representative of all schools offering general undergraduate programs.

The annual survey is the council's 11th on changes in academic and administrative practice.

Eighty percent of survey respondents said their schools have tightened the monitoring of expenditures. Sixty-four percent have reorganized their administrative offices, the study said.

Seventy-one percent have reviewed the mission of their academic programs and increased scrutiny of classes.

The survey found that two-thirds of all schools have introduced new programs, and more than half have increased the size of programs, sometimes in an attempt to increase revenue. About 40 percent have eliminated programs during the last few years, however.

"Even with somewhat improved budget picture at some institutions, the financial difficulties of recent years have established a powerful momentum for streamlining operations, controlling costs and reducing expenses," said Elaine El-Khawass, author of the report and the council's vice president for policy analysis and research.

"On the negative side, this may result in a reduced range of academic offerings and an erosion of student services," she said. "Overall, however, we can expect colleges and universities to be 'leaner and meaner' as they move toward the 21st century."

Teen-ager accused of murdering 4-year-old comes to trial Tuesday

SAVONA, N.Y. (AP) — Eric Smith has a thatch of coppery hair, freckles and gold wire-rim glasses. The 14-year-old used to ride his bike everywhere, play drums in the school band and crack the other kids up with his cackle of a laugh.

On Tuesday, he goes on trial for second-degree murder.

Eric is accused of bludgeoning 4-year-old Derrick Robie, whose body was found Aug. 2, 1993, in a vacant lot near his home in this suburban village of 930 people in western New York.

A child psychiatrist hired by the defense says Smith has a "sadistic side" he cannot control due to developmental abnormalities brought on by trimethadione, a drug his mother took for epilepsy while pregnant.

Although the psychiatrist, Dr. Stephen P. Herman, could not say with certainty the drug had a direct bearing on Eric's behavior, he said the under-sized teen "has suffered from pathological rage attacks as evidenced by abnormal temper tantrums, breath-holding spells and head-banging."

In 1989, Eric strangled a neighbor's Siamese cat.

"He grew up a lonely child who was easily hurt. He cried frequently," Herman wrote in a report in May. "As he grew, he was not able to modulate his anger."

Court-appointed lawyer Kevin Bradley plans to claim that Eric was not responsible for the murder by reason of mental disease or defect. If the boy is found to have a dangerous mental disorder, he would be committed. If the jury rejects that defense and finds him guilty, he would face a maximum sentence of nine years to life.

"This was not a premeditated murder, but a tragic result of Eric's patho-



Eric Smith
Will stand trial Tuesday

logical rage," Herman said in his report.

Dale and Doreen Robie care little for the explanations. They cannot yet forgive.

"Something, I feel, has to be done to him," Robie, a 34-year-old printer, said softly.

After attending all the preliminary hearings in Steuben County Court, Mrs. Robie, 28, said of Eric: "There's not really much to think about. He just sits there in court and cracks his knuckles and looks out the window. I've looked at him but he looks right through you. He just doesn't care what he did."

She rejects the suggestion he was mentally incapable.

"Derrick kept telling him, 'No, I'm not supposed to go off the sidewalk. My mommy told me that.' It took him

four or five times to get Derrick to go with him."

The blond preschooler disappeared on his way to a summer recreation program at the bottom of his dead-end street.

Police said he was sodomized with a stick, choked and fatally beaten with rocks amid brush and trees at the back of the empty lot, just 300 yards from his house.

Derrick knew not to trust strangers, but police say Eric, who lived across town, was bicycling by and coaxed him into the woods on the pretext of taking a shortcut.

Derrick's body was found in the afternoon. Eric, then 13, was arrested within the week; authorities say he has confessed to the killing.

Last summer, Derrick learned to ride his two-wheeler, cast a fishing line and hook up the dog to the back porch. Each night, he read his brother, Dalton, a bedtime story. His father remembers a hike across a pine-topped mountain near here and how his boy never once asked to be carried.

"That was Derrick," said Robie, gazing at a photograph of his son swinging a baseball bat. "He lived every minute of it. He was all boy."

"It's a little easier now, but then all of a sudden you'll just feel lonely. I can't even explain it anymore."

Dalton, now 2, "is getting more and more like his brother every day," his mother said. And he hasn't forgotten his mentor. "If you ask him where Derrick is, he points up in the sky," she said.

"I still don't let Dalton out of my sight much. If I go to the mall, I don't take my eyes off him for a second. Even when I'm holding him. It's awful."

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Girl, 6, shot on her birthday dies

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Rosa Colon was not ready to let go.

Her 6-year-old daughter, Felicia, was shot in the head by a stray bullet on her birthday, and showed no signs of consciousness or brain activity.

Colon insisted on a respirator to control Felicia's breathing and medication to enhance her heartbeat. But despite doctors' efforts, Colon had to say goodbye to the little girl she called "Fifi."

Felicia was still on the respirator when she died Sunday of cardiac arrest at St. Christopher's Hospital for Children, three days after she

was shot. She entered the hospital Thursday night in a coma and never regained consciousness.

She was the baby in a family that also included her 11-year-old brother Brezhnev and 7-year-old sister Rosa.

The siblings visited Felicia before she died and sang "Happy Birthday" to her, temporarily drowning out the metallic drone of the machines.

On Friday, police issued a warrant for Oscar Santos, 27, on charges that include a aggravated assault and reckless endangerment. Additional charges may be filed.

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Illinois floodwaters destroy town's sense of community

Los Angeles Times

FULTS, Ill. — The Mississippi came and went, but it took something irreplaceable from the tiny Illinois river town of Fults.

When the river receded last October after three months of domination over the southern Illinois bottoms, it washed away Fults' fragile sense of community.

Other Midwestern riverside towns have lost far more monetarily to last year's great flood — the kind of losses that were visited again on towns in southwestern Georgia during this month's flash flooding. But Fults, alone among them, is in danger of disappearing from the map.

Most of the town's original 90 inhabitants have scattered to other parts, and the six families who talk of returning are unsure whether there will be enough people left to run the town council and keep Fults from disappearing. Even if there are, there will be little to govern.

"The river broke a lot of people's spirits," said Eugene Williams, the town's mayor. "There's not much to come back to."

Williams presides over a phantom zone where once-thriving cypresses and maples are as bare and wretched as winter foliage, where houses poke up from their untended lawns like rows of broken teeth. Williams' only official task these days is to mow violent patches of ironweed that sprout knee-high along Fults' dusty roads. At night, when he retires to a federal trailer outside town — leaving Fults to its two remaining residents and damp fields of cicadas.

American towns die every year, killed by the economic and spiritual malaise that has infected rural havens for more than a century. It is a slow process that often takes generations to set in, and even a place like Fults, barren of business and ignorant of its own history, can subsist for decades in a shrunken state, barely alive yet still a community.

"It's sad to see these towns go, but it's the survival of the fittest," said novelist William H. Gass, a small town native and St. Louis resident

whose fiction probes the heart of the heartland's psyche. "The ones that won't come back will be spared a living death. They'd be left with a population of talking memorial stones living in places that are more cemeteries than towns."

In the year since the Mississippi and other Midwestern rivers rose and swallowed their banks, authorities estimate that as many as 21,000 residents may have been left permanently displaced, forced to find new housing beyond the towns where they once lived. In most riverside communities, the numbers of those applying for federal buyouts or simply abandoning their ruined homes have been sparse enough to allow town life to pick up where it left off.

'I don't think (townspeople) should have to make personal sacrifices so that their towns can stay afloat.'

— Herman Skaggs, mitigation specialist

While many towns are slogging back to life and a few, such as Valmeyer — just northwest of Fults — are moving to higher ground, beaten communities such as Fults have been pitched into a struggle for their very existence. Already on a downward spiral of failing economic vitality, these towns are now forced to contend with an exodus that threatens to wither their futures.

In West Alton, Mo., across the river from Fults and north of St. Louis, as many as 500 of the unincorporated village's 1,000 residents may not return, and only a handful of businesses plan to reopen. Upriver, in Alexandria, Mo., up to half the population of 500 may not return, federal officials report.

Part of the reason for the exodus is

the federal government's buyout program, which has actively encouraged those living in the worst-hit areas to leave the flood plains. Many owners of shattered homes see the buyout as their only chance to sell off unclaimable properties and recover what would otherwise be exorbitant losses. Even many of those who want to stay have applied for buyouts because the alternative — jacking up their homes as high as 14 feet to withstand future floods — is too costly.

Last December, Fults' town board formally approved the federal buyout, making 25 of the town's 32 homes eligible for government aid. Despite Mayor Williams' worry that residents might be opting for the buyout too early, board members approved the aid package — fully realizing that their decision might doom the town.

"What's more important, the future of a community is the welfare of its individual citizens," said Herman Skaggs, a hazard mitigation specialist with the Federal Emergency Management Agency in Missouri. "Unfortunately for some of these marginal towns, their citizens are thinking about their own problems first. That's their prerogative and I don't think they should have to make personal sacrifices so that their towns can stay afloat."

Those abandoning communities where their ancestors lived for decades now must awkwardly adjust to life inland, watching old friendships die and missing the everyday familiarity of small-town routine.

Fults native Tom Moshbacher, a long-distance trucker, almost moved his family to Arkansas, but finally settled on a double-wide trailer perched in a mud field in the rolling hills above the flood plain five miles from Fults. He yearns for neighbors who "warn your kids they're in trouble when you're not around to keep an eye on them." His towheaded boy, Chance, 4, pipes for playmates he never sees anymore. His wife, Shari, tries to regularly phone old friends, but sighs that "it's no substitute for knocking on their door." The phone conversations wane with each passing month.



The Navy's first black officer, Ensign Jesse L. Brown, was killed in action while providing air cover for U.S. troops near the Chosin Reservoir during the Korean War.

Navy decommissions warship named after first black officer

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — Pride will be tinged with disappointment at a ceremony for the USS Jesse L. Brown. The warship named for the Navy's first black aviator, the first ship the Navy named for a black officer, is being decommissioned.

The disappointment is shared by the family of Ensign Jesse L. Brown, killed in action during the Korean War, and his former wingman, Thomas Hudner.

Hudner, a retired Navy captain, won the Medal of Honor for a heroic rescue attempt to rescue Brown from the wreckage of his downed plane in enemy territory.

"I can't believe the Navy would have done it," Hudner said in a telephone interview from his home in Concord, Mass. "We need everything we can in race relations."

The ship is to be decommissioned Wednesday at Pensacola Naval Air Station, where Brown received flight training.

It's one of two frigates being turned over to the Egyptian Navy. Brown's wife, Daisy Thorne of Hattiesburg, Miss., his hometown, attended the ship's commissioning in 1973.

She also plans to be at the decommissioning along with other family members, including the only child she had with Brown, Pamela Knight, and Ms. Knight's two children, Jamal, 23, and Jessica LeRoyce, 11, named for her grandfather.

"I am saddened that there will no longer be a USS Jesse Brown," Ms. Thorne said. "We were very proud of that ship. We kept up with it."

More than 150 members of Brown's family held a reunion on the ship in 1992 when it was based at Charleston, S.C. Ms. Thorne said the ship's name honored the ship's namesake.

Hudner, who will miss the decommissioning, was Brown's

wingman in a flight of four F4U-4 Corsairs from the aircraft carrier Leyte on Dec. 4, 1950. They were providing air cover for U.S. troops near the Chosin Reservoir.

Brown's fighter was hit by ground fire and he crash-landed. When it became clear he was alive but unable to get out of the smoldering wreckage, Hudner made a wheels-up landing nearby.

Hudner tried to pull Brown free, but the wounded man was pinned in the wreckage. A Marine helicopter pilot landed and joined the effort. Ward and the Marine had to leave or they would have risked capture or death in the overnight sub-zero cold.

"Jesse was very likely dead when we left," Hudner said. "If he wasn't, he was right on the verge of death."

It was too dangerous to try a recovery. A few days later, pilots dropped napalm to cremate the wreckage and Brown's body.

Report: 16% of violent crimes occur at work

WASHINGTON (AP) — Every time a gunman bursts into a workplace and opens fire, the nation is shocked at the transformations of a place of apparent civility and safety into a killing field.

But a Justice Department report released Sunday says one-sixth of all violent crimes in America occur in the workplace.

"The workplace is the scene of almost 1 million violent crimes every year," said Lawrence A. Greenfield, acting director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics. "About 10 percent — or 100,000 — of these violent workplace crimes involve offenders armed with handguns."

An estimated 8 percent of all rapes, 7 percent of all robberies and 16 percent of all assaults occur at work, according to the report, which includes data from 1987 through 1992 by the National Criminal Victimization Survey of U.S. households.

At the same time, 2 million personal thefts and more than 200,000 car

thefts occur each year while people are at work.

The survey does not include information on homicides, since it was based only on interviews with victims.

But data from other sources — the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Centers for Disease Control and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health — indicate that 4 percent of all homicides also occur in the workplace.

They can range from the slaying of a taxi driver to Gian Luigi Ferri's rampage through a San Francisco law office on July 1, 1993, when he killed eight people and wounded six to avenge imagined wrongs.

"I think it's expected, and I think it's increasing," said Jack Levin, Northeastern University professor of sociology and criminology.

With the decline of neighborhoods, the breakdown of community and increased mobility for the sake of a new job, "the workplace is becoming a focal point" for many people's lives, he said.

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Opinion

Other views

Mandating benefits, killing jobs

It took a little boy to point out that the fabled emperor was wearing no clothes, and it may take a pizza maker from Middle America to highlight a fundamental flaw in the president's attempt at health care reform.

Wichita, Kan.-based Pizza Hut has come under fire from the White House and its misguided minions because the short-order chain doesn't meet the administration's lofty standards for providing workers with healthcare coverage. It seems Pizza Hut has the gall to offer optional, partial health insurance to its workers after their first six months on the job if they pick up the rest of the tab.

That's more than a lot of its competitors offer, but it's apparently not good enough for the Clinton camp and a group calling itself the Health Care Reform Project, a special-interest group representing organized labor and some Detroit automakers, among others. The project, which favors the Clinton plan, will picket Pizza Hut restaurants around the country this week.

One of the group's key gripes is that Pizza Hut is one of various major American corporations that pay for workers' health care and assorted other benefits in Europe, yet not for their workers in the United States. The reform project even got Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., to demand that Pizza Hut appear before Congress and explain itself.

Pizza Hut has responded by taking out newspaper ads pointing out that one of its pizzas selling for \$11 on average in the United States is \$19 in Germany — and that the difference stems largely from Germany's government-mandated benefits, including extensive health care coverage.

Defenders of the Clinton plan's government mandates — for employers to cover most healthcare costs for workers — differ with Pizza Hut over how much such mandates would raise prices. But

the company is clearly right in saying such mandates are bad for business in general. They eliminate jobs by making it too expensive to hire inexperienced employees while raising the price of the products and services that businesses offer.

As the Clinton plan's backers try to make an example of Pizza Hut, such bullying of a private enterprise could backfire.

Consider that Pizza Hut's healthcare benefits for its workers, while not as good as those offered to professionals and other workers in various higher-paying industries, are nonetheless noteworthy within the fast-food business, where employee benefits tend to be minimal.

And yet the irony of it all is that, according to a Pizza Hut spokesman, fully 90 percent of the company's employees opt out of the health coverage anyway.

Our president might wonder just how that could be, given the healthcare "crisis" he keeps telling us about. Perhaps he doesn't understand that employers like Pizza Hut tend to hire 19-year-olds still far from the financial pressures of marriage, children, home ownership and the like. Plenty of them may still live with their parents and be covered by their health plans. Others may be married and belong to a spouse's health plan. And a likely majority of all fast-food employees are young and healthy with minimal health care needs.

The bottom line is that such jobs typically offer entry-level work experience and income to people. They provide minimum wages and a chance to learn a trade.

Raising the healthcare stakes on employers like Pizza Hut in pursuit of the president's utopia won't improve the living standard of American workers. It'll just dim their job prospects.

—Colombia Springs, Colo.,
Gazette Telegraph



Letters

Ball diamonds look good

It's so nice to see the new ball diamonds in Kimberly.

Over 30 years ago, Russel and Willa Eller built a backdrop at the site of the old Kimberly Grade School. Our son, Tom Ginder, was a player on their team.

The next year a group of local men built two new diamonds just west of the present city park.

Those helping on this project were the following citizens of Kimberly: Jack Arnold, Phil Arnold, Lewis Bulcher, Bob Bushey, Sherman Mullins, Cecil Castor, H. Robert Stradley, L.G. Yost, Raymond Presnell, Scott McMaster and Ed Ginder. At that time, we started sponsoring the "Ginder's Well-Drilling Giants."

This team played together for six years. With the able coaching of Bob Widmer and H. Robert Stradley, we managed to have a first or second place team.

The main contenders for these honors were the Rogers Coffee Shop, the D and D Grill, Ken Brown's Bombers and, of course, our Kimberly team.

Members of the "Ginder's Well-Drilling Giants" were Daryl Mullins, Jeff Scott, Duane Pressnell, Dean Glenn, Kenneth Allen, Gene Kurr, Kelly Curfew, Jim Denton, Laban Wallis, Scott Stradley, Ted Lovelady, Mike Drake, Steve Peterson, Steve Emerson and Tom Ginder. Little Bruce Stradley and Craig Ginder were the "bat boys."

It was a team that worked together, and the "coaches" did the coaching. Occasionally, the parents would disagree with the "umpire."

Merline Claiborn was head of a committee to hold yard sales and cooked-food sales to purchase lights for the ball field. The lights were installed, but the city wouldn't hook them up. I have no idea what happened to those boys playing ball and coaching. It's nice to see a good recreation program for our grandchildren and all the children in Kimberly.

DOROTHY GINDER
Hollister

'Baked' by baking soda

There are times when the combination of Mother Nature and scientific manufacturing technology can result in biohazardous, volatile mixtures. Recently, the wide use of baking soda in over-the-counter hygienic commodities has captured the fancy of many health care buffs.

Not one to overlook the use of the latest advances in health-care product improvement, a lady friend of mine, who was already using baking soda toothpaste, began using a baking soda mouthwash and the new, innovative baking soda deodorant. We were sunbathing one day last month and, as the temperature reached 100 degrees, my friend started to rise. It was horrible. The only thing that saved her was an old bar of cocoa butter that we had with us. Having once worked in a bakery, I immediately basted

her and rushed her to the hospital.

Pursuant to the initial misdiagnosis of the symptoms, the doctor in the emergency room quipped that the case gave new meaning to yeast infection.

My friend is as good as new now, except for a slight mealy countenance, which is barely perceptible — and, of course, the crusty complexion.

Litigation against the Consumer Product Safety Commission was summarily dismissed by the judge when my friend's attorney referred to the list of chemical ingredients in the deodorant as a recipe. The case is under appeal.

JACK LINTELMANN
Mountain Home

Thank you, Dr. Anne Fox

Dr. Anne Fox has not waffled on Outcome-Based Education as the Lewiston newspaper recently reported and carried by *The Times-News*. This is a perfect example of the media twisting the truth. What Dr. Fox did say was she would like to see a moratorium on OBE when she is elected Idaho school superintendent. Dr. Fox has written position papers on OBE and Goals 2000, stating opposition to both. Thank you, Dr. Fox, for your unwavering concern on behalf of students and parents' rights in education. Shame on the Lewiston newspaper for the continual lies regarding this fine candidate.

GERRI MCINTYRE
Twin Falls

Help Kelly Walton supporters

Kelly Walton's fear-engendered petition presents a very real problem, if voted in, for all Idahoans. It will be our tax that will pay for sending it through the court system, so it may once again be found unconstitutional. This process will be very expensive for Idaho. Wouldn't it be more cost effective to simply offer counseling to help the signers deal with their homophobia? Or classes in ethics and logic?

As the only known, true Christians left living, could the signers just graciously offer to pick up the tab for the court costs in processing Kelly's fruitless folly?

PENNY SCHELL
Twin Falls

Charles Halleran has backers

I'm in your corner, Charles Halleran. You have stated my views exactly in your letter to *The Times-News* about our White House couple. Keep telling it like it is.

ESSIE SPARKS
Twin Falls

Voters want something different

I would like to respond to the "what's going on at the bridge" letter to the editor by Bill Arrington.

Bill, I agree wholeheartedly about the bridge — I couldn't have said it better. Also your ideas about Idaho Power are the need for more growth on Kimberly Road and West Addison, but your shabby comments about the president of the United States are so disrespectful that I had to write. You say, "C'mon, the guy's a liar and an incompetent, and his opinions depend on which way the wind blows." This man was elected by the majority of the people of this country.

As such he deserves some respect. If you disagree with his policies, for example health care, then perhaps you have the right to say that you disagree and why? You attacked the man, not his policies.

There are many people who disagreed with the deregulation of the banks, too, and God only knows how many banks went out under the Republicans. The government stepped in and I believe freedom was lost. Also, what about all these homeless people — people who lost their jobs, their homes and everything under the Reagan administration? These people lost their right to vote, too. People wanted something different, and they voted their preference.

There seems to be a small minority who just cannot seem to accept defeat gracefully. Sir, you seem to have good solid ideas for the most part — just a little kinky when it comes to politics. Think about this: What kind of respect could anyone have for someone who pick, pick, picks another human being without any real reason? Our majority who elected a president deserves better than that!

RONDIE SHOCKLEY
Twin Falls

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Is it too late to save our society?

Occasionally, a news story appears that clutches at your heart, that both saddens and angers you.

Such was the case, this past week, of a gripping front-page story in *The Washington Post* about a nurse, Judith Houston Buston, who had been a holdup victim.

Buston was a short distance from her home at the time of the holdup apartment complex in the Washington area on the night of July 8. She had parked her car and was about to make the brief trip to her apartment when two young men stepped out of the darkness. At least one of them had a gun.

In a case of bad timing, Buston became the newest victim of our increasingly violent society.

She was involved in a brief struggle when two shots rang out, piercing the night. Then there was the sound of feet pounding the pavement as the youths ran away.

On that final night of her life, at approximately 10:15 p.m., Buston fell to the pavement, blood gushing from the torn main artery in her left thigh, like a faucet opened full.

The woman, 5 feet tall, weighing 100 pounds, dragged herself about 10 feet along the cracked white concrete walkway to her home.

She managed to pull herself up a flight of stairs, trailing a dark swine of blood along the wall. She began pounding furiously on her neighbors' doors.

Her plaintive wail could be heard throughout the building: "Help me. Somebody help me," the woman begged. But no one answered her pleas. Her neighbors had heard her and retreated behind their locked doors, hoping to remain safe. Some dialed 911. But the bleeding stole the life of this 43-year-old pediatric nurse who worked at George Washington University Medical Center.

