

Good morning

Today's forecast:

Fair becoming partly cloudy this afternoon and evening with a few thunderstorms. Highs near 95. Lows 53 to 58. Light and variable winds.

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The Idaho Citizens Alliance has hired as its executive director a convicted drug trafficker who says that God has changed his life.

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Mayor Jim Martin has decided, for the second time this summer, to resign.

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Clinton challenges GOP on health

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In a nod to political reality, President Clinton said Wednesday night he would sign either Democratic health care plan now before Congress, even though the Senate measure falls short of his promise to cover all Americans.

He challenged Republicans to support Democratic plans or come up with their own to help middle-class Americans.

"The questions now should shift to them," Clinton told an evening news conference, accusing 24 GOP senators of abandoning their support for universal coverage because of political pressure. "Are we going to cover all ... or not?"

Clinton's 50-minute evening news conference came as congressional hearings on the administration's handling of the White House affair dragged late into the night. The inquiry loomed as a distraction to Clinton's effort to sell health care and the \$33 billion anti-crime bill.

The president predicted the administration would be cleared of any wrongdoing. "I welcome this investigation. And it will vindicate what I have been saying all along," he said. He expressed confidence in his deputy treasury secretary, Roger Altman, even in the face of congressional questions about his candor.

For all Clinton's talk of universal coverage, Senate Majority Leader George

Mitchell's health care plan is designed to cover 95 percent of Americans. Still, Clinton said he would sign it because he believed it could ultimately serve as a vehicle to universal coverage. He also plugged a House Democratic version closer to his original plan, but refused to say which of the two he preferred.

White House allies realized there was no way that a plan mandating coverage of all Americans could ever pass the Senate and Clinton's decision to go with the Mitchell measure was a concession to political reality.

Speaking shortly after the president, Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole said Mitchell's proposal — although far less

ambitious than the House bill — still had serious shortcomings and that the Republicans would offer a competing bill before week's end.

Dole called the Mitchell proposal "a government-run health care system" that includes too many taxes as well as health care mandates that should be scrapped. But Dole told reporters he didn't rule out agreement on a health care compromise. "We could still put a bill together. I don't think it's over," he said.

On foreign policy, Clinton said he would consult Congress prior to any U.S.-led invasion of Haiti, but he pointedly refused to promise that he would seek advance con-

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Information link



Jim Webb demonstrates to hospital staff members, from left, Brent Bywater, Jennifer Kettle, Dorothy Pfefferle and Dona Fuchs how to use a portable computer that allows care givers to enter and access patient medical information.

Magic Valley hospitals may unite through computer network

By Julie M. McKinnon
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Doctors and nurses who deliver babies at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center may soon have access to all of their patients' medical histories by computer — even for mothers who receive prenatal care at the public health department.

In fact, the same may be said for many Magic Valley physicians and several Magic Valley hospitals — Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital, St. Benedict's Family Medical Center, Minidoka Memorial Hospital, Gooding County Memorial Hospital and Wood River Medical Center.

Instead of repeating tests at every physician office or hospital that each pa-

tient seeks medical help from, health-care providers across the Magic Valley may be able to share information and prevent duplication of expensive and time-consuming diagnostic procedures.

This all, of course, in large part depends upon two things: a \$5 million to \$6 million federal grant for the Southern Idaho Medical Information Network and cooperation among all the hospitals.

The technology already is being used in a handful of large hospitals nationwide.

"It's not a technology issue, it's a trust issue," said Dave Garets, a network member and chief management information officer at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Garets is preparing a National Institute of Standards grant request which is due

next Thursday.

Those who benefit from the system also will have to chip in some funding, Garets said.

With the grant, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center would have to pay less than \$2 million for its \$3.5 million share of the system, Garets said. Other providers may have to pay about \$100,000 each, he said.

The program — based on the popular Windows computer operating system — would offer other services:

- Nurses could enter and call up diagnostic information at patients' bedside.
- Instead of writing the information down and entering it into a computer later or having to leave the patient to get necessary information, Magic Valley Regional

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Arkansas executes 3 for slaying

The Associated Press

VARNER, Ark. — Three men who killed a man in front of his family were executed one by one Wednesday as the Supreme Court rejected arguments they were treated like "hogs at a slaughter."

It was the nation's first triple execution in 32 years.

Hoyt Clines, 37, James Holmes, 37, and Darby Richley, 43, each declined to make final statements as they were led into the execution chamber.

Clines, the first to die, was strapped to a gurney at 6 p.m. MDT and injected with a lethal dose of drugs. Asked if he had any last words, he replied: "None." He was pronounced dead at 6:11 p.m. MDT.

Fifty-eight minutes later, Richley died on the same gurney.

Asked if he had any last words, he said: "No."

James Holmes followed Richley into the prison death chamber with an hour and was pronounced dead at 8:24 p.m. MDT. He also said "no" when asked if he had any last words.

A three-judge panel of the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals had stayed Holmes' execution earlier Wednesday, but three hours later the full 11th Circuit voted 8-3 to lift the stay, and the high court declined to issue one.

Holmes, Clines and Richley were convicted of killing businessman John Lehman during a 1981 robbery.

Lehman was beaten with a motorcycle chain and shot in the chest and head by the three men, who forced their way into his home, chased him down and held him on a bed. His wife was on the bedroom floor at the time.

The death sentence of a fourth man convicted in the murder was reduced after a court ruled that hypnosis-induced testimony from the victim's daughter may have affected his sentencing.

Shortly before the parade of executions began, the U.S. Supreme Court denied appeals by all three men that they were being reduced to "hogs at a slaughter."

"This scheduled mass execution, by reducing human beings to hogs at the slaughter, will exponentially increase the level of fear, uncertainty and psychological stress that some condemned normally experience in the usual course of death," the inmates said in their joint appeal.

They also argued that it is unconstitutional for the state to "assess who they think is worthy of another hour or two of life."

Holmes also filed another appeal, claiming that his trial lawyer was ineffective, and the 8th Circuit's three-judge panel granted him a stay. But the full court lifted the stay, and after the Supreme Court refused to intervene he was executed.

By being bumped up to second, Richley was spared the time he had set aside to read a letter from a brother, according to attorney Mark Cambiano, who said Richley was surprised when prison guards arrived to take him to his execution.



Clines



Richley



Holmes

Boys, Girls Club opens doors Monday

By Brad Bowlin
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — After nearly four years of planning, the Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley will open its doors Monday. Magic Valley children ages 6-12 can sign up for the three-week summer program, which will then be sealed back to an after-school program when classes begin Aug. 29.

The city is allowing the club to rent a modest 1,200-square-foot building at Harry Barry Park, 331 Barna Ave. W., for \$1 per year.

Dana Waters of Twin Falls, a substitute teacher with experience at nearly every grade level, is the activities director for the fledgling program.

"I love children, and I believe in them," Waters said. "They live up to what you expect of them."

Local supporters expect the Boys and Girls Club to become a staple program to keep young people involved in positive activities and provide a long-term solution to

Want to be involved?

If you know a child who would be interested in the Boys and Girls Club contact activities director Dana Waters at 736-7011.

Donations of art supplies, games, magazine subscriptions and construction-type toys (such as Legos) are needed, as are volunteers.

Anyone who can spend even an hour after school reading to children or helping them with homework should call the club to volunteer.

the area's juvenile crime problem.

The program has room for 30 children in the morning (9 a.m.-noon) session and 30 more in the afternoon (2 p.m.-5 p.m.). Annual dues are \$10, but children whose families cannot afford the fee will not be turned

away, said Dennis Bowyer, president of the club's board of directors.

The New York-based Boys and Girls Clubs started in 1860 and has grown rapidly to include nearly 1,500 facilities serving 1.84 million children across the country.

Local interest in the program began four years ago when a group of concerned citizens began exploring ways to curb the area's growing youth crime problem.

Three people latched onto the Boys and Girls Club idea and brought in some of the organization's national leaders to stir up interest.

Two of those local supporters have since left, but Betty Wooten of the South Central Community Action Agency carried the torch for the project, Bowyer said.

Several prominent citizens serve on the club's board and have gathered donations from individuals, trusts and businesses.

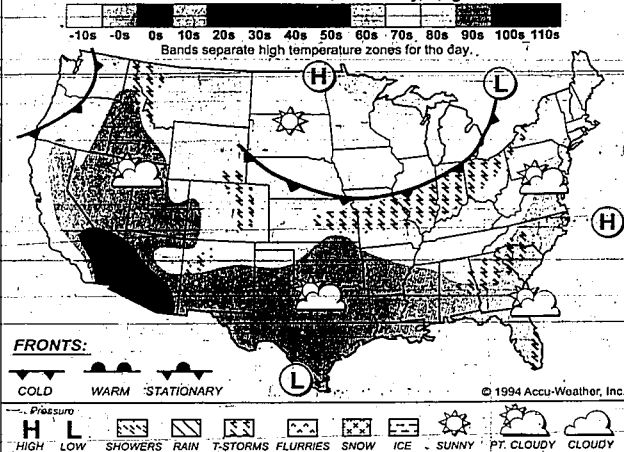
According to the organization's mission statement, the club is dedicated to solving community problems involving young people, and establishing a youth center that

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Weather

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The Accu-Weather® forecast for noon, Thursday, Aug. 4.

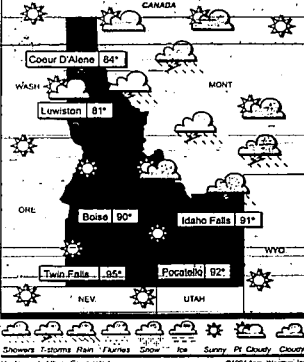


Via Associated Press

IDAHO Weather

Thursday, Aug. 4

Accu-Weather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures



Forecasts

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding: Today and Friday partly cloudy afternoons and evenings with a few thunderstorms otherwise fair. Highs today in the mid-90s and Friday lower 90s. Lows tonight mid- to upper 50s. Winds today variable at 10 mph. The ultraviolet index forecast for today is 7, a high exposure level.

Camas Prairie and Wood River Valley: Today and Friday partly cloudy afternoons and evenings.

Pollen count

21; grass, chenopods; low

Courtesy Asthma and Allergy of Idaho

Visible planets

Morning: Saturn, Mars
Evening: Venus, Jupiter

Fire danger index

Public range lands: very high
Public forest lands: very high

Temperatures

| | Max | Min | Pcp |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Albuquerque | 84 | 73 | 53 |
| Albany | 87 | 70 | 06 |
| Boston | 88 | 66 | 04 |
| Chicago | 93 | 72 | 00 |
| Dallas | 93 | 72 | 00 |
| Denver | 87 | 68 | 01 |
| Des Moines | 83 | 68 | 08 |
| Detroit | 86 | 63 | 00 |
| Honolulu | 91 | 77 | 00 |
| Houston | 93 | 71 | 13 |
| Indianapolis | 88 | 64 | 00 |
| Kansas City | 88 | 72 | 00 |
| Las Vegas | 110 | 76 | 00 |
| Los Angeles | 86 | 67 | 00 |
| Memphis | 89 | 72 | 00 |
| Miami Beach | 87 | 75 | 59 |
| Minneapolis | 89 | 62 | 30 |
| Minneapolis | 88 | 69 | 00 |
| New Orleans | 90 | 73 | 00 |
| New York | 88 | 71 | 04 |
| Oklahoma City | 91 | 67 | 00 |
| Omaha | 89 | 68 | 12 |
| Phoenix | 113 | 83 | 00 |
| Pittsburgh | 84 | 64 | 92 |
| Portland, Me. | 78 | 65 | 00 |
| Portland, Ore. | 86 | 63 | 00 |
| Reno | 89 | 66 | 00 |
| St. Louis | 92 | 72 | 00 |
| Salt Lake City | 102 | 69 | 00 |
| San Francisco | 71 | 53 | 00 |
| Seattle | 77 | 61 | 00 |
| Spokane | 98 | 66 | 00 |
| Washington | 87 | 72 | 00 |

Twin Falls

| | Max | Min | Pcp |
|-----------|-----|-----|-----|
| Yesterday | 95 | 57 | 00 |
| Last year | 94 | 57 | 00 |
| Normal | 91 | 53 | 00 |

Sunset today 6:55 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 6:24 a.m.

Lunar phase: Last quarter
July 30; new Aug. 7; first
quarter Aug. 14; full Aug. 21

Idaho

| | Max | Min | Pcp |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Boise | 103 | 68 | 00 |
| Burley | 101 | 58 | 00 |
| Fairfield | 94 | 47 | 00 |
| Gooding | 101 | 59 | 00 |
| Hagerman | 104 | 58 | 00 |
| Idaho Falls | 95 | 53 | 00 |
| Jerome | 98 | 61 | 00 |
| Lewiston | 104 | 73 | 00 |
| Malden | 98 | 51 | 00 |
| Mesa | 97 | 50 | 00 |
| McCall | 91 | 57 | 00 |
| Pocatello | 98 | 53 | 00 |
| Salmon | 93 | 53 | 00 |
| Stanley | 85 | 44 | 00 |
| Sun Valley | 88 | 43 | 00 |

evenings with widely scattered thunderstorms otherwise fair. Not so warm. Highs today 85 to 90 and Friday mid- to upper 80s. Lows tonight 40 to 45.

Extended forecast: Southern Idaho - Saturday through Monday isolated afternoon and evening thunderstorms mainly over the mountains. Otherwise fair with hot afternoons and evenings. Lows in the mid-50s to mid-60s. Highs in the 90s.

Northern Utah and Nevada: Utah - Today sunny. Highs near 100. Tonight fair. Lows 65-70. Friday mostly sunny. Highs 95-100. The ultraviolet index forecast for Thursday is 8, a high exposure level.

Elko County - Today mostly sunny. Highs in the 90s. Tonight fair skies. Lows in the upper 40s and 50s. Friday mostly sunny. Highs in the 90s.

Weather summary

Hot, dry summer weather continued over most of Idaho Wednesday. A weak upper level disturbance that moved across the northern part of the state brought a thunderstorm to Mullan in the early afternoon.

Skies were mostly sunny statewide at mid-afternoon and temperatures were extremely warm again. High temperature records were set at Boise, Mountain Home, Burley, Lowell and Lewiston. Winds were variable in direction and mostly less than 15 mph.

The highest temperature in the state Wednesday was 104 degrees at Lewiston and Hagerman. Stanley reported the lowest at 44 degrees.

Elsewhere in the nation Wednesday, the highest temperature was 119 degrees at Coolidge, Ariz. Truckee, Calif. reported the lowest temperature at 31 degrees.

Lafayette, Pa.; Peru, Ind.; and Caribou, Maine. Nearly an inch fell at Pittsburgh.

The West continued to bake under a ridge of high pressure. Beneath the ridge, daytime heat boils clouds into thunderstorms. Many of the storms produce little more than wind and lightning, but the lightning has ignited scores of forest fires in eight states since July 24.

The heat and humidity also produced showers and thunderstorms across much of the Gulf Coast and Southeast.

In Opelika, Ala., high winds downed trees. Other storms produced golf-ball size hail around Moorhead, Minn., and dime-sized hail over parts of North Carolina and Oklahoma.

Parts of Texas got a second straight day of unseasonably cool weather. The mercury dipped to 70 degrees at Corpus Christi on Wednesday morning, tying a record for the date set in 1925.

Blaze turns toward Lake Chelan

CHELAN, Wash. (AP) — A vast wildfire shooting flames 150 feet high changed course and swept back Wednesday to within three miles of Lake Chelan, where nervous residents readied boats to escape in if flames block the only road out.

Fire officials urged homeowners, along the lake's south shore three miles from Chelan to evacuate. But several stayed, keeping a wary eye on smoke plumes that rose into a white cloud 40,000 feet high and visible in Seattle, 75 miles west on the other side of the Cascade Mountains.

"When it comes over the hill, at that point we might get a little more excited," said Walt Haberman, watching the fire with a group of friends outside the Chelan Yacht Club, where his boat was waiting.

"We can get out of here at any time with the boat," Haberman said. "All we'd have to do is go across the lake there and sit up."

The 10,040-acre Tye Creek fire had threatened this town of 3,000 and the lake's southeastern shore last week before moving west. The fire began moving back toward the lake Wednesday.

As it moved back toward the lake, a wall of flames 150 feet high jumped over a hilly ridge fire line, said Tye fire spokesman Larry Anderson.

Overnight the fire moved to within 11 miles of Leavenworth, about 30 miles southwest of Chelan. Leavenworth, a Bavarian-themed tourist town, already has been threatened by a 26,400-acre blaze known as the Hatchery Complex fire.

Part of that blaze near Round Mountain threatened some land where the endangered spotted owl lives.

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Medical Center is the only valley hospital with any clinical computer capabilities on patient floors.

Physicians could get whatever information they need from a personal computer in their offices or homes.

Physicians could be paged as soon as a hospitalized patient's test results came back from a laboratory and are abnormal. They may even have portable computer screens they can carry with them.

Health-care providers could get suggestions about what are effective treatments for patients' conditions.

Health-care providers could graph the outcomes of patient treatments.

Only those who have proper log-on and password information could access data.

Information about similar patient complications and treatments nationwide could be accessed in southern Idaho.

Garretts will know on Sept. 30, whether an earlier application for a \$27.5 million federal grant is successful. That grant money will be used to

plan the system, which will take about nine months.

Systems from about eight different computer vendors are being considered. Two of those vendors were at the medical center Wednesday giving demonstrations of their equipment.

Still unresolved: where to put the computer system, which would serve as a pilot project for the Idaho Medical Information Consortium. The host must be trusted by all providers, Garretts said.

The system could be operated out of the district health department, or a non-profit agency may be formed to monitor the information, said Cheryl Juntenen, network member and director of the South Central District Health Department.

Juntenen said three or four of the hospital and health department may be the only ones using the computer system the first year, but the others will follow.

"It's going to come with time," Juntenen said. "If it's in the best interest of the community, then we'll eventually get there."