No one could blame the neighbors. Not many people would open their doors with fresh violence just outside. One by one they explained how frightened they had become and how they had tried to help by dialing 911. But nothing was going to make any of them open their doors to the possibility of trouble on the other side.

So in the end, the nurse was left to die a frightening lonely death in pain in the hallway just out of reach of her neighbors who had been constricted by fear.

The saddest part of the whole event was that it could have occurred anywhere; it could have happened to any one of us.

Unfortunately, the death of Buston was no

Claude Lewis

big thing in America. Her passing might make the nightly news. She will doubtless go down in the FBI statistics concerning murder in the United States in 1994. But, after all, she was not O.J. Simpson's ex-wife. She was no superstar. Her death will cause pain, but only for a fleeting moment. Only games, no TV spectacle, no long preliminary hearing; no bevy of high-priced lawyers will become involved in the circumstances surrounding her death. Inevitably, her assailants will turn out to be members of America's underclass who wanted money to buy drugs or pizza or to play games, no TV spectacle, no long preliminary hearing; no bevy of high-priced lawyers will become involved in the circumstances surrounding her death.

When most of us die, if it is away from home, it will likely be in some inglorious place, unattended by fanfare and widespread hysteria. The coroner will arrive, bag the body and deliver it to the morgue. And then, off it goes to some anonymous funeral home, where friends and family gather to pay tribute. And that's it.

Only the family members are left to search for answers that never really arrive. Only games, no TV spectacle, no long preliminary hearing; no bevy of high-priced lawyers will become involved in the circumstances surrounding her death.

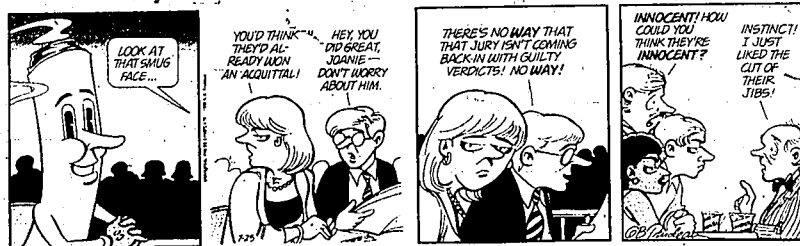
So go the lives of all the Judith Houston Bustons of America, men and women, boys and girls who succumb to senseless crimes and violence.

It appears the only sensible advice is to live life to the fullest, to love family, value friendships and be careful with strangers. Nothing is promised any of us these days. Life has increasingly become a chance, as Buston found out during her final hours.

She was to be married, but death abandoned her groom at the altar. This is the legacy of our so-called civilized society. This is the painful reality of a free people who are imprisoned by 200 million guns and no leadership capable of saving us from one another or ourselves. One is forced to wonder if anything will ever make us whole again, if anything will transfer our fear into substance so that we may measure how very far off course we have strayed.

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Doonesbury



Group aids elderly survivors

Selfhelp Community Services help Nazi victims cope with memories

NEW YORK (AP) — Nearly five decades after the end of World War II, even the youngest survivors of Nazi persecution are approaching retirement age.

For these people, who lived through one of the most horrific periods in history, aging can be especially difficult.

"What is important to remember is that as people get older and experience loss, it sort of reawakens the losses they've had. For the Nazi victims, it brings back all the loss they've had of a country, a family, a home," said Harriette Friedlander, an executive director at Selfhelp Community Services.

At Selfhelp, where Nazi victims have been going for aid since it was founded in the mid-1930s to help Jewish refugees, the aging of survivors has meant that issues affecting the elderly have become some of the leading concerns.

Though Selfhelp is now a large not-for-profit social service agency with a \$5.1 million annual budget and programs ranging from senior centers to AIDS services, providing help to survivors is still a prime focus. Nearly 40 staff members are assigned to the agency's Nazi Victim Program.

The program serves people, the vast majority of them Jewish, who suffered under Nazism, whether they fled, survived death camps or hid in Nazi-controlled territory.

Selfhelp remains one of only a handful of agencies around the country with a wide range of programs for elderly survivors, despite the difficulties these people can face.

While many survivors don't continue to suffer as a result of their wartime experiences, some elderly survivors find themselves alone in the wake of a cataclysm that wiped out entire families and villages. Others struggle with depression, anxiety or other emotional troubles because of the atrocities they endured.

For about 2,000 of the metropolitan area's survivors, the agency provides such services as counseling, home care, financial assistance, housekeeping, outreach services and help with the mundane troubles of daily life.

Some of their clients are the people who couldn't be helped by other social service groups, "the people who were living without a phone in an unheated room above a garage who thought the Nazis were after them," Friedlander said.

Through counseling, the agency's social workers try to help survivors come to terms with their experiences



Eva Knoller, left, a social worker at Selfhelp Community Services, listens to one of her clients, a Holocaust survivor. Knoller, a Holocaust survivor herself, uses counseling to help survivors come to terms with their experiences.

under Nazism — and other issues that concern the elderly.

To ease this process, most of Selfhelp's Nazi Victim Program social workers can speak at least one of the many languages the survivors brought with them to America.

This can be especially important as some survivors will slip into their native languages when discussing the horrors they lived through.

"It's more comforting," notes Eva Knoller, a social worker and the director of the Selfhelp office in the upper Manhattan neighborhood of Washington Heights.

On a recent afternoon, Knoller sat with one survivor in the woman's Washington Heights apartment. The survivor allowed a reporter to sit in on the discussion on the condition that her name not be used.

The woman, who fled Vienna and the emerging horrors of the Holocaust in the late 1930s, helped support her family for years after she came to America by caring for elderly people too frail to care for themselves.

But that afternoon, 76 years old and a widow, she sat at a table in the small apartment where she and her husband raised two children, her many prescription bottles arrayed in

front of her, and talked with Knoller about her own need for help.

"I used to do this for other people," she said sadly in her soft German accent, vaguely gesturing around the apartment. "Now, someone has to do this for me."

Knoller, who was especially worried because one of the woman's friends was moving out of their apartment building, gently prodded her to volunteer at a senior citizen's center.

"I think it would be good for you," said Knoller. "I think you'd find you have something to contribute."

While the two women came to no conclusion about volunteering, Knoller did get her to say she'd come on the agency's next outing for elderly survivors.

Beyond mental health issues, the isolation that some elderly Nazi victims face is one of Selfhelp's biggest concerns.

Survivors, "don't have the family support systems that people who were born and went to school in this country have," said Friedlander.

Some also face isolation if their neighborhoods change, or times leaving them without friends of their age or background.

Park Service seeks wild horse increase

Newport News Daily Press

What's happening at Assateague Island National Seashore on Maryland's Eastern Shore has been called "ponies on the pill."

In an effort to reduce the herd, the National Park Service, which runs the seashore, is using a dart rifle to inject mares with a contraceptive drug.

Wild horses, a dying breed throughout the West, are proliferating on coastal islands from Maryland to Georgia. But scientists have determined this is not such a good thing.

The horses are being blamed for disrupting the islands' ecological balance.

"The animals can't get enough of at least two tall, broad-leaved grasses that perform important ecological functions," say biologists who study the eating habits of wild horses.

The horses feast on dune grass, which protects beaches and dunes from erosion by surging tides. They also eat partial cordgrass, a common East Coast marsh plant that serves as habitat for birds, crabs and small mammals, such as mice and foxes.

As more horses than ever devour these grasses, island beaches are eroding, and marshes are stubbier and contain less wildlife.

"They're really causing fundamental changes in the ecology here," says Carl Zimmerman, who manages the horse contraception program at Assateague.

The same can be said for coastal islands in North Carolina and Georgia, where university researchers and federal wildlife officials have been studying the behavior of wild horses.

The horses have not been studied at Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge on Virginia's Eastern Shore, where as many as 225 horses, owned by the local volunteer fire department, were to be rounded up Sunday in preparation for the annual pony swim and auction this week.

Refuge officials there have asked for money to do a study.

The National Park Service, meanwhile, is trying to come up with ways to manage the wild horse population on coastal islands throughout the Southeast. There has been no shortage of suggestions.

Drug them. Keep them inside barbed-wire fences. Round them up and sell all or some of them. But some say the horses have

gotten a bum rap and should be left alone.

"We're pretty fed up with all of this talk that the horses are causing problems," says Roe Terry, a Chincoteague firefighter who serves on the local Pony Committee. "It's just not so."

Terry blames the destruction of grasses at the Chincoteague refuge on snow geese, which are known to eat grasses — roots and all.

Snow geese have presented a problem at the refuge, officials there concede, but not in recent years. For some reason, fewer have been coming to the refuge.

Wild horses are not native to the coastal islands, and their origin is the subject of much debate.

Residents of Chincoteague, for example, say the horses are descendants of Spanish stallions that survived a 16th-century shipwreck.

Biologists who have studied the genetic makeup of the horses say they more likely are descendants of 18th- and 19th-century farm horses that were brought to the islands to graze but never were rounded up.

While wild island horses have cloudy pasts, their futures are more certain: There always will be horses on these coastal islands. The Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Department has a permit to graze 150 adult horses at the wildlife refuge there, and there's no talk of revoking it. Horses there are split into two groups: about 50 in a 650-acre tract in the southern part of the refuge and 100 or so in a 3,400-acre tract in the northern part.

Once a year, local firefighters round up the horses, then coax them to swim across Assateague Channel toward the town of Chincoteague, where young horses are sold to thin out the herd and to raise money for the fire department.

Last year 80 were sold for an average of \$683 each, or a total of \$54,640.

While most of that is used to run the fire department, veterinarians who treat the horses are paid about \$10,000 a year, and the refuge charges an annual grazing fee of \$1,500.

Marguerite Henry's "Misty of Chincoteague" brought nationwide attention to Chincoteague's wild horses.

And each year the swim and the auction attract tens of thousands of tourists, some from as far away as California and Canada.

Tortured canine earns national media spotlight

AUBURN, Ala. (AP) — Gucci was beaten, doused with lighter fluid and set ablaze. Now the puppy has two lawyers and a team of Auburn University veterinarians on his side.

He's been on television. He's been on the front page of the newspaper in Mobile, the city where he was tortured and rescued. He's been the featured guest of honor at a Mobile bar, which donated the money from its \$2 admission charge to the local animal shelter.

"It would be great if we could use Gucci as the spokesperson for animal cruelty," said Doug James, a Spring Hill College professor who saved the pup. "He's a big-time down here. It's funny when I go places, people say, 'There's Gucci. There's Gucci.'"

James witnessed the May 20 burning of the little animal, then 3 months old, by a group of young males in a downtown Mobile neighborhood.

"Suddenly I saw this little guy burst into flame," James said. The dog, a chow mix, ran under a house, where he continued to burn until James rescued him.

James said the youths were sending a message to the puppy's original owner, a 15-year-old runaway girl who gave the dog its designer name and who has since returned home to her family. The boys wanted her out of the neighborhood, he said.

"I couldn't sleep for two nights," James said. "Every time I'd try to sleep I'd see his whole body a ball of fire."

On July 6, three veterinary surgeons at Auburn's College of Veterinary Medicine moved the puppy's scared eyelids so he can blink.

"We're trying to get the eyelids to where they'll work as normally as possible and protect the eyes," said Dr. David Whitney, who said the puppy will likely need another operation on each eyelid.

James was inundated with offers of help after a story about the



Doug James with Gucci. Professor saved dog's life

puppy appeared in The Mobile Register.

Two juveniles accused of torturing the dog are scheduled for trial in August. A 19-year-old is scheduled to go on trial Tuesday on one count of violating Alabama's statute on cruelty to animals, which carries a maximum punishment of one year in prison plus fines.

Crowder's friend George Hardesty is one of the lawyers on Gucci's team. Hardesty, a former Mobile district attorney and assistant state attorney general, wants to act as a special prosecutor on the dog's behalf.

"With Gucci we intend to show that the government or a concerned citizen can step in where an animal is being abused," Hardesty said.

A Mobile lawyer, John Crowder, offered to pay for the dog's surgery, which the Auburn team performed at cost.

Crowder was outraged by what happened to the helpless mutt. "I don't know if it's a sign of the times or our society or what. It's just sickening," he said.

Women from all over search for bachelors

Knight-Ridder News Service

HERMAN, Minn. — Romance is in the air this weekend in Herman, Minn., where a date is a drive past the cornfields and women are as scarce as steady rain.

Women, hundreds of them from all over the country, have descended like honeybees on this rural town of sugar beet, corn and wheat farmers. They're here to check out men at the annual Great Corn Field Fair, looking for love between cotton candy and the Ferris wheel, at bachelor auctions and tractor pulls.

The women won't admit they traveled hundreds or thousands of miles just to catch a man — the weekend is all just a big adventure, they say. Neither did they bring any special perfumes or outfits to use as bait. What they are candid about is how awful it is out there, being an imperfect single woman in a town that treasures fat stomachs and flawless skin. With a national male-female ratio of about 83 unattached men to every 100 women, the men can pick from the cream of the crop. And a good man is as hard to find nowadays as a hoe in a cornfield.

Several have already hooked up. Jan Adams, 41, and Gary Findlay, 37, met when she bid \$20 for his company at lunch during Friday's auction of a dozen local bachelors.

They spent the afternoon talking about themselves (she teaches Spanish and likes to travel; he farms and enjoys line dancing) and exchanged phone numbers.

At one point, pretending to interview Findlay, Adams asked what he expected to get for his weekend. Looking straight at her, he answered, "I met a woman and I expect to see a lot of her. If she'll see me."

Concealing her surprise, Adams replied, "I think she will."

Herman, which is about 180 miles northwest of the Twin Cities, has 485 people and a ratio of

roughly six men to every one woman. There are five churches, one bar and no traffic lights. The biggest event in recent memory was the time nine years ago that a busload of folks from Fargo went on a parade and to an accordion contest.

But since the call went out in February for more women to move in and start businesses, Herman has become something of an international clearinghouse for the lonely bachelor. A thousand women have called or written love letters and business proposals; radio and TV stations from England to Iceland have interviewed Dan Ellis, the town's most visible bachelor; and folks in private homes have rented spare rooms to the crowds this weekend.

The visitors say they have been flattered by the attention of so many women.

"There are these rural bachelors and they're so up-front about it — 'We want women! Send more women!'" Adams said. "It's refreshing to hear that instead of a tired old line that's in poor taste."

Ellis said he's been asked to make the trek to find them — as long as they're not forward enough to hand out their phone numbers. It's up to the men to ask for them and continue the courtship, the women say.

"I was a nice, Christian guy," said Betty Harrigill, 42, of Fort Worth, Texas, who drove 1,200 miles with a woman from Oklahoma City. "A farmer's fine. I think they're probably more stable than a lot of men. I think you find they're honest people and they'd treat a lady like a lady."

Three-divorced Clara Allen, a 33-year-old mother, said she wants to move here from Florida. The national media attention grabbed her interest in May, so she came for a visit. "She fell in love with the town's friendliness, as well as the fact that folks greet her wherever she goes and don't lock their doors."

No snow, but Minnesota family makes merry Christmas in July

ST. ANNA, Minn. (AP) — The temperature was in the high 70s. Instead of snowflakes an occasional mosquito buzzed by. There wasn't a mitten or stocking clip in sight.

No matter. Santa Claus still spread a little Christmas cheer for Teckla Johnson and her family.

"Look Mommy and Daddy! I got a hula hoop," yelled 4-year-old Kayle Street as she opened a present.

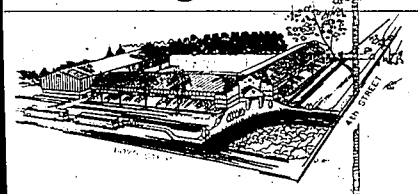
With relatives scattered, Johnson said the family couldn't get together on

December 25. So her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren gathered Saturday at her home about 15 miles northwest of St. Cloud.

The children didn't even seem to mind that Santa — costumed grandson Bob Johnson — arrived at the lakeside home in a fishing boat instead of a reindeer-drawn sleigh.

The Johnsons sang Christmas carols, snacked on Christmas cookies and exchanged presents in the midst of red and green holiday decorations.

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World

Gaza workers stream into Israel

EREZ CROSSING, Gaza Strip (AP) — Under tight security aimed at preventing a repeat of last week's deadly riots, thousands of impoverished Palestinian workers entered Israel through the reopened Erez crossing Sunday.

The 18,000 workers were the first group of significant size to cross into Israel since the July 17 unrest when two Palestinians were killed, and dozens of Arabs and Israelis were injured.

The riot broke out when laborers denied entry to Israel tried to rush the crossing, and Israeli and Palestinian troops exchanged fire.

The melee was the worst violence since Palestinian self-rule began, mid-May. Israel sealed off Gaza until last Friday, the Muslim Sabbath.

Israel's finance minister repeated a promise Sunday to provide money and diplomatic assistance to help relieve the economic distress bedeviling the autonomous Gaza Strip and Jericho region.

"We are very concerned about the situation," Israeli Finance Minister Avraham Shochat said after a meeting with Ahmed Qureia, the Palestinian finance minister, in Jericho. "You can't carry out the (autonomy) agree-

ment without the economy receiving a boost."

"We will transfer funds that the Palestinians deserve from us (and) we have to hasten the donor countries to transfer the funds they promised," Shochat said.

The Palestinians are demanding Israel hand over hundreds of millions of dollars that were withheld as taxes from Palestinian workers in Israel. Israeli radio stations said Israel agreed only to an immediate transfer of about \$2.3 million.

Qureia said he asked Shochat to increase the number of Palestinian workers going into Israel. He said they also set up committees to help the Palestinians build their own tax and customs systems.

Gaza, where 60 percent of the 850,000 residents are unemployed, relies heavily on Israel as a source of employment. Israel has limited the number of work permits to Gazans since a wave of stabbing attacks in 1993 by Palestinians.

Stepped-up security measures by both Israeli and Palestinian troops prevented a recurrence of violence Sunday, said a high-ranking Israeli official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Rwandan refugees slowly head home

GOMA, Zaire (AP) — Rwandan refugees, hoping that life in their war-ridden homeland will be better than in their wretched camps, started trickling home Sunday after Zaire reopened the border.

The first wave of an extensive U.S. food airlift arrived Sunday, but relief workers say it will be many days before the influx of aid can defeat the disease, hunger and exhaustion that have killed as many as 10,000 refugees in the past five days.

"Everybody is dying here," said farmer Jean de Dieu Kadogo as he led a small boy across the border. "We'd rather go home."

Cholera, which is spread by feces and can kill in a matter of hours, is moving rapidly through the area. Other diseases and malnutrition have swept through camps polluted by corpses, excrement and smoke from cooking fires.

Hundreds of refugees had massed at the Rwandan border, hoping to return home after days in the field camps. But Zairian troops stopped them for two days, apparently until the border area could be cleared of abandoned weapons.

Zairian Prime Minister Kengo wa Dondo reopened the border on Sunday, leading a procession of 20 carloads of officials and red-beretted soldiers to cheer and yell from the waiting refugees.

At least 2,000 streamed over in the first hour, then the flow slowed to a few people every five or 10 minutes. There was no indication that most of the 1 million refugees in the Goma



A line of Rwandan refugees crosses the border into Gisenye, Rwanda, from Goma, Zaire, after the border was opened Sunday.

area were preparing to leave.

The refugees are mostly members of the Hutu ethnic group who fled as rebels led by the Tutsi ethnic group advanced westward. They feared the rebels would retaliate for massacres of Tutsis by Hutu militias.

Between the massacres and the casualties in the war between the rebel Rwandan Patriotic Front and the former government, an estimated 200,000 to 500,000 Rwandans have died since the slaughter began in early April.

The rebels defeated the government army last week and are urging the refugees to return home. U.N. officials say there have been no reports of rebels

abusing civilians and the new government says it will punish only those found guilty of perpetrating the massacres.

But the refugees are deeply suspicious.

"Have you heard anything, are you sure they're not killing Hutus here?" said Janvier Nkurikiyimfura, who walked across the border carrying his mattress.

He walked along a road on the shore of Lake Kivu, looking at corpses rotting in the water, then reached the city of Gisenye — deserted, looted by soldiers in their last stand, and reeking of death.

U.S. airdrop misses target

KATALE, Zaire (AP) — A U.S. aid airdrop criticized beforehand as a publicity stunt missed the target by a half-mile Sunday, scattering bundles over terrified Rwandan refugees who thought they were being bombed.

"I can't believe it," said British aid worker John Wallis, as he slashed at wrappings with a bowie knife, and flour spilled into a muddy cornfield. "This is criminal. I'm speechless."

Three C-130s dropped about 10 tons of corned beef and other food, half of the 20 tons they carried to the drop zone. One bundle narrowly missed a U.N. helicopter, and another almost hit a school. Others fell deep among banana trees, and workers said they expected to salvage only about half of it.

Because of the drop, U.N. and volunteer officials said trucks needed for getting food and supplies to the more than 1 million refugees around Goma were held up much of the day.

Trucks with a total capacity of 40 tons — twice the airdrop amount — drove the 30 miles from Goma to the Katale camp empty because aid workers did not get enough advance notice to load them.

Briefly

Gambia reports calm after coup

DAKAR, Senegal — Gambians went to the market and tourists phoned home on Sunday, two days after a bloodless coup forced the country's president to take refuge aboard an American warship. President Sir Dawda Jawara was overthrown Friday by soldiers who were apparently angry at not being paid for peacekeeping duties in Liberia. He went aboard the USS La Moure County, which was making a port call in the West African nation, and was reportedly trying to contact the new authorities.

State-run radio was silent after broadcasting a communique Saturday that proclaimed the military government. Four lieutenants — identified as Yahah Jammeh, Sadihu Hydera, F.D. Sabally and I. Signahut — announced the creation of a Provisional Council of the Armed Forces to run the country, the communique said.

They suspended the constitution and political parties and declared a 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. curfew, but called their leadership a transition that would fight corruption and usher in democracy. They also pledged to maintain good relations with nearby states, especially Senegal, which surrounds Gambia and intervened in 1981 to put down a coup.

Party leader pleads innocent to bribery

JERUSALEM — A former key ally of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin pleaded innocent Sunday to charges he accepted \$170,000 of bribes while serving as a Cabinet minister.

Arye Deri, head of the religious Shas party, acknowledged accepting tens of thousands of dollars but told a Jerusalem court the money was earmarked for various charities and educational funds, Israel radio said.

Deri, who was interior minister under the former right-wing government of Yitzhak Shamir and under Rabin, was forced to resign last fall following a three-year battle against an array of corruption charges.

The case has wider implications for the peace process. After Deri's resignation, Shas' six members bolted Rabin's coalition. That left the prime minister with a formal minority of 56 out of 120 Knesset members and able to survive only through the support of five legislators from parties representing Israel's Arab minority.

Neo-Nazis attack concentration camp

BERLIN — A gang of 22 neo-Nazis went on a rampage at the site of the Buchenwald concentration camp, throwing stones, shouting Nazi slogans and threatening to burn a woman who works there, police said Sunday.

A four bus carrying 21 young men and one woman pulled up Saturday evening at the former camp, now a national memorial to the 56,000 people who died there between 1937 and 1945.

They shouted "Sieg Heil" and gave the stiff-armed Hitler salute. They broke a window in a barracks building and pulled out a cart that was part of an exhibit on inmates' labor. And they threatened a staff member.

"One of them said to this woman, 'I'll burn you with my own hands,'" Weimar policeman Oswin Wenter said in a national television interview. All 22 were detained briefly for questioning. Police said only one, a 23-year-old from Erfurt, remained under arrest Sunday.

Prosecutors were considering whether to bring charges of disturbing the peace and making threats.

Sinn Fein spurns British-Irish peace

LETTERKENNY, Ireland — The Irish Republican Army's political ally spurned a British-Irish peace initiative on Sunday, holding out for concessions on the crucial issue of who decides the future of Northern Ireland.

The Sinn Fein party did not call for the IRA to cease its guerrilla war against British rule in Northern Ireland. Both governments are demanding an end to the violence before they will deal with Sinn Fein.

"The army leadership will take its own counsel on this," said Sinn Fein President Gerry Adams.

Mitchell McLaughlin, a member of Sinn Fein's executive, told reporters it was up to Britain and Ireland to come back "with a proposal that they honestly believe will move the process forward."

Both governments expressed disappointment, but Irish Prime Minister Albert Reynolds said he detected "some positive signals" from Sinn Fein.

Tribesmen kill 37 Muslims in India

GAUHATI, India — Separatist tribesmen raided a refugee camp Sunday, killing at least 37 Muslims and wounding 100 in India's remote northeast.

Guerrillas of the Bodo Security Force set fire to a school building where more than 5,000 Muslim migrants had taken shelter after their settlements were raided last week.

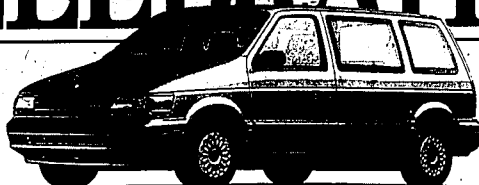
The attackers fired AK-47 assault rifles on fleeing men, women and children.

Three attackers were killed by security guards posted at the camp, said Bipul Kalita, Assam deputy inspector-general of police.

Bodos have carried out a spate of attacks on Muslims since a Bodo woman was killed last Wednesday. Bodos blame Muslims for her death.

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Around the valley

Group schedules teen pregnancy conference

SUN VALLEY - Idahoans Concerned with Adolescent Pregnancy will host its sixth annual teen pregnancy conference Aug. 8 and 9 at the Sun Valley Resort.

Local, regional and national experts will share their expertise to assist Idaho communities in working together to prevent teen pregnancy.

Registration is \$75 before Aug. 1 and \$90 after. For more information, call 788-5733.

Uninsured cancer patients seek money for medical costs

TWIN FALLS - Two uninsured cancer patients need help raising money for medical costs.

Pastor Oliver Bibby of the First Southern Baptist Church in Kimberly, was recently diagnosed with colon cancer. Donations can be sent to: Benefit for Pastor Oliver Bibby, International Chaplains Association, P.O. Box 1039, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

Single parent Jackie Barraclough of Jackpot has received treatments for cervical cancer and now wants to try alternative treatments, ranging from Mexican herbs to procedures done at tumor institutes. Donations can be sent to: Jackie Barraclough Fund, First Security Bank, P.O. Box 7, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

DAV presents slide show about Vietnam War, veterans

TWIN FALLS - A slide presentation about the Vietnam War and veterans will be presented at 1 p.m. and again at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Disabled American Veterans building.

The slide presentation also features music from that period, speeches from political leaders and pictures of protesters.

"What they're really saying is 'This is our story,'" said Jim Dayton, director of the Post Traumatic Stress Unit of the Veterans Administration Hospital in Boise. "This is what I did in Vietnam, and this is how it affects me."

2 Twin Falls businessmen named to Clean Air board

TWIN FALLS - Two Twin Falls businessmen were recently named to the new Clean Air Small Business Board.

Retired Twin Falls banker David Mead was appointed to the board by Gov. Cecil Andrus. And Gary Babel, owner of Babel's Cleaners, was appointed by the House of Representatives.

The goal of the seven-member board is to voice the concerns of small business people on the effects of the federal Clean Air Act and evaluate the law. The board also works with the Idaho Small Business Assistance Program.

Twin Falls Red Cross asks for Rwandan refugee aid

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Chapter of the Red Cross requests local aid for refugees coming out of Rwanda.

"People are desperately seeking funds" there, said Chapter Manager Ruth Young. Those interested in helping Rwandan refugees should send checks to their local Red Cross chapter. The Red Cross will only accept aid in the form of money, Young said.

State Transportation Dept. seeks nominations for panel

TWIN FALLS - The Idaho Transportation Dept. is seeking nominations from people interested in serving on the Regional Public Transportation Advisory Committee for Highway District Four.

That district covers state roads in Camas, Cassia, Blaine, Gooding, Lincoln, Jerome, Minidoka and Twin Falls counties.

Potential candidates should have some experience in planning, government process and budgeting. Those interested may call 334-8281.

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City ponders 5th Avenue paving, realignment

By Sean L. McCarthy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The 200 block of Fifth Avenue South is not a road so much as it is a trip back in time.

Motorists headed down that road toward Minidoka Avenue must venture across a bumpy, partially paved stretch that winds to the right of warehouse trucks and bean boxes, ending up on the right or, wrong side of the stop sign at the Minidoka intersection.

Enterprising drivers could take their cars to the left of the stop sign, if they don't mind traversing more bumps, more dirt and a set of unused railroad tracks.

That will have to change later this year when Rick Beus and the Old Mill Building Limited Liability Corp. develop the property at the triangular parcel bordered by Second Street South, Fifth Avenue South and Minidoka Avenue.

The corporation plans to rehabilitate the Old Mill building - also known as the J.J. Parsons building - to house a micro-brewery, restaurant and assorted shops as one of the first projects in the redevelopment of Old Town Twin Falls.

Parking spaces and open space would sit in front of the building as part of that redevelopment. But the corporation's property is being used now as the makeshift version of Fifth Avenue South.

At 4 p.m. today, the City Council will consider what alternatives it can pursue toward paving Fifth Avenue South where it was intended to be all along.

Also on the council's agenda today:

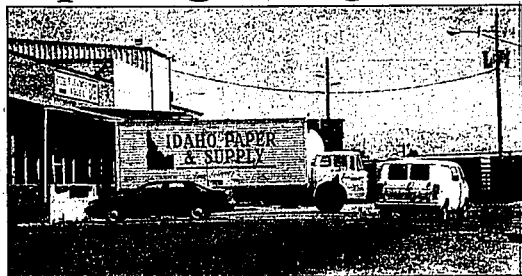
- A report by JUB Engineers on the city's water rates. City officials have predicted that rates will have to rise to cover the costs of repair, renovation and expansion of the city drinking water pipelines to meet new federal standards.

- A review of sidewalks in the downtown business area.

- A request to pay \$35,000 for new equipment at the city's waste-water treatment plant - again to meet new federal standards.

- A review of proposals by the building department for a self-inspection certification program.

- A briefing by City Councilmember Lance Clow and Vice Mayor Art Frantz on last week's meeting of the four-county "enhanced" 911 board. Mayor Gale Kleinkopf said Friday



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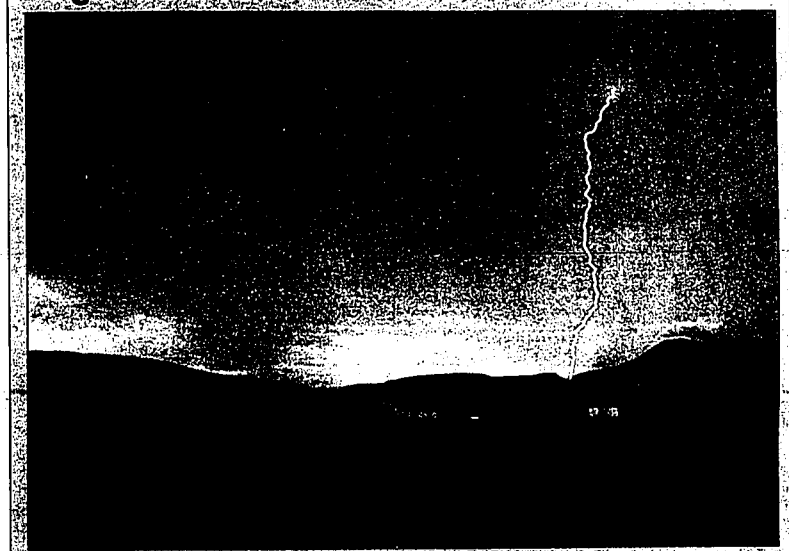
Motorists on Fifth Avenue South have to veer to avoid loading-dock activity and seed bins on their way to Minidoka Avenue.

he would like the city to revisit its position and examine its continued support of the regional project.

- A resolution that would approve the is-

sueance of up to \$3.3 million in industrial development revenue bonds for the construction of the 85,000-square-foot Seastrom Manufacturing building in the city's industrial park.

A gift from above



MARLA STAFFORD/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A thunderstorm that flashed lightning near town Saturday added fireworks and a bit of rain to the Oakley Pioneer Days celebration.

Koning - nurse, mother of 4 - joins Wendell board

By Terrell Williams
Times-News correspondent

WENDELL - A nurse and mother of four school children has joined the Wendell School Board.

Sheryl Koning, 42, an unopposed for the seat left open by Clarence Sparks, who resigned. Koning was sworn into office on last week.

"I don't have a problem with the schools. I'm just a concerned mom," she said. "I want to get involved."

Koning said she has no goals set at this time, and her first year on the board will be a time of learning.

Incumbent Tony Rost also ran unopposed. Other board members appointed him as board chairman, replacing Sparks.

Rost said he would like the district to set

and prioritize some long range goals. If plans are in writing, he said, they will guide a group effort and will not change every time district leadership changes. That way new personnel will know what the district's goals are.

"We can't afford everything, so we need to set priorities for program needs," Rost said.

Board member Marsha Bennett said the district met with teachers and patrons last year to begin a goal setting process, but no written plans were made.

Board member Fred Prins was elected by the board members as vice-chairman. In other matters:

On the advice of district auditor Robert Poulsen, the board voted to write off a \$34,000 debt owed by the school hot lunch program. Board clerk Diane Adams said the program is supposed to repay the district. The

debt, which has been accumulating over a number of years, is up from \$25,000 last year. The board also discussed opening a lunch service at the middle school, using the vocational building or the home economics classroom.

Bus contractor Dick Eaton showed the board a new bus he will use to transport handicapped students. Eaton said he went to Detroit, Mich., last week to buy the \$40,000 bus. It has a hydraulic lift for wheelchairs on the side and, inside, has five regular seats and space for three wheelchairs.

The board accepted the resignation of sixth-grade teacher Kevin Lancaster, who will work in Bliss as a teacher and part-time administrator.

Rob Campbell was hired to teach the technology class. He will replace David Strong, who resigned to return to school.

Brett Wright, a student teacher in Wendell last year, was hired as a physical education teacher for the elementary school.

Superintendent Larry Manly said the district has received \$38,000 from the state lottery fund to be used for building improvements. A new gym for the gymnasium, estimated to cost \$12,000, is a top priority. The district has a long-standing request to put a water line out to the football field concession stand, he said.

The board changed the regular monthly board meeting day to the second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. The meeting, which moved ahead one week from the third Wednesday so Manly could attend monthly superintendent meetings.

The August meeting date was changed to the 24th at 7 p.m.

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Gooding County transfer station recycles cleanly, safely

By Steve Koehler
Times-News correspondent

Making business partners-B2

WENDELL - Solid waste disposal and recycling has never been cleaner, safer or more comprehensive than it is at Gooding County's North Wendell Transfer Station.

"A lot of people have been getting rid of their old burn barrels," said station manager Jim Marshall. "It makes the alleyways look cleaner."

The transfer station 1.7 miles north of Wendell on state Route 46 isn't plagued by flies, crows or odors because garbage is shipped daily to the recently opened Milner Butte Regional Landfill near Burley.

The landfill accepts waste from transfer stations in the Southern Idaho Regional Solid Waste District, which includes most Magic Valley counties. Twin Falls County has pulled out of the district and is trying to open its own garbage landfill to meet federal environmental regulations.

The North Wendell Transfer Station's scrap iron pile, wood waste pile, tire bunker, demolition debris pit and staging area for the trash-hauling trailers are in natural depressions and thus invisible from the highway.

Thousands of trees, shrubs and flowers to be planted on the 20-acre site next spring will not only beautify the site but act as a windbreak and reduce soil erosion.

To dispose of non-recyclable waste, patrons drive into one of two bays inside the transfer station build-

ing and dump their trash on the floor.

Movable gates prevent people from falling into the pit in which a tractor-trailer is parked. After the patron leaves, the gate is raised high enough to shove the trash into the trailer, but kept low enough to prevent the loader from falling into the pit. The loader moves large loads and a worker with a broom pushes small material.

"We sweep right up," said Marshall, "so the public doesn't get a nail in a tire."

Screens atop the trailer keep trash from blowing out on the highway. At the landfill, the moving floor in the trailer empties the load out the back.

"It's a lot easier dumping on the flat surface (than on the dirt at the landfill)," said Fred Miller of C&R Sanitation Inc. of Gooding. "The truck needs to be level when tipping (a Dumpster) or it could tip over."

Jim Blamires of Blamires & Sons Inc. of Jerome recently dumped landscaping waste.

"I like it better—don't have the landfill's flies, garbage and wind-blown paper," he said.

License plates are monitored to control use by out of county residents, Marshall said, and uncovered loads are subject to a \$10 penalty.

The station is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, except July 4th, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years.

Household hazardous waste common problem

The Times-News

WENDELL - Hazardous waste is not accepted at the Milner Butte Regional Landfill near Burley, and there's a lot more household hazardous waste than people realize, said Terry Schultz, director of the Southern Idaho Regional Solid Waste District.

Oil-based paint, cleaning agents, fluorescent light tubes, antifreeze and pesticides are common examples of hazardous material that can pollute soil and groundwater.

Schultz listed three steps in handling hazardous waste: make sure it's not leaking; use it up; perhaps a neighbor can use left-over pesticide; contact the state Division of Environmental Quality for disposal advice; or take it

to a company that accepts hazardous waste, such as Enviroserve in Mountain Home.

"The reality is that hazardous waste comes to the transfer station," Schultz said, "but if it's recognizable it can be refused."

To control dumping of hazardous waste at the Gooding County transfer station, vehicle license plates are recorded, said station manager Jim Marshall.

Schultz is considering an "amnesty day" next spring at the district's transfer stations to accommodate disposing of hazardous household waste - but disposal will have to be paid for, he said.

Schultz also is considering a system in which hazardous waste can be traded to people who have a use for the material.

Jerome seeks funds for mandates

By H.R. Weixel
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — The City Council may get some help in paying for unfunded federal and state mandates.

Dennis Rhodes, of the state Division of Environmental Quality, met with the council last week to explain a memorandum of agreement with DEQ to find ways to fund the requirements of federal and state regulations passed on to local agencies.

The pilot project would include Hagerman, Gooding, Fairfield and Jerome, Rhodes said.

"This isn't set up to help communities to not follow the law, but to assist them to find funding or prioritize the mandates," he said. "There are more than 600 mandates out there," he said.

Under the memorandum of agreement, public meetings will be scheduled.

The first executive meeting is scheduled at 10 a.m. Sept. 1 in Gooding.

State senators, legislators, mayors and heads of state agencies are expected to attend, Rhodes said.

In other business, the council:

- Appointed Fire Chief Jim Auclair as the city's Local Emergency Response Authority to handle hazardous spills within city limits only. His authority would not cover the entire county.
- Unanimously approved a request from the Jerome Fair Board to close Fir Street, leading to the fairgrounds during the fair week, Aug. 2 through Aug. 6. Fair gate keepers would direct parking between the hours of 8 a.m. and 10 p.m.
- Heard a report from fair manager Pam Kubik, that tickets for the Little Texas concert at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Aug. 2, were almost sold out and to be ready for about 5,000 people in Jerome on that date.

- Heard a report from Kubik that the Jerome Fair Board was going to put in a bid to host the annual high school rodeo that has been held in Filer.
- Approved irrigation adjustments and delinquent assessments totalling \$11,077.
- Heard a report from Mayor Gerald Oster that the first meeting of a juvenile task force would be during the first part of August. The meeting will be open to the public and is meant to "compile recommendations for handling juveniles to be given to the legislators for their use in finding better ways to handle the increased juvenile crime in the area," Oster said.
- Agreed with Robert Culver, water department supervisor, that better conservation of water was needed during the hot weather.
- Heard a report from the fire chief that the new fire truck would be delivered Aug. 2 or 3.

Blaine proposes private, public golf courses

By Barbara Newert
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY — Golf courses seem to be springing up all over Blaine County, and if a New York developer gets his way, two more may soon take root.

Though still in the discussion stage, the proposal includes a new public golf course and a new private golf course with 200 homes.

The development company, Snowden Hill Holdings Inc., of New York City, would like to build an \$8 million public

golf course and then turn it over to the Blaine County Recreation District.

The catch is Snowden Hill would also build a private course with up to 200 home sites, said Blaine County District Director Mary Austin Crofts.

The developer has not yet bought land for the project but is looking at tracts of at least 350 acres between Bellevue and Gannett, Crofts said.

"There's a lot of interest in the golf community," she said. The recreation district thinks the project is worth taking a look at, she added.

Crofts said the exchange is totally legal, but it comes down to how the community feels about it.

Golfers are being edged out of other courses that either require purchase of membership or are very high priced, Crofts said.

But land south of Bellevue is primarily zoned agricultural and may require zoning changes by the county, possibly comment from Bellevue and Wood River Valley residents, she said.

Crofts will discuss the Snowden-Hill proposal at 9 a.m. Monday with the Blaine County Board of Commissioners.

New methods of waste disposal make many business partners

By Steve Koehler
Times-News correspondent

WENDELL — Modern waste disposal has made many business partners in solid waste management.

- Circle A Garbage Transfer of Twin Falls hauls trash from the North Wendell trash transfer station to the Milner Butte Regional Landfill near Butte at \$142.20 per load.
- The Whitmore of Walt's Auto Salvage in Pocatello said he ships scrap iron he buys from the transfer station at \$25 a ton to David Joseph Co. in Plymouth, Utah, where it's made into angle iron and rebar.
- The Freon Removal Co. charges \$23.50 each to remove the Freon and compressor oil from refrigerators and freezers. Patrons have to pay \$3 for each

appliance they leave at the transfer station.

- The Pocatello-based company, recovers and sells Freon to Cecil Long and Associates of Pocatello, which cleans and markets it. Oil from the compressors becomes tainted with Freon and is treated as hazardous waste.
- Magic Valley Recycling of Twin Falls, recycles the transfer station's tin and aluminum cans and newspapers. The temporary recycling bins at the transfer station will be replaced this fall by permanent, 33-cubic-yard bins with partitions for the three recyclables.
- Downs Processing of Parma will grind wood waste into mulch. Nails in wood pallets are no problem and can be removed magnetically from the mulch for a fee. By grinding the wood and giving away the mulch at the

transfer station taxpayers will save an estimated \$13 per cubic yard over having the raw waste hauled to the landfill.

- Idaho Tire Recovery of Shoshone cleans the transfer station \$1.50, \$5, and \$10 to \$20 for tires. Patrons must pay \$2, \$6 and \$10 to dispose of car, truck and tractor tires respectively.
- The company sells the tires to cement plants in Idaho, Utah, Oregon and California, which burn them with coal to make cement. Tires burn hotter than coal and cause the coal to burn cleaner.
- To encourage the removal of kitchen garbage and lawn and garden vegetable matter from the waste stream, the Southern Idaho Regional Solid Waste District will sell compost bins with instruction manuals at the Gooding County Fair in August.

Hagerman lists goals for growth problems

By Steve Koehler
Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN — More than 100 people gathered at the Seniors' Center last week and hammered out a list of goals to help deal with problems that have plagued their community.

- "We need to know where we're going," said former mayor Gloria Jazwick. "We're undergoing some radical changes."
- Teri Ottens of the Association of Idaho Cities, led the meeting. She will soon be hired by the city to help with growth management.
- The goals include:
 - Budget: It should be the first priority, Doug Stobart said.
 - "We need to know how much it's going to take out of the pocket and where it's going to come from," he said.
 - "One of the problems with the city budget is that nobody shows up for the budget hearings until their taxes increase," Ottens said. "It is incumbent upon the citizens that they make sure they know what's going on."

- Ottens urged the citizens to attend council meetings which are at 7:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of every month at city hall.
- Planning: No one said growth should be squelched, but Ottens said that it could be with strict planning and zoning laws and a comprehensive plan limiting growth.
- "I feel growth should be allowed but should have to pay its own way," said Greg Dean.
- Ottens said the city's 1977 comprehensive plan is outdated, a new one is needed to guide city leaders, and that it should be updated every five years.
- No one volunteered to work on a comprehensive plan.
- Ottens said a professional planner would charge \$15,000 to \$50,000 for the job.
- Carleen Herring of Region IV Development Association said that

- even with a professional planner the citizens would still have to decide what they want.
- City code: It needs to be updated, said Barbara Lawerson.
- "Our present judge will not judge on any city laws. They say they're all illegal. He throws them out of court," she said.
- Unfunded mandates: Hagerman is part of a study to assess whether small communities can shoulder the unmet needs of the federal government.
- Lisa Itkonen of the Division of Environmental Quality said that Hagerman's problems with state and federal mandates is the same nationwide.
- "We need to know what the community goals are then develop recommendations to legislators," Itkonen said. "If people cannot afford it then it's not a good mandate."
- The mandates can be stacked, Itkonen said, so that a community doesn't have to fund all of them at once.

Services

Mervin Leon Leiding, of Gooding, graveside service, 10:30 a.m. today, Elmwood Cemetery, Gooding, (Demaray's Gooding Chapel).

William E. "Bill" Bingham, of Emmett, 1 p.m. today, Jerome 5th Ward LDS Chapel, (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome and Potter Funeral Chapel in Emmett).

Roy Alfred Clark, of Eden, graveside service, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Hazelton Cemetery, (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Evelyn Bernice Myers, of Twin Falls, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Immanuel Lutheran Church, 2055 Filer Ave. E. in Twin Falls, (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Judy L. Pope, of Twin Falls, 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Varge V. Henderson, of Bliss, memorial service, 1 p.m. Tuesday, Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding, (Demaray's Gooding Chapel).