Some of it depends on the mon-

Clinton

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gressional approval before he acted. Just hours before the news conference, the Senate, at the urging of Republicans, put Clinton on notice that it wanted him to seek such congressional approval.

Clinton refused to offer any timetable for a decision, saying he hoped Haiti's military leaders would answer international demands that they step down. "I don't want to cross that bridge until we come to it," Clinton said.

Responding to the furor at congressional White House hearings over Clinton's military actions, he said "I do not countenance anybody being less than forthright with the Congress."

But he added, "The Secretary of the Treasury has confidence in him and so do I, and I think he has now answered all questions the Senate could possibly have about an incident that involved no violation of the law and no violation of ethics."

Clinton said he was not watching the hearings.

On other issues:

Clinton noted that nuclear talks with North Korea resumed in Geneva Tuesday. He said North Korea's "fate is still in its own hands" as it decides how to deal with western demands that it end its nuclear weapons program.

A self-described lifelong baseball fan, Clinton said it would be heartening if baseball players carry out their threatened strike, scheduled to begin Aug. 12. He said his administration would get involved "if we can play a constructive role... we all hope a strike can be averted."

He said he believes Syria and Israel want to settle their differences, although he acknowledged difficult issues remain between the longtime enemies.

Clinton also took time to prod Congress to act swiftly on the \$33 billion crime bill, which recently emerged from the Senate conference committee. He urged Congress to "put aside partisanship and think of the American people."

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

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Estimated jackpot: \$2.3 million.

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

6-15-24-31-34 (nine, ten, fifteen, twenty-four, thirty-one, thirty-four).

Estimated jackpot: \$500,000.

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Hearings result in lectures, grilling

Bentsen, Altman answer harsh line of questioning from Senate

WASHINGTON (AP) — In Whitewater hearings on both sides of the Capitol, Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen received a stern lecture Wednesday from old Senate colleagues about the evasiveness of his top officials while his understudy withstood a grilling in the House.

Bentsen's right-hand man, Roger Altman, under sharp Republican attack and without many Democratic defenders, told the congressmen he had no intention of resigning.

A weary Altman got a vote of confidence from House Banking Chairman Henry Gonzalez, D-Texas: "I think you should be awarded the equivalent of a congressional Purple Heart."

One conservative Democrat — Sen. Richard Shelby of Alabama — joined the handful of Republicans who have called on Altman to resign as deputy treasury secretary.

Official Washington waited for a signal from President Clinton whether Altman's days might be numbered in light of bipartisan irritation with his less-than-candid answers.

Reflecting Congress' uneasiness, the White House gave Altman qualified support.

The president thinks he can continue to serve and serve well," presidential press secretary Dee Myers said. "Certainly there will have to be further discussion with Congress privately."

Altman temporarily oversaw the Resolution Trust Corp. during its investigation into the collapse of Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan, which was owned by the Clintons' Whitewater business partner.

That probe resulted in criminal referrals, which named the Clintons as possible witnesses, being forwarded to the Justice Department.

In the duel hearings, the Senate committee questioned White House witnesses while the House panel cross-examined Treasury officials.

In both chambers, Republicans sought to attack the administration's main defense line that nothing was done to derail the investigation. Among the developments:

• Deputy White House Counsel Joel Klein told senators that former presidential counsel Bernard Nussbaum was worried last February about the consequences if Altman stepped down as overseer of the RTC. Klein said Nussbaum feared that Altman would be replaced in the Madison case by RTC counsel



Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen Testifies before Senate Banking Committee

Ellen Kulka.

At the Feb. 2 meeting, when Altman's recusal was discussed, Nussbaum described Kulka as "difficult to deal with... unreasonable" and potentially unfair, Klein said.

"Is it fair to say she preferred Roger Altman as the decision-maker?" Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., asked. "Yes sir," Klein answered.

In the House, Rep. Jim Leach, R-Iowa, disclosed new evidence that he suggested "a major effort to block" the Madison probe. Leach said RTC lawyers, in an "unprecedented" action, prepared a critical 13-page analysis of the Whitewater-related inquiry last fall and sent it to the prosecutors who were reviewing the referrals. The action came around the same time that the White House was tipped off about the existence of the probe, he said.

The Treasury Department's top lawyer, Jean Hanson, disclosed that at one point administration officials toyed with the idea of examining the actual criminal referrals. She said the notion was abandoned when she called an RTC official about seeing them. She said she was told, "Jean, you don't want to do

that," and I said, "you're absolutely right."

It was unusual for House and Senate committees to hold hearings into a single matter simultaneously. It didn't happen during Watergate or the Iran-Contra affair.

In the Senate, Banking Chairman Donald Riegle Jr. told Bentsen that his top associate at Treasury including Altman and chief of staff Joshua Steiner, had given incomplete and contradictory testimony under oath and warned: "I think that's a problem we can't have again."

The sought Bentsen's assurance that he would direct his staff to give "direct, full, complete answers."

Bentsen appeared taken aback. "That certainly is my intention and my direction to anybody representing Treasury," he replied.

Beyond that scolding, Bentsen, who represented Texas in the Senate for 22 years, was treated mostly with the deference reserved for Senate alumni.

One exception — Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., wagging a finger, told Bentsen he erred last winter by failing to advise Altman to withdraw from all Whitewater-related matters.

Bentsen bristled.

"Senator," he said, "you and I have a difference of opinion."

House chairman Gonzalez, banging a gavel in an attempt to keep control of a contentious hearing, apologized to Altman for summoning him before his panel mere hours after he ended a 10-hour marathon before the Senate committee at 2 a.m.

"To an outside citizen, it seems almost sadistic to do this to you," Gonzalez said. Altman's customary briskness had wilted from the day before, but he remained firm.

Almost word-for-word, he repeated his bottom-line defense: White House and the Treasury officials may have conferred inappropriately but they took no action to derail the Madison investigation.

"I don't intend to resign," Altman told Rep. Rod Grams, R-Minn., who suggested resignation and charged "the Clintons put you in an impossible position."

Some Democrats distanced themselves from Altman, but Shelby was the only one asking for his departure. "He has compromised the important office of the deputy secretary of the Treasury. His standing now or in the future is irreparably damaged," said Shelby, who often disagrees with the administration.

FDA may have pieces in place against tobacco

By Lauran Neergard
The Associated Press

Analysis

WASHINGTON — He showed Congress evidence that cigarette makers carefully control each drop of nicotine, and a panel of scientists just declared it addictive.

Food and Drug Commissioner David Kessler appears to have the pieces in place to regulate tobacco as a drug. But the question is: What's his next move?

Kessler's keeping mum. "I don't talk in terms of time frames," he said. "We will proceed methodically."

But a day after a government panel made the first formal move toward FDA regulation by officially naming nicotine an addictive drug, the tobacco industry was apprehensive.

"We're not exactly sure what's going to happen next," Tobacco Institute spokesman Thomas Lauria acknowledged Wednesday. "The ball is now in David Kessler's court."

If Kessler holds true to form,

the makers quite a bit. Kessler is a lawyer as well as a doctor — intends that his case be triple-checked so it can withstand the inevitable court challenge.

Kessler began considering regulating nicotine in February. For years, FDA had insisted, even in court, that tobacco was beyond its purview. The agency

only intervened when nicotine was used as a therapy, like nicotine gum and patches, or when cigarettes were advertised for weight loss in the 1950s.

But Kessler acted on new charges by anti-smokers that cigarette makers manipulate nicotine levels to hook smokers. Under the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, FDA must regulate as a drug any product intended to affect the "structure and function of the body."

In heated congressional hearings, he unveiled evidence of manufacturers' intent.

They restore to specific levels the nicotine lost in tobacco processing.

They have at least 17 patents to add additional nicotine, from spraying it onto tobacco leaves to adding it to filters, although they insist they don't use them.

Ammonia in cigarettes doubles the impact of nicotine.

They developed a new tobacco with double the nicotine

content, Kessler also must show nicotine affects the "structure and function of the body."

A panel of FDA scientific advisers Tuesday labeled nicotine a drug that causes addiction through pharmacological changes in the brain.

Every cigarette sold today contains enough nicotine to do that, they noted.

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Witness has false claims history

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The mystery witness in the O.J. Simpson murder case who reportedly said he saw two white men running from the crime scene is a con man who has given police false leads in other cases, the San Francisco Examiner reported Wednesday.

The newspaper identified the witness as Frank Chiuchio. The identity was confirmed by Detective Dennis Payne of the Los Angeles Police Department, the Examiner said.

Chiuchio claimed in an interview with the Examiner a year ago that he could hear Mafia boss John Gotti. Chiuchio said he, not Gotti, had murdered mob boss "Big Paul" Castellano in 1985. Gotti was convicted of the murder.

Chiuchio, whose last address was in Happy Camp, a tiny community near the Oregon state line, also con-

tacted police in the case of Polly Klaas, the girl who was abducted from her bedroom in Petaluma, Calif., and murdered last year.

Files at the Polly Klaas Foundation indicate he reported he had seen the youngster about a month after she was slain.

He also approached authorities in Siskiyou County several years ago with information about a murder case there.

When people up here digging in an area looking for bodies, but none were ever found," an unidentified law enforcement source told the Examiner. "He apparently is just a nut. He's a con man."

He has served time in prison for forgery, grand theft, escape, auto theft and burglary, the newspaper said.

Simpson is charged with murdering his former wife Nicole Brown

Simpson, 35, and a friend of hers, Ronald Lyle Goldman, 25.

The existence of a mystery witness whose story could clear Simpson was disclosed during a court hearing Friday by Simpson attorney Johnnie Cochran.

According to the Los Angeles Times, the man identified himself as a burglar and told defense investigators that he was "casing homes in the neighborhood the night of the slayings when he heard a woman scream and saw two white men running from the crime scene."

He further claimed that the men said something about slicing or slashing a victim.

The man was interviewed by police last week and was taken to the crime scene, where he re-enacted his alleged movements the night of the slayings.

Shooting justified, D.A. announces

DOYLESTOWN, Pa. (AP) — The district attorney doesn't want people sitting on their porches and using burglars for target practice. But a little gunfire every now and then might work wonders, he says.

District Attorney Alan Rubenstein Monday refused to prosecute 41-year-old Frank Lucisano in the slaying of a man he caught in his shed in Tullytown, a Philadelphia suburb.

Howard Reid, 29, was shot in the leg Sunday and died at a hospital after doctors were unable to stop the bleeding.

After declaring the shooting justifiable homicide, Rubenstein said, "If you want to deter burglars, an occasional shooting may have a wonderful effect."

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Train derails, up to 125 injured

BATAVIA, N.Y. (AP) — An Amtrak train screeched off its rails Tuesday night, sending nine passenger cars down an embankment on the edge of a woods.

As many as 125 people were injured, some seriously.

Sixteen people were hospitalized of 340 passengers and 20 crew members, said Amtrak spokesman Howard Robertson.

Everyone on board was accounted for, according to Thomas Chawluk, Amtrak district superintendent. But Genesee County Sheriff Gary Mahan ordered cranes brought in to lift the wreckage to search for possible survivors or bodies.

The Lake Shore Limited was traveling from New York City to Chicago when it derailed about 3:45 a.m., said Robertson. He could offer no clues to the cause of the derailment, at least the eighth since 1992 for Amtrak.

"It got very surreal for a minute," said Jim Lamb, who boarded the train in New York City. "The train started to wiggle, and then it tipped over. It was all very calm. There was no screaming or exclamations."

After the passengers were taken away, the twisted train tracks were littered with baby bottles and baby clothes. Nine cars were off the tracks, some on their sides. Roof skylights were smashed, and seat cushions were dangling out windows.

The train had two locomotives and 16 cars.

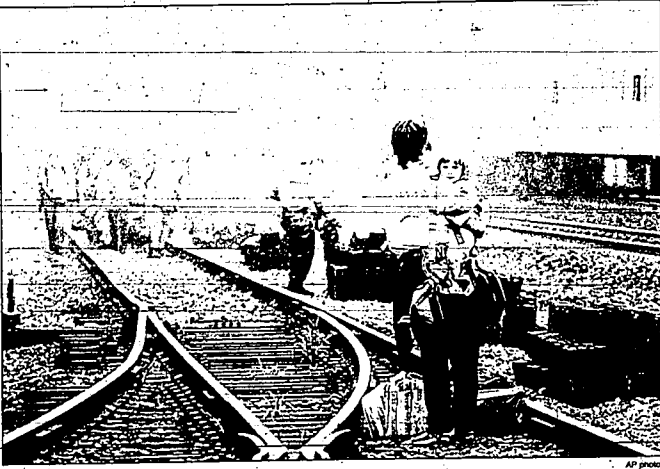
George marks suggested the wheels of at least one car were off the track three miles before the train derailed, said John Lauber, one of six consulting Transportation Safety Board investigators at the scene.

The crew of a parked freight train saw sparks coming from the Amtrak train just moments before it derailed, he said.

The train was going about 75 mph, slower than the 79 mph speed limit in the area, according to preliminary estimates, Lauber said.

Federal Railroad Administrator Jolene Molitoris headed for Batavia from Washington, D.C., today, along with inspectors from her agency and six National Transportation Safety Board investigators.

"They look at the operation of the



Paula Gardner of Richmond, Maine, holds her daughter Sarah, 2, as other passengers, including members of Boy Scout Troop 114 from Southwick, Mass., left, wait outside the Amtrak train that derailed early Wednesday near Batavia, N.Y. As many as 125 people were injured, some seriously.

train. Track or signal factors. Weather ... pretty much everything," Robertson said.

It was foggy but had recently stopped raining in Batavia at the time of the crash, according to the National Weather Service. Chawluk said weather did not seem to be a factor.

The tracks and rail bed both underwent their four-times-a-year inspections in June, said Rudy Husband, a Conrail spokesman in Philadelphia. No problems were found. Conrail crews also inspect the tracks twice a week, he said, and it is well-maintained because it is among the busiest in the Northeast.

There were no reports of track vandalism recently in the area, Husband said.

Sheriff's spokesman Russ Lang said 100 to 125 people had injuries

that emergency workers described as ranging from minor to extremely serious.

Among the passengers were 22 Boy Scouts from Southwick, Mass., who escaped with burns and bruises. They were en route to New Mexico for a backpacking trip.

Scoutmaster Bob Davis was sitting up with a handful of scouts who had trouble sleeping when the train started to derail.

"The train and just started slipping around, back and forth, side to side," Davis said. "I got thrown all over the place."

One scout, Scott Crepeau, said he and some friends were looking through a skylight when the car started to shake. All the cars behind him derailed.

"I had this feeling all week,"

Crepeau said. "I had a dream that this might happen."

More than 40 ambulances were dispatched to the scene. The injured were being taken to Rochester, 35 miles to the east, and Buffalo, about 35 miles to the west, Lang said.

"We've probably received a dozen victims," said Doug Jones, administrator of the Genesee Memorial Hospital in Batavia. "Most of them have been awake and communicative, and concerned that their families know they're all right."

Lamb, speaking by telephone from the Batavia fire station, said he was traveling to Chicago on the first leg of a trip to Seattle with his two sons, Eli, 6, and Oliver, 4. One of his sons suffered a slight cut on his cheek, but no one in his car was seriously hurt, Lamb said.

Briefly

Holiday Inn enters fight over state flag

ATLANTA — The state flag, dominated by the crossed bars of the Confederacy, has never flown outside the Holiday Inn in suburban Jonesboro. But the motel still couldn't stay out of the battle over the explosive symbol of America's divided past.

General manager Joseph Metcalf returned from vacation last week to find a stack of angry telephone messages from people upset his motel doesn't fly the flag.

"When I tell them we've never flown the state flag, they say, 'Well we're still going to boycott you,'" said Metcalf, who estimated he's gotten 100 calls. "We've even gotten calls from out-of-state from people who don't live here."

Atlanta-based Holiday Inn Worldwide announced last month it would no longer fly the flag at two company-owned hotels in Georgia; and it urged its 62 franchises in the state to do the same.

Government requires seatbelt comfort

WASHINGTON — The government wants to eliminate discomfort as a reason for not using automobile safety belts.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration said Wednesday that it will require motor vehicle manufacturers to produce seat belts that are more comfortable and convenient to use.

Seat belts saved 5,344 American lives last year, the Transportation Department estimates, even though it calculates that just 66 percent of Americans use their seat belts.

Senate keeps space station project alive

WASHINGTON — The Senate kept the space station alive Wednesday despite objections from opponents who insisted Russian participation would increase the program's cost.

"Let's go ahead and stop talking about it and build it," said Sen. Phil Chiles, R-Texas, whose state would be a major beneficiary of the project.

An amendment by Sen. Dale Bumpers, D-Ark., to delete funding for the multi-billion dollar project was defeated 64-36. The vote came during debate on a bill that includes \$14.4 billion in funding for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration next year.

Contaminated water closes beaches

WASHINGTON — More than 2,400 swimming advisories and beach closings were required last year because of contaminated water caused by untreated sewage, urban runoffs and other pollution, an environmental group said Wednesday.

The survey of America's beaches by the Natural Resources Defense Council also criticized states for not adequately overseeing coastal water quality, saying some states "do very little or no monitoring" of recreational beaches for pollution.

"There is every indication that pollution continues to foul our nation's waters," said Sarah Chasis, an attorney for NRDC, which has surveyed beach water quality for the last four years. She said the 1993 data again show "persistent beach pollution."

The report, based on information provided by the states, showed that during 1993 there were 2,438 occasions where swimmers were warned not to go into the water, or beaches were closed altogether, in the 29 states that have either ocean or Great Lakes beaches.

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U.S. forces mop up old campaigns

Knight-Ridder News Service

In August, 1944, U.S. forces in the Pacific were finishing off old campaigns and preparing for new ones.

The month started with the declaration that Irian was secure. The Japanese garrison of about 5,000 had been wiped out for the last time after 400 U.S. lives. Aug. 10 marked the end of Japanese resistance on Guam, which had cost the enemy 10,000 dead. U.S. losses had been 1,400 killed in action and 3,600 more wounded.