Helen Rose Dey, of Twin Falls, 2 p.m. Tuesday, White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Donna Marie Hart, of Kimberly,

rosary, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls. Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. Edwards Catholic Church in Twin Falls.

Tomas Solis Sr., of Twin Falls, 9 a.m. Wednesday, White Mortuary, in Twin Falls.

Lee Roy Kirkpatrick, of Almo, 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Almo LDS

Church, (Olson-Myers Mortuary in Brigham City, Utah).

Dean Russell Rogers, of the Gannett-Picabo area, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Maria Ann Schenkel Beckstrom, of Kenilworth, memorial service, noon Aug. 2, Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church, Ketchum, (Wood River Funeral Chapel in Hailey).

Hospitals

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Admitted
Kenneth Chapman of Twin Falls.

Released
Gene Quigley of Buhl.

CASSIA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Admitted
Verda Anderson, Martin Franko, Rosetta Higley, Evelyn Larsen and Amy Schaefer, all of Burley; Felipa Diego of Heyburn; Jennie Huber and Richard Huber, both of Albus; Oaklani Martinez and Russell Adams, both of Paulton; and Pedro Luna of Edinburg, Texas.

Released
Glenn Bates, Eric Fonnebeck, Martin Franko, Terry Wolfe and Amy Schaefer, all of Burley; Ethel Boden of Almo; and Dorothy Matson of Hazelton.

Birth
A baby was born to Rhani Martinez of Paul.

MINDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Admitted
Tom Newcomb and Trudy Throckmorton, both of Rupert.

Released
Vidal Navarette, Ernest Fletcher and Kenneth Allhouse, all of Rupert.

Dorothy Clark
BURLY — Dorothy Clark, 59, of Burley, died Sunday, July 24, 1994, at the Cassia Memorial Hospital.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Obituaries

Virginia Tschannen
BLISS — Virginia Tschannen, 73, of Bliss, died Saturday, July 23, 1994, at her residence.

Virginia was born Dec. 25, 1920, in Lingle, Wyo., the daughter of Herman and Bertha Brakke. She was raised in Spearfish, S.D., and graduated from high school there in 1938. She attended Black Hills Teachers College and graduated in 1940. She taught for one year in Wyoming before moving to California in 1941. She worked at Lockheed Aircraft where she met Richard Tschannen.

She married Rich on Jan. 2,

1942, in Los Angeles, Calif. In 1943, they had a daughter, Shirley Tschannen.

After the war they moved to Bliss, where she and Rich began their courageous life in ranching, which they have done for the past 52 years.

Virginia was active in the Gooding Ladies Golf Association and the Gooding Bowling League, where she was a Hall of Famer. Virginia also enjoyed snowmobiling and fishing.

She will be fondly remembered as a fun-loving spirit who looked at the best side of everyone. She was supportive of all, and her laugh was infectious to everyone around.

She is survived by her husband, Richard of Bliss; a daughter, Shirley Tschannen of Boise; two grandchildren, Terri Riggs of Mountain Home and Matthew Exon of Boise; and two great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a sister and her parents.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, July 26, 1994, at 10:30 a.m. at Demaray's Gooding Chapel, with Pastor Neil Castle officiating. Burial will follow at Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding. Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Association at

1997 S. 1875 E., Gooding, Idaho 83330.

Natalie A. Miller
BOISE — Natalie Alice Miller, 76, of Boise, died at her home of natural causes. Funeral services will be held Tuesday, July 26, 1994, at 2:30 p.m. at Summers Funeral Home Boise Chapel. The Rev. Stanley Andrews will officiate.

Mrs. Miller was born Oct. 24, 1917, in Indiana, Neb., to Lewis and Alice Elmer. Natalie was raised in Indiana and lived there until she was 18. She lived in Chicago and Cincinnati for a period of time, eventually returning to Indiana. Natalie married Edward Miller in McCook, Neb., in June of 1945. After the war they moved to Burley, where they resided until moving to Boise in 1988. Mr. Miller died Feb. 2, 1993.

She is survived by a daughter, Mary Dodson of Boise; three sons, Donald and John of Boise and Jim of Pine; a brother, Willard Elmer of Indiana, Neb.; eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband and two sisters, Gertrude Dahl and Greta Page.

Memorials may be made to the Idaho Youth Ranch, 7025 Emerald St., Boise, Idaho 83704.

On the agenda

Following is a list of governmental meetings that are scheduled this week in the Magic Valley. This list is compiled from advance schedules. The Times-News suggests that you confirm the information by calling the appropriate clerk's office before attending.

TODAY
Blaine County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Lincoln County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Minidoka County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

TUESDAY
Buhl School Board, 8 p.m., superintendent's office downtown.
Minidoka County Democratic Party, 8 p.m., courthouse.
Shoshone City Planning and Zoning Committee, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls County Commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
Wood River Medical Center Board, 5:30 p.m., medical center in Sun Valley.

WEDNESDAY
Cassia County Memorial Hospital Board, 5 p.m., hospital auditorium.
Heyburn City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls County Commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

THURSDAY
Bellevue City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Gooding County Memorial Hospital Taxing District, 11 a.m. conference room at the hospital.
Hagerman Chamber of Commerce, noon, Hagerman Senior Center.
South Central Community Action Agency Board of Directors, 7 p.m., Valley Vista Village, 653 Rose St. N., Twin Falls.
Twin Falls County Commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
Wendell City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall.

FRIDAY
Twin Falls County Commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

This week at CSI

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

TODAY
CSI and Idaho Dance Arts Alliance dance camp will be held all day in Fine Arts Center and gymnasium.

TUESDAY
Dance camp continues all day in Fine Arts Center and gymnasium. Military testing will be held at 6 p.m. in Shields 201.

WEDNESDAY
Dance camp continues all day in Fine Arts Center and gymnasium. Twin Falls Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee meets at 6:30 p.m. in Canyon 205.

THURSDAY
Dance camp continues all day in Fine Arts Center and gymnasium. Military testing will be held at 1 p.m. in Shields 201.

FRIDAY
Dance camp continues all day in Fine Arts Center and gymnasium.

SATURDAY
Dance camp continues all day in Fine Arts Center and gymnasium. Refrigerant recovery testing will be held at 10 a.m. in Aspen 108. Military testing will be held at 10 a.m. in Shields 201.

Hospital

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The Wood River Medical Center is jointly owned by the city of Sun Valley and Blaine County.

After Jo Ann Levy was elected Mayor of Sun Valley last November, an effort to reclaim Moritz Hospital began to escalate.

But after Thursday, the council is re-instituting its position.

The council meeting was packed with members of the hospital board and a group of Sun Valley residents called the Committee for Responsible Government, which has led the recall effort to oust Levy, and council members Joe Humphrey and Dr. Stephen Huber.

"Our present judge will not judge if the process is successful then a solution to the dilemma could be resolved as early as September.

But the new approach to solving Sun Valley's quest to exercise more control over the Moritz Center means that Sun Valley is backing down on its position to retain the recall effort, according to group leader Gene Whitmyre.

Whitmyre said Saturday that unless the council backs down on its position to dissolve the merger and works toward a common goal of consolidation, the politicians stand ready to be filed.

Whitmyre credits the threat of recall as the catalyst for the city's change of heart. "You would have to assume that (the recall effort) was an issue," he said. "We certainly got their attention."

He said the consolidation, which is comprised of about 20 Sun Valley residents, including former Mayor Ruth Lieder will "try to get out of the way. But a behind-the-scenes recall movement will continue."

Greener, however, said last week that the settlement approach does not mean that Sun Valley is backing down on its position to regain an upper hand in the dispute.

"This doesn't mean the city's position isn't valid and strong, but I think this is the best way to resolve it," Greener said.

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Climbers start slide that kills 2

MOUNT HOOD, Ore. (AP) — Four climbers started an avalanche when they fell about 700 feet down a snowy glacier on Mount Hood Saturday, a witness said. Two were swept into a crevasse and killed.

The four were climbing Eliot Glacier at about 9,000 feet on the mountain's north side when the avalanche occurred about 2 p.m. MDT. Rescuers reached them about five hours later, and airlifted two to University Hospital in Portland.

The other two were killed, hospital spokeswoman Marlys Levin said. One of the survivors appeared to be in critical condition, the other's injuries were described as serious.

"They were attempting to glissade, basically sliding on their butts, and started way too high," witness Andy Marker told KPTV in Portland. "That's 45 degrees up there, and with the snow conditions they just got out of control, tried to self-arrest, and, uh, it didn't work."

"They hit the rock band, cart-wheeled over it, hit the snow right above the crevasse. Stopped for a couple of seconds. Then the avalanche that they had created with their momentum swept two of them into the crevasse."

Mount Hood rises to an elevation of 11,237 feet.

In 1986, seven students and two teachers died after they were caught in a blizzard on the mountain. Two others walked through the storm to seek help, and two teen-agers survived the three-day ordeal in a hastily dug snow cave.

Lightning touches off small fires

BEND, Ore. (AP) — Lightning strikes touched off hundreds of small fires across Oregon and into Washington as fire crews closed lines around the three big blazes still burning in Oregon on Sunday.

"We had about 200 new lightning fires overnight through Oregon and Washington but none of those were any size yet," said Ralph Satterberg, spokesman for the Pacific Northwest Interagency Coordination Center in Portland.

The largest blaze, the Four Corners fire south of Bend in the Deschutes National Forest, was expected to be contained by 7 p.m. MDT and under control by Tuesday evening, said Greg McClaren, a U.S. Forest Service spokesman.

McClaren said crews revised their estimate of the size of the Four Corners blaze from an estimated 1,600 acres on Saturday to 1,425 acres by Sunday morning.

"We had some good rain last night," McClaren said, "but there are still some hot spots."

He said campgrounds closed as a precaution have been reopened along with at least one small resort area. Fire crews also reopened several forest roads closed since Thursday night, when the lightning strikes began.

There were no injuries and no buildings were damaged, McClaren said.

Satterberg said the two other large fires still burning were the Menden Hall Fire in the Siskiyou National Forest about four miles southwest of Cave Junction, and a smaller blaze burning in the Rogue River National Forest about 35 miles southeast of Medford.

The Menden Hall fire had burned an estimated 400 acres by Sunday morning with containment expected by evening. The other blaze had burned about 175 acres and already was contained, Satterberg said.

40-foot fall kills Utah steelworker

MAGNA, Utah (AP) — A Salt Lake steelworker was killed when he fell 40 feet into a pit at Kennecott Corp.'s Magna smelter.

Kenneth Aman, who died Saturday, became the third Utahn killed in an industrial accident in as many days. Aman was installing steelwork at the company's smelter about 11 a.m. when he apparently slipped and fell. Further details were unavailable.

The 22-year-old employee of The Industrial Co. was flown to LDS Hospital, where he died a short time later, said hospital spokesman Jess Gordon.

Salt Lake County Fire Department paramedic Brian Farnsworth arrived at the Magna plant moments after the accident.

An investigation by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration is slated to begin Tuesday.

People wash



Angle Mansfield gets sprayed while she tries to dump a bucket of soapy water on Kristy Hammer in between cars in Boise, Saturday. The two were part of a group from the Northview Assembly of God Church in Boise washing cars to earn money for church missionaries.

Insurance fund's long arm of law reaches bosses, workers, doctors

BOISE (AP) — The medical profession may see State Insurance Fund Director Merle Parsley as far too zealous in his crusade to eliminate overcharges for care under the worker's compensation program.

But Parsley's 19,000 policyholders who ultimately pay those bills, many of them the state's small businesses, welcome the millions of dollars in dividends that effort is generating each year.

So it was no surprise when they got behind Parsley's latest scheme — a toll-free hotline that anyone can call to report suspected worker's compensation fraud not just by employers but by doctors and employees as well.

"Fraud by workers and doctors drives up employer premiums while fraud by employers shortchanges workers."

The hotline — 1-800-448-4743 — is also turning up a number of businesses that have no worker's compensation coverage even though the law requires it. With premiums generally running at least several thousand dollars a year, those without coverage have a distinct financial advantage over their competitors who are complying with the law.

Bete Skamser, Idaho director for the National Federation of Independent Business, has been promoting the hotline with his thousands of members since it began operating in April.

"My guys really like it because in the past when they thought they had a case, nobody listened," Skamser said. "Now they feel the system is working, that somebody is paying attention to them."

But it has not been just employers taking advantage. Even family members have reported their employers are uncovered and the Industrial Commission has begun action against at least one business that could be shut down if it doesn't get the insurance.

People have turned in co-workers for working at the same time they were collecting worker's compensation benefits because they were injured and could not work.

Ex-wis s use the hotline against their former spouses. Even family members have put officials on to the possibility of improper payments being collected.

Jim Kelsch, one of the Insurance Fund's four investigators, recalled the case of a southeastern Idaho remodeler who cooked up a false on-the-job injury with a friend only

Fund outlines comp fraud

BOISE (AP) — Here are 16 indicators that can trigger a State Insurance Fund investigation into a worker's compensation claim. About half the fund investigations result in a claim being denied.

- The worker is on a seasonal job that is about to end.
- The worker took unexplained or excessive time off before the claimed injury.
- The worker is disgruntled, about to retire, facing dismissal or layoff.
- The worker takes off more time than the injury would seem to warrant.
- The worker has financial problems.
- The worker seems nomadic and has a history of short-term employment.
- The injury occurs late Friday afternoon and shortly after the employee returns to work on Monday.
- The worker is new on the job.
- Details of the accident are vague.
- A substantial delay occurred in reporting the injury or filing the claim.
- After the accident the worker is never home or whoever answers the telephone says he "just stepped out."
- The worker is reportedly engaging in activities that could not be performed at work.
- Calls to the worker's home are returned by the worker with unexpected noises in the background.
- The worker says he has been billed for the balance of medical charges that the insurance company would not pay.
- Quarterly reports on worker's compensation policy activity shows medical services charges for a worker higher than should be for services the worker said he received.

to have his buddy turn him in after a falling act.

And Duane Higer, who runs the hotline as well as handles other responsibilities for the fund, said two doctors have already used the hotline to report treating injuries they believe could not have happened on the job. Higer said neither intended to file for

reimbursement under worker's compensation.

Suspected fraud could always be reported, but until the hotline there was never just one place to go. Some would call the Department of Insurance, which handles allegations of excessive claims or medical bills. Others might call the Industrial Commission, which is responsible for enforcing the mandatory coverage and reporting provisions. But too many people just did not know who to call.

"A lot of people who wouldn't have otherwise be reporting now," said Christi Simon, who is in charge of employer compliance for the Industrial Commission.

Simon said tips usually pay off for other agencies as well because "usually if you have an employer who is not paying worker's comp, he's not reporting his wages properly or paying unemployment insurance."

Parsley, whose fund covers most Idaho employers and workers than the other 200 insurance companies combined, has been promoting the hotline through newspaper advertisements and workplace posters.

"Fraud has been a severe problem in other western states and we're told some of the perpetrators are headed this way. We want to head 'em off at the pass," he said.

His interest is assuring his policyholders do not pay anymore than they legitimately should. And just the existence of the hotline may be convincing employees, employers and doctors to play it straight, he suggested.

Those benefits reach beyond the fund to its competitors as well. About half the calls that are followed up involve insurers other than the fund.

And the hotline is also indicating that wave of insurance defrauders has apparently not hit Idaho yet.

Parsley expected 50 or 60 calls a week before the hotline began operating. That has turned out to be the monthly total with about a third providing enough information to be followed up.

"Policyholders in general think there's a lot of fraud being committed out there," Parsley said. "It's much less than we assumed, which makes me feel good."

But, he added, "The program makes policyholders feel better that we're watching. The business community can be assured that no one's walking off with the farm."

BSU, U of I face plans of \$3 million expansion

BOISE (AP) — State university officials say it will take \$3 million over two years to expand engineering degree programs at Boise State University the way southwestern Idaho business leaders want.

But they told members of the Board of Education Friday there is no way extra cash can be squeezed out of the existing budgets without seriously affecting other disciplines.

Still, members of the board's academic affairs committee directed officials from both Boise State and the University of Idaho to come up with areas where they can siphon the cash to finance the engineering expansion that has been demanded by board member Joe Parkinson, chairman of Micron Technology Inc. in Boise.

"Given the magnitude of the need here, we would be unable to absorb this into our budget without serious detrimental effects elsewhere," Boise State Provost Daryl Jones said.

University of Idaho Provost John Yost said the impact would be the same for his school, which runs the engineering program on the Boise campus.

But Yost said as many internal adjustments as possible would be made because "meeting the needs of engineering-based industry in the Treasure Valley has become essential, we believe, to our mission, Idaho's economic development and are a high priority."

The plan, put together at the direction of the board earlier this month, calls for \$2 million in the budgets of the schools for the 1995-1996 academic year to bring faculty and course offerings in the Boise-based program to the point that civil and mechanical engineering students can receive their degree without moving to the Moscow campus.

Another \$1 million would be needed in the following academic year to expand the electrical engineering program into graduate studies and research. An electrical engineering degree can already be obtained without leaving Boise.

Half of the money is needed by Boise State to bolster its lower division course offerings that are now creating a bottleneck in the progression of engineering students through the satellite program. Even without considering expanding the existing program, Dean Tom MacGregor of the School of Technology said over \$800,000 is needed just to meet current demand.

The other half of the cash would go to the University of Idaho for eight additional faculty members and an administrator in the first year and five more in the second.

At those levels, officials said, the school would likely be able to win accreditation for both the civil and mechanical engineering programs. It hopes to secure accreditation for the electrical engineering program by mid-1996.

Several cars break away in Idaho train derailment

CLARK FORK, (AP) — A freight car carrying corrosive materials was one of eight cars that derailed from a Burlington Northern train about eight miles east of here.

There were no injuries.

Bonner County Sheriff's deputy Mike McDaniel says the last seven cars of an estimated 60-car freight train broke away from the westbound locomotive about 2:00 p.m. Saturday. Four cars lay on their side on the north side of the twisted track, while three were still standing with their wheels off the track. One derailed car remain attached to the main section of train cars.

Officials at the scene were not certain what caused the accident. A review of the site indicated the railroad track may have split.

The main section of freight cars traveled about 300 yards from where the

other seven cars derailed before coming to a stop.

Authorities at the scene were trying to establish a 1,000-yard perimeter around the overturned car that was reportedly carrying from 100-1,000 gallons of caustic soda.

The primary thing is to stay upwind of it," says Bonner County Sheriff's Sgt. Bob Lindstrom.

The material was initially reported to be leaking slightly from the car, but was otherwise contained.

Other cars were carrying miscellaneous, nonhazardous materials. Hazardous materials units were enroute to the site from Missoula and Coeur d'Alene late Saturday afternoon to oversee cleanup efforts. Burlington Northern also had its own investigative team enroute to determine the cause of the crash.

National Security Subgroup Secretary of Energy Task Force on Alternative Futures for DOE National Labs Announces Public Meetings



The National Security Subgroup of the Galvin Task Force on Alternative Futures for Department of Energy National Laboratories invites you to attend a public meeting.

Tuesday, July 26, 1994
6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Shilo Inn
780 Lindsay Blvd.
Idaho Falls

The public meeting will include a brief general session followed by breakout sessions. Seating is limited.



The Secretary of Energy established the Task Force on Alternative Futures for DOE National Laboratories in February 1994 to examine alternative

scenarios for the future of the labs, options, involving the possible redirection, restructuring and/or closure of parts of the DOE laboratory system. The task force report is due in February 1995.

Written comments will also be accepted until October 31, 1994 and should be mailed to:

Dr. Michele Donovan, Task Force Director, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board, Rm. 8E-044, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, D.C. 20585.

For more information contact Connie Nash, DOE-Idaho Operation Office, (208) 526-5922.

AUCTION CALENDAR through July 30, 1994

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— Associated Press reporter Jimmy Golden, on Buffalo quarterback Jim Kelly

Briefly

BYU tops pre-season WAC football favorites

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Brigham Young University, seeking its sixth straight Western Athletic Conference football title, is a heavy favorite to do so, according to a pre-season poll released Sunday.

In balloting by the media and sports information directors attending the WAC Kickoff meetings, BYU received 34 first-place votes and 465 points, based on awarding 10 points for a first-place vote, nine points for a second-place vote, etc.

Utah was picked a solid second with 12 first-place votes and 394 points. Colorado State received the remaining two first-place votes and had 373 points to finish third.

Fresno State wound up fourth with 324 points, while New Mexico was fifth with 278 points and Wyoming sixth with 235.

San Diego State garnered 213 points for seventh place, followed by Hawaii with 155, Air Force with 138 and Texas Tech with 54.

BYU quarterback John Walsh was predicted to be the Offensive Player of the Year, and Utah defensive lineman Luther Elliss was touted as Defensive Player of the Year.

Spudman Triathlon planned for this weekend in Burley

BURLEY — As many as 300 triathletes will compete in the Burley Lion's Club 8th Annual Spudman Triathlon Friday and Saturday at Community Park.

The race includes a 1.5-kilometer swim, a 40K bike ride and a 10K run and begins at 8:30 a.m. with the swim in the Snake River. Registrations are being accepted at the Burley City Service Center on Park Avenue.

Included among the competitors this year will be Gar Hackney of Boise, who was the second place American and seventh place overall in the masters division of the 1991 ITU World Championship Triathlon in Australia, and Brian Fahrenbach, who was 14th in the 1990 Hawaii World Championship as a professional and has returned to the amateur level.

The event begins Friday night with a car-bike dinner and equipment drawings.

Australia takes expected title in women's field hockey

DUBLIN, Ireland — Australia lived up to pre-tournament expectations when it beat Argentina 2-0 Sunday to win the world championship of women's field hockey.

The 1988 Olympic champion and tournament favorite scored both goals in a lethal one-minute spell midway through the second half to kill off Argentina's hopes in its first World Cup final since 1976.

In the earlier game, the United States took the bronze medal when it beat Germany 2-1.

The U.S. came into the tournament ranked 11th in the world and easily surpassed all expectations after finishing last at the 1990 World Cup in Sydney and failing to qualify for the 1992 Olympic Games.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Sportslate

Today

Legion baseball
Minico at Twin Falls 5 p.m.

Sports on TV

11 a.m. — Channel 13, Tennis, Canadian Open
8 p.m. — Channel 6, 35, Baseball, Minnesota at Texas
8:55 p.m. — Channel 21, Goodwill Games
7:30 p.m. — Channel 13, Volleyball, Four-woman beach
10:20 p.m. — Channel 32, Goodwill Games

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AP photo

Tour de France riders start off the last stage of the race in front of the Sleeping Beauty castle at the Eurodisney theme park in Marne-La-Vallée near Paris Sunday. Winner, Miguel Indurain of Spain is fourth from right.

Indurain: I'm not going downhill yet 4-time Tour de France winner proves he still makes cut after 10,000 miles

The Associated Press

PARIS — Miguel Indurain of Spain is riding into history with his fourth consecutive Tour de France victory.

"I'm not going downhill yet," the 30-year-old Spanish cyclist said. "After my third place (earlier this year) in the Tour of Italy, everyone started questioning things. I answered on the road, in the Tour."

He did it in convincing fashion, winning by the largest margin in six years in the world's premier cycling event.

That no one has beaten Indurain after nearly 10,000 miles of racing over the last four Tours, led to an obvious question: What about next year?

"It's too early to talk about the future — not even a day has passed since winning this fourth Tour," Indurain said. "There's still a year to go before the fifth one and we have to train with hope and drive."

If the answer is yes, Indurain would become the only rider ever to win the race five years in a row. Jacques Anquetin of France and Eddy

Mercx of Belgium are the others to win four in a row, and five overall.

France's Bernard Hinault also won the race five times.

Indurain proved he had the stamina and strength needed to win the grueling three-week grind.

He just seemed to get stronger as the 21-stage Tour rolled along. Meanwhile, his biggest challengers of the past — Tony Rominger, Claudio Chiappucci and Gianni Bugno — were gone by the end of the second week, victims of illness or exhaustion.

"Rominger, Chiappucci and the others were sick," Indurain said. "I think a lot of riders enter the Tour tired after a lot of early-season races. The Tour doesn't pardon anyone. You have to begin with reserves."

And though this edition was harder than usual due to hot weather, Indurain won by the biggest margin since 1988, crossing the line after the final 109-mile stage with an overall time 5 minutes, 39 seconds better than Piotr Ugrasov of Latvia. Marco Pantani of Italy was third, 7:19 back.

Popov emerges from murky water as Goodwill winner

The Associated Press

109-98 and Italy edged Croatia 79-77.

ST. PETERSBURG, Russia — Swimmers took the plunge into the "Black Lagoon." The U.S. basketball team took the plunge, period.

Swimming at the Goodwill Games on Sunday was as notable for the color of the water — a murky, swamp-like green — as for the multiple medals won by Alexander Popov, Angel Martino and the Chinese women.

The color of the basketball court was also green, but the result was a bad night for the red, white and blue — as Shawn Respert and the Americans lost 77-75 to their old nemesis, the Russians.

In track and field, however, Lance Deal upstaged the vaunted Russians to win the first U.S. gold medal in the hammer throw at a major championship in 38 years.

Dream Team II may be getting ready to reaffirm America's basketball superiority at the world championships in Toronto next month, but this team of lesser-known U.S. college players failed to live up to expectations on Sunday.

The team, coached by Southern Cal's George Gervin, was behind for most of the game and ended its chances of a comeback by poor free-throw shooting — 14-of-27.

It was USA Basketball's second straight loss to the Russians in Goodwill Games competition, following a 92-85 defeat the 1990 Games in Seattle.

The loss followed the Americans' 83-71 victory over Argentina in their opening game Saturday night. They can still advance to the medal round by beating China on Monday and if Russia beats Argentina. China is 0-2, after losing to Argentina 71-49 Sunday night.

In other games, Puerto Rico beat Brazil

At the SKA pool, 20 races were packed into one day to make up for the one-day postponement caused by a faulty filtration system that left the water black a few days ago, gradually improving to green.

The Swedish team pulled out, refusing to swim in water that looked more akin to a country lake than a competition pool. The irony was that a Swedish company had been responsible for the renovation of the pool.

"They told us the water would be as good as a pool in the United States," said Swedish swimmer Daniel Lonnberg. "This is the worst I've ever seen, this is not good for health."

Melvin Stewart, who won the 200 butterfly, beating chief rival Russian Denis Pankratov in a slow 1:58.46, said swimmers nicknamed the pool the "Black Lagoon."

The "Creature of the Black Lagoon" was Popov, the 22-year-old Russian Olympic champion who won gold medals in the 50-meter and 100-meter freestyle events.

He won the 50-meter showdown with world record-holder Tom Jager of the United States but his winning time of 22.55 seconds was well off the American's record of 21.81. Popov's time of 50.58 in the 100 was also way off his world-record time of 48.21 set last month.

Martino won both of the women's freestyle sprints and China's Ren Xing swept the 100 and 200 breaststroke. The Chinese won five of 10 women's events, and the sign of China's emerging power in the pool — even though coach Wen Xinlong called it his "third team."

In track and field, Deal became the first American since Harold Connolly at the 1956 Olympics to win a hammer throw title at a major

Sheehan jumps for title at U.S. Women's Open

The Associated Press

LAKE ORION, Mich. — Just when she was beginning to tire, just when a mistake could have been fatal, Patty Sheehan showed why she is one of the best players in women's golf.

She scrambled for a birdie on the 16th hole Sunday and went on to win the U.S. Women's Open by a stroke over Tammie Green.

"I stayed home and practiced all last week," Sheehan said. "I worked pretty hard. That seemed to pay off."

In capturing the Open for the second time in three years, the LPGA Hall of Famer used a deft putting touch to win her fifth major championship.

"It's just a great feeling to have my name on that trophy again," Sheehan said. "There are a lot of names on the trophy of people who have repeated as U.S. Open champions. But to do it in this day and age is amazing."

Sheehan and Green closed with par-71s on the Old Course at Indianwood Golf and Country Club. Wearing bright red knickers and white knee socks, Sheehan finished at 277, sealing her triumph with a par on the final hole after Green's 12-foot putt for a birdie and a tie rolled just outside the right edge of the cup.

"It just didn't end up the way I would have liked to have it end up," Green said. "I felt like I made a good go at it."

Green, who won a major in 1989 at du Maurier Classic, has one victory this season and was seventh on the LPGA money list at the start of the Open. Sheehan came into the Open ranked 24th on the money list, due mainly to a strong showing in the Skins Game.

"It doesn't matter," Sheehan said. "Saturday taught me that you don't have to go out and shoot numbers to win an Open. I stayed steady. I didn't beat myself up when I hit a bad shot."

Liselotte Neumann of Sweden shot a 69 for and was third at 281. Spain's Tania Abitol and Peru's Alicia Dibos tied for



Patty Sheehan
Her hard work pays off

fourth at 283. Those were the only golfers to break par as Indianwood came back to punish the field for the early liberties taken in the early rounds, right after the course had been softened by rain.

Helen Alfredsson completed her collapse Sunday after breaking Sheehan's 36-hole record by two strokes with a 132. The Swede got to 13-under after the first seven holes of the third round, then dropped eight strokes the rest of the round. A triple-bogey at No. 7 in the fourth round put her at 1-over, a drop of 14 strokes in 18 holes.

Astros blast Pirates, 13-1; pull within one of Reds

The Associated Press

Major League — B6

HOUSTON — For years, the Houston Astros were known as a team that slapped singles and used its speed. Not this season, though.

Jeff Bagwell homered twice and drove in five runs and Craig Biggio hit a grand slam Sunday as Houston Astros routed the Pittsburgh Pirates 13-1.

The Astros won three times in the four-game series, outscoring the Pirates 38-11. Houston pulled within one game of the NL Central-leading Reds, and begins a three-game series at Cincinnati on Monday.

"Since I've been here, without a doubt, this is the best offense I've played on," Biggio said.

Bagwell leads the majors with 98 RBIs. He has hit 32 home runs, and his 20 homers this season at the Astrodome broke the team record of 18 set by Lee May in 1974. Bagwell has five multi-homer games this year.

Bagwell had a two-run single in the third inning. He hit a solo homer in the sixth and a two-run homer in the seventh. Bagwell homered Saturday night in an 11-0 romp.

"If we were in last place, it wouldn't be that big of a deal," Bagwell said.

Biggio's slam, his sixth home run of the season, made it 9-0 in the fifth.

"These guys look like a couple of Giant teams I played on," said Kevin Bass, who had a pair of singles. "These cludes are starting to remind me of Will Clark, Kevin Mitchell, Willie McGee and Matt Williams."

Darryl Kile (7-5) bounced back from losses of 10-0 and 8-2 in his last two starts. He gave up five hits, only one of them in the first six innings, in eight innings.

Jon Lieber (5-5), the winner in the game Kile lost 8-2, gave up nine runs, just two of them earned, in five innings.

"They're swinging good, and we're not pitching very good," understated Pirates manager Jim Leyland.

The Astros scored three unearned runs in the third, helped by errors by shortstop Jay Bell and Lieber. Bagwell's single made it 2-0 and scored on a double by Luis Gonzalez.

"He's got a game plan every time he goes to the plate," Astros manager Terry Collins said of Bagwell. "It was quite obvious on that two-run single. That's why he's where he's at."



AP photo

U.S. sprinter Gwen Torrence, of Decatur, Ga., edges out Russia's premier sprinter, Irina Privalova, for the win in the Goodwill 100-meter dash.

championship. The 32-year-old Deal, of Eugene, Oregon, had the hammer 263 feet, 1 inch to beat nearly all of Russia's top competitors.

Britain's Sally Gunnell, the world and Olympic champion the 400-meter hurdles, beat Kim Batten of the United States to avenge her only loss of the season — to Batten last Monday in Nice.

In another prime women's rivalry, Gwen Torrence outran Russian sprinter Irina Privalova to win the 100 in 10.95. The men's 100 will be raced Monday night, with a marquee field featuring American stars Carl Lewis, Leroy Burrell, Andre Cason and Dennis Mitchell.

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Quale flies past Anderson early for 9th trophy of '94

By Lynn Baird
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Bruce Quale passed Rod Anderson on the 11th lap of the 35-lap NASCAR Winston Racing Series feature division main event at Magic Valley Speedway Saturday to win his ninth race of the 1994 season. Quale, who drives an Ika DeAngelo Chevrolet, will likely improve his 16th standing in the Pacific Coast Region.

Anderson's Pontiac challenged Quale several times in the remaining 24 laps and crossed the finish line less than a tenth of a second ahead of the DeAngelo Chevrolet, but Quale's lead in the heat race, which he won, gave him the edge. Quale, who drives an Ika DeAngelo Chevrolet, will likely improve his 16th standing in the Pacific Coast Region.

The new Grand American Modified class got its first race at Magic Valley Speedway Saturday night. Mike Smith passed pole sitter Travis Metz on lap 6 and held on for a win in the 25-lap main event.

Local favorite Charles Legg raced Smith side-by-side and bumper-to-

bumper for the last 15 laps.

Metz took third, Darvin Ackerman fourth and Mike Colman fifth.

Smith took the trophy dash.

The street stock cars returned after a week's rest. Dale Miles had the best night of his rookie season by winning the trophy dash, taking second in the heat race and leading the first 15 laps of the main event, finishing second.

Harold Warfield took the lead from Miles, but spun on the first turn trying to hold off a challenge from Doug Dugger, who then won the race unchallenged.

Harve Quale took third, Ken Meek fourth and Randy Schwab fifth.

Schwab passed Miles and Dugger on the white flag lap to win the heat race.

Jeff Gering swept the trophy dash.

his heat race and the main event in the pony car class.

was second, Doug Travis third and Monte Bohannon fourth in the main event.

The racing season continues at 7 p.m. Saturday.

Kemp looks forward to international rules

CHICAGO (AP) — For Shawn Kemp, the sight of a basketball tumbling on a rim or bouncing just above it usually means hands off. Not for the next few weeks, however.

Kemp, one of the NBA's best leapers, known for his creative assortment of dunks, says he'll be in the NBA, touching a ball anywhere in the cylinder is basket interference.

"Being able to touch the ball on the rim is what I really like," said Kemp, the Seattle SuperSonics' star who is the subject of dunk rumors last month.

"I kind of like to where I can go to knock the ball off the rim. And, then getting the ball in bounds so quick will enable me to utilize my speed with my jumping ability."

There are various differences between the international game and the one in the NBA — a shorter 3-point shot, a 30-second clock, a wider lane, two referees instead of three, 20-minute halves instead of four quarters — just to name a few.

"It's not that much of an adjustment. It's still the game of basketball," coach Dave Nelson said.

"We've had a couple of drills and told them it's OK to dunk it in offensively and knock it off offensively. I think that's the experience we will have to gain," he said of the ball-in-the-cylinder rule.

Although the cylinder rule should benefit Kemp and players like Derrick Coleman, Shaquille O'Neal and Alonzo Mourning, another rule variation would restrict them.

"We're so used to throwing the ball up and out and not do that in international basketball this year," said Nelson, whose Dream Team II will make its debut Tuesday in Charlotte, N.C., in an exhibition game against the German National Team.

Spencer rockets past Ivan; finishes hard in DieHard 500

TALLADEGA, Ala. (AP) — Jimmy Spencer, who came out as an underdog, won the 500-mile NASCAR Winston Cup race at Talladega Superspeedway.

Spencer, with Elliott close behind, rocketed past Ernie Ivan into the lead with 19 laps remaining in the 188-lap race, where he beat Ivan by less than a half-car length after a side-by-side last lap during which the two leaders batted together numerous times.

"I've got me one heck of a race car," Spencer said. "Awesome, man. Never in my life have I had a race car handle like this. I had my foot in it all day long."

In the late-fifth lap, Elliott, the 1988 Winston Cup champion, tried to go into under Spencer. He tried to go inside his teammate's car. He even tried to lean into one side and drive to the other.

Elliott, who finished .025 seconds — about two-car lengths — behind, said, "I didn't know what else to do. He had a faster car, that's all there is to it."

Ivan finished third, holding off a determined late charge by Ken Schrader, who barely beat Daytona 500 winner

Spencer's teammate for fourth.

Dan Gurnea, race champion Dale Earnhardt, Talladega's winningest career driver with seven Winston Cup triumphs, led five times for 41 laps, but went out with a burnt piston after 40 laps and wound up 34th.

Combined with Ivan's third-place finish, Earnhardt's bad luck cost him the series point lead. Ivan went into the race trailing the six-time and defending Winston Cup champion by 93 points and came away with a 16-point lead after 18 of 31 races.

Rusty Wallace, who came into the race third in the season standings, had another bad day at Talladega, where he never has finished better than sixth and has failed to finish more often than that. Wallace burned a piston and wound up last in the 42-car field, going out after just eight laps and falling past Mark Martin to fourth.

Spencer, who had gone 128 races without a victory and now has won two of the last four, averaged 163.173 mph in the race slowed by just five caution flags for a total of 121 laps.

While Spencer's win in the early going was a handling problem, Ivan dominated, leading five times for 90 laps.

Spencer's crew worked on the Ford's chassis on every pit stop and finally got him back among the leaders with less than 40 laps remaining. On laps 159, Spencer moved up to fifth. He was in the next day around the 2.66-mile oval and grabbed second on a restart on lap 167.

Stalking Ivan, Spencer and Elliott ended low coming off the second turn of the high-banked track and both roared past the leader on the back-straight.

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White drives in every run as Expos beat fading L.A.

MONTREAL (AP) — Rookie Ron-
del White drove in all seven Montreal
runs with a homer, double and two
singles Sunday as the Expos beat the
fading Los Angeles Dodgers 7-4 for their
sixth straight victory.

The Expos swept the three-game
series and improved to 60-37, the best
record in the NL.

The Dodgers, leading the NL West,
lost their fifth in a row. They dropped
to 2-8 on a road trip that concludes
with a three-game series at Candlestick
Park against Darryl Strawberry and the
San Francisco Giants.

White went 4-for-5, striking out
once with the bases loaded. The 22-
year-old left fielder had made just 10
starts this season and was batting .255
with four RBIs in 51 at-bats.

White hit an RBI single in the first
inning. He connected for his first
home run of the year, a three-run shot,
for a 4-1 lead in the third.

Kirk Rietveld (6-2) was the winner
and John Wetteland got his 18th save.
Kevin Gross (7-7) was the loser.

Giants 8, Mets 6
NEW YORK — Barry Bonds celebrated
his 30th birthday by driving in three
runs, including a go-ahead single in the
eighth inning that sent the San Francisco
Giants over New York.

Franco hits in 3 to lead ChiSox over Indians

CLEVELAND (AP) — Julio Franco
cleared an avenue in three runs and
Alex Fernandez cooled off Cleveland
Sunday, leading the Chicago White
Sox to a 4-2 victory over the Indians in
the final meeting this season between
the AL Central leaders.

The White Sox and Indians split their
final four-game series, allowing
first-place Chicago to remain two
games ahead of Cleveland, the same
margin they brought with them Thurs-
day. The teams also split four games in
Chicago last weekend.

Chicago won the season series 7-5.
Fernandez (10-7) gave up two runs
and six hits in eight innings, quieting a
Cleveland team that had scored 25 runs
over the previous three games.

Paul Assenmacher got one out in the
ninth and Roberto Hernandez finished up
for his 12th save.

Charles Nagy (8-7) allowed four
runs and eight hits in eight innings.
The Indians have totaled just 19 runs in
his seven losses.

Blue Jays 4, Rangers 2
TORONTO — The streaking Toronto
Blue Jays won their eighth straight game
despite getting just four hits to complete a
four-game sweep.

Brad Cornett gave up five hits in six
innings for his first major-league win for
the two-time defending World Series cham-
pions, as they are 7-0 at home since the All-Star
break.

The AL West-leading Rangers have lost
five of their last six.
Cornett (1-2) allowed six runs in just
one-third of an inning in his last start. Dan-
iel Corbett pitched the ninth for his third save.

Paul Molitor led off the eighth with his
14th homer, and fourth in four games to put
Toronto ahead 4-2.
Roger Pavlik (1-5) gave up four hits in 7
innings.

Red Sox 8, Mariners 2
BOSTON — Mike Greenwell went 4-

National League

The Giants are 12-2 since the arrival of
Darryl Strawberry, who went 1-for-3 and
drove in a run.

The surge has pulled San Francisco
within 1½ games of NL West-leading Los
Angeles, which begins a three-game series
Monday night at Candlestick Park. It will
be the first time Strawberry has faced the
Dodgers since being released earlier this
season.

Bonds' two-out, two-run single off John
Franco gave the Giants a 7-6 lead. Matt
Williams followed with an RBI single.

Monteleone (3-2) got two outs and
picked up the win for the second straight
game. Red Beck got his 23rd save. Jnsas
Mazapilla (3-2) took the loss.

Phillies 5, Padres 3

PHILADELPHIA — Danny Jackson
pitched seven strong innings and won his
13th game — his highest victory total in six
years — as the Philadelphia Phillies defeated
San Diego.

Jackson (13-4) allowed five hits and two
runs. He struck out seven and walked none.
Jackson was 12-11 last season for the
NL champion Phillies. The last time he
won more than 13 or more games was 1988,
when he was 23-8 for Cincinnati.

Doug Jones pitched 1 1/3 innings for his
league-leading 26th save.
Lenny Dykstra, playing for the second

time since missing 30 games because of an
appendectomy, went 1-for-3 with a walk,
scored a base and scored once for the
Phillies. Andy Ashby (4-10) lost his fourth
straight start.

Cubs 3, Reds 0

CHICAGO — Fill-in starter Jim
Bullinger and Randy Myers combined on a
five-hitter, leading the Chicago Cubs over
Cincinnati.

Mark Grace went 2-for-3, hitting two
doubles and driving in a run.
Bullinger (5-2) pitched in place of Steve
Treichel, who is bothered by a blister. He
went eight innings, allowing five hits. He
struck out four and walked two. Myers
pitched the ninth for his 20th save.

Pete Schourek (5-2) struck out 10 in six
innings, matching his career high.

Marlins 6, Rockies 4

DENVER — Gary Sheffield went 5-
for-5, and his two-run homer in the ninth
inning Sunday sent the Florida Marlins past
the Colorado Rockies 6-4.

Sheffield's first five-hit game, of his ca-
reer tied the team record for hits set by
Chuck Carr last year.

Carr led off the ninth with a walk from
Willie Blair (0-5). Sheffield, who had four
hits in his previous at-bats, followed his
22nd home run.

Robb Nen (4-4) pitched out of a one-out
jam in the eighth and struck out the side in
the ninth for the win.

Yankees 6, Angels 4

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Don Mattingly,
making a rare appearance as a pinch-hitter,
hit a three-run homer in the ninth inning as
the Yankees concluded a 10-1 road trip.

The victory helped the Yankees com-
plete their most successful West Coast trip
history. New York, which rallied to win in
the ninth inning in three games on the trip,
scored four times in the ninth to win their
fifth straight.

Mark Langston held the Yankees to
six hits in eight innings. With one out in
the ninth, Mike Stanley singled off
Langston, who walked Jim Leyritz and
was replaced by Joe Girardi (2-5). After a
wild pitch, Mattingly, called on to pinch-
hit for the first time this season, lined a
2-2 fastball into the rightfield seats for
his sixth homer. Mattingly, who collected
his 2,000th career hit in his final at-
bat on Saturday night, is 7-for-27 as a
pinch-hitter during his career.

Jim Abbott (8-7) balled his way through
eight innings, allowing seven hits and four
runs. Steve Howe pitched the ninth for his
13th save.

Athletics 7, Orioles 6

OAKLAND, Calif. — Ricky Henderson
scored on Mark Eichhorn's wild pitch with
two outs in the ninth inning as the A's
rallied from six runs down.

Baltimore led 6-0 after six innings before
the A's began their comeback on Mark
McGwire's two-run homer in the seventh.
Oakland tied in the eighth on Scott
Hemond's three-run homer.

In the ninth, reliever Tom Bolton (1-2)
walked pinch-hitter Troy Loefer with one
out. Fausto Cruz ran for Neil and Eichhorn
gave up a single to center and walked San
Javier to load the bases.

Cruz was forced at the plate on Geroni-
mo Brera's grounder. With Ruben Sierra
at the plate, Eichhorn's first pitch bounced
down the first base line to catcher Chris
Henderson. Henderson slid head-first just
ahead of Holmes through the catcher's
glove.

Dennis Eckersley (4-4), Oakland's sev-
enth pitcher, escaped a bases-loaded jam in
the ninth for the win.

for-5 with a homer and John Valentin drove
in three runs to lead Red Clements and the
Red Sox.

The Red Sox and Mariners split the four-
game series which was moved to Boston
because of falling ceiling tiles in the King-
dome.

Boston collected 16 hits to beat
Clements (9-5), who allowed five hits and
one run in seven innings. He struck out six
and walked two, throwing 108 pitches be-
fore retiring after the Red Sox scored three
runs in the seventh.

The Red Sox got six hits and scored
three runs in the first inning off George Gil-
ruts (0-1).

Twins 10, Brewers 6

MILWAUKEE — Kirby Puckett's two-
run homer highlighted a five-run, seventh-
inning rally.