On Aug. 20 the Biak area of New Guinea was declared secure after three months of fighting that had killed 4,700 Japanese and 400 Americans. Five days later, the Aitape operation on New Guinea also concluded, with 8,821 Japanese killed to 440 U.S. and Australian deaths.

The Marines now in U.S. hands, the fast carriers that had been providing the Marines with air support were free for other missions.

Task Group 58.3 (under Rear Adm. Alfred Montford), with the battleship USS Missouri, the heavy cruiser USS Alaska, the light cruiser USS Leahurst, and the light cruiser USS San Jacinto, and TG 58.1 (under Rear Adm. Jocko Clark), with fleet carrier USS Hornet, and Franklin and light carrier Cabot, headed to attack two Jima, Chichi Jima and Haha Jima



islands during the first week of August.

Many aircraft and shore installations were wrecked both by bombing and by shore bombardment. The Navy warplanes also attacked a convoy and sank seven freighters and two escorts.

The remaining freighter and escort were sunk by gunfire from U.S. cruisers and destroyers detached from Clark's group for a clean sweep.

The carriers then retired with the rest of Task Force 58 for two weeks of rest and change in leadership. Vice Adm. William F. Halsey replaced Vice Adm. Marc Mitscher in command of the fast carrier force. TF 58 became TF 38.

On Aug. 28, Halsey took the fast carriers — nine fleet and seven light carriers — to sea from their base at Eniwetok. Their mission over the next 10 weeks was to destroy any Japanese airpower that could interfere with future amphibious operations.

At sea, the Imperial Navy continued to be whittled away. On Aug. 7, the submarine Croaker sank the light cruiser Nagara 35 miles south of Nagasaki.

It was the sub's first patrol, but it had a veteran skipper in Cmdr. John E. Lee.

Two freighters were also sunk later in the month. Another Japanese light cruiser, Natori, went down the night of Aug. 17-18, torpedoed by Hardhead, which was also on its first patrol.

The big score of the month went to submarine Rasher under Cmdr. Henry Munson.

Alerted by other submarines that had failed to score, Munson intercepted a convoy of 13 ships with a half-dozen escorts.

It was a dark and rainy night, ideal for a surface attack directed by radar. The first salvo of torpedoes blew apart a tanker filled with gasoline, lighting the sky for 20 minutes. The convoy was thrown into confusion, and Rasher sliced through it firing again and again until all its torpedoes were expended. Nearly every shot hit something. A freighter and a transport went down. But the real prize was the 20,000-ton carrier Taiyo.

Elsewhere, U.S. submarines sank two destroyers, five escort ships and a minesweeper in addition to their usual tally of cargo ships.

Payment ends King legal battle

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The city council Wednesday approved payment of \$3.8 million to Rodney King, effectively ending legal battles over his 1991 beating by police.

Approval had been expected since last week when King agreed to drop two appeals in his lawsuit against the city. In return, the city and a former police officer dropped efforts to make King pay part of their legal costs.

King won the first phase of his civil lawsuit when the jury awarded him \$3.8 million for medical bills, pain and suffering.

In the second phase, a jury refused in June to grant punitive damages against the four officers who beat King.

Two days of riots broke out in the spring of 1992 after four white officers were acquitted of state charges of beating King, a black motorist. Two of the officers were later convicted of violating King's civil rights and are serving prison sentences.

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America's hangup

Nation acknowledges legitimacy of mental problems, but is reluctant to cover them

The Associated Press

Let's face it, Americans have a hangup about mental illness.

A century after Viennese neurologist Sigmund Freud made the unconscious as familiar as home, we've become a country of amateur analysts. We subject society, history, art, the famous and infamous to the psychological probe.

Yet a stigma lingers. Anyone who consults a psychiatrist risks scorn, despite general acknowledgment that mental problems can be every bit as painful and disruptive as any physical complaint.

Talk about neurotic ambivalence. One big symptom of this fence-sitting is the reluctance in the debate over health-care reform to regard insurance coverage for ailments of the mind on a par with that for illnesses of the body.

Most proposals give short shrift to treatments for mental illness, whether the problem is a stretch of stare-out-the-window blues or more devastating conditions such as panic attacks, anorexia, schizophrenia or addiction.

The American sick with cancer or seasonal allergies is reimbursed for as many chemotherapy treatments or office visits as are deemed necessary, a patient with chronic anxiety likely has a cap on the number of psychotherapy visits allowed.

"On one level, we pretend we're very sophisticated about this, and on another we deny it's in our family," Tipper Gore, the president's adviser on mental health, said in an interview. "These are illnesses, and they deserve to be covered."

Dig deep into the national psyche and you eventually hit the bedrock issue: Anyone with mental problems is weak. And weak does not play well against the myth of the self-reliant American.

"A lot of people have felt, if you're depressed, take a hot bath and pull up your socks," said Dr. Robert M. Rose, head of the health program at the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation.

The mixed messages can heighten anxiety for those needing help. Paralyzing depression that set in

Opposing senators share health-reform fight

WASHINGTON (AP) — Paul Wellstone is a liberal Democrat, Pete Domenici a conservative Republican.

The political divide between the senators is great. But they share a personal cause: changing how America treats mental illness.

It is a subject they know first hand. Wellstone's older brother has suffered from mental illness since the senator from Minnesota was 11. One of Domenici's eight children began showing symptoms of serious depression when she was a freshman in college, about 14 years ago.

Neither Wellstone nor Domenici will talk in any detail about their family experiences. That is probably a symptom of the thing they are trying to change — the stigma attached to such clinically defined illnesses as schizophrenia, manic-depressive illness, and obsessive-compulsive disorder.

But these experiences have driven the two men to form what Wellstone calls "an unlikely alliance" to try to change things.

"It's destroying families — thousands and thousands — because they're run out of money, they're run out of effective ways to help," Domenici, who represents New Mexico, said in a recent interview.

Both senators see health reform as their moment, and they want mental health coverage to be a guaranteed part of it. More than that, they want it treated as physical diseases are treated, without special limits on therapy sessions and hospital stays or lifetime caps on coverage. With a combination of treatment, medicine and management, they say, many mentally ill people can function well in society.

For months now, Domenici and Wellstone have been working together and recruiting others to join them in a working group on mental illness. Whether they will succeed in their health reform fight is still up in the air.

The Clinton reform plan originally aimed for immediate parity in the treatment of mental and physical illnesses but ended up with a phased-in approach out of fear that costs would otherwise be too high.

Domenici and Wellstone have argued that Clinton's plan based its cost estimates on outdated assumptions and data — listing, for instance, high costs for hospitalization in cases where treatment is now largely outpatient.

The Clinton plan would have started mental health coverage in 1998 by limiting hospital treatment to 30 days a year and requiring copayments of up to 50 percent for psychotherapy. In 2001, the plan would have lifted the limits and made the copayments less onerous.

Other health plans passed in committees followed Clinton's lead in expanding mental health benefits over time but were more generous with the initial coverage.

"Some expansion of coverage would be better than nothing, of course, but Wellstone and Domenici aren't of a mind to set a precedent."

"We have an opportunity of a lifetime to really change how we as a society see mental illness, as well as what kind of health care benefits we provide for people who are struggling with mental illness," Wellstone said in an interview.

"It's been terrible, just terrible. It's been in the Dark Ages," he said. "And it all gets put in parentheses. It's not viewed as really health care. People don't want to deal with it."

Including mental coverage in health reform would be costly, Wellstone and Domenici acknowledge. But excluding it would be much costlier, they contend.

Almost one-third of America's homeless, at least 150,000 people, suffer from serious mental illness, according to the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill. More than 30,000 people in jails are mentally ill, and probably twice that number in prisons, NAMI says.

Not only that, but lost productivity and earnings from untreated mental ailments, as well as premature death, cost the United States billions — \$74.9 billion in 1990, according to the Mental Health Liaison Group, a coalition of more than 30 advocacy groups.

"Instead of providing a solid plan for physical and mental health care, we have forced millions into emergency rooms, into crisis centers, into living on the streets and out of society," Wellstone wrote last year.

Unlike in decades past, when many mentally ill people were institutionalized at great expense, treating people previously trapped by illness to live full, productive lives.

"If we miss this one, we just absolutely, in my opinion, are abandoning one of the most important responsibilities in the task of health reform that is before us," Domenici said.

Raitt, actress Patty Duke, CBS newsman Mike Wallace and novelist William Styron, who wrote a memoir of his near-suicidal depression, "Darkness Visible."

Today's bosses give psychotherapy their blessings with in-house employee assistance programs.

Teams of therapists are enlisted when communities are shaken by earthquakes, floods or a schoolyard shooting.

And mental illness no longer kills political ambitions.

In April, during the Republican campaign for the U.S. Senate nomination in Virginia, James C. Miller III reminded voters that opponent Oliver

mental disorder in any one year. The most common complaints were anxiety, depression and alcohol and drug abuse. Yet only a fifth of the ailing sought professional help.

"It's striking how resistant people are to treatment," said Ronald Koessler, a sociology professor at the University of Michigan who ran the study. "For one reason or another, it's some combination of saying 'I don't have a problem' and 'I can do myself.'"

Gradually, signs of erosion are emerging. In this mental health-by-the-bootstraps attitude.

Openness is fostered when the famous speak candidly about psychological battles, such as singer Bonnie

Senate threatens what's left of Clinton plan

By Helen Dewar

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — All his life, he has risen to challenges: a janitor's son who grew up in a New England mill town to become a lawyer, prosecutor, federal judge, senator and finally one of the most powerful figures in Washington.

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With its higher proportion of Republicans, quirky rules and plethora of prima donnas, the Senate poses even more of a threat to what's left of Clinton's plan than does the House, which, like the Senate, will open debate on the measure next week.

This was evident in how far Mitchell had to retreat from the more ambitious plan he originally favored in trying to fashion a bill that will not fall apart as soon as it hits the Senate floor.

It was also reflected in the fact that after days of meetings with at least 60 senators, some as many as five times, he still does not have the votes to pass his plan.

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Maybe history, maybe just a footnote. If he succeeds, the 60-year-old Senate leader, who is retiring at the end of the year, will have played a decisive role — perhaps the decisive one — in rescuing the health bill and giving the beleaguered Clinton some political bragging rights. If Mitchell fails, he will have ended six successful years as Senate leader with a spectacular fizzle.

Wary and worried but ready for the fight, Mitchell shrugs off any thoughts about history, saying it will take care of itself if people try to do their jobs right. Nor does he admit to second thoughts about turning down a Supreme Court nomination in April because he did not want to complicate his work on the health bill.

Referring to speculation that he turned down the court offer because he wants to become commissioner of major-league baseball, senators have been telling him, "a baseball strike will look like a picnic compared to this." Sen. John Breaux, D-La., related. "He just smiles," Breaux added.

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If he succeeds, the 60-year-old Senate leader, who is retiring at the end of the year, will have played a decisive role — perhaps the decisive one — in rescuing the health bill and giving the beleaguered Clinton some political bragging rights. If Mitchell fails, he will have ended six successful years as Senate leader with a spectacular fizzle.

Wary and worried but ready for the fight, Mitchell shrugs off any thoughts about history, saying it will take care of itself if people try to do their jobs right. Nor does he admit to second thoughts about turning down a Supreme Court nomination in April because he did not want to complicate his work on the health bill.

Referring to speculation that he turned down the court offer because he wants to become commissioner of major-league baseball, senators have been telling him, "a baseball strike will look like a picnic compared to this." Sen. John Breaux, D-La., related. "He just smiles," Breaux added.

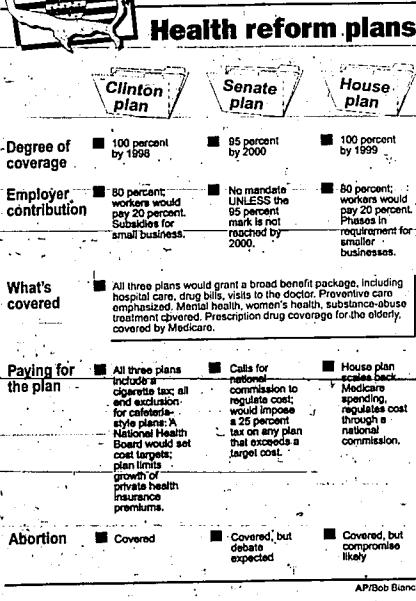
Bus mechanics OK new contract

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Buses rumbled back onto the streets early Thursday, ending a nine-day walkout by mechanics that affected a half-million commuters.

Rick Jager, spokesman for the Metropolitan Transportation Authority, could not say early this morning how many buses were running, how often or how full. He said the MTA was trying to contact its 6,500 workers so that service could fully resume by Friday.

The unionized transit union ended the strike Tuesday after members approved a contract on a 1,050-to-104 vote.

Health reform plans



Analysis

"Nobody forced me to become majority leader," Mitchell said in an interview, recalling his successful back-bench challenge to two more senior senators in 1988. "It is in fact a burden, but it's also a great opportunity to do something meaningful and good for the people of this country."

It may sound a little ponderous, even pompous, but it's the way Mitchell talks and thinks, according to colleagues. He was driven crazy — and out of the Senate, some say — by the nagging nature of many of the leadership chores.

But he likes big challenges and big causes, they say, and he doesn't like to lose. "He is more driven on this than anything I've seen," he's totally committed, said assistant minority leader Alan K. Simpson, R-Wyo.

What Mitchell has going for him is a formidable track record dating back to his crafty manipulation of Senate rules to kill President Bush's proposal for a capital-gains tax cut during his first year as majority leader. He remained Bush's most nettlesome antagonist, winding up by shipping him a big stack of Democratic bills to veto before the 1992 election, reinforcing the president's image of weakness on domestic policy.

With few exceptions, such as the economic-stimulus package last year, Mitchell has delivered the Senate for Clinton, Mitchell engineered the narrow, come-from-behind victory for Clinton's 1993 deficit-reduction package and played the pivotal role in the passage of handgun-control legislation.

He steered several long-stalled Democratic social initiatives around rocks thrown in their path by Republicans. And he stage-managed defeat of a proposed balanced-budget amendment to the Constitution that was regarded as almost certain to pass.

Policeman hits teen on tape

COMPTON, Calif. (AP) — A police officer helping a social worker at a trailer park was secretly videotaped beating a teen-ager in a scene that evoked memories of the Rodney King case.

The 17-year-old argued with the officer because "someone from Children's Services wanted to take his sisters away," said his lawyer, Humberto Guizar. "He asked the officer if he had a warrant, and got him in the face," said Guizar, who plans to sue the police for violating the family's civil rights.

Police would not identify the officer or the teen-ager. The officer's report on the July 29 arrest said the teen-ager struck first, hitting him in the forehead, and continued to kick him while on the ground.

"It's the first thing that went through my head — the Rodney King beating," Maria Quintana, identified as the youth's godmother, told KNBC. "I think it was very cruel. I know the blows were very hard and to me it was just too brutal."

The department had begun an internal investigation, but after seeing the videotape on KNBC-TV Tuesday, acting Police Chief Steve Roller said he would ask the district attorney today for an independent probe.

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Opinion

Congress heads for health-care deadlock



Sandy Grady

"It's not going to happen," said Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas. "A blind man can see there's no consensus on health care in Washington, D.C."

Few Democrats are rabid enthusiasts. "The results are preordained," snuffed Sen. John Breaux, D-La., quarterback of a Senate pack opposing mandates. And Rep. Jim Cooper, D-Tenn., who leads House moderates, grumps, "The employer mandate is dead. It just hasn't been buried." That's typical of grumpy dissenters in Capitol Hill heads for its historic August debate — and, I suspect, futile deadlock.

So, whom should we blame if health-care '94 goes down in flames?

Start with White House wonks: Boss architect Hillary Clinton and Ira Magaziner invented a 3,000-page Rube Goldberg gizmo that nobody understood. (Magaziner, when I asked about the complexity, said, "If we made it simple, it wouldn't work.") Clinton would have fared better telling Congress, "I want universal health insurance — you work it out."

The public is lethargic, confused and divided, as national polls and interviews show. Joe Sixpack is baffled by all the plans, and politician Terry Madonna, a powerful grassroots force for Congress off the dime is missing.

Opponents have slicker resources, more money and ammunition than people who want health-care reform. Their clout stretches from the insurance lobby's "Harry and Louise" ads to small-business groups to anti-abortion zealots heckling Clinton.

Paradoxically, fear of losing jobs and health coverage, apparent in Pennsylvania Gov. Har-

ris Wofford's '91 win, are eased by the stronger economy. But Clinton's falling approval ratings keep fading. House leaders, obviously afraid his name is poison, insist, "This isn't the Clinton plan."

Shamefully, the health-care fight will be a cynical fight for political points. To career politicians, mid-term elections loom bigger than health reform. Republicans will sit this one out, leaving Bob Dole as villain if he isn't nimble.

Sure, you'd think Democrats, realizing the '96 White House could be at stake, would pull together. Forget it. Conservatives who hate employer mandates, single-payer purists, Southerners who detest tobacco taxes — Democrats cooperative as Bosnians and Serbs. For Mitchell to craft a Senate majority or Rep. Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., to get 218 House votes will take historic breakthroughs.

The end game will be a mess. The House plan announced by Gephardt is grandiose — universal coverage by 1999, either by employers paying 80 percent or a massive expansion of Medicare to cover the poor. Bet that Congressfolk will wait to see if the Senate passes the dreaded mandates first. Then comes the House-Senate conference squabble, a black hole into which health-care '94 could disappear.

A watered-down version of health care, without universal coverage, could send costs and premiums higher. That would haunt Clinton and Democrats. Polls show Americans, by 2-1, want Congress to "come back next year, do it right." But Clinton admits, forecasting loss seats in 1995-1996, know their chances will dwindle.

If the scenario turns out bleakly, it won't be hard to figure out how health-care reform. To quote Pogo Possum, "We have met the enemy and he is us."