Puckett drove in four runs. Kent Hrbek
hit a three-run homer, and Chuck Knoblauch scored four runs for the Twins.

Jose Valentin hit a three-run homer and
Turner Ward had a solo shot for Milwaukee
in the seventh.

Reliever Carl Willis (2-4) picked up the
win with 1 2/3 innings of one-hit ball. Eric
Schultström pitched two innings for his first
save.

Elrod (9-10) was tagged for six hits
and eight runs in 6 1/3 innings.

Royals 6, Tigers 4

DETROIT — Jose Delouis pitched five
innings to gain his first major-league victory
in nearly three years.

Delouis, called up from Triple-A Omaha
on July 16, won for the first time since
Aug. 31, 1991 when he pitched in the
Philadelphia Phillies' 10-4 victory over the
Atlanta Braves.

Rookie Bob Hamelin homered and Brent
Mayne singled in two runs as the Royals
won for the only fourth time in their last 11
road games.

Juan Samuel went 3-for-4 with two RBIs
for Detroit, which has dropped six of its last
seven.

The Royals scored four runs in the fourth
inning with the help of an error by Tim
Belcher (7-12).

Perry takes New England title

SUTTON, Mass. (AP) — All that extra work finally
paid off for Kenny Perry.

He was in his 11th golf tournament in 12 weeks. He
played six extra holes Sunday, finishing the rain-delayed
third round. And he still had energy to hold off David
Feherty's late charge and win the New England Classic.

"I may not have some time off now," Perry said after his
second win in eight years on the PGA tour.

He shot 6-under-par 65 in his second bogey-free round
of the tournament and became the fourth straight New
England Classic winner to shoot 16-under 268. Feherty
was at 269 after shooting 67. Ed Fiori shot 70 and was
third at 272.

Colbert collects 2nd Senior win at Bell

BELTON, Mo. (AP) — Jim Col-
bert collected his second Senior Tour
win in three weeks on Sunday, firing
a final 65 to win the \$63,594-year, par-
70 Loch Lloyd Golf Club course.

Colbert's 65 was his ninth straight
round in the 60s, the longest of the
year on the Senior Tour and put him
41 shots under par for those nine
rounds. The win, Colbert's ninth since
joining the Senior Tour in 1991, was
worth \$105,000. Aoki and Gilbert

each collected \$56,000.

Colbert, who bogeyed the final two
holes, to finish second by a stroke to
John Paul Cain in last week's
Americitech Senior Open, played flaw-
lessly down the stretch with birdies at
Nos. 13 and 15. Holding a two-shot
lead entering the final 18 holes, Col-
bert trailed only once when Graham
Marshall birdied four of the first eight
holes to go 11 under.

Couples birdies 18th to win Canadian Skins

—STE-JULIE, Quebec (AP) —
Fred Couples birdied the 18th hole
Sunday, a putt that gave him an extra
\$165,000 for his bank account.

The birdie ended an eight-hole
stalemate at the Canadian Skins
Game and increased Couples' earn-
ings to the weekend tournament to
\$240,000.

Until the \$165,000 putt, none of
the golfers in the field — Couples,
Nick Price, Lee Trevino or Tom
Watson — had won a hole outright
Sunday on the back nine. That
means the cash for the hole at each
hole was carried over to the next.

On the front nine played Satur-

day, Couples won \$75,000, Trevino
\$20,000 and Price \$10,000. Watson
was shut out, but like his three riv-
als, received an undisclosed ap-
pearance fee for playing at the
Richelieu Valley Golf Club outside
Montreal.

Price could have spoiled Cou-
ples' party by sinking a short putt
to halve the 18th, but he missed just
to the left.

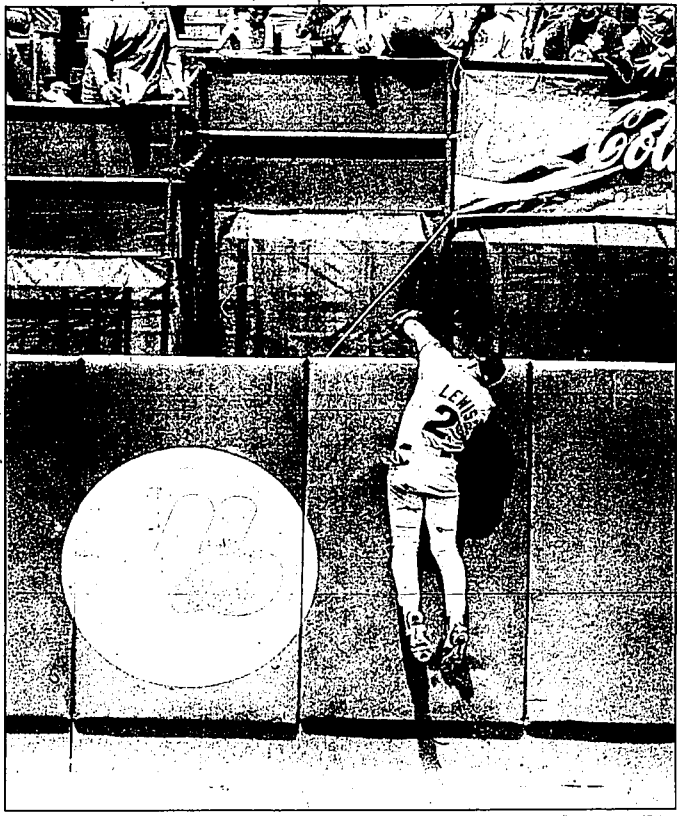
"It's not much fun trying to make
a little three-foot putt when you've
got two guys (Trevino and Watson)
trying to heck you're going to
make it," Couples said. "But I'm
glad we didn't have to play

more holes and I think the good
guys won."

Couples, whose season has been
marred by a back injury that forced
him to miss several tournaments,
including the Masters and the
British Open, said he revels in the
Skins format.

"The Skins game is good to me
because I make a lot of birdies and
I can afford mistakes. On the PGA
Tour, on an 18-hole round, you can-
n't afford to make mistakes."

"In a Skins game, there are some
nerve-wracking putts and you make
a few of them and you miss a few
of them."



San Francisco Giants center fielder Darren Lewis reaches over the center field wall Sunday at New York's Shea Stadium to rob a home run from Mets batter Ryan Thompson.

NFL tests one-way radios in helmets

FREDONIA, N.Y. (AP) — Move
over, Buck Rogers. Now Matt Rodgers
and the rest of the Buffalo Bills quar-
terbacks have some fairly space-age
gadgets in their helmets, too.

The NFL is testing one-way radios
that will allow coaches to send plays to
their quarterbacks without hand signals
or shutting substitutes. The league has
not committed to using the gizmos
during the season yet, but they are be-
ing tested at all 28 training camps.

"We're not going to waste too much
time on it," said Bills coach Marv Levy.
Woody Allen, then Marcus Allen. But
last week at the Bills' training camp, he
was the one everyone wanted to talk to.

"There are no problems, really, to
speak of," said Conway, of Control
Dynamics in Ivyland, Pa. "We have
the technology, it's just a matter of get-
ting it out there."

The big advantage of the radios is
that an opponent wouldn't be able to
steal plays. Also, there's less danger of
a misunderstanding than with the
sometimes complicated hand signals.

back up, after running through a morn-
ing practice at the receiving end of the
signals.

Strom said there was a little crack-
ling at first, but it was quickly fixed.
Rodgers reported no problems.

Starting quarterback Jim Kelly said
it was a little loud and asked Joe Con-
way, an engineer who is observing the
tests, to have it adjusted.

A pocket protector, dark-socks-with-
running-shoes type of guy, Conway is
more likely to be confused with
Woody Allen than Marcus Allen. But
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your Sports

Twin Falls Nationals earn 2nd in Grace Tournament

GRACE — The Twin Falls 11-12-year-olds Little
League Nationals All-Star team finished second in
baseball tournament here, going 3-2 during the event.

The Nationals downed Burley 3-2, the Madison
Americans 5-3 and the Twin Falls Americans 6-3 in
a semifinal game. The Nationals fell twice to the
Madison Nationals, 3-2 during regular tourney play,
and 5-3 in the championship game.

Jonathan Brumback picked up the victory against
the Twin Falls Americans with Zach Gregersen get-
ting a save.

Brandon Miller, Kelsey McClintock, Brandon
Nielsen, Billy Humphries, Jeremy Sudik, Brumback,
Jeremy Gregersen and Eric Rambo all drove in runs
for the Nationals.

Sudik in left field, Greg Gibson in center field,
Robbie Bruck in right field and Jonny Brady at first
base were the top defensive players for the Nationals.

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	at stake, Renegeades team members include Dan DeLoon, Robert Greenwood, Jerry Jensen, Jon Maghuan, Mike McBride, Robert McMillen, Brent Nielson, Robert Thurston, Jack Trotter and Tucker
	Baseliners 0-9 Women's 3.5 (through June 20) Determinators 3-0, Miss Hits 2-3, Match Points 1-3 Women's 4.0 (through June 21) Happy Feet 5-0, Sun Valley 1-4, Tennis Sneakers 1-4 Women's notes: The women's 2.5 league was new to the Magic Valley last year. This year the league is made up of a combination of women who have one year league experi- ence and those who have never played league tennis before.

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Immeasurable losses

Exxon Valdez trial reveals spill's economic costs, costs that can never be tallied

The Associated Press

CHENEGA BAY, Alaska — For Eddie Lavshakoff, it's the bleak silence of a bay once clamoring with ducks. For John Totemoff, it's the empty ledge where he used to hunt seals. For Gail Evansoff, it's the ominous odors — herring with lesions, a worm-infested salmon — that make her doubt the waters she once trusted to sustain her.

The residents of this Aleut village say they don't need scientific studies or economic models to know that Prince William Sound still suffers from the Exxon Valdez oil spill.

They keep their own watch, and for them the greatest losses are impossible to measure.

"Everything's just wrong since the oil spill," villager Mary Kompkoff said. "I was brought up eating food off the land and water, and we never thought twice about things when we ate them. Now, I'm thinking."

Chenega Bay's 70 residents are among 14,000 Alaska Natives, commercial fishermen and others suing Exxon Corp. for up to \$16.5 billion in the wake of the Exxon Valdez.

It's been five years since the biggest oil spill in U.S. history smeared 11 million gallons of North Slope crude across Alaska's wild southern coast. Now, the biggest environmental lawsuit in U.S. history is taking stock of the disaster's economic and ecological impacts.

The trial is in its third month and far from done. But already it is clear to Chenega Bay residents that some costs can never be tallied.

"This is our lifestyle, our culture," John Totemoff said, standing on his small fishing boat, just in from an early morning trip that netted 16 salmon for his family's use next winter. "How could I put a price tag on this?"

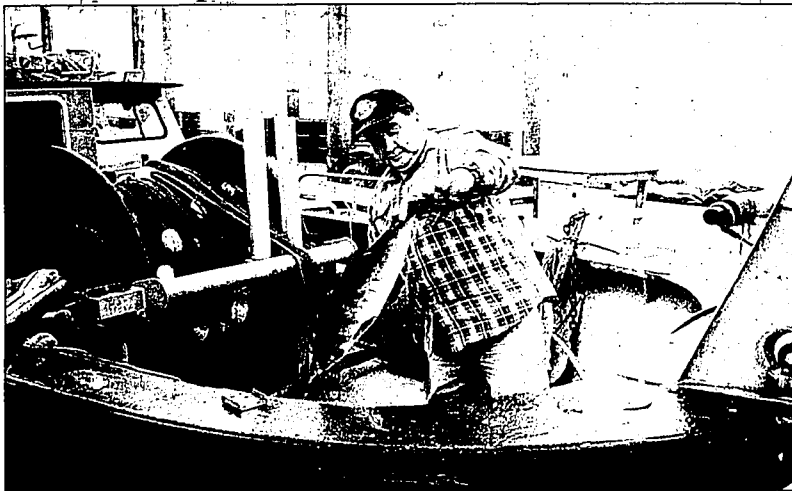
He's not the first to ask. Lawsuits started piling up against Exxon just four days after the Exxon Valdez tanker struck Bligh Reef on March 24, 1989.

Two weeks into the spill, Exxon took out full-page newspaper ads, promising to "meet our obligations to all those who have suffered damage from the spill."

That broad promise soon required qualification: "As the oil spread, ultimately fouling 1,500 miles of coastline, the spill's economic repercussions reached even further across Alaska."

There were some winners, such as the fishermen "spillooneers" who chartered out their boats to Exxon during the \$2 billion cleanup.

But there also were many victims — from the coastal fishermen who claimed they were ruined by lost fishing seasons, to the homesteader far inland who grumbled that the mess-hunting suffered because of cleanup-related traffic on the Glenn Highway.



John Totemoff, at left, handles a salmon after an early-morning trip on Chenega Bay, Alaska, a day that netted 16 salmon for his family's use next winter. Above, a red-necked Greb sits covered in oil on Knight Island after the Exxon Valdez struck Alaska's Bligh Reef one week before this April 1, 1989, photo was made.

The homesteader was among the few who didn't sue Exxon. By last winter, the plaintiff's roster included tourboat operators and fishing guides, seater researchers whose oiled subjects had died by the thousands, and thousands of net menders, boat builders, cannery workers and seafood wholesalers dependent on the fishing fleet.

Many plaintiffs were dismissed in March, when U.S. District Judge H. Russel Holland in Anchorage ruled that onshore businesses had no legal claims if they hadn't suffered direct physical damage from the oil.

"There is no question but that the Exxon Valdez grounding impacted, in one fashion or another, far more people than will ever recover anything in these proceedings," Holland wrote.

The claims remaining are complex enough. Attorneys for 10,000 commercial fishermen and 4,000 Alaska Natives have been arguing their case before a federal jury in Anchorage since May 9, seeking more than \$1 billion in actual damages and up to \$15 billion in punitive damages from Exxon and tanker Capt. Joseph Hazelwood.

A few blocks away in a state courtroom, attorneys for six coastal towns and six Alaska Native corporations are seeking \$100 million in a trial that began July 5.

Exxon lost the first phase of the federal trial in June, when jurors decided that recklessness on the part of Exxon and Hazelwood led to the spill. The plaintiffs had argued that Hazelwood was drunk the night of the spill and that Exxon had known about his drinking for years.

Next, the jury considered claims by commercial fishermen that not only did the spill ruin salmon and herring harvests by disrupting Prince William Sound's ecological balance, it depressed prices for fish caught by tainting the reputation of Alaska salmon.

Exxon argued that the ecological damage was not as severe as the plaintiffs claimed, and that world market conditions and competition from farmed salmon were to blame for falling fish prices.

For three weeks, dueling scientists, economists, and other expert witnesses debated the spill's biological and economic fallout.

The plaintiffs' attorneys drew upon state and federal studies to portray a marine environment torn apart by oil.

Government scientists estimate 300,000 to 645,000 birds were killed outright by the oil, and some devastated bird populations, including common murre and harlequin ducks, are failing to reproduce in areas that were oiled. Young sea otters are dying in unusual numbers in western Prince William Sound, possibly from feeding on mussel beds where oil remains trapped.

Most important to fishermen, runs of pink salmon returning to Prince William Sound have plummeted the last two summers, after strong showings in 1990 and 1991. Likewise, spring-time herring harvests, strong in 1991 and 1992, were cut short this year and last year when too few fish showed up. Many herring had organ damage and lesions.

But Exxon's experts say blaming all the sound's problems on a spill that happened five years ago is overly simplistic. Herring and salmon populations fluctuate naturally because

of changes in ocean temperature and food supply, they say.

They also contend that Exxon's cleanup efforts, combined with winter storms, have scoured nearly all the oil from Prince William Sound beaches. Even in 1989, one scientist testified, the dissolved oil in most areas did not reach levels toxic to fish.

In the state air of the windowless courtroom, attorneys have struggled to keep the working-class jury's attention.

"Let me bring up another chart that will help explain this," an Exxon lawyer said during one tedious session on fish forecasting. Two jurors traded tight smiles. Another tilted her head back and yawned. The judge rubbed his eyes. It was 9:30 a.m.

The jury started deliberating the fishermen's claims July 12 with a verdict form that looked like a Chinese menu. Year by year, species by species, area by area, they had to decide whether the oil spill caused poor fish runs or reduced the prices paid to fishermen. Then, they had to calculate a dollar amount for damages.

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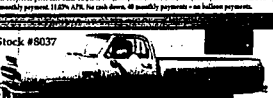
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Health & Fashion

The quiet killer

Are high-fat diets behind Idaho, valley's surge in prostate cancer?

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Could the straight-arrow lifestyle that makes Idahoans and Utahns live longer than their neighbors also be killing more of them with prostate cancer?

"There's some research done by the University of Utah Medical Center that seems to suggest that," said Dr. Donald Weese, a Burley urologist. "And since I've been practicing here, my records show 62 cases of prostate cancer."

That strikes Weese, who moved to Burley last year from Southern California, where he worked in a large medical center, as high for a two-county area with 39,000 residents, and it may have something to do with what they're eating.

"The University of Utah research indicated that diets in Utah tended to be higher in fat, and fat is definitely a risk factor in prostate cancer," he said.

Other studies not related to prostate cancer have shown that residents of Utah and southern Idaho — including Mormons who shun alcohol and tobacco — have more fat in their diets than people in the nation as a whole.

"There are certainly some other possible explanations for the prostate cancer I've seen, including the fact that there hasn't been a urologist here before," Weese said. "It could be that prostate cancer cases are being diagnosed now that weren't being diagnosed until much later, or that people are staying home for treatment who used to go out of the area."

Neither of Twin Falls' two urologists, Dr. Charles Cutler nor Dr. John Buz, could be reached last week for comment, but it's clear that in the Magic Valley, Idaho and the nation as a whole, prostate cancer is on the rise.

The American Cancer Society says 165,000 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer this year, making it the

What's a prostate?

The prostate is a grape-sized gland that surrounds the neck of the bladder and the urethra in men. Partly muscular and partly glandular, it secretes a thin fluid that's part of the seminal fluid.

Enlargement of the prostate is common, especially after middle age. This results in the urethra being obstructed, which in turn impedes urination and sometimes leads to retention of urine. But prostate enlargement and obstruction don't necessarily indicate the presence of a tumor.

Benign and malignant tumors, however, are common after age 60, although a tumor can be well advanced before there are any physical symptoms.

leading type of cancer among American men — and the fastest growing among the 10 most common types of cancer in this country.

"Certainly, one big reason is that the population is getting older," Weese said. "And if a man lives long enough, the odds are overwhelming that he's going to get prostate cancer."

The average age of the first incidence of prostate cancer is now in the 60s, and since the disease develops slowly, some health-care planners have suggested that doctors give treating it a low priority.

"The theory is that if your cancer takes years to kill you, you're probably going to have some other urgent health problems before that happens," Weese said. "I have some problems with that. That approach doesn't take into account the quality of the life of the people who get prostate cancer."

Untreated, prostate cancer metastasizes, or spreads elsewhere in body. That in-

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Test can detect spread of cancer, help men avoid surgery, radiation

Knight-Ridder News Service

Researchers have developed a new blood test that tells men with prostate cancer whether the malignancy has spread beyond the prostate gland — a finding that soon may help thousands of men avoid surgery or radiation.

"This represents a significant breakthrough," says Dr. Joseph Oesterling, professor and chairman of urology at the University of Michigan Medical Center.

The new test is a reverse transcriptase polymerase chain reaction test that allows detection of prostate cells that might have migrated into the bloodstream. It would not replace the PSA test, which measures the level of prostate-specific antigen in the blood; a high PSA level indicates possible cancer. Biopsies can be done after the PSA test to confirm the cancer.

But after that, to find out if the cancer has spread beyond the gland, men now either have surgery in which doctors obtain tissue samples, or have less invasive but sometimes unreliable tests.

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Dr. Joseph Oesterling

"Right now, many patients get ... surgery based on crude testing methods," Oesterling says. "If they knew their cancer had not spread outside the prostate, they wouldn't subject themselves to a very traumatic operation," he said, referring to the possibility of impotence and incontinence after prostate cancer surgery.

Oesterling is editor of the journal *Urology*, which published a study of the new test in its June issue.

The test, a more sophisticated method than one currently used, is inexpensive and could be widely available in the next 1½ years, says Dr. Aaron Katz, assistant professor of urology at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center in Denver. He was part of the hospital team that developed the new test.

The test is so sophisticated that it can find one cancer cell among millions of cells in the bloodstream, Katz says. Similar technology may help determine whether breast, colon and other solid-tumor cancers have spread, he says.

Katz believes the more sophisticated blood test might cost about \$100.

Author goes on the road again

It's early in June, and I'm sitting in a small, brightly lit room in New York City, facing a TV camera, grinning enthusiastically and having a conversation with perky voices in my ear.

I'm doing what's called a "satellite media tour" to promote a book. For three straight hours I've been talking to perky TV News Teams all over the country, one after another, for about five minutes apiece. The only person in the room with me is Gary, the cameraman. I can't see the News Teams; I can only hear them via an earpiece. They all tend to ask the same questions, so I've been saying the same things over and over and over.



Dave Barry
Humor

"So Dave!" a perky news voice is saying. "Tell us about the squirrel in the woman's toilet!" The News Teams love this story.

Gary the cameraman winces. He has heard the toilet-squirrel story about 29 times today.

"Ha ha!" I say to the camera, as though I am delighted to be telling this story yet again, whereas in fact I would rather be undergoing vasectomy via tire iron. But I plunge ahead, because it is my job, as an author, to get my book mentioned on the TV news. It's not easy. I'm getting stiff competition for air time from the *Flesh-Eating Bacteria*, which is the big story this week. The News Teams are crazy about this story, and are showing horrible scary color pictures of it every two minutes. (Here's a satellite weather photograph, and speaking of photographs, here's the *Flesh-Eating Bacteria* again!) I am appalled by the amount of attention they're giving this. I mean, it's not as though the *Flesh-Eating Bacteria* wrote a BOOK.

I finish talking to the current News Team, and immediately I hear a new one in my ear.

"Dave!" a perky voice says. "What's the deal with these toilet squirrels?"

Gary the cameraman slumps. I think even the camera is slumping.

"Ha ha!" I say, and plunge ahead.

It's several days, and several cities, later, and I'm in Milwaukee, being interviewed on a TV show about books. The host is trying to ask me a question that begins "When did you first start," but he messes up and combines the beginning of "first" and the end of "start" into one word, so that his question comes out "When did you (seemingly bathroom word)." He says this very clearly. He tries to be a "cut as though nothing has happened. I see," as he shouts.

"WHAT? WHAT DID YOU SAY?" He's still trying to gloss over it and get on with the interview, but now he's starting to giggle, a problem that only gets worse when his wristwatch, suddenly and mysteriously, as though possessed by demons, springs off of his wrist and clatters noisily across the table. Now we're laughing so hard that juice is running out of our noses.