Sandy Grady is Washington columnist for the Philadelphia Daily News.

Editorial

Gay-rights debate takes turn for the bizarre

Oh, super.

This year's highest-profile Idaho political debate will be led, on one side, by a convicted cocaine trafficker, and, on the other side, by a lesbian activist newly imported from Montana.

What did our quiet little state do to deserve this?

On Wednesday, Boise's newspaper reported that Bill Proctor, the new director of the Idaho Citizens Alliance, served 16 months in prison in the 1980s. Police caught him with two pounds of nose candy.

Very nice. The ICA is crusading for Proposition One, its anti-gay-rights initiative, in the name of family values. Which family's values does Proctor represent? The Gambinos?

OK, OK. Proctor says he has reformed and found God. So give him the benefit of the doubt. Still, as raw material for political leadership, he's damaged goods.

The ICA's selection of Proctor comes right after a Times-News reporter got hold of the group's debate manual. It's a guidebook for local activists, and it's a check-off of distortions, half-truths and vicious lies.

By now, what's left of the ICA's credibility could be hauled home in a thimble.

And then there's the ICA's opposition, the No On One Coalition. It just hired Diane Sands, a well-known Montana lesbian activist, to manage its campaign.

For all we know, Sands may be a fine person. But putting an avowed homo-

sexual at the head of this campaign is a Grade A dumb political move.

The ICA presents its campaign as a godly defense of traditional values against a tide of militant sodomities. To counter that strategy, the opposition needs to portray itself as the voice of common sense and basic tolerance.

That shouldn't be hard. Remember, virtually every respectable political leader in the state is opposing Proposition One, mostly because it's a needless reaction to a nonexistent threat. The initiative has been labeled unconstitutional by our Democratic attorney general and by our Republican 2nd District congressman, a Harvard lawyer with solid conservative credentials.

Passing the initiative would be both foolish and expensive. It surely would prompt a federal court challenge from civil libertarians — a fight Idaho probably would lose.

But lots of Idaho voters will feel torn between those reasonable arguments and an emotional urge to oppose a lifestyle they disapprove of. By selecting a lesbian activist to lead the campaign, No On One unwittingly plays into that emotion. It invites its foes to characterize it as a front for militant homosexuality.

For Idaho voters, the Proposition One campaign promises to be disarming and distasteful. Voters can expect the debate to be shrill, spiteful and dominated by irrelevant verbal skirmishes.

Our advice to voters? Do your best to ignore the chatter between now and November. Then quietly vote no.

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Smokers demand respect for covering health costs

We in the smoking community (we prefer to be known as "tobacco co-dependents" or "the lung-impaired") rather than by the tobaccoist tag "nicotine addicts") are having terrible self-esteem problems these days.

I'm sure all you health fascists are happy to hear this, but I'm warning you right now, our concerns have damn well better be your concern because we're paying for health-care reform. And don't you forget it. We want respect. We demand gratitude. And we'd also like to have a few planes we could smoke in again.

Our growing list of non-negotiable demands now includes the manufacture and prominent television advertising of a toothpaste that will yellow your teeth. All this white-teeth propaganda you see all over the networks is a threat to our self-esteem. We want affirmative action in the hiring of television characters who will popularize the attractive hacking morning cough.

We want a Smokers History Week. We demand that schoolchildren be taught the stories of our community's heroes — Bogey and Bette and Duke and FDR. We want schoolchildren (who are currently the victims of so much anti-smoking propaganda that even little ones of 5 or 7 believe they're entitled to tell grown-ups, "Oooo, yuck, that stinks") taught that politics in this country have gone to hell since the smoke-filled room was declared illegal.

We want it noted that we in the smoking community now spend more time outdoors than the most dedicated environmentalists. We care. We field-strip our butts when in the wilderness and later deposit them in appropriate containers.

The great sociologist of smoking, Susan Sharlot, has long since imputably (more or less) proved our positive economic impact on society. We smokers are an intense breed. We work hard, we pay incredible sums in taxes, and we die young. We are a net savings to society, particularly in Social Security and Medicare costs. Kiss our butts.

Of course, we have our extremist fringe. I, myself, oppose the public smoking of dead persons. But our extremists would insist that we should be allowed to smoke dead persons. We smokers are an intense breed. We work hard, we pay incredible sums in taxes, and we die young. We are a net savings to society, particularly in Social Security and Medicare costs. Kiss our butts.



Molly Ivins

all the asthmatics and smoke-allergy sufferers and even throw in people whose nearest and dearest have recently died of a horrible, lingering illness caused by smoking, they're still only a tiny fraction of the populace compared to the Smoking Community.

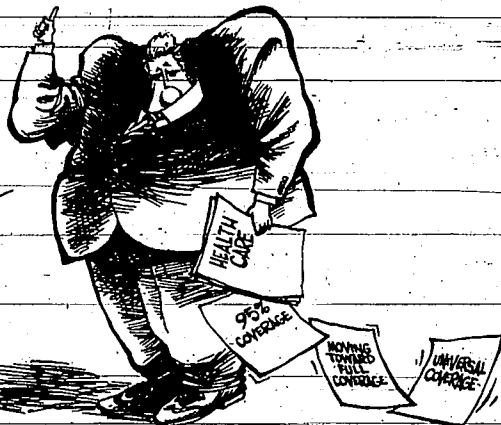
Why not segregate them instead of segregating us? Why not have an asthmatics, allergies and small babies' section in the restaurant? You may not have considered the fact the national security is at stake here. I point out to you that Aldrich Ames, the CIA guy who sold out to the Soviets, reports that the reason he was able to pass such a variety of information along to the KGB, on topics far afield from the desk to which he was assigned, was because he picked up the info while standing outside CIA headquarters with other smoking CIA agents. Yes!

Consider as well the cordial exchange of opinion and information among smokers witnessed outside the recent Republican and Democratic state conventions. Democrats talking to Republicans! Liberals talking to conservatives! Fundamentalists talking to Episcopalians! All of us bound together in the bonds of brotherhood and sisterhood by our mutual oppression as smokers.

Standing there, puffing in the rain, our fellowship overcoming the boundaries of such ancient and stifling differences as labor and management, Longhorns and Aggies, bikers and Buch-Yovers. (Lung cancer does not discriminate on grounds of race, creed, color or sex.)

We in the smoking community, bound together by increasingly cruel forms of segregation, discrimination and tobaccoism, are subject to undue stress and alarm. No wonder we need to smoke. I, myself, have been driven to seek medical counsel twice in recent years because of smokers' stress. In the last instance, I was told that my blood pressure was too high. I was told to quit smoking. I said, "I will do this to worry all the doctors and nurses in the world."

"CAVE IN" IS SUCH A DISTASTEFUL TERM... I MUCH PREFER "COMPROMISE..."



Letters

Hollister mayor is a dictator

The people in the town of Hollister overwhelmedly voted in a new mayor in the November 1993 election, apparently thinking they were getting someone that would be fair to everyone and the town would straighten out.

Instead, we have a mayor that has gone to people's homes and called them liars. She has told people, "If you don't like it, move," and she has ordered people off the city park. Water bill notices were sent off and received by most on Saturday, July 23. Those past due were told they had to pay up on July 25 or their water would be shut off.

The morning of July 25, our duty-bound mayor ran around town shutting people's water off without giving those people a chance to pay their bill. She either shut their water off then knocked on their door and threw their shut-off notice in their face or she shut their water off and left their notice on their car.

I don't think we elected a mayor to represent the people of this town — maybe just a

chosen few. We elected a dictator! I guess when you give that much "power" to someone that hasn't even had a job, you're asking for trouble.

Every time someone even asks her a question that she doesn't like, she starts screaming, "Recall me!" Doesn't sound like a bad idea to me.

VIRGINIA BISHOP
Hollister

Bar common-law marriages

It may take a great deal of courage to be a strong conservative, and in this day and age, there seems to be a growing need for such wonderful people to stand up and be counted.

In the recent legislative session, there was a House Bill, H727, that would prohibit common-law marriages in Idaho. The bill was drawn up by attorneys and judges who daily see the need to clarify the legal intricacies of marital breakups involving common-law marriages. Courts get tied up over such problems which could so easily be avoided

by a law requiring legal marriage. Idaho is one of just 13 states still recognizing common-law marriage.

House Bill H727 was passed, 40 to 30, and forwarded to the Senate Judiciary and Rules Committee. Denton Darrington, chairman. By this time, Idaho homosexuals were gathering steam to oppose the bill, primarily because it would have strictly limited marriage to a male and a female.

You see, in their agenda is the plan to someday obtain legal same-sex marriages, and H727 would have blocked that — big time. Sen. Darrington caved in to the pressure and decided to sit on this bill and kill it. Unfortunately, committee chairmen have that power, but in this case, the senator should take some heat over his lack of backbone for the second year in a row on this matter.

Watch for another replay next year and then ask Sen. Darrington to release the bill for consideration.

MILTON T. WILLIAMS
Boise

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



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Opinion

Crime: The revenge of offended absolutes

If it's an election year, you can almost guarantee there will be a crime bill. This year is no exception. It doesn't matter which party is in the White House. Politicians believe they must demonstrate a determination to "fight crime" or be "tough on crime" and that legislation will do the trick, or at least fool enough voters into believing they are making a dent in criminal activity.



Cal Thomas

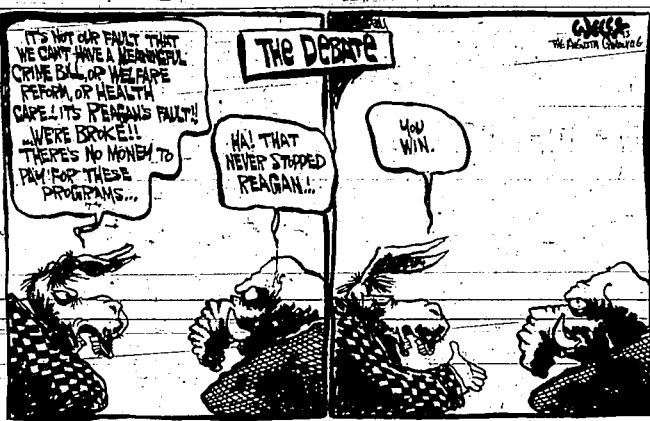
House and Senate conferences last week agreed on a massive \$32.8-billion crime bill. The bill was passed by Clinton pushing that its goals were one of the reasons he ran for President.

In addition to putting 100,000 more police officers on the streets, the bill bans the manufacture, sale and possession of 19 assault weapons; provides in excess of \$10 billion to build more prisons; expands the federal death penalty to cover about 60 offenses; requires mandatory life terms for people convicted of three serious felonies, and authorizes \$8 million for programs that include midnight basketball games. (Members of Congress apparently believe gangs can be lured away from taking potshots at people to taking jump shots on the basketball court.)

For more than two decades, the government has been fighting a war on crime — and the criminals have been winning. Government officials seem to believe that criminals are a fixed number, and if we deal with those now committing crime, we will solve the problem. If that were true, crime would not be a concern.

Between 1973 and 1992, the American prison population grew from 210,000 to 884,000. More prisons were constructed — costing taxpayers \$37 billion — than during any period in our history. But the overall crime rate increased. Like government war on poverty, the war on crime has not been won because government has failed to address the real cause of crime.

Many liberals try to justify or ex-



cause criminal behavior based on a flawed analysis of the human condition. They think people commit crimes because they are deprived of material goods, jobs and decent housing. If that were true, then every one who is poor, unemployed and living in substandard housing ought to be knocking over banks and murdering citizens. But most poor people aren't criminals, so that answer is insufficient.

Conservatives have been equally at fault, some trying to sell the idea that people can be deterred from committing crimes with tough laws and the threat of locking up criminals for extended terms.

In fact, tougher laws have not reduced crime, and taking some criminals off the streets simply has cleared the territory for new criminals to take their place.

Crime is a reflection of a nation's soul. We are paying the price for our

refusal to instill character, virtue and morality in our young people. The destruction of the two-parent home, once thought of as essential in introducing the young to a civilized society, is largely responsible for the ever-growing crime rate. The absence of a father, acting as a role model and loving disciplinarian, has bred rebellion and anger by young people deprived of an inheritance that is rightfully theirs.

What we are witnessing in this country is the revenge of offended absolutes. We are focusing on the wrong target. Instead of the criminals, we should be looking at ourselves.

Somewhere on the road to victory over communism, we lost a more important battle. We failed to realize that men and women will not catch virtue as they catch a cold. It must be drummed into them and affirmed by the culture in which they live.

When criminals and wrongdoing

are glamorized in film, on television and in music, the young are introduced to the very things that eat away at society's foundation.

No amount of spending approved by politicians from whatever party or political persuasion will solve the crime problem, short of a police state.

If we really want to take a bite out of crime, we must reacquaint ourselves with concepts that were once familiar, but now foreign: character, integrity, virtue and morality.

The cause of crime is largely due to the loss of individual character that has led to an erosion of our national morality and, worse, a reluctance to do what is necessary to reclaim it.

The American people should not let the President or Congress get away with any more of this. It isn't that we have spent too little of our tax money on the problem. It is that we have invested in too few of those eternal values and virtues that once produced a climate in which crime was big news, not a daily, even-hourly, occurrence.

Cal Thomas is a columnist for the Los Angeles Times Syndicate.

Letters

Government makes extinct church influence on state

One word can make a world of difference.

In my comment as printed on July 28, our founding fathers did not want any religious influence in government. My intended meaning was that our founding fathers did not want religious influence in government, and they said so.

Our "all wise" government is protecting the owls, snails, fish, turtles, toads, etc., because they are endangered species, and don't want them to be extinct but seems intent on making extinct all influence of the church from the state.

Who is going to protect the people from a government that was started by the people, of the people and for the people?

LAVERN BOYD
Twin Falls

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KARL HERBST
Twin Falls

Voters don't trust leader because he ruined water

To Rep. Bruce Newcomb,

You still don't understand! We don't trust you or many other members of the Idaho Legislature. Your past record of legislation has caused the degradation of water quality in our rivers and aquifers. It comes down to who can we trust?

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Letter

Murtaugh residents seek secure future in school

Regarding the editorial of July 29, "Murtaugh needs healing," I certainly agree.

If The Times-News could report on what's going on in Murtaugh fairly and without bias, the Magic Valley would realize why the majority of people in Murtaugh do not want consolidation and why we want a new building in our own community. The patrons of Murtaugh want to secure their future.

The people of Magic Valley need to realize that the individuals within our community that keep telling us how great consolidation would be have no intentions of sending their own children to that consolidated district, yet it's supposed to be great for our kids. These same people have been supported by our community or school and have never liked it here. The only thing that they do like are our natural resources and they continue to bleed the community dry.

Instead of trying to build up a community and make it better, let's destroy it and leave. Thanks. No one in the community has done one thing to prevent these people from doing what they felt was best for their children; all we have ever asked is to let us do the same thing.

Kimberly patrons beware, our headaches are also yours. These people send your children into your district to enjoy your new facilities and they're not paying 1 cent to alleviate your property taxes. You need more money for computers and books for these children. They won't be helping to pay on any of the levies either. They're not paying anything to come into your district. But they are doing everything in their power to prevent us from giving our kids a modest, safe building.

Murtaugh needs some voters and we can get rid of them or at least their derogatory attitudes, they will continue to fester and the ones suffering are the children — everyone's children.

PAT FUNK
Murtaugh

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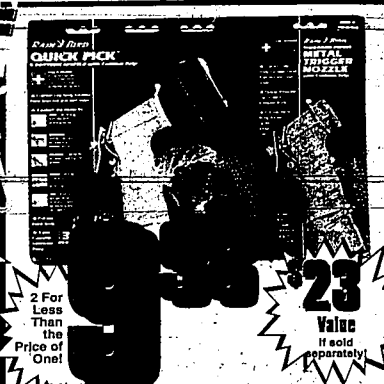
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“All this sympathy might end the first time I shoot in the 60s.”

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— PGA golfer Paul Azinger on his return to the tour after a year's bout with cancer

Briefly

Youth soccer group plans summer camp

TWIN FALLS — A summer soccer camp will be sponsored by the Idaho Youth Soccer Association Aug. 15-18 at Robert Stuart Junior High School.

Dr. Gordon Williams will conduct the sessions which will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. daily.

All participants must have a ball, shin guards and bring water. Cost is \$30.

Anyone interested should contact Steve Schmid at 734-8277 or Shirley Fiske at 734-1628. Entry forms are available at Dantley's Sports.

In addition, Coach Marc Garcia has issued the first call for junior high soccer season. Tryouts are set from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Aug. 19 and 9 a.m. to noon Aug. 20. Garcia can be contacted at 734-6524.

Bruins set football equipment issue for week from today

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls will issue football equipment Aug. 11 instead of Thursday as previously reported.

Ex-Laker reportedly tested for alcohol after arrest

CORRALES, N.M. — Former basketball star Michael Cooper was tested for drunkenness after his arrest last week for allegedly assaulting his wife.

Police Chief Mike Tarter and jail officials declined to release the results.

Cooper, 38, was arrested July 27 after police were summoned to the family's Corrales home on a domestic disturbance call. The arresting officer said in his report released Monday that Cooper grabbed his wife, Wanda, by the ankle, pulled her off a bed and later threatened her with a vase.

After his arrest, Cooper first was taken to St. Joseph West Mesa Hospital for what police Monday would only say was an evaluation.

“The exam was in relation to the alcohol,” Tarter said Tuesday.

He said such evaluations were mandatory when the sobriety of a suspect was in question.

Center-Cage leaves Sonics for 3-year deal with Cavs

CLEVELAND — Michael Cage, a 10-year NBA center-forward who became a free agent after playing for the Seattle SuperSonics the past six seasons, agreed to a three-year deal Wednesday with the Cleveland Cavaliers.

Cage said he considered staying with Seattle and possible deals with Detroit, Chicago, Orlando, Sacramento, Portland or New York before deciding on Cleveland.

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12:10 p.m. — WGN, ML baseball, Marlins at Cubs
5 p.m. — Channel 31, basketball U.S. vs. Spain
6:58 p.m. — Channel 22, Goodwill Games, figure skating
8:30 p.m. — WGN, AL baseball, White Sox at Rangers

Players threaten to move strike date

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — After baseball owners and players waged an angry bargaining session, the union scheduled an executive board meeting today to discuss moving up its Aug. 12 strike date.

Eugene Orza, the union's No. 2 official, said Wednesday night players were so incensed by management's failure to make a pension payment of \$7.8 million the board needed to discuss its reaction to what he called “the dastardly deed.” The board will speak by telephone, and some players said they may push for an immediate strike.

Pension payment delay angers union; Clinton promises constructive help

“All bets are off,” said Brett Butler, the Los Angeles Dodgers’ player representative. “Right now there is hostility on our side. My sense is that the players are frustrated.”

At a White House news conference Wednesday night, President Clinton said the government could get involved but he wanted to be cautious.

“I think it would be heartbreaking for the American people if our national pastime didn't get through this whole season,” Clinton said. “There may be some other things which can be done, but at this time the situation is sufficiently delicate that I think we need to leave it at that. ... If we can play a constructive role we will.”

Clinton said he hopes there isn't a work-

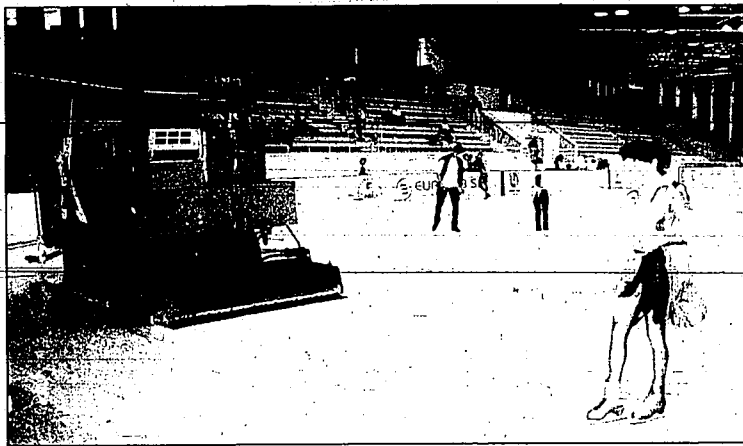
stoppage, which would be baseball's eighth in 22 years.

“I mean, the prospect of seeing records that are 30 and 40 years old broken for those of us who like the offensive as well as the defensive side of baseball — I mean this is an exhilarating thing,” he said. “And it's a great opportunity for these young players, and what they can become.”

Wednesday's bargaining session was the most acrimonious between the sides in 4½ years, with one lawyer saying players' anger was evident by their use of profanity.

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Ice follies



Skaters work out around the Zamboni machine on a practice rink Wednesday in St. Petersburg, Russia. Goodwill Games organizers were not able to get the usual rink in service in time.

Slushy ice at skating venue turns U.S. officials cold

The Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Russia — No ice, no wind. What next?

The Goodwill Games teetered on the edge of farce Wednesday as the showpiece figure skating competition was postponed until Thursday night because of a shortage of ice at the main rink.

Games officials said they planned to move to another venue. Later, they said they might stick with the original site. By the end of the day, the figure skating situation was as confused as ever.

Embarrassed at the latest logistical slip-up, American Goodwill Games officials broke from their diplomatic niceties and said they had been misled by incompetent Russian rink managers — and suggested they should be fired.

The figure skaters practiced without any certainty of when, where or if they will compete. One Russian pair went through their routine in a parking lot. Other skaters looked up in surprise when a sputtering Zamboni suddenly lurched onto the ice during the middle of practice.

“We've been dealing with so many things this past week starting over here, switching over there,” said U.S. skater Todd Eldredge. “It's kind of been one thing after another. I guess you could say it's an adventure.”

Even Mother Nature conspired to cause more headaches Wednesday. All three yachting events were abandoned because of a lack of wind on the Gulf of Finland. Weather permitting, the races will be



Christine Carner of the United States drives a shot past China defenders during Wednesday's winning match to advance to the finals.

basketball team routed Italy 92-37 in a first-round game; and the U.S. women's volleyball team beat China 3-0 to advance to the final against Russia.

For the second time in two days, the Goodwill Games were held hostage by the Yublieyn Sports Palace. Yublieyn means “jubilee” in English, but no one has been doing much celebrating at the arena this week.

The venue hosted boxing until Saturday. Since then, a heat wave, a brownout and other problems have combined to thwart the ice-making process.

Goodwill Games president Jack Kelly laid the blame on the rink managers.

“Their experts were not entirely forthcoming with the difficulties they were having getting heat out of the building,” he said. “I know that the city officials are particularly disturbed ... They feel particularly betrayed.”

“There are still some vestiges of the old Soviet system, where it's better not to give any bad news. This is the difficulties of trying to cope with circumstances in a newly emerging country.”

“I think you're going to find that a number of people at Yublieyn may not be employed at Yublieyn in another day or two.”

When the ice wasn't ready at Yublieyn on Tuesday, short track speedskating was switched at the last minute to the SKA hockey rink, about a half-mile away.

Kelly promised that Yublieyn would be

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Pirates put city on notice

The Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — For sale: off-successful baseball team with excellent manager, average talent that may soon go on strike and millions of dollars of accumulated debt. Price negotiable. Must remain in present location — for now.

The Pittsburgh Pirates, who claim they've lost \$60 million since 1985, put themselves up for sale Wednesday. The city has six months to find a buyer willing to spend about \$85 million to keep them in Pittsburgh.

If a new buyer is not found by early next year, the team could be sold to out-of-town owners who could move the franchise.

“Six months will be a challenge, but we're committed to keeping the Pirates in Pittsburgh,” Mayor Tom Murphy said. “It's doable ... and we're committed to getting it done.”

Rather than handling the sale themselves, the Pirates' public-private ownership consortium placed the burden of selling the team, perhaps during a lengthy players strike, solely upon the city.

The city negotiated the right to sell as a means of protecting a \$20 million loan made to the consortium in 1985.

The tentative price tag is based upon the \$25 million owed the 10 owners; \$6 million due the family of the late John W. Galbreath, who sold the team in 1985 at what they said was below-market value; \$34 million owed on a line of credit backed by the major leagues' central fund and the \$20 million Urban Redevelopment Authority loan.

The price is negotiable because the new owners might elect to pay down the line of credit gradually in one of 1995 at \$6 million owed the Galbreaths, Murphy said.

“We're not going to put a sign on Three Rivers Stadium,” Baseball team for sale, \$85 million,” Murphy said. “It's very, very fluid what the value is.”

Four or five potential buyers already have expressed interest in one of baseball's oldest franchises, with the frontrunner a group headed by former Baltimore Orioles president Larry Lucchino. Another is led by John J. Rigas, chairman of cable TV giant Adelphia Communications.

Lucchino has met with city officials in recent weeks and already has the financial backing of several minority owners with significant capital, according to government sources. Lucchino also may get financial backing from KBL, the cable sports channel that owns the Pirates' TV rights.

“I'm very impressed with Larry,” said Bill Craig, KBL's general manager. “He has a tremendous amount of interest in baseball.”

KBL has also expressed interest in the team, but baseball owners have at times frowned upon sole ownership by broadcast interests. Craig said KBL would step forward on its own if no other owners surfaced.

“There is a significant number of people interested and it's time to move the issue along,” said Murphy, who will lead the negotiations.

The for-sale vote by the Pirates' board of directors was unexpected because team president Mark Sauer has been negotiating an \$8 million loan from the city and a revised Three Rivers Stadium lease for months.

Possible owners — B3 —

Panel recommends Vandals move to Big West

The Associated Press

MOSCOW — A committee appointed by University of Idaho President Elisabeth Zinser has recommended that the school move from the Big Sky to the Big West Athletic Conference.

The panel of faculty members, administrators, Vandal Boosters, alumni and U of I Foundation representatives announced this week that it wants the University of Idaho to join with Boise State University in seeking state Board of Education approval for the move.

The Big West offers NCAA Division I-A football compared with the I-AA football played in the Big Sky. Division I-AA football provides for a maximum of 63 football scholarships, while BS can be given at the

A level. “I think it's great,” Idaho football coach John L. Smith said Tuesday. “It's a positive step for us. It's a step we should be looking at.”

Big West officials will be in Moscow on Aug. 22-23 to meet with university officials and community members.

The Idaho committee called for protection of Olympic sports if the school moves to the Big West to ensure they can compete at a reasonable level.

“It also said the university should be prepared to move to the Big West in all sports — not just football.”

A main stumbling block for the Vandals is the Kibbie Dome. It seats just 16,000, to the Big West to ensure they can compete at a reasonable level. The average attendance of 17,000 per game

mandated by the NCAA for the four previous football seasons.

There is a provision for a waiver from the attendance requirement, but the NCAA never has granted one.

“I've not been working on this problem, but you can't be around it for very long without hearing some questions that deserve answers,” said Board of Education President Roy Mosman of Moscow said. “We need to know whether that waiver can be obtained; how permanent is it?”

The board will consider proposals from Idaho and Boise State at its Sept. 22-23 meeting in Moscow. Mosman said it also will consider the status of Idaho State University. There have been concerns that the board would block a move that allows two

universities to leave the Big Sky without the third. The larger question about what happens to Idaho State and the Big Sky Conference also needs to be examined and evaluated,” Mosman said.

University officials believe an increase in gate receipts and additional money from game guarantees would offset the cost of moving up a division.

Athletic director Pete Liske said Idaho's \$3.2-million athletic budget is not significantly different than Big West members' when operating expenses are considered separate from scholarships.

A scholarship at Idaho is \$5,400 for fees, room and board, and books. Scholarships for out-of-state students are an additional \$4,500.

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Team II plans quick-fire

TORONTO (AP)—Dream Team II, accustomed to a 24-second shot clock for NBA games, will play with a 30-second clock at the basketball World Championship.

Rest assured, it won't be needed. "A 10-second shot might be appropriate for us," swingman Dan Majerle said Wednesday. "I don't see us holding the ball too long."

While the 1992 Dream Team had incredible fast-break weapons like Magic Johnson, Michael Jordan, Clyde Drexler, Charles Barkley, Karl Malone and Scottie Pippen, the U.S. team is loaded with perimeter shooters, including Majerle, who set an NBA record for 3-pointers in 1993-94.

"We're taking the first available shot," said another long-range gunner, Indiana's Reggie Miller, whose 25 fourth-quarter buried New York in a playoff game this year. "I know we don't have to worry about a 30-second clock."

The U.S. team, which begins play in the 16-team tournament Thursday night in Spain at Hamilton, Ontario, had two exhibition games before coming to Toronto.

In easy victories against the German National team and the team of college players that represented the United States at the Goodwill Games, the NBA stars took 27 and 28 3-pointers. In eight games at the 1992 Olympics, the Dream Team averaged less than 17 3-pointers.

In addition to Miller and Majerle, the U.S. team has two other 3-point specialists in Mark Price and Joe Dumars.

Price, who won the last two long distance shootouts at the NBA All-Star game, said the 38-inch difference in the NBA and international 3-point lines (23 feet, 9 inches compared to 20-7) has the Americans ready to fire away.

"We definitely have some very good shooters on this team," Price said after practice at Upper Canada College. "We are well-suited for international play. We have a lot of 3-pointers. Before they let the NBA players in, the U.S. college teams were struggling because they lacked outside shooters. For us, this is great. We feel like we're in college again, where it's 19 feet."

Dumars said the U.S. coaching staff, led by Don Nelson, is emphasizing to the outside shooters that they have to be aware of where the 3-point line is at all times.

"They stressed to us not to take long 2-pointers," Dumars said. "We have to be ready to take a step or two back to get over the line."

Browns sign top corner; Shuler joins Redskins

The Associated Press

The Cleveland Browns have finally signed their two first-round draft picks, cornerback Antonio Langham and wide receiver Derrick Alexander.

NFL camps

The signings left only two first-round picks — quarterback Trent Dilfer of Tampa Bay, the sixth choice overall, and Arizona linebacker Jamir Miller, the 10th — without contracts.

Langham, the ninth player drafted, agreed first to the basic terms of a four-year, \$4.6 million deal, but split with the Browns over how his \$2.5 million signing bonus would be paid.

Alexander, the 29th player taken in the draft, agreed Tuesday night to a four-year deal worth a reported \$700,000 a year, plus a \$410,000 signing bonus.

"I don't want to get into specifics, but it has been a very frustrating experience for everyone in the organization," Browns owner Art Modell said of Langham's deal. "Every time we thought we had a deal, there was a re-opener."

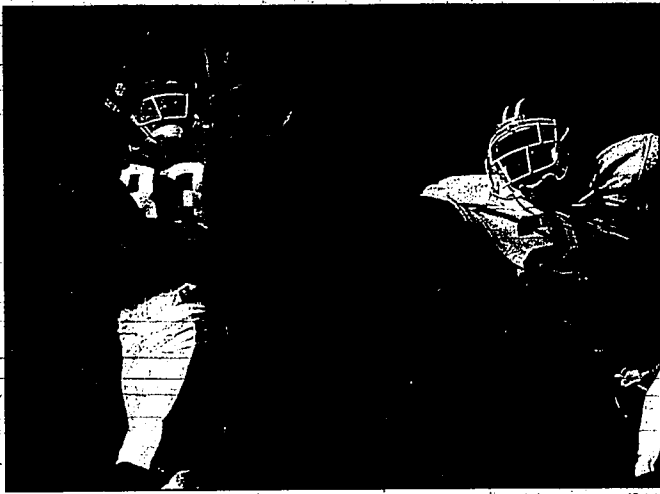
The Browns wanted to pay \$500,000 of Langham's bonus now and the balance in the spring, when television and ticket revenues have been received. Langham wanted \$2 million right away, but his agent, Perry Goode, said the player was willing to settle for \$1 million up front and the rest later.

Both players have much making up to do after missing nearly three weeks.

Redskins

Rookie quarterback Heath Shuler worked out Wednesday, the first day in the process of catching up after a 13-day holdout.

Shuler was on the field in pads at 8:30 a.m. after arriving late Tuesday night and signing the contract about 1:30 a.m. His eight-year, \$19 mil-



Denver wide receiver Anthony Miller hauls in a pass in front of cornerback Ben Smith during drills at the team's training headquarters Wednesday in Greeley, Colo.

Shuler said he had no regrets, but had been anxious to get started.

"I've been packed for two weeks," he said. "The most frustrating thing was knowing there's guys out here working day in and day out and putting forth a lot of hard work. My big thing was, I'm going to try to compete with them even when I'm not there."

Shuler was on the field in pads at 8:30 a.m. after arriving late Tuesday night and signing the contract about 1:30 a.m. His eight-year, \$19 mil-

lion deal is the largest in Redskins history, and includes a \$5 million signing bonus.

He took about half the snaps, sharing time with John Friesz, the veteran free agent from San Diego with whom he is competing.

Shuler looked a bit rusty — he overthrew some balls and sent others into the dirt — but made some nice catches, including a 30-yarder down the sidelines to Mark Stock that drew cheers from players and fans. Coach Norv Turner said he would

ease his new quarterback into the routine, giving him about half the practice time at first to avoid wearing down his arm.

Turner said Shuler probably will play one-quarter in the Aug. 8 exhibition at Buffalo, but he would wait to see about the Sept. 4 opener against Seattle.

Bills

Mo Elewonibi, cut this week by Washington, wasn't out of work for

long. The offensive lineman, injured for much of his five years with Washington, signed with Buffalo as much-needed depth on the line. Starting tackles Will Wolford and Howard Ballard have left as free agents in the past two years.

Elewonibi, a third-round pick of the Redskins in 1990, started 15 games for Washington last season. He was waived to make salary cap room for Shuler.

The Jets said Wednesday they expect Hasty will be ready for the season opener at Buffalo on Sept. 4. The comeback has started 87 consecutive games.

The Jets now plan to go with veteran Perry Williams, signed as a free agent in May, and second-year player Victor Green at right cornerback.

Giants

Dave Brown played well in the Giants' exhibition opener against Miami, so the pressure is on Ken Graham to do well in his chance with the Giants, which comes Saturday's when New York plays host to the Cleveland Browns.

Brown hit 8 of 12 passes; for 107 yards and led New York to two touchdowns against Miami. His big play was a 54-yard scoring pass to Chas. Graham was 6 of 12 for 103 yards with an interception and a fumble playing the second half with the second unit.

He had the Giants in position to tie the game until rookie Gary Tynes fumbled on the 5-yard line with two minutes left.

Bowl rotation touted

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Any major bowl game left out of the group that will serve as rotating hosts for the national college football game is likely to go out of business, the head of the Sugar Bowl said Wednesday.

The national championship game probably will be rotated among the Orange, Sugar and Fiesta bowls after the 1995 season.

Commissioners of Division I-A football conferences, who decided unanimously to recommend the rotation, The Miami Herald reported Tuesday.

On Wednesday, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram and The Dallas Morning News both reported the Cotton Bowl probably will be left out of the Tier I group that will play on New Year's Day. Cotton Bowl officials indicated the game might be disbanded if not part of the rotation.

Although Sugar Bowl president Chuck Zatarain said his group had not been focusing on other plans if the game was not placed in the top

group, survival would be hard for the other bowls.

"If you have been at the top for years with champion teams and suddenly you are hosting second- and third-place teams, it changes the economics of the bowl game," he said.

Zatarain said Wednesday he was expecting to hear official word from the commissioners by Friday. The bowl game organizations were asked not to lobby during the selection process, he said.

"Anytime the Sugar Bowl is named as one of the three finalists, it makes us happy," he said. "I don't know any more than I've been reading."