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Looking good

Best dresses have never looked better

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The term "best-dressed" fakes on new meaning this fall and winter. It will be a banner season for the dress, which has never looked better.

American designers, who showed their fall-winter collections in New York this spring, are offering women's dresses in variations ranging from schoolgirl jumpers to simple skimmers, chic sheaths, elegant Empire and stunning coat styles.

There are dresses for work and play, for ingenues and executives. In heavy boucle, sheer wool gauze, leather, faux fur, jersey, crepe, Spandex, knits and satin, today's dresses make a strong case for flattery. No matter what shape your body's in, there are dresses to accent the positive.

After many seasons of sifting through all manner of sportswear,

women should welcome the dress back into their wardrobe for yet another reason. This fall's bumper crop offers an easy approach to looking great: just slip into one and go.

Many of the dresses are accompanied with matching or coordinating jackets and coats, eliminating the need to find just the right jacket, belt or blouse. In fact, designers have made getting dressed so effortless, one hardly has to give a thought to accessories — a pretty pair of shoes or boots, sheer or opaque stockings, and, perhaps, a hat and you're set.

Having broken the dress code which forbade pants in the workplace, having listened to and read all those dress-for-success diatribes and having learned a thing or two about dressing up and dressing down, women again can explore the dress and its many variations.



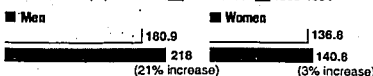
From schoolgirl jumpers to this long evening gown worn by Claudia Shiffer, designers offer a whole range of dresses this season.

The 23-year war against cancer

Though statistics show improvement in some cancers, overall the war on cancer is far from over. A look at the numbers:

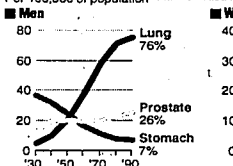
How the death rates have changed over 30 years

Per 100,000 of population



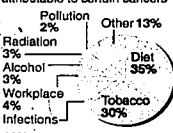
Death rates for selected cancers

Per 100,000 of population



Causes of cancer

Estimated percent of cancer deaths attributable to certain causes



NOTE: Inherited genetic flaws make 1 in 10 persons more susceptible to genetic damage from these external factors.

SOURCE: American Cancer Society, National Cancer Institute

Survival rates

Percent of U.S. cancer patients who survive five years or more after diagnosis.

	1974-78	1983-89
Liver	4%	6%
Lung	12	13
Stomach	15	18
Ovary	37	41
Colorectal	50	58
Prostate	67	78
Urinary bladder	72	79
Breast	74	79
Melanoma (skin)	80	84
All cancers	49%	53%

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How a normal cell becomes cancerous

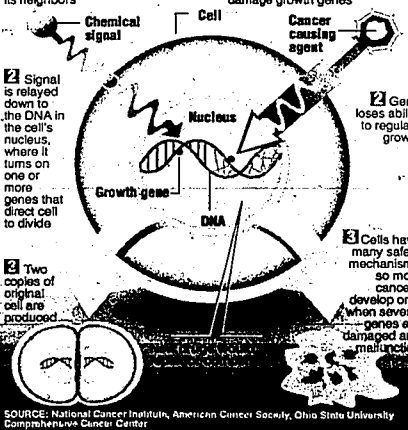
Scientists now say genes that cause cancer are defective versions of those that control cell division and growth. Here's how bad genes transform a cell:

How a normal cell divides

1 Normal cell divides when it receives a chemical signal from its neighbors

What a bad cell does

1 External forces (like smoking, bad diet) or inherited flaw can damage growth genes



KRT Infographics

Health notes

LOOKIN' GOOD! Beauty may be in the eyes of the beholder — but what you behold depends on whether you're a man or a woman. In a survey of 300 personal trainers, 77 percent said women spend more time than men looking at the opposite sex during a workout and 91 percent said men spend more time than women looking at themselves in the mirror. The survey was conducted for Met-Rx, a "high tech engineered nutrition food."

WATCH YOUR STEP: If you're getting on in years, be especially careful after a hospital stay. A study of 214 patients 70 and older found the elderly are at increased risk of falling for at least a month after they leave the hospital, according to a University of Wisconsin researcher supported, in part, by the National Institutes of Health.

INSULIN SHOCKING NEWS: Also from the National Institutes of Health comes news that when youngsters are first diagnosed with insulin-dependent diabetes, their thoughts often turn to suicide. However, they rarely follow through with an attempt, according to a study in the *Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry*.

TIMES THEY ARE A CHANGIN': In the '60s, baby boomers, you probably associated the word "joint" with marijuana. But if you haven't already, you'll soon be discovering the original meaning of

the word. By the year 2020, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention predicts, aging boomers will cause the number of Americans with arthritis to soar to \$9.4 million, or nearly one out of five people.

NUTRITION DEFICIENT: Unfortunately, getting up in years all too often means going down in nutrition. Nutritional deficiencies, some brought on by the aging process itself, can increase the risk of brittle bones, cancer, heart disease, lowered immunity, and, in the case of vitamin B-12 deficiency, a brain condition closely resembling Alzheimer's disease. The appetites of many elderly people often diminish, some even losing their sense of smell or taste.

BEWARE THE CURE: Beware of those who tout "anti-aging" pills or human growth hormones as a way to get rid of wrinkles, increase muscle strength or boost sexuality. A few years ago, a small study found that a synthetic human growth hormone given to elderly men seemed to reverse the decline in muscle and the increase in body fat that accompanies aging. Now, it seems, some self-styled "anti-aging spas" are giving the drug to people hoping to stay youthful. But be aware that if a person already has a healthy hormonal balance, imposing an additional growth hormone can upset that balance, and the body will respond and can shut down its own production.

— Compiled from wire reports

Heart disease risks remain unalterable

Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — Long before the discovery of his heart disease, Illinois Gov. Jim Edgar was known for his abstinence from alcohol and tobacco, his love of bicycling and a generally healthy lifestyle.

After chest pain led to balloon angioplasty to open his coronary arteries, Edgar seemed to embrace clean living with even greater zeal, attending a Pritikin camp to wean himself from his beloved bacon cheeseburgers, fried chicken and other down-home food favored at political rallies and picnics.

The governor shed pounds from his already trim frame and became noticeably lean. His doctors regularly monitored his blood pressure, cholesterol and general vital signs. About the only thing he didn't do was duck the stress of Springfield's partisan politics.

So when Edgar required emergency coronary bypass surgery Thursday night, many people were shocked that someone who seemed to do everything right could still be stricken.

The truth is that, despite much publicity from some public health advocates, so-called risk factors like smoking cigarettes and having high blood pressure are associated with only about half of all heart attacks.

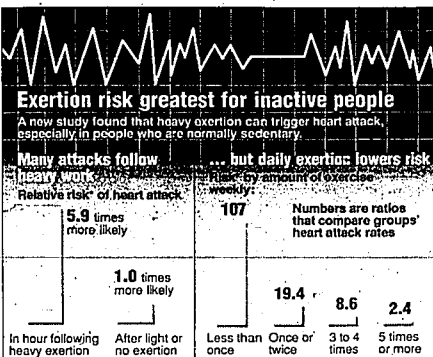
Some of the greatest risks for heart disease, such as being male, being older and having a family history of coronary illness, are unalterable. Other factors known to play a role, such as stress, are poorly understood and can be far more difficult to control than choosing an apple as a snack instead of potato chips.

"The quick answer is that you can modify your life to reduce your chance of a heart attack, but you'll never reduce that risk to zero," said Dr. Alan Garber, associate professor of medicine at Stanford University.

In fact, said Garber, in his enthusiasm for risk factors, many advocates have oversold the benefits of lifestyle modification to the public. "Some efforts to persuade the public to change diet and lifestyle have oversimplified scientific facts in a way to lead people to believe there is more to be gained than there really is," said Garber, who is an economist as well as a physician and who is writing cholesterol guidelines for the American College of Physicians.

"It's difficult when you want to persuade people to change their habits to be evenhanded in presenting scientific evidence, which is often much weaker than the public is led to believe."

In the case of cholesterol, for example, the early strategy endorsed by public health advocates was for



Exertion and heart attack: A health mystery

- 75,000 Americans annually, or 4% of people who have heart attacks, report heavy exertion in the hour preceding the attack
- 25,000 of those people die
- Study reveals that exercise triggers — but also protects against — heart attacks
- Body processes involving exertion and heart attack is unknown.

*Ratio of the group's heart attack rate and rate for all people outside the group
SOURCE: Deaconess Hospital and Harvard Univ., New England Journal of Medicine

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everyone to learn their cholesterol levels and work to lower them.

"One unfortunate aspect of that policy was to encourage a lot of younger people who were already jogging and eating low-fat diets to go to their doctors to learn their cholesterol levels and then worry about them," Garber said.

"These people are already at such low risk that they don't need to worry about cholesterol. It's much more important to target people truly at high risk, such as those who've already had a heart attack, rather than the whole population."

"I think federal health officials now recognize that, and their approach has changed over time."

Much of what science knows about coronary risk factors has been gleaned from studies that follow large groups of people over long periods, correlating information about lifestyle with illness and deaths.

The best known of these started in Framingham, Mass., in 1948 and enrolled 5,000 people. A second generation of more than 5,000 has been enrolled to continue the work.

That study has yielded solid evidence associating cigarette smoking with coronary disease and death, and it has found correlations with high blood pressure, high cholesterol, male gender, age and other factors.

In general, said Dr. Peter W. Wilson, director of laboratories for the Farmington study, these factors are associated with half the heart disease.

"There are a bunch of unknowns associated with the other half of heart disease," he said. "Part of the thing is we don't measure them that well, or don't know what to measure."

"For example, someone may have normal blood pressure when it's measured in a physician's office, but when he's sitting there in a traffic jam, his blood pressure goes way up. Then he gets (chest pain), and we've missed that. That

could be borderline hypertension."

Someone like Edgar who eats sensibly and doesn't smoke could have several "borderline" risks, such as slightly elevated blood pressure or cholesterol, Wilson said.

"If he had just two borderline risks, he would have a threefold overall increased risk," he said.

But it is easy to look at studies and get the mistaken impression that the averages apply to everyone. Even though on average, people who try to reduce these risks may live longer, there are no guarantees that any individual will benefit.

"Life is a somewhat chancey process," said Dr. Stephen B. Hulley of the epidemiology department at the University of California at San Francisco. "We don't have the knowledge or tools to guarantee long life to every individual. All we can do is try to improve the odds."

The notion of risk factors and odds improvement has become quite popular in American medicine and much of Europe, but there are skeptics who think too much is being made from too little evidence.

Two University of Dublin scientists, Drs. James McCormick and Petr Skrabanek argued in the Lancet, a British medical journal, several years ago that the very term "risk factor" is flawed because it implies causes and effects that aren't proven.

"They cited 246 documented 'risk factors' for coronary disease, including 'not having a siesta, snoring, having English as a mother tongue and not eating mackerel' all of which appear to be associated with elevated levels of heart disease."

Another critic, Thomas J. Moore, a fellow at the Center for Health Policy Research at George Washington University, said that scientists don't understand why deaths from heart disease are falling in the United States any more than it knows why cancer deaths are rising.

"We spend billions to treat and prevent both diseases, but we don't understand either all that well," he said.

But despite critics, most physicians caution against abandoning lifestyle changes and risk-factor reduction as mainstays in fighting coronary disease.

"I would not take the governor's experience as anything to discourage me from recommending the healthy habits I have been advocating," said Dr. Philip Greenland, chairman of preventive medicine at Northwestern University.

"From a scientific point of view, what (Edgar's illness) tells us is that there's more we need to know. But it doesn't mean that what we do know should be thrown out."

It makes sense not just for possibly preventing prostate cancer, but also cardiovascular disease and other physical problems.

"I think the lesson is that you just need to be aware of it and take the measures, including the annual digital exam if you're over 50, to make sure that if it happens, it can be taken out," Weiss said.

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Alpha hydroxy acid wreaks chaos in cosmetics industry

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Since the end of 1991, more than 50 cosmetics companies have introduced new alpha hydroxy acid products to the cosmetics-buying consumers. But it is unprecedented in the history of cosmetics. Never has such a singular ingredient with a singular action caused so much frenzy. It actually borders on chaos. Is there a need for this kind of saturation? Does the market warrant this many products? The confusion this all causes is mindboggling. As you may have already noticed, I get more letters about AHA products than any other single cosmetics issue.

AHA products do not stop oiliness, do not close pores, and do not get rid of wrinkles.

In some respects, this craze is akin to the snake oil cures of days gone by. The difference is that AHAs do provide some benefit for the skin. However, like all other aspects of the cosmetics industry, getting past the hype isn't always easy. Remember that all AHA products are not created equal.

There are more than 100 different AHAs. Some are stronger than others. Some are more expensive than others. Some are more effective than others. Some are more irritating than others. Some are more expensive than others. Some are more effective than others. Some are more irritating than others.

Only one AHA product on your face or body at a time. Facial cleansers, bar soaps, shaving creams, hand and body lotions, candle creams and fade creams that contain AHAs are worth considering, but not if you are using another AHA product.

Shampoos that contain AHAs may be beneficial for dry scalp or dandruff. Be sure to keep the shampoo out of your eyes.

Shouldn't come as a surprise to anyone that some new AHA products have come onto the market. These include Elizabeth Arden's Alpha Cream; Oil of Olay's Renewal Visible Recovery products (which don't really contain AHAs); Maybelline's Revitalizing Alpha Hydroxy Moisture Cream or Lotion; and Pond's Age Defying Complex products. Are any of them good? Do any of them live up to their claims? Well, some of them are good, but of course none of them lives up to all of their claims.

AHA products do not close pores.

AHA products do not get rid of wrinkles.

AHA products do not generate new skin.

AHA products can help moisturizers (or the moisturizing ingredients that are part of the AHA product) absorb better into the skin.

AHA products can help unclog pores. That doesn't mean they will end the problem of blackheads and

breakouts, but they can help. In short, exfoliating the skin does not cure acne.

You do not need more than one AHA product for your face. Use a lotion or cream if you have normal to dry skin, or an astringent-free toner-type product if you have oily skin. You can use any AHA product once or twice a day. It can be used in conjunction with a sunscreen during the day or with an additional moisturizer at night. Before applying any AHA product, be sure to wait 15 minutes after washing your face or before applying a separate moisturizer.

Salicylic acid is not an AHA ingredient.

AHA products sold by dermatologists or facialists are no better than those sold at cosmetics counters or drugstores. There are good and bad AHA products to be found at the dermatologist's office or from a facialist. In fact, most of the companies that make dermatological AHA products have corresponding drugstore ones.

All AHA peels are cosmetics, not drugs or prescription items, even if they are performed by a dermatologist. Many dermatologists tell me that AHA peels may cause skin irritation, skin discoloration, and even wrinkles. There is not much research to back up these claims, but it is a possibility. The positive effects of these peels versus the possible unpleasant side effects.

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evitably leads to death — often painfully, from bone cancer — unless something else kills the victim first.

Like many malignancies, prostate cancer can be effectively treated if it's caught early enough, either through a blood test or by digital rectal exam by a doctor. Removal of the prostate or radiation therapy are the two most com-

Barry

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Literature: It's my life.

At the same TV station, in Milwaukee, I see a stage set for a show called "Time." Nobody I talk to at the station knows what the format of this show is. I like to think it's something like this:

HOST: Bob, how about a nice cold one?

CO-HOST: Sounds good, Chuck. (They drink beer for five minutes.)

HOST: Hey, I could go for another one of those.

CO-HOST: (Burp)

Now I'm in Denver, and I'm on a TV show with a country-and-west-

ern band from — get ready — Singapore. They're promoting their new record, "You Caned the Buttocks of My Heart."

No, I'm kidding about the song title, but I swear the band is real. They're called "Matthew and the Mandarins," and they've just arrived in the United States on a tour to promote goodwill for Singapore. They do a pretty good version of "Margaretville," but publicly-wise I'm wondering how well they'll do here, going head-to-head with big names such as Barbara Streisand and the Fresh-Eating Band.

Now I'm sitting in a TV studio in Portland, Ore., waiting to go on a TV talk show. The other guests are, Allen Ginsberg, the famous poet; and Charlotte, a dog employed by the local fire department to sniff out gasoline and other chemicals used in arson.

"Where's Allen Ginsberg?" I ask somebody.

"Here," says a little old man who has been sitting right next to me for 10 minutes.

"Ha ha!" I remark, suavely. Mr. Dorkhead.

Ginsberg, who is on a book tour, announces that he is very tired, then lies down on the studio floor and goes to sleep. Charlotte the Arson Dog, on the other hand, is energetic, bounding around the studio, deliciously happy to meet people. She is not on a book tour. At this point the show's hostess, her

hair and makeup perfect, walks up to meet the guests.

"Hi!" she says.

Charlotte bounds over and, without hesitation, sticks her snout way up under the hostess's skirt, as though looking for an important arson clue.

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THE POWER REVEALS ITSELF

Summer heats up

The human body can keep us cool, if we give it a little help

The Washington Post

Oh, to be a desert toad or tree frog in summer's heat!

To burrow, like the kururu-chini toad of Paraguay, into a mud cocoon to stay cool and moist until the heat waves pass.

To store water in one's bladder, like the South American tree frog, for reabsorption later when thirst overwhelms.

Or to coat oneself with a natural layer of wax, as some tropical amphibians do, to stop this shirt-staining perspiration marathon.

But alas, we are human, and evolution has dealt us a relatively weak hand when it comes to dealing with temperature extremes. Nature gave us brains and fingers to build air conditioners, it seems, and then left us on our own.

Still, the body is not completely defenseless against heat and humidity. And a little knowledge about how humans regulate body temperature, in essence a review of the owner's manual, can help prevent a breakdown in the less-than-perfect cooling systems with which we've been endowed.

First, to be clear: The body has no interest in making us comfortable. It strives to keep us from overheating as a purely practical matter, because the enzymes that regulate life's chemical reactions work only within a narrow temperature range.

"Cells work best at about 98 degrees Fahrenheit," said Terry Kowalenko, an emergency room specialist at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. "If you get too low, reactions slow down. Too high, and you're breaking down proteins and cellular functions break down."

To maintain internal temperatures within a degree or so of optimal, the body has a control center in the front part of the hypothalamus, deep within the brain. Monitored here are temperature signals from inner organs, the skin and outer extremities. And from here are sent various electrical and chemical signals to the blood vessels, endocrine glands, sweat glands and musculature that instruct the body how

to compensate for temperature shifts. As perverge as it may seem in the grip of a summer heat wave, the body is constantly generating heat — the result of various metabolic reactions and muscle contractions. Heat is carried by the blood from the steamy streets of the body's interior to the cooler suburbs of the skin, where it radiates naturally to surrounding air.

That's

fine, as long as

the air around the

body is actually

cooler than the

body. But as the

outside temperature

climbs closer to

98 degrees, heat

leaves the body ever

more slowly.

The hypothalamus

is an

analogue of a

thermostat, says

the problem, said Murray Hamlet,

director of research plans and operations

at the Army Research Institute of

Environmental Medicine in Natick,

Mass. "It says, 'Hey, the blood coming

back to the brain is warmer than it

was a minute ago.' And it sends out

orders." It says, "First I'll raise the

heart rate and dilate blood vessels to

the skin to radiate more heat away and

to give a larger surface area for heat

loss," Hamlet said.

That helps for a while. But if the

outside temperature is equal to or

greater than 98.6, there is simply no

place for body heat to go. At that

point, Hamlet said, the hypothalamus

tells the sweat glands to get serious.

Sweating is both the key to super-

ficial cooling and the first step

toward collapsing from heat exhaus-

tion.

On the positive side, sweating

brings to the body's refrigerative

armamentarium, a process known as

evaporative cooling, which works

even when air temperatures exceed

'Cells work best at about 98 degrees Fahrenheit. If you get too low, reactions slow down. Too high, and you're breaking down proteins and cellular functions break down.'

— Terry Kowalenko, emergency room specialist

body temperature.

But there is also a downside to sweating: The body can afford to lose only so much water before it begins to shrivel. "As you sweat, you lose juice," Hamlet said. "The juice that's left to be pumped by the heart becomes viscous, and it's not going too fast, and it can't get through the small tubes near the skin."

In essence, the body's radiator becomes clogged and sluggish. The sheer lack of fluid volume makes your blood pressure drop. Low blood pressure from water loss — exacerbated by the propensity toward

lethargy in hot weather, which eliminates the arm and leg movements that would otherwise help pump blood to the brain — adds up to a lack of oxygen above the neck. And after a while, you faint.

Fainting is hardly the worst thing that can happen in the heat. It's just the body's way of getting the head on the same horizontal plane as the heart, easing the supply of blood and oxygen to the brain.

The bigger problems triggered by profuse sweating are caused not just by the loss of water but also by the loss of salts that come out with that water. Sodium, chloride and potassium gradually get depleted as the body sweats, and the body's delicate chemical and electrical balances go increasingly awry.

The combination of water loss and salt depletion can lead to three degrees of distress, experts said.

Heat cramps are an early sign of salt loss. Common in athletes who work too strenuously in hot weather,

the symptoms can be quickly resolved by drinking slightly salted water (one salt tablet in a quart of water is plenty).

Heat exhaustion (also known as heat prostration) is a more serious stage of dehydration and salt loss; symptoms include nausea, vomiting and dizziness. Body temperature is generally not terribly elevated, and the person is usually sweating profusely.

A teaspoon of salt in a quart of water may prevent recovery, but a trip to the hospital, where intravenous fluids can be administered — especially if there is the possibility that the person has actually suffered from the more serious heat stroke — should be considered.

Heat stroke is a life-threatening collapse of major body systems in response to severe salt and water loss and dangerously high internal temperatures. Body temperature is generally above 105 degrees, and people may display bizarre behavior ranging from irritability to combativeness. They may also lose consciousness.

At these temperatures, proteins begin to coagulate, like eggs on a hot skillet. The liver especially, which starts about one degree warmer than the rest of the body's interior, begins to break down, releasing toxins into the blood. Cell membranes and mitochondria, the energy plants inside cells, collapse, and fluids meant to be kept separate in the body leak into the wrong compartments.

"Almost every body system is affected," said Kowalenko. "The kidneys, the liver, the blood system."

Immediate medical help should be summoned. In the meantime, first aid should include immediate cooling: preferably by wetting down the body and fanning it. "But you don't want to get them so cold that they make their blood vessels constrict," Kowalenko said, which will interfere with the body's effort to radiate heat trapped within. "And you don't want to make them shiver, which produces heat."