The Morning News quoted sources close to the commissioners as saying weather is a major factor in excluding the Cotton Bowl from the trio of New Year's Day games.

The deal still needs to win approval from the conferences' athletic directors, but commissioners do not expect them to veto the plan, the newspaper said.

Arkansas drug policy probed

FAYETTEVILLE, ARK. (AP)

Arkansas athletic director Frank Broyles is among several people subpoenaed to testify to a federal grand jury next week about handling of prescription drugs in the school's athletic training center, the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette reported today.

The newspaper said others who were served subpoenas include trainers Scott Unruh and Kevin Pitts, football player Marcus Adair and former strength trainer Joe Toher.

The newspaper attributed the report to sources it said provided the information on condition that they not be identified.

U.S. Attorney P.K. Holmes of Fort Smith would not comment on any aspect of the grand jury scheduled to convene Aug. 9-10 at Fort Smith.

Broyles, chancellor Dan Ferriar and all U.S. employees involved in the case have been instructed not to comment.

The subpoena, does not mean Broyles is the target of any possible charges. Instead, it suggests that Holmes believes Broyles has information that could lead to charges against others.

Rogers follows tradition in 1st start after perfect game

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Kenny Rogers beat the odds when he pitched the 12th perfect game in major-league history last Thursday night.

In his next start, the odds beat him.

Now, perhaps, he can get back to the business of pitching.

Rogers became the latest pitcher to get hit hard in his first start after perfection, lasting just 5 1-3 innings Tuesday night in a 6-2 loss to the Chicago White Sox. He gave up five runs on six hits and walked three.

"That was the worst stuff I've had in a couple of months," said Rogers, the first American League left-hander ever to pitch a perfect game.

"I couldn't expect to be as good as the last start, but I expected a lot more of myself than that."

Realistically, it was hard to expect much. History shows that only three perfect game pitchers won in their next appearance, and Rogers' agenda the last few days has been so packed that he had little time to think about pitching.

"I needed to concentrate on the game," said Rogers, who traveled to New York on Monday for an appearance on Late Show with David Letterman.

"I went out there with a game plan, but people expected a lot and I expected a lot out of myself. When you try to do more than you're capable of, things usually get worse."

Rogers, 29, was knocked out earlier than any of his perfect predecessors were in their follow-up start. Even unheralded Charlie Robertson, who had won only once before his gem in 1922, threw six shutout innings the next time out.

"The kind of stuff I was throwing out there, I sure wasn't going to get to the seventh, eighth or ninth," Rogers said. "I know what I was doing wrong: I was throwing way too hard."

Leadoff hitter Norberto Martin hoped any hope of Rogers repeating magic by singling to right. When Martin scored later in the inning, the chance for Rogers to pitch back-to-back shutouts was gone, too.

Chicago took the lead for good in the fourth when Robin Ventura hit the first of two homers in the 17th home. "That disturbed me because it was so bad of a pitch," Rogers said.

Rogers was pulled with two runs in and two men on in the sixth. A line drive had grazed off the index finger of his pitching hand, but he said that wasn't why he headed for the showers.

"When you get beat, you've just got to take your lumps," he said.

The loss was the third in four starts for Rogers (11-7), who became a full-time starter last season and tied the AL record with his 11th straight victory since July 6, 1993 with 22 victories.

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Gymnasts earn national titles

Sage gymnastics recently returned from Tumbling and Trampoline National Competition in Nashville, Tenn., bringing home the title of Nationals Champions.

A meet had 770 competitors from around the nation. Sage was represented by 12 Magic Valley athletes, competing in power tumbling, trampoline and double-mini tramp.

The following are highlights of the athlete's accomplishments:

- J.J. Shaver—All gold medals on floor, trampoline, and double-mini; Casey Tindall—gold medals on both floor and double-mini; Lydia Strunk—gold medals on both floor and double-mini; Jessica Miller—fifth place on floor; Adam Potter—silver medal on tramp, bronze on floor, bronze on double-mini; Madison VanWagoner—bronze medal on both floor and double-mini; Ashley Herzinger—fourth place on double-mini, sixth place on floor; Hailey Hartley—14th place on trampoline, 23rd on double-mini; Brinkley VanWagoner—eighth place on advanced double-mini, 20th on floor; Amy Lyngstad—13th place on advanced floor; Rayna Jones and Amy Lyngstad—fourth place team on synchronized trampoline; Danielle West—bronze medal on trampoline.

Sage Gymnastics is the 1993 and 1994 State and Regional Tumbling Championship team.

13-year-old Babe Ruths make state

Two Magic Valley Babe Ruth All Star 14-15-year-old teams, the Twin Falls Nationals and Twin Falls Americans, hosted the District Tournament July 14-17 at Harmon Park.

Seven teams from Twin Falls and eastern Idaho participated in the tournament. The Twin Falls Americans advanced to the State Babe Ruth Tournament in Idaho Falls July 28-31. Twin Falls Americans team members are: Dillon Mayes, Chris Scherbinske, Ryan Wilcox, Nick Naylen, Kelly Webster, Mike Wageman, Eric Studebaker, R.D. Duncan, J.D. Ringenberg, Trevor Scott, Ryan Schiemmerer and Jacob Mabie. Coaches are Bill Studebaker, Dean Mayes and Mike Wageman.

Twin Falls Nationals team members are: Jeff Tewes, Mac Larson, Chad Merritt, Jaren Maughn, Kort Rutherford, William Meyers, Chris Hamman, Andy Pyle, Nick Bullen, Chris Westbrook, Keegan Lenker, John Moser, Brian Hyde, Kirk Blackwood and Troy Cyr. Coaches are Dai Ames, Jim Hyde and Gary Moser.

13-year-old Babe Ruths make state

The Twin Falls 11-12 year old All Star baseball team went 2-2 in the Twin Falls Invitational Tournament.

29 teams from Idaho and Utah came to Twin Falls to play in the three day event. Leading hitters including Mike Anderson, batting .667, Chris Stoker hitting .500, Shawn VanTassel going .444 and Vonnice Lopez batting .429. The Twin Falls team beat the Caldwell Blues 10-0 and Madison 12-0, but lost to Kuna 11-4 and East Boise Pirates 5-4.

In the finals, Farmington, Utah won the 11-12 year-old division and the Madison Americans won the 9-10 year-old division.

Numerous groups vie to be newest owners of Pittsburgh Pirates squad

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Pittsburgh Pirates sought a new owner for months in 1985. The search probably won't be as long or as tortuous this time.

Even before the Pirates announced Wednesday they were for sale, the list of potential new owners had been growing steadily for weeks.

The city has six months to find a buyer and another two months to close the sale before the Pirates could be sold elsewhere and moved. Mayor Tom Murphy is optimistic a buyer committed to keeping the team in Pittsburgh will be found before then.

Unlike 1985, when the late John Galbreath unsuccessfully spent months looking for a bidder, several groups already are lining up.

Larry Lucchino, a partner in the Washington law firm of Williams and Connolly and the former chief executive officer of the Baltimore Orioles, is the clear front-runner.

Not only is Lucchino well-respected in baseball circles for turning the Orioles into one of the majors' most successful franchises, he has long-term ties to Pittsburgh. He is a 1963 graduate of Taylor Allderdice High School.

Lucchino, who netted about \$10 million from the 1993 sale of the Orioles, already has the backing of two significant luxury-tax partners not yet identified, according to sources famil-

iar with his discussions with the Pirates.

He also may get financial backing from KBL, the cable sports channel that owns the Pirates' TV rights, and a private equity group to make a formal offer in the near future.

Lucchino ran the Orioles from 1988 until when owner Peter Angelos assumed Lucchino's title of chief executive officer in 1993. Lucchino declined another position with the Orioles.

"I am exploring some very exciting new possibilities," Lucchino said. Lucchino oversaw the design and construction of Orioles Park at Camden Yards, considered the best of baseball's new "old-style" stadiums.

If he buys the Pirates, Lucchino would likely push Pittsburgh to build a similar baseball-only stadium.

"He's a guy with vision who could be a great owner," said city councilman Bob O'Connor, a former classmate of Lucchino. "And if he ever appears to be the Pirates, his parents would kill him."

John Rigas, 69, the chairman of Adelphia Communications, which operates numerous cable TV franchises in suburban Pittsburgh. He acquired a 34 percent stake of the NHL's Buffalo Sabres in January.

Rigas, who KBL might be interested in joining with Lucchino in a joint bid, if he felt he couldn't successfully

assemble his own group.

Penguins owner Howard Baldwin, whose bid for the team was unanimously rejected by the Pirates' board in late February, Baldwin is still interested, but apparently is less enthused now than other potential buyers have surfaced.

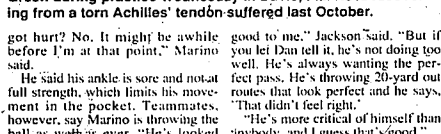
Baldwin's group might have some backing from Pittsburgh-born actor Michael Keaton, the "Batman" star who belongs to a Penguins' advisory board.

James Roddey, a prominent Pittsburgh businessman who once ran the Port Authority Transit. An advertising executive, Roddey is believed to be backed by Fine Host Inc., a Connecticut-based concept and stadium management company, and Alco Parking, which owns Three Rivers Stadium's parking rights.

The KBL Sports Network, a division of Liberty Media, the sports-related arm of cable TV giant TCI Communications. KBL, which owns the Pirates, has been talking to several other potential buyers and more likely will affiliate with the Lucchino group.

Although the Pirates' sale may be negotiated during a potentially lengthy players' strike, Murphy said the sale is expected to be \$85 million, but could be driven higher by multiple bids.

Azinger's return revs up crowd as Buick Open prepares for start



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Another factor Thursday, when top-20 positions will be locked, will be the weather. The National Weather Service was calling for a percent chance of afternoon thunderstorms in the top 20.

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Magic Valley

Around the valley

Many firewood permits invalid due to fires

TWIN FALLS — Firewood cutting permits in many areas of Idaho's forests are no longer valid as officials battle high fire danger conditions.

Permits for gathering wood on lands administered by the Southwest Idaho Area Office and the Payette Area Office of the Idaho Department of Lands, Boise National Forest, Payette National Forest, Southern Idaho Timber Protective Association and Boise Cascade Corp. are no longer valid.

No new permits will be issued, and wood cutting will not be resumed until the risk of wildfire has been reduced significantly, according to the Idaho Department of Lands.

Meanwhile, all new fires reported as a result of Tuesday afternoon thunderstorms in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area and Twin Falls Ranger Districts were declared out or controlled.

Jerome school board postpones meeting next week

JEROME — The Jerome School Board meeting scheduled for next week has been postponed.

The board will next meet Tuesday, Aug. 16, at the Horizon Elementary library, 934 10th Ave. E.

Free wellness screening set for Twin Falls children

TWIN FALLS — Children 5 years old and younger can receive a free wellness screening and immunizations this month.

The screenings are by appointment only and will be given Aug. 15, 17 and 19 at Sawtooth Elementary, 1771 S. Bluff Blvd. Children will receive a complete physical exam, immunizations, plus a blood test to check for hepatitis, diabetes and other diseases, said Linda Widmer, Twin Falls School District Foundation director.

Health professionals also will consult with parents to identify any potential problems and to offer advice on nutrition and other health issues, Widmer said.

To make an appointment, parents should call the South Central District Health Department at 734-5900 by Aug. 12.

The screenings are sponsored by the school district foundation, the district, the health department and the county Head Start program.

The agencies hope to identify children with physical problems that may be cured or mitigated by special services.

Idaho State Bar opens free legal advice telephone line

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho State Bar has set up a free legal advice telephone line that offers basic legal information about a variety of topics.

After wishing to use the system, callers can dial one of the numbers below plus the code number corresponding with the topic. Callers can get advice on topics ranging from annuities to homestead rights to marital separation and are listed with codes at the front of the Regional Directory telephone book.

The Bar also provides a Lawyer Referral Service in which a person can have an initial 30-minute conference with a lawyer for \$20.

Free legal advice lines are 888-4043 or 454-1186.

Twin Falls Municipal Band features Christmas carols

TWIN FALLS — Christmas in August? Sure, if you listen to the Twin Falls Municipal Band in City Park tonight at 8 p.m.

The free concert's program will feature a medley of Christmas carols, LeRoy Anderson's "Sleigh Ride," a medley of other Anderson hits and "Greensleeves."

The band will also play a march written for Twin Falls.

Transportation agency seeks regional advisors

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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Hagerman Mayor Martin resigns — again

The Times-News

HAGERMAN — For the second time this summer, Mayor Jim Martin has decided to resign.

"He's trying again," Martin's daughter, Stephanie, said Wednesday. She said her father had turned in a resignation that morning.

Martin first resigned in May, saying he was unable to reason with local residents. But his resignation was never presented before a full council for action.

Martin said he told City Clerk Mary Moreland Wednesday to give his resignation to the City Council.

The paper has already reported that ways been there, the mayor said, but he had never presented it at a council meeting for action. Martin said that he had wanted to finish up a few loose ends before he left.

Now, he said, the city has good committees working on the budget and on the new water system. Grant money is in place, the city has appointed Steve

'I've done what I set out to do, and now I feel it's time for someone else to take over'

— Hagerman Mayor Jim Martin

City President Amber Arterburn said.

Council members Arterburn, Lyle Cornelison and Connie Brown said they thought the resignation had been withdrawn, but Martin said in June that it will be submitted and could be accepted any time.

Arterburn said Wednesday that a full council is needed to accept the mayor's resignation, and until Gary Tussey was appointed in June, there had not been a full council. Tussey replaced Gary Grissom, who has been ill.

Arterburn said she has called a special meeting at 7:30 p.m. today for the specific purpose of taking action on Martin's resignation.

Feds to ban boating to save salmon

The Associated Press

STANLEY — The U.S. Forest Service will ban boating on a stretch of the Upper Salmon River near Stanley to help protect spawning chinook salmon.

"The extremely low water has created a critical situation for salmon presently pausing up," said Forest Service biologist Jill Dufour.

But outfitters who take clients floating on the 12-mile stretch from Sunbeam Dam to Torrey's Hole say the federal government will put them out of business.

The Forest Service is recommending to the National Marine Fisheries Service, in charge of restoring the river, that commercial boating be temporarily banned.

"Unless we hear back from NMFS, we will be required by law to suspend outfitter and guide special-use permits beginning Aug. 8," said Sawtooth National Recreation Area Ranger Paul Ries. "We're backed up against the wall without many places to turn."

Chinook salmon are listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act. Only 1,000 spring-summer chinook are believed to have made it back to Idaho this year.

Low flows mean boaters and salmon are competing for the same space on the river, in places only six inches deep.

Salmon spawning beds previously worked marked with buoys so boaters could float around the fish. Typically, boaters stuck to the middle of the river and the salmon stayed in the shallows on the sides.

"We felt we had the problem licked until the water levels dropped so much," Ries said. "Our fear is that we are not going to have a logical separation (between boats and fish) this year."

Nobody claims boating is killing fish, but it does disturb spawning. Exhausted from their 900-mile migration past eight hydroelectric dams, the fish are supposed to be protected by law from any more human-caused stress, Forest Service officials say.

"I don't believe our floating has an effect on whether the salmon survive or not," said White Otter Outdoor Adventures outfitter Randy Hess. "When someone tells you that you're out of business, it's a tad bit frustrating."

The 40 licensed outfitters on that stretch serve as many as 10,000 tourists annually, Hess said. Private boaters are asked to observe the same restrictions.

The Forest Service is required by law to implement the closures, Ries said, but the Fisheries Service could choose to overturn the ban.

Hess said all he wants is a chance to plead his case to the Fisheries Service, but so far has had no luck.

"All the Forest Service is doing is following the law," he said. "The frustrating part is that the people who can decide have decided not to meet with us."

Fisheries Service officials could not be reached for comment on Wednesday.

Heavy rains Sunday night caused a mud slide in the Yankee Fork, and the sediment plume entered the Salmon River in the reach proper for the boat ban.

Stanley Ranger Dave Kington said that is further compounding the salmon's efforts to spawn.

"It's running chocolate all the way to East Fork" near Clayton, he said.

Treasured tastes



Larry and Kianna Oswald, along with granddaughter, Shelby, settle in for beef ribs and pizza at the Junior Club's annual Bite of Twin Falls Wednesday in City Park. Some 27 local vendors offered their specialties at the food fair which raised money for four community services.

Gooding School District to push for bond issue for new school

By Terrell Williams
Times-News correspondent

GOODING — Crowded kindergarten classes are held in trailers with no plumbing.

Worn out electrical wiring cannot handle new technology systems. Floors of the 60-year-old middle school have dry rot, old heating systems are inefficient, and State Highway 46 is jammed with traffic waiting for children to cross.

After two years of study of problems and options, a citizens committee and school officials have decided to ask voters to pass a \$6.2 million bond issue Sept. 22 for a new school building.

"It's something that certainly is needed," Superintendent Henry Kilmer said Wednesday. "We need more space."

The proposed bond issue would be for a new joint elementary and middle school for grades K-8. The 90,000-square-foot school would be built on the district's property south of the high school.

Kilmer said parents have long been concerned with the overcrowded classrooms and the increasingly heavy traffic on the highway in front of Fram Middle School and Gibbons Elementary. The 12-acre site

of these two schools is only half the land required by the state for the 800 students enrolled there.

Tax amounts to pay for the bond issue are being figured and should be ready soon, Kilmer said, estimating the cost will be more than \$2 per \$1,000 of assessed market value after homeowner's exemptions. He said the new 20-year bond payments will be offset by the ending of the bond issue passed 10 years ago for the vocational-agriculture building.

Also, he said, because of new state funding, the Gooding district will not have to pass an emergency levy this year as it has for the past two years.

Kilmer said the joint elementary-middle school concept will save the district money by double use of single facilities, including a kitchen, one heating plant, one library and one gymnasium.

Transportation, too, will be consolidated, Kilmer said, and yet the design of the building will maintain a separation of middle school and elementary students.

"It's designed to save money in the long run," he said.

School Board chairman Claire Major

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Mourners plead innocent to charges

By Brad Bowlin
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Five mourners arrested near Shoshone Falls Tuesday after the funeral of a close friend pleaded innocent to misdemeanor charges Wednesday.

Several friends of Terry "Bear" Mangeris, who drowned last week after diving from the rocks above the falls, convened at the site for a post-funeral picnic.

Afterwards, some of them went for a swim in the pools above the cliffs from which Mangeris jumped, even though the area had been posted off limits.

Deputies say members of the group resisted when asked to leave, and a scuffle ensued, resulting in damage to a patrol car and stitches for a female sheriff's deputy.

But the four adults arraigned in 5th District Magistrate Court all pleaded innocent to misdemeanor trespassing and other charges. A 17-year-old female also was charged with trespassing and obstructing officers, but proceedings in her case are not public because the matter is being handled in juvenile court.

All the people involved are from the Coeur d'Alene area.

Teena Marie Graham-Hagdon, 23, denied charges of trespassing, obstructing officers and battery. She was released after posting \$300 bond.

Johna Bennett, Mangeris' 20-year-old girlfriend, was released without bond. She pleaded innocent to trespassing.

Chad Loew, 20, pleaded innocent to trespassing and also was released without bond.

Matthew Levy, 25, was charged with trespassing, obstructing officers and malicious destruction of property. He pleaded innocent and was released after posting \$1,500 bond.

Trial dates have not been set.

ICA backs its leader — a one-time drug dealer

By Frank E. Lockwood
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Idaho Citizens Alliance officials are standing behind their new executive director — despite his conviction for drug trafficking in the early 1980's.

The director, Bill Proctor of Boise, served 16 months in the Idaho State Penitentiary in 1983 and 1984 after pleading guilty to possession and delivery of a controlled substance. Police found two pounds of cocaine and more than \$30,000 in cash when they searched Proctor's residence more than 10 years ago.

Since that time, Proctor has "gone through total reformation," according to ICA chairman Kelly Walton.

"It's a beautiful picture of what can happen to someone who wants to change," Walton said Wednesday. "He's thoroughly competent, and I'm absolutely convinced he's done a 180-degree swing."

God, Proctor says, has transformed his life and has given him a second chance. "I'm not the same person I was 13 years ago," he adds.

Proctor's friends agree. "Richard Froehner, an Ada County deputy sheriff, has known the former drug dealer for 24 years, and he calls Proctor a powerful anti-drug speaker," a "Christian brother" and "a good choice to lead the ICA."

Ed Schmitt, an ex-policeman and a Boise welder, says Proctor is "a different man, a new man. I think the world of him."

Despite these testimonials, revelations about Proctor's past have raised some eyebrows. Brian Bergquist, chairman of The No-On-One Coalition, says he was "surprised" the ICA would select a convicted drug dealer as their primary spokesman. "It's an interesting choice on their part," he added.

ICA officials say they knew about Proctor's criminal record from the very beginning and "counted the costs" before giving him a leadership position.

"I made the call on it," Walton said, defending his pick. He also warned opponents and the media not to do a "hatchet job" on his executive director.

"Committing sodomy is a felony in Idaho. For(gays) to cast stones at something somebody did 13 years ago when they're currently involved in felonious activity is the height of hypocrisy," he added.

Calling the No On One Coalition's new campaign manager, Diane Sands, "an avowed current felon — not 13 years ago, but right now," he said gay rights leaders should refrain from pointing fingers at Proctor.

Wednesday, Bergquist rejected Walton's comparison. "The real big difference is that one person has been convicted and the other person hasn't ... a fine point perhaps, but one that must be appreciated."

"I just think it is fascinating that he thinks what people do in the privacy of their own home is equivalent to being a major drug pusher," Bergquist said.

Wendell police join trend, take psychological tests

By Steve Koehler
Times-News correspondent

WENDELL — The city's new police chief and three officers will take a psychological test to determine their personality profiles.

Mayor Lynn Nelson said officers who have passed the test can help avoid lawsuits against the city, whereas an untested officer can be a liability in cases where conduct is in question.

The tests will be administered at Salt Lake City by Dr. Eric Nielson of Associated Behavioral Consultants, at a cost of \$175 per policeman.

Police Chief Philip Cowell said such testing has become common since the Rodney King beating case in Los Angeles. Such tests are now standard in many police departments. Cowell, who has been in law enforcement 20 years, said he's glad to see the testing.

He has been Wendell's police chief since July 1.

The police department will be practicing "community policing," a new term for an old concept — foot patrols, Cowell said.

Wells, going to get out and meet the community," he said. "An officer will visit with the person watering a lawn if he has time."

In other business the City Council:

- Approved, then rescinded a motion to pay Sonny Henry \$571.50 for damage to a trench containing water that Henry is doing at the Mink construction project on 5th Avenue East. Henry alleged that the city is responsible for the city irrigation water that damaged his work. The matter will be turned over to City Attorney Craig Hobbs.
- Ordered Hobbs to draw a 10-year lease with Danny Lafferty, who wants to install a power magazine on city property south of the waste trans-

fer station. Lafferty said design and construction of the magazine is regulated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and must be approved by Inspector John Hansen from Boise.

The magazine will be a cube, 6 feet on each side with quarter-inch steel on the outside, 7 inches of wood on the inside, and steel hoops over the locks.

- Denied a request from Allen Mayle to vacate a vacant lot at 4th Avenue West between Lewiston and Nampa streets. Mayle wants to build storage units.
- Rehired Oakley Jones and Paulsen CPA of Gooding for \$5,600.
- Heard the results of recent copper and lead tests on city water from waterworks superintendent Claude Strickland that showed no problems.
- Heard a report from Nelson that city canal water was reduced to 80 percent by North Side Canal Company.

Council hires Lawrason as policeman

By Terrell Williams
Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN — A full City Council Tuesday unanimously appointed Steve Lawrason as the new city policeman.

Council President Arterburn said she and the other council members decided that Lawrason was the best of about 15 applicants.

He's familiar with the area. He's been a county officer for 12 years," she said. "His wife does a business here, so we know he'd be here for long term, and his family is in Hagerman also. He's well respected in the

community and we thought he would be the most appropriate choice out of all the candidates.

Mayor Jim Martin, who normally would appoint a city officer, was not present at the council meeting.

Lawrason will replace Chief Curt Kaneaster and deputy Matt Wedderell, who resigned in July.

Lawrason, 47, said his acceptance of the job is tentative, depending on salary.

"They all know me. I've been around a long time," said Lawrason, who was Hagerman's lone officer once before, from 1982 to 1985, "I'm laid

back. I see myself, I try to fix it. I classify something as a people-person."

Lawrason said that as a one-man police force he will need the help of city residents in an active neighborhood watch program.

"People need to be neighborly and be aware of what's going on around them," he said. "One man can't do it all."

Lawrason, who lives in Bliss, said he does not see a problem with living outside of Hagerman, and he is not planning to move to Hagerman at this time.

Arterburn said salary negotiations between Lawrason and the council will begin soon.

Feds reject claim Chinese police will take away guns

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — Federal officials are shaking down a Blackfoot man to claim the Chinese are coming to take away Idahoans' guns.

"This is myth and Pulitzer Prize-winning fiction," said Justice Department spokesman Bert Brandeburg.

They also are firing away at Samuel Sherwood's claim the crime bill in Congress would exempt county militias from federal automatic and semi-automatic weapons restrictions.

"Let's sell all the people who believe that the Brooklyn Bridge," said David L. Tobacco and Firearms spokesman Les Stanford said.

But Sherwood, who is organizing militia chapters in Idaho and four other states, maintains both provisions are in the crime bill.

"Let the people read the bill," he said. "Let the people decide

whether I'm telling the truth."

Sherwood is director of the United States Militia Association, which has organized in about a dozen of Idaho's 44 counties. At a Thursday presentation in Blackfoot, he distributed a leaflet that claimed:

"Bill Clinton is bringing up to 100,000 Hong Kong Chinese (sic) to America to be his federal police. Bill Clinton is planning to seize every gun in America with his Chinese (sic) police. What can you do?"

Ironically, Clinton had little to do with this.

Sen. William Roth, R-Del., asked the crime bill be amended to allow a feasibility study into hiring a handful of Hong Kong police as federal law liaisons to Asian communities. The British colony will revert to the United Kingdom in 1997.

Roth, the ranking member of Sen-

ate's Permanent Committee on Investigations, came away from two years of hearings persuaded the Hong Kong officers could help break through language and cultural barriers to catch Asian drug gangs.

Nothing in the bill which would provide another 100,000 police nationwide would authorize the hiring of any Hong Kong police, said Roth spokeswoman Ginny Coops.

Roth's office as well as Senate Judiciary Committee staffers have dropped the feasibility study was dropped from the bill, which goes to a final vote this week in the House and then to the Senate.

If that is true, critics of the measure can take credit for their diligence, Sherwood said.

Meanwhile Stanford discounted the idea of militia exemptions in federal gun control laws.

Idaho authorities say they know little about Sherwood's movement and have little reason to monitor it.

Obituaries



Sharon E. Myers
SARON E. MYERS, 24, of Jackson, Nev., and formerly of Jerome, died Sunday, July 31, 1994, at her home.

She was born May 27, 1970, in Santa Clara, Calif. Sharon was educated in Nevada and Jerome, graduating from Jerome High School in 1989. She worked at ShopKo, Arctic Circle and recently moved to Jackson where she was employed by Barton's Club 93.

Sharon is survived her parents, Alan and D.J. Myers of Jerome; one brother, Daniel Maguire, of Bakersfield, Calif.; grandparents, Tom and Doris Bourn of Jerome; two paternal aunts, Mary Nance and son, Corey of Morro Bay, Calif.; and Barbara Blonke and son, Jared of Villa Hills, Ky.; four maternal aunts, Pat Klundt and daughters, Heather and Teresa of Twin Falls; Lauri Bourn and sons, Corey and Chad of Idaho; Angela and her daughter, Kylie of Gresham, Ore.; Christine Clark and son, Ryan of Salmon; and Karen Bourn of Reno, Nev.

A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at the Jerome Cemetery with Pastor Robert F. Lucas officiating. Friends may call from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. Friday at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Home.

For obituary rate information, call 733-0931, extension 278

Chapel in Jerome, and may gather at the cemetery shortly before the graveside service.

Angel Maguregui
JEROME — Angel (Angelo) Maguregui, 61, of Jerome, died Wednesday, Aug. 3, 1994, at the West Magic Care Center in Twin Falls.

Angelo was born May 31, 1933, in Arbacuegi, Vizcaya, Spain, the son of Antonio and Francisca Maguregui. Angelo was educated in Spain, before moving to the United States in 1959. He worked as a sheepherder at various ranches during his life. Angelo married Diana Cross in 1969, and three children were born to this union: Perry, Mark and Andrea. Angelo and Diana were divorced in 1980. Angelo most recently worked for Oneida Farms in Jerome.

He is survived by two sons, Perry and Mark Maguregui, and a daughter, Andrea Maguregui, all of Hailey; two brothers, Ramon of Burns, Ore., and Jess of Spain; one sister, Maria, also of Spain; and his dear friends, Lewis and Barbara Oneida of Jerome. He was preceded in death by his parents.

A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, 1994, at the Shoshone Cemetery. Family and friends may call from 10 to 11 p.m. Friday at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Home, or Saturday at Demaray's Bergin Chapel in Shoshone.

Charles R. Allen
GOODING — Charles Rudolph Allen, 85, of Gooding, died Tuesday, Aug. 2, 1994, at his home.

He was born Feb. 5, 1909, in Matheson, Colo., the son of Charles and Pearl Farmer. Allen was raised and educated in Lamar, Colo., moving to Idaho in 1930, where he worked for the Thompson family on their farm in the Gooding City District. He moved to Wendell in 1940, and farmed in

the Clear Lakes District until 1973, when he retired and moved to Gooding.

Survivors include one son, Kevin of Gooding; two daughters, Roberta Mader of Twin Falls and Virginia Allen of Palm Springs, Calif.; two brothers, James of Las Vegas, Nev., and John of California; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by five sisters and two brothers.

A graveside service will be held at 2:30 p.m. Friday at the Jerome Cemetery. Friends may call from 1:30 to 2 p.m. Friday at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome, and may gather at the cemetery shortly before the graveside service.

Herman W. Pelrick
HAGERMAN — Herman W. Pelrick, 74, of Hagerman and a former resident of the Camas Prairie, died of emphysema on Saturday, July 30, 1994, at the Gooding County Memorial Hospital.

Herman was born Aug. 11, 1919, on the Camas Prairie, the son of Herman F. and Beanka Dorset Pelrick. His life's work was raising cattle on the ranch where he was born. He was also a talented carpenter and workman as well.

He is survived by his wife, Irma Pelrick of Hagerman; and one sister, Esther, Lewis of Wellington, Utah, as well as numerous nieces and nephews in that state. His father and mother preceded him in death.

A graveside memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, 1994, at the Hagerman Cemetery. Cremation will precede the service and funeral arrangements are under the direction of Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Suggestive memorials may be made to the Idaho Youth Ranch, 1416 W. Franklin, Boise ID 83702-9945.

Services

Marie M. Cudde, of Twin Falls, 10 a.m. today, White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Velma Elizabeth Litzke, Walter, of Hailey, 11 a.m. today, Hailey LDS Church, (Wood River Funeral Chapel in Hailey).

Darwin R. Glerisch, of Burley, 2 p.m. today, Pella LDS Ward Chapel, 400 S. 160 W. of Burley, (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

James E. Ballard, of Caldwell and formerly of Twin Falls, 2 p.m. today, Dakan Funeral Chapel, 504 S. Kimball Ave., Caldwell. A brief grave side service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Friends in Twin Falls may visit from 7 to 9 p.m. today at Bay Colonial Funeral Home, 2531 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Lyman H. Johnson, of Buhl, 10 a.m. Friday, Church of Christ in Buhl, (Moffett's Memorial Chapel in Buhl).

A. Keith Rhodes, of Hansen, 11:30 a.m. Friday, White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Jesse Kimble McBride, of Twin Falls, 2 p.m. Friday, Twin Falls LDS 6th Ward Chapel, 667 Harrison St. (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Jacob "Jake" Wetsch, of Gooding, 3 p.m. Wednesday, Green Acres Care Center, Gooding, (Demaray's Gooding Chapel).

Edna Fisher — Edna Fisher, 84, of Burley, died Wednesday, Aug. 3, 1994, at the Cassia Memorial Hospital in Burley.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the McCulloch-Huelsen Mortuary in Burley.

John W. Goin — John Waldo Goin, 48, of Burley, died Tuesday, Aug. 2, 1994, at Saint Luke's Regional Medical Center in Boise.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Burley 8th Ward LDS Church, with Bishop Ken Redder officiating. Burial will be at the Marion Cemetery, near Oakley. Friends may call Friday afternoon and evening at the McCulloch-Huelsen Mortuary in Burley and one hour before the funeral on Saturday at the church.

Death notices

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Shauna Ward of Burley; Susan Holman of Malaga; and Donald Rompage of Rupert.

Admitted
Jesse Bauer, Terina Davis, Loren Helgesen and Karlene Stevens, all of Twin Falls; and Iretta Moore of Buhl.

Released
Marjorie Huey and Ben Jacobs, both of Twin Falls; Ronald Giest of Hansen; and Oliver Bubb of Kimberly.

CASSIA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Admitted
Morris Bridges, Antonio Chavez, Bill Cox, Nikki Gray, Betty Knapp, Mattie Miller and Harry Wanke, all of Burley.

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MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

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Troops reach Boise for fire duty

The Associated Press

Hundreds of U.S. Army troops started arriving in Boise Wednesday to provide badly needed support as scorching temperatures and dry lightning threatened to ignite more wildfires.

Planes carrying soldiers from Fort Hood, Texas, began to land at the National Emergency Fire Center in Boise, the country's quartermaster for personnel and supplies.

Meanwhile, cutting away firewood on public land at Boise Cascade Corp. property in southwestern Idaho has been banned until the danger subsides.

About 500 soldiers from the 1st Cavalry Division, as well as a brigade task force of 300, were headed to the stubborn Idaho City complex of fires about 35 miles north of Boise.

Another battalion was expected on Thursday to deploy to Missoula, Mont. on that state's fires.

Cooler weather with higher humidity helped about 1,200 people make it into Idaho.

Fire hoses predicted containment late Wednesday for the largest of the, 2,000-acre Bannock Creek fire near the old mining town of Idaho City. Containment for the others,

including the 1,126-acre Rabbit Creek fire, was slated for Aug. 10, forest spokesman Don Kays said.

"As long as the weather stays the way it is, it doesn't seem to be hampering us," he said.

Kays said the soldiers, trained in firefighting, probably would help crews dig fire lines around the flames.

Fire bosses were worried about the possible return of 100-degree temperatures, lower humidity and dry-lightning storms.

New fire restrictions go into effect on Idaho public lands at midnight Thursday. Current restrictions prohibit fires except in developed camps (propane stoves are excluded) and prohibit most smoking.

The new rules will prohibit, between 1 p.m. and 1 a.m., operation of motorized equipment such as chain saws; the operation of motorized vehicles off designated roads; and blasting, welding or other activities that could spark fires.

Permits for gathering firewood have been suspended on lands administered by the Idaho Department of Lands' Southwest and Payette area offices; the Boise and Payette national forests; Southern Idaho Timber Protective Association; and Boise Cascade.

No more permits will be issued and any existing ones are invalid at midnight on Thursday.

Lightning continued to plague the Payette National Forest to the north. The 50-acre Corral fire, located only seven miles north of the Shoshone Mountain ski resort, was burning in explosive dead spruce and threatened a grazing association cabin.

Ninety 90 firefighters were on the scene. Eight more 20-man crews were ordered along with a management team.

Strikecampers parachuted in to stop three small lightning fires on the Payette forest.