Fever-busting aspirin and acetaminophen (Tylenol) don't work against heat stroke, Kowalenko added.

Heatstroke vs. heat exhaustion

Heat stroke and heat exhaustion occur because of prolonged exposure to very hot conditions. How they differ and how to treat victims:

Heat stroke

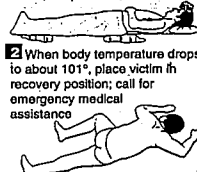
What happens
Body becomes unable to regulate its own temperature

Symptoms

- Body temperature rises to 104° or higher
- Sweating ceases
- Skin becomes hot and dry
- Pulse rapid and strong
- Person is flushed, becomes confused or unconscious

How to help

- Move person to coolest available place; remove clothing, sponge victim down with cool water; wrap in cool, wet sheet



SOURCE: American Medical Association, The World Book Medical Encyclopedia

Heat exhaustion

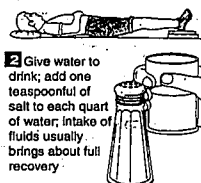
What happens
Person doesn't get enough liquid and salt in very hot, humid weather.

Symptoms

- Excessive sweating
- Skin becomes pale, clammy
- Person feels sick, dizzy, faint
- Pulse rapid, breathing quicken
- Heat stroke may follow

How to help

- 1 Lay person down in cool place; raise feet slightly and loosen tight clothing



2 Give water to drink; add one teaspoonful of salt to each quart of water; intake of fluids usually brings about full recovery

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When heat makes you sick

When exposed to extreme heat people may no longer be able to cool themselves down — like when a car loses cooling liquid or overheats:

How the body controls heat and cold



Heat: Sweat cools body surface

Cold: Shaking produces body heat

The body's cooling system



Cooling liquid: Sweat, water, and salt

Effect: Sweat cools the skin as it evaporates

Heat exhaustion

The body runs short of water and salt

Initial symptoms: Face pale, headache, nausea, skin cool, clammy, sweating profuse

Later symptoms: Collapse, heatstroke

First aid: Cool shade, drink water with two teaspoons of salt per liter

Precautions: Drink a lot of water, get enough salt, stay in the shade

Heatstroke

Sweating mechanism breaks down and the body overheats

Initial symptoms: Face flushed, headache, nausea, skin hot, dry, no sweating

Body temp. 104°C or higher

Later symptoms: Confusion, shock and coma, death

First aid: Cool victim down, place in shade, wrap in cool, wet sheet, get medical assistance

Precautions: Drink a lot of water, get enough salt, stay in the shade



SOURCE: The World Book Medical Encyclopedia

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Don't ignore your body's need for fluid replacement

Knight-Ridder News Service

Do you drink enough fluids, especially water, throughout the day?

Do you remember to take in extra water when you are exercising or working outdoors, especially in the high heat and humidity?

With the warm days of summer approaching, being aware of your fluid intake is very important. If ignored, dehydration can lead to many serious problems. Heat cramps, heat exhaustion, heat stroke, and even death can be the result of uncontrolled dehydration.

Replacing water is vital when exercising and sweating. Adequate fluid intake is essential in preventing a dangerous rise in body temperature. Our bodies have five ways in which to dissipate heat: conduction, convection, evaporation, respiration and radiation.

Conduction is when your body comes in contact with another object and heat is transferred to the cooler object. Light-weight, "breathable" clothing

helps take heat away from the body.

Convection occurs when cool air is moving over your body and the excess heat is transferred to the cooler air. A fan or cool breeze can help take heat away from the body.

Evaporation takes place as a liquid jumps into a vapor. The rate of cooling from evaporation depends upon the clothing material, the amount of the body that is covered, the humidity, the temperature and the rate of air circulation.

Respiration allows outside cooler air to be inspired into your lungs and then exchanged for the air warmed by your body.

Radiation refers to heat exchanged directly between the body and the environment. Exercising in direct sunlight increases your absorption of radiant energy. Wearing light-colored clothing and avoiding the sun can help decrease radiant heat absorption.

How much water is enough?

The average individual in a neutral environment

needs about 2.5 liters of water per day. The average exerciser needs an additional 2 liters of water per hour of active sweating. Intense activity raises the need to 4 liters per hour. The American College of Sports Medicine recommends 4 to 6 ounces of fluids every 15 to 20 minutes while exercising.

It is not advisable to rely on thirst as an indicator of fluid loss. Since the thirst mechanism does not kick in until 2 percent of your body weight is lost, fluid loss can already be a problem. Water needs to be consumed before, during, and after exercising to assure proper hydration.

When exercising one should avoid alcoholic beverages, carbonated beverages, and drinks that are high in sodium, sugar, carbohydrate or caffeine.

Most experts agree that there is nothing better than water for rehydration. Serious athletes or those exercising for more than 90 minutes may want to consider a 6-percent to 8-percent carbohydrate drink.

Researcher lists healthy reasons to exercise

WASHINGTON (AP) — Why exercise? A leading researcher, looking over more than 40 years of studies, declares the answer: a little effort can prevent disease and ward off early death.

"Physical activity and high physical fitness extend longevity," said Dr. Ralph S. Paffenbarger of Stanford University School of Medicine.

Regular exercise is valuable, but simply living a physically active life, such as doing work that requires a lot of walking around, can still make a difference, Paffenbarger said.

Exercise protects against coronary heart disease, stroke, high blood pressure, obesity, diabetes, osteoporosis and colon cancer, Paffenbarger said, summarizing the value of physical activity

in a lecture at the American College of Sports Medicine's recent 40th anniversary conference in Indianapolis.

Active exercise, Paffenbarger said, he described it as "tightly causal and effect relations through alterations in definable mechanisms."

There's evidence that sedentary people — the ones who researchers use as comparators to test the value of exercise — would be better off in pushing themselves into the group that gets the benefits.

The heart of a physically active person can work on less oxygen, Paffenbarger said. At the same time, activity increases the oxygen supply to the heart.

Endurance exercise trains the heart to work efficiently with fewer beats,

Paffenbarger said. Similarly, endurance exercisers can lower their blood pressure readings at rest and during exercise. Research has even found that male exercisers who have high blood pressure have a far lower death rate than sedentary men with the same blood pressure readings, he said.

In addition, exercisers have higher levels of high-density lipoprotein cholesterol, Paffenbarger said. High-density lipoproteins remove the low-density lipoproteins which contribute to clogged arteries. Clogged arteries can lead to heart attack and stroke.

Burning calories by exercise can help a person control weight — an important goal, because obese people have higher risks of heart disease, stroke and diabetes.

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'90s ideal exemplifies fit, not skinny



Orange County Register

In the aftermath of the backlash against waif Kate Moss and other hungry-looking little matchstick models, the new Venus with an attainable body has risen out of the half-shell.

She is taut, toned and muscled, though not as radically as terminatrix Linda Hamilton.

Welcome the new '90s ideal — the fit physique.

The new Venus is not bone-thin like Moss, nor is she voluptuous like Cindy Crawford. She does not necessarily have a small waist, big breasts or long legs. But she might have, as one workout video puts it, "buns of steel."

Her age, race and the color of her hair or eyes do not figure into the equation. Only look and state of fitness counts.

In magazines such as *Elle* and *Fitness*, she is exemplified by a slowly growing number of athletes/models, especially by pro-volleyball player Gabrielle Reece and Olympic swimmer and gold medalist Dara Torres-Gowen.

When actress Angela Bassett pumped iron and became physically fit for the role of Tina Turner, photos of her that appeared in fashion magazines were accompanied by plaudits.

Inevitably, when female celebrities in their late 20s, 30s and 40s are interviewed in magazines, we read about a personal trainer coaching them toward a firmer body.

This new Venus represents a change in the way many women are redefining themselves in the '90s — not with silicone implants, liposuction and quick-fix diets but by adopting new workouts and changing their eating habits.

The rise of the fit ideal comes from "women becoming more educated about the need to maintain their bodies as they age," said L. Bayly Leeds, beauty and fitness director for *Elle* magazine. "And that it doesn't have to mean a superpower workout."

"Women don't want to look like waifs — it's not realistic. Today, looking fit is sexy and attractive."

In the April issue, *Allure*, editor in chief Linda Wells wrote with a repentant tone, "In the past year, *Allure* has published pictures of bone-thin models wearing gloomy, miserable expressions. ... In a recent memo to our fashion department, I vowed to abolish any

pictures in which the models looked anorexic, clinically depressed, or headed for a mental institution. ... The bone-thin haunted look seems antithetical to health and well-being. Then again, when voluptuous supermodels dominated the runways in the 1980s, women complained about their unrealistic curves."

In January, *Vogue* magazine declared that "muscle tone is the new beauty standard, no matter what shape you're born with."

The *Vogue* piece would have been more convincing if the photo accompanying it illustrated the point. Unfortunately, model Christy Turlington's slim body showed not even the slightest shadow of muscle definition.

Though fashion magazines have a long way to go in becoming consistent preachers of subtle female musculature and fitness as a lifestyle, women have found other sources for information on adding muscle and tone. They might read fitness-oriented magazines such as *Shape*, *Self* or *Fitness*, or turn to experts at the gym.

Undoubtedly, they've encountered the myth that lifting weights will make them look like Ms. Olympia, said Jeff Dilts, fitness director at Sports Club Irvine in Irvine, Calif.

"Women are afraid of getting body-builder-big. When I was a personal trainer, I would show them two pictures: first, of a female bodybuilder on stage, pumped up and flexing bulky muscle; second, of a woman with lean muscle in a dress. They would point to the second photo and say, 'That's the way I want to look.' I would say, 'Look at her face,' and they would realize it's the same woman except that in the second photo, she wasn't built for competition."

Beyond step and high-impact aerobics classes, more women are getting the help of personal trainers to develop subtle musculature and the more fit, Dilts said.

"For many years, the emphasis in fitness was on aerobics, but there's a plateau in gains achieved through that form of exercise. The next step in fitness is to add resistance and strength training."

He cautioned that it takes consistency and progression in weight training and aerobic activity, combined with a nutritious, balanced, low-fat diet, to see solid results over a period of months.

The new body ideal represents a change in the way many women are redefining themselves in the '90s. Avoiding silicone implants, liposuction and quick diets, more women are adopting new workouts and changing their eating habits.

When it comes to scales, Americans are gaining

Newsday

If it feels like you're losing the fight against fat, you're not alone. A federal study has concluded that the percentage of overweight Americans is on the rise.

The study, published in this week's *Journal of the American Medical Association*, shows that the number of overweight Americans jumped 8 percent since 1980, with a third of all adults now estimated to be overweight.

In an editorial titled "The Fattening of America," which accompanied the survey, Dr. F. Xavier Pi-Sunyer, a doctor at St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital Center in New York City, blamed the rise on an increasingly sedentary lifestyle and a passion for calorie-laden fare.

Overweight Americans, he said, "drive through McDonald's and pick up their food. They don't even walk to the counter anymore."

Monday, some medical experts contended that obesity should be the nation's No. 1 health concern. "There is no other health problem that affects a third of the population," said Dr. William Dietz, director of clinical nutrition at the New England Medical Center in Boston.

The National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, conducted by the National Center for Health Statistics, is the fourth national health survey to be conducted since 1960. It defined overweight as 124 percent of desirable weight for men

and 120 percent of desirable weight for women, based on 1983 Metropolitan Insurance Co. Height and Weight Tables.

White men and women had the biggest gains, with the percentage of white women in the overweight category increasing about 9 points to 33.5 percent. The percentage of white men who are overweight increased about 8 points to 32 percent. But Mexican-American women and non-Latino black women had the greatest percentage of overweight people — nearly 50 percent.

The federal government has come under criticism for not tackling obesity the way it has tackled other public health concerns, like smoking.

Hoping to change that, Rep. Edolphus Towns, D-N.Y., is to introduce a bill Tuesday that would create a Presidential Council on Diet and Health, similar in structure to the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports.

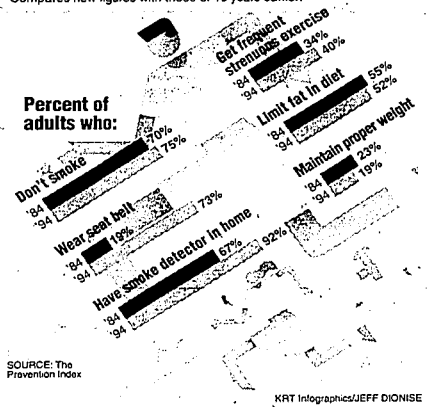
"The average American today is bombarded with high-quality productions to influence his food choices," Towns said in a statement. "A little of that is aimed at producing a better diet."

Exactly why so many people are now overweight remains a matter of speculation; information on the eating and exercise habits of study participants will not be released until early next year. But experts say Americans lack a basic understanding of nutrition and exercise.

"I'd probably give them a C or a

Tracking U.S. health behavior

Highlights of a study that measures how Americans are faring in 21 health-promoting behaviors — from auto safety to stress reduction. Compares new figures with those of 10 years earlier:



SOURCE: The Prevention Index

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C-minus," said Cathy Nolas, who runs a nutrition and weight management clinic in New York City. "I think they know much less than they think they do, although, they try hard."

Confusion over cholesterol vs. fat,

corn syrup vs. sugar and other nutritional stumbling blocks, Nolas said, lead people to believe they are eating healthier foods than they actually are. "I think people notoriously underestimate portion size," she added.

Urologists tout treatments for incontinence

Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel

Needing to buy diapers for yourself — decades after you stopped being a baby — is pretty distressing, demeaning, disgusting even.

Most people don't talk about this need, except for actress Jane Fonda, who gets paid to tout the benefits of a particular brand of adult diaper on TV.

And the hush-hush, embarrassing nature of urinary incontinence prevents people from finding out there are ways to deal with it besides being soggy.

More than 10 million American men and women experience some form of urinary incontinence, the National Institutes of Health estimates, and more than \$10 billion is spent each year on the problem — including the costs of those large-sized diapers.

"It's a rather embarrassing problem for an awful lot of people. They won't seek therapy for it because they think it can't be helped, but many of these people can be cured or their problem greatly reduced by therapy, or some kind of medical procedure," Skinner says.

Solving the problem can preserve independence for some people who might otherwise have to go into a nursing home, says Mary Lou Cukl, director of Advanced Uro Therapy in Miami.

But incontinence is not limited to older people.

"We have 26-year-olds in our clinic with the same problem our 78-

year-olds have, and both respond to treatment in about the same length of time," Cukl says.

Causes vary, but in women it may be the result of multiple childbirths. Carrying a baby too long can put extra pressure on the urinary system. Others develop a problem after menopause, when hormonal changes occur.

In men, the problem may develop because of an enlarged prostate gland or following surgery for prostate cancer. Treatments range from learning how to strengthen pelvic muscles, to prescription drugs, to collagen injections, to surgery in the toughest cases.

Cukl and partner Lela Velez, physical therapists, started their clinic on North Kendall Drive two years ago using biofeedback techniques along with traditional physical therapy.

Many women have been told by their doctors to do Kegel exercises after childbirth, but often they don't do them properly, Cukl says.

"They think they're contracting the pelvic floor muscles, but they're actually contracting their abdominals."

Patients at Cukl's clinic don a garment that looks like an ordinary pair of underwear, except that it has electrodes attached. Then they put their clothes back on and sit in front of a computer screen. A wire running from the garment connects to the computer.

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Slip slides in as dress

The Washington Post

The slip. As a dress. ... Not the slip dress — the spaghetti-strapped, bias-cut, silk charmeuse staple designers like Donna Karan and Calvin Klein have been sending down the runway for the past few seasons — but the slip.

It's got adjustable shoulder straps, perhaps sweetheart lace around the top and at the hem, underarms at the bust or built-in bras.

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Spendi (5) 1:30-4:00 • 7:15-9:15
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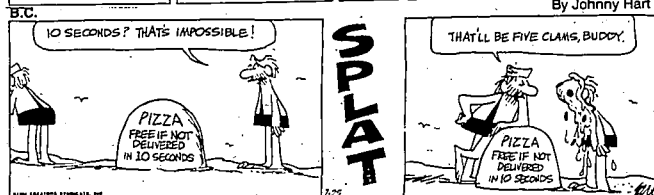


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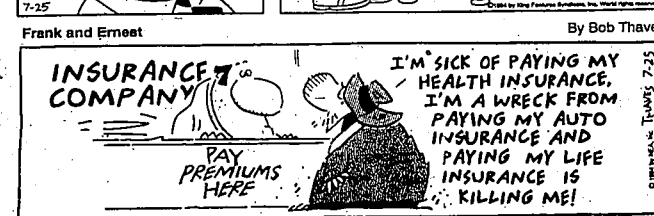


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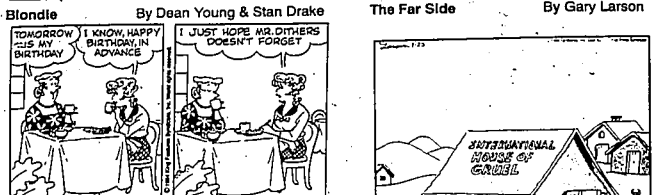
The Born Loser

By Art Sansom & Chip

For Better or For Worse



By Lynn Johnston



By Dean Young & Stan Drake

The Far Side

By Gary Larson



Dennis the Menace

By Hank Ketcham

The Family Circus

By Bil Keane



ACROSS

- 1 Large chunk
- 2 Ruler
- 3 Father
- 4 Floor block
- 5 Blackbird
- 6 Unit of matter
- 7 Orient
- 8 Folic
- 9 boisterously
- 10 Guard
- 11 Abrasions
- 12 Lodge member
- 13 Flower leaf
- 14 Foreman
- 15 Tailpiece
- 16 Coarse
- 17 Oversight
- 18 Remit
- 19 agreement
- 20 Blue dye
- 21 with (supported)
- 22 Stringed instrument
- 23 Ration
- 24 Certain status
- 25 Headed
- 26 Long-haired dog
- 27 Sorts
- 28 Vote into office
- 29 Above
- 30 Electrified
- 31 particle
- 32 Fighter
- 33 Got oven
- 34 Exotic expense
- 35 Coins
- 36 Choir voice
- 37 Fit of temper
- 38 Arabian ruler
- 39 Aqua
- 40 Sharpen
- 41 Indigent
- 42 Bodies of water
- 43 March plants
- 44 Make over
- 45 Able to read and write
- 46 Manner of speaking
- 47 Specialty grocer
- 48 Blackberry fruit
- 49 "Maria"
- 50 Begin anew
- 51 Records
- 52 — do month
- 53 Laundry
- 54 Italian river
- 55 Control strap
- 56 Made high marks
- 57 Pasta
- 58 Volcanic peak
- 59 Carlines
- 60 Once called

Saturday's Puzzle Solved:

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DOWN

- 1 Pace
- 2 Fibber
- 3 Too
- 4 Improved
- 5 Soda biscuits
- 6 Diner
- 7 "Maria"
- 8 Taste or smell
- 9 Makes into law
- 10 — bars (gymnastic equipment)
- 11 Apple
- 12 Elec. measur
- 13 Clinker
- 14 Train track
- 15 Factory output
- 16 Certain exams
- 17 Trail suit
- 18 Decree
- 19 Ireland
- 20 Large salt
- 21 Maroon
- 22 Cosmetician
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Sydney Omarr Horoscope

IF JULY 25 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are spiritual, psychic, emotional and possibly an excellent chef. It is not easy for others to fool you but you can fall victim to self-deception. You feel that when you are not in love you are not alive. Plenty of "love activity" indicated for you this year. Correspondence received from overseas could contain invitation to travel.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Darker areas of your life receive benefit of greater light. Answer to question is yet time for new start, break away from status quo. Focus on initiative, courage.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Spread cards on table face down. Those who want to look should pay for privilege. Diversify, account humor, reach beyond previous limitations.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): What begins as mere routine will be transformed into adventure. Focus on rebuilding, unique relationship, money from surprise source. Executive says, "You're skilled and a delight!" Harsh!

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Read and write, express feelings, be analytical, refuse second-hand goods. Change of venue necessary if you are to score victory. Member of opposite sex declares, "You make me feel secure!"

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Music in your life, domestic adjustment relating to beautiful surroundings, marital status. Check accounting procedures — find out where the money goes.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Answer: Play waiting game. All facts have yet to be revealed. Insist on definition of terms, what you are to receive for your contributions. Written agreement forthcoming within 24 hours.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Let others know, "I'm here to stay, I mean business!" Focus on employment, basic issues, awareness of resolutions concerning diet, nutrition.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Finish what you start, participate in campaign relating to charity, politics. Open lines of communication, be aware of needs of foreign nations. You won't be stranger to import-export activity.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Emphasize fresh start, imprint style, new love on horizon. Get ready for it! Spotlight on property, home, family relationships. Building material requires scrutiny. Don't lend money!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Spotlight on marital status, direction, motivation, reunion with loved one: Unusual dinner party featured, you'll be introduced to "new dishes."

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You learn where the money is and how to obtain it. Missing object recovered, you'll spread cheer by laughing at your own foibles. Payment long due is made — in your name. Count!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Judgment, intuition must be ready for initiative in getting to heart of matters. You'll upset odds, those who thought you were "counted out" are in for rude awakening. Persistence!

Men prefer blue toothbrushes

L.M. Boyd
What's what?

It's a good bet your toothbrush is blue. Most are, most are. Men in particular are said to prefer blue toothbrushes.

Q. How can a pitcher win a baseball game without throwing a pitch?

A. Same way Nick Atrock of the Chicago White Sox did it in 1906. He went into the game in the ninth inning, bases loaded, two out. What he did first and last was pick a runner off base. His team won in the bottom half.

Q. Rwanda's population, what's left of it, is no longer 90 percent Hutu, 9 percent Tutsi, and 1 percent Twa aka pygmies as once it was, according to correspondents, but they don't yet know the latest percentages. About the size of New Hampshire, Rwanda.

Q. Where'd "Span" get that name?

A. From "spiced ham."

Those big streamlined-see birds known as gannets mate for life. While they summer near Quebec, both the male and female in intensive together tend their annual eggs until hatchtime. But when they fly south come fall — enough is enough — the females escape to the Atlantic side of Florida while the males get away completely to Mexico's Gulf coast.

Of a mother's love, not even that powerful pessimistic poet James Joyce could be cynical. He wrote: "Whatever else is unsure in this stinking dunghill of a world a mother's love is not."

If all the seeds of one European spotted orchid were to germinate, the plant within three generations would cover the entire surface of the earth. The concerned fellow who figured that out was Charles Darwin.

Curious, it is not, that what the Pilgrim ship "Mayflower" actually looked like is not certain to this day? In its time, there were 19 vessels of English registry called "Mayflower."

Spurt speed of a giraffe would get it a ticket in most school zones — at 35 mph.