On the Nez Perce National Forest in north-central Idaho—11 blazes of five acres or less burned in the remote backcountry. More than 200 firefighters and five helicopters fought those burns and mopped up areas.

Bureau of Land Management crews contained a range fire in the Arbon Valley on the eastern Idaho's Fort Hall Indian Reservation which had consumed up to 700 acres.

"It was really going fast yesterday afternoon, but the wind changed and pushed it back into the burned area," BLM spokesman Tom Gooch said.

Northern Idaho field burning season starts

POST FALLS (AP) — The clock started ticking on northern Idaho's burning season Wednesday when four grass seed growers set fields ablaze.

Rathdrum Prairie grass seed growers have 13 more days over the next 44 days to burn an estimated 8,500 acres in locations near Post Falls and Coeur d'Alene were torched Wednesday, said Al Haslebach, executive secretary of the Intermountain Grass Growers Association in Spokane, Wash.

Inland Northwest grass seed growers along the Idaho-Washington border, burn harvested fields to clear them from next year's crop and destroy harmful insects and diseases.

Winds blew the smoke northward and growers hoped similar conditions forecast for Thursday would allow them to continue burning their fields, he said.

"Hopefully, we can burn tomorrow," Haslebach said. "We need to get as many burn days in as possible. It will be a much shorter season than last year and probably much shorter than normal."

Terry Christianson, an air quality compliance officer with the Idaho Department of Environmen-

tal Quality, said the region's air quality did not appear to be damaged.

The acreage burned was, so small the smoke apparently did not travel to Sandpoint, a tourist town about 45 miles north that has been socked after some past smoky days.

"There are pretty blue skies today," said Christa Francis, an intern at the Sandpoint Chamber of Commerce. The chamber had fielded no complaints about smoke, she said.

Field burning is anathema to the region's tourism industry, which has sought limits or outright bans on the practice.

An agreement adopted by representatives of the grass seed and tourism industries, as well as local firefighters, calls for burning on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays and Labor Day during the burning season.

The estimated 8,500 acres to be burned this season in northern Idaho is down from last year's 8,300 acres, Haslebach said.

Data for a 16-day burning season for 27,383 acres of grass seed fields in Spokane County in Washington will be set during a meeting Aug. 9.

Dog-saving woman gains fame

MARSING (AP) — A Marsing-area woman who used the Heimlich maneuver to save her dog, Rufus, says the story has gained national attention.

Sonja Weeks, owner of the 100-pound rottweiler-chow, called 911 on July 18 when she discovered the dog was choking.

An emergency medical operator talked Weeks through the Heimlich and she was able to dislodge a bone is the dog's throat.

Reporters from as far away as New York and Chicago have called her for interviews. A crew from the New York-based American Journal television show was expected to visit her home.

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Mini-Cassia

Antique machines dazzle fair crowds

By Virginia S. Garber
Times-News writer

RUPERT — Livestock stalls at the Minidoka County Fair Wednesday swarmed with children putting finishing touches on pampered animals.

But the real action was steam-powered.

Phillip Wolff, 10, was trying to establish a more comfortable friendship with his steer "Goliath." Karl Copeland, 10, was nursing her yearling Holstein "Fuchsia," who suffered from indigestion. Taya Wheeler, 10, and friends teamed up to wash and clip their lambs assembly-line style.

Meanwhile, Bob Bean's 1905 portable steam engine puffed and whirled itself to the center of attention as part of an loud and lively display of antique tractors and engines.

Bean, of Rupert, restored the antique boiler and engine using only original parts and made the "bur mill" to show fairgoers the old-fashioned way to grind corn.

"The first time I started it up, it made the hair stand up on the back of my neck to see it coming to life after 40 or 50 years of being dead," Bean said.

The cord to the boiler's steam whistle proved too great a temptation for many children, and adults and kids alike seemed fascinated by the moving parts exposed in the five-horse power engine.

"It fascinates people, and I have a lot of fun with it," Bean said.

Though Bean's machine was the only steam-powered one at the fair, other collectors from the Idaho Restorers of Nostalgia Club displayed gasoline engines almost a century old.

From his collection of 45 antique machines, John Ledbetter of Kimberly brought a 1909 Fuller Johnson "pump" engine.

McCormick-Deering engine from the 1920s hooked to a corn sheller, a 1930s International powering a 26-inch grindstone and a 1929 John Deere engine pulling a David Bradley "bur mill."

The antique machines sparked endless questions from curious children.

"Most of this generation haven't seen them and are real intrigued," Ledbetter said. "But the ones who are really interested are the old-timers who had them at the farm."

Ray Sager of Burley displayed a brightly painted 1905 kerosene engine from 1915 — when kerosene was 3 cents a gallon.

The machine ran an air compressor in a Nevada mine but now travels to fairs around Idaho in the company of an oak barrel butter churn powered by a Fairbanks-Morris engine and a rare 1912 "hourglass water hopper" from a Nebraska machine shop.

The intricate, colorful designs of Sager's machine earned Steve Dallolio's admiration.

"You've got some beautiful engines. This is impressive," he told Sager. Sager said he tries to restore all his antiques with original factory colors.

Dallolio's sons spent two hours examining the moving parts of two gasoline engines from the 1910s.

"Because they're weird," said Nate Dallolio. "The principles and ideas that make them work are so different from modern technology."

"Because they relate to our most basic inner being," said Brian Dallolio.

Arranged in a line of bright blue, green and red, 15 antique tractors waited silently for Saturday's tractor pull. A 1929 Farmall-Regular held the record for longevity, while a John Deere 60 from the 1950s was the young'un of the line-up.

Arville Hanshaw of Rupert brought two tractors he has owned for a combined 94 years and vowed never to part with.

"I've driven both of them thousands of hours," he used to be my sole method of farming," Hanshaw said. Though the two Farmall-tractors have had an accident, they've never been out of running condition, he said.

And they're only on their second set of back tires, he reported proudly.

An OK corral



Otis Ratley, left, of Burley prepares his fence for a new coat of paint. Also scraping are Ratley's grandson, Butch Jones, sitting, and his son, Verli Jones, both of Stockton, Calif.

Lieutenant governor questions inspections

BOISE (AP) — Republican Lt. Gov. Butch Otter has challenged the authority of armed federal officers to enforce the Endangered Species Act in Idaho, but Democratic Gov. Cecil Andrus dismissed his concerns.

Otter said Wednesday that National Marine Fisheries Service agents, accompanied by an Idaho Department of Fish and Game officer, apparently had guns and used vehicles and helicopters in early June to inspect mining operations and pump sites in Lemhi County.

The lieutenant governor said that, apparently was a violation of the Idaho Constitution's requirement that no "armed forces" be imported to the state without the permission of the Legislature or the executive branch.

Otter said he and GOP Secretary of State Pete Cennamo have been unable to find any constitutional officer of the state that authorized the action. He said he was particularly concerned because the incident apparently occurred while Andrus was out of state and he was acting governor.

Maybe we would have invited them had we recognized the problem they sought to investigate," Otter said. "But I don't want them to get used to doing that in the state of Idaho."

He also disputed an attorney general's office opinion drafted for the Lemhi County Commission that said federal agents — armed or otherwise

— need no state permission to enforce the Endangered Species Act in Idaho.

Deputy Attorney General Clive Strong cited the U.S. Constitution's Supremacy Clause and said enforcing restrictions aimed at protecting salmon are within the authority of Congress to regulate interstate commerce.

Strong also said in the opinion that the Idaho Constitution provision Otter cited, barring armed forces imported "for the suppression of domestic violence," was never intended to include the federal government.

"Our bottom-line position is that we would prefer not to have the federal enforcement, but we have to

respect what the federal laws are and they have the authority to come in and conduct their activities," Strong said Wednesday.

Andrus said he was unaware of the situation until Otter contacted his office Tuesday to ask whether anyone there had given the federal officers permission.

"I don't know whether they were in here legally. I don't have any idea. We don't have any panel at the border that says the feds can't come in, and we've always cooperated with the feds on resource matters," Andrus said. "But it's the political season. They have motives that would be other than whether the feds were in here legally or not."

Briefly in Mini-Cassia

Unlicensed driver hides under bed

BURLEY — A driver with a suspended license led Cassia County sheriff's deputies on a chase Monday that ended at a Burley residence.

Deputy Tony White said he was following a white Cadillac with a faulty muffler, driven by Justin Goodro of Burley, when the car failed to stop at a flashing red light.

Pursued by White, the car reached speeds in excess of 105 miles per hour on Highway 81 until Goodro stopped at a residence.

White said he and four other deputies followed the man into the house and found Goodro hiding under a bed.

When arrested on the charge of felony eluding, Goodro said he was fleeing police because he didn't have a driver's license, White said.

Man faces DUI, drug charges

BURLEY — A Rupert man was arrested Sunday on charges of driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with a suspended license and possession of cocaine.

Cassia County sheriff's Deputy Tony White said he stopped Dustin Loveland for failing to signal a lane change and saw open alcohol containers in his car.

After arresting the man and taking him to the jail, White said he found cocaine in Loveland's wallet.

Loveland's record shows four prior convictions of driving under the influence and three convictions of driving while suspended in the past five years, White said.

Compiled from wire reports

Pilot makes emergency landing at Blaine County airport

A Twin Falls pilot was forced to make an emergency landing at Friedman Memorial Airport in Hailey Wednesday evening but no one was injured.

Mechanical problems forced the pilot, whose name was not released, to make the emergency landing, said Deputy Randy Tremble of the Blaine County Sheriff's office. The Cessna 220 went down at approximately 6 p.m. Wednesday. Tremble said, "He did a good job of avoiding a potential catastrophe," Tremble said. "He didn't even hit an irrigation pipe."

The Blaine County Sheriff's office and Federal Aviation Administration will investigate the incident. No further details were available.

BYU housing owners set to battle ACLU

PROVO, Utah (AP) — Brigham Young University and apartment owners are joining forces to fight an American Civil Liberties Union lawsuit against the school's off-campus housing policy.

"At issue here is one of the most fundamental tenets of LDS religious belief, and we will not yield to its elimination at BYU," said university President Rex Lee.

The lawsuit, filed last Thursday in U.S. District Court, challenges BYU-approved housing, which requires apartment owners to discriminate between students and non-students and to provide separate housing for single male and female students under 25.

The ACLU of Utah claims that the 12 apartment owners named in the suit violate the Fair Housing

Act by dividing apartment buildings into men and women's dwellings or reserving some for married students.

But Lee said it is a policy that Mormon Church-owned BYU will not change.

"Regardless of the outcome of this lawsuit, we assure our students and their parents of one thing: single students at BYU will never be required to occupy the same bedrooms with members of the opposite sex," he said.

Richard Knapp, owner of University Properties, and David Freeman, owner of the Glenwood and Riviera apartments, were chosen as spokesmen for the apartment owners because they account for 75 percent of the apartment units named in the ACLU suit.

"All the landlords feel very supportive of BYU off-campus housing," said Knapp.

BYU offered legal services to the defendants because the suit challenges the school's policy. But the apartment owners chose to retain their own attorney, Richard Flynn of the firm Nielsen and Senter in Salt Lake City.

"We're together enough that we can have one counsel," Knapp said. "We unanimously decided that we wanted one voice."

BYU also chose to intervene in the suit, retaining Anne Q. Wood with Wood, Spindlove & Quinn in Salt Lake City.

"It's an advantage to have two attorneys, they can do twice the research," said BYU spokesman Brent Harter.

Yellowstone bear to be taken to zoo

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — A grizzly bear that had become accustomed to eating human food has been trapped and will be transferred to a Michigan zoo, officials said.

The two-year-old male bear was one of four yearlings orphaned in October 1993 when its mother was shot and killed by an elk hunter. The sow had charged the hunter in the Taylor Fork drainage of the Gallatin National Forest, and the hunter shot in self-defense.

Mormon officials deny meeting with Death Row inmate Wood

POCATELLO (AP) — Mormon officials deny they convened a disciplinary council in the Bannock County Jail to consider confessed killer James Wood's membership in the church.

Tom Rasmussen, public affairs officer for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Pocatello, said the panel met in a bishop's office last year.

"It began with a prayer and ended with a prayer, as is the usual procedure," he said, adding the decision is not divulged to the public. Disciplinary action could involve fellowship or excommunication.

Wood is on Idaho's Death Row for kidnapping and murder of 11-year-old Jennifer Underwood.

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World

Police fire on peaceful protestors, battle violent Nigerian youths

Lagos fired on peaceful protestors and battled violent youths Wednesday as Nigeria's biggest labor group joined a strike aimed at toppling the military junta.

At least five people were killed.

Two marches, which drew a total of 7,000 people, collapsed in chaos when police moved in to break them up. Reporters saw police shoot and kill at least two people.

Three other people died when youths

armed with machetes tried to keep shopowners from doing business in the open markets of central Lagos in defiance of the nationwide strike.

The National Labor Congress instructed the 5 million members of its 41 unions to join a strike by oil workers that began July 4.

Compliance was scattered nationwide but heavy in Lagos, Nigeria's commercial capital, and other areas in the south, the center of anti-government sentiment.

The oil workers walked off the job to

protest the imprisonment of Moshood K.O. Abiola, the apparent victor in the June 1993 presidential election that a previous military government annulled.

Abiola is on trial for treason because he declared himself president on the first anniversary of the vote.

The two major oil unions, in a joint statement released Wednesday, reiterated their stand that the strike will continue until the military steps down.

Crude oil prices remained stable Wednesday after dropping steeply the day

before on reports that Abiola would be freed.

Many people have been staying home in support of the strikes because serious fuel shortages have cut power and crippled public transportation. Others fear the violent gangs of strike enforcers who have tried to keep merchants from operating.

Even civil servants in Lagos stayed home Wednesday, after the ruling junta warned them to go to work in special television and radio broadcasts Tuesday night.

"Any failure to heed this advice will be viewed as a sign of disloyalty to the gov-

ernment and will be handled under existing civil service regulations," Aminu Salah, an official with the junta, warned in the broadcasts.

Government-controlled television and radio also gave wide attention to what they described as pro-government protests against the strike.

Some protesters carried anti-American placards—an apparent reference to an unsuccessful visit last week by the Rev. Jesse Jackson, who came to try to win Abiola's freedom.

'Finely balanced chaos' takes place at Zaire airport

GOMA, Zaire (AP) — There's a finely balanced chaos at the airport, the one-runway epicenter of the massive international aid effort for Rwandan refugees.

Aid flights can wait hours overhead because of broken-down planes below. Once on the ground the piling begins, as thousands of refugees and Zairian locals grab handfuls of whatever cargo they can carry away.

At night, drunken Zairian soldiers play with their automatic weapons, sending American Servicemen scurrying for their flak jackets and no-noise French paratroopers out to restore order.

The airlift of aid to the one million refugees in camps outside Goma has brought 30 to 40 large cargo planes thundering over this once-sleepy lakeside resort every day.

Belgian pilot Rock Demey recalled Wednesday that before the crisis, Goma airport got two or three planes a day.

"Now you've got dozens and dozens of planes fighting for a place," said Demey, who flies for Express Cargo, a private company that specializes in food flights to African trouble spots.

Demey smoked a cigarette, as his plane carrying rice was unloaded by hand.

A few yards away, a battered Dutch DC-8 cargo plane, emptied of medical supplies, was being rocked back and forth by about 100 local men. They were trying to push it backwards, away from Demey's plane, so that it could turn and take off.



Airports typically have equipment to ready planes for flight. Not Goma's. The young men pushed hard on the landing gear but the DC-8 wouldn't budge.

Paul Gilham, air coordinator for the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, readily admits he's not in charge at the airport.

"Authority is split between the airport authorities, the Zairian police, the Zairian military, the civilian companies, the French military, and

all the non-governmental aid agencies," says the Englishman. "There are more than 40 of them of various size and importance. Everything has to be negotiated and renegotiated. It is difficult."

One-minute Gilham is telling the leader of a Swedish delegation here to dig latrines for the refugee camps. "You've got to watch your own stuff. We just haven't got any security to give you."

The next minute he is angrily

shooing away biscuit bandits. "Get out of here! Go on!" he shouted at the sprinting young men, grinning guiltily as they shoved protein biscuits into their mouths and jeans pockets.

Behind Gilham, a second gang is already prying loose another box of Canadian crackers from the charity CARE International. Connected workers smack them with sticks, then pocket some of the food themselves.

"Everybody's contracted workers

Above, members of the U.S. Air Force Civil Engineering team lower generators Wednesday by Humvee to reinstall power to the hotel Milles Collines in central Kigali. The U.S. Embassy in Kigali reopened for the first time since ethnic slaughter and civil war forced most foreigners to leave, nearly four months ago. At left, relief workers load boxes of food from the United Nations High Commission for Refugees onto trucks for distribution.

are breaking into the boxes. It's a problem and it's getting bigger. The Zairian soldiers get into the action," said Air Force Maj. Dennis McEleneey, one of the American logistics experts sent in to get the planes unloaded faster.

At Goma, you can walk straight onto the runway as a plane approaches; as many children do, playing an insane game of chicken with the planes. Anyone can walk right up the stairs to the air traffic control tower.

The airport has a landing strip about 10,000 feet long, able to accommodate even the largest U.S. and Russian-built cargo planes.

Parking's the problem. Planes on the much shorter taxiway sit on

the tarmac almost wingtip to wingtip, like the deck of an aircraft carrier mobilized for war.

British, French and American teams cooperate in unloading planes with three teams of forklift operators. The U.S. also uses hydraulic platforms able to carry out 30 tons of equipment in one go.

But the system is vulnerable. On Sunday, two C-141s had to divert to other east African airports because a World Food Program cargo jet broke down for several hours in the only parking spot big enough for the C-141s.

Even successful landings have their price. The biggest planes, with their immense weight, are pounding the unfamiliar runway to pieces. French

soldiers spend four hours each night mending the tarmac.

Zairian airport authorities, meanwhile, are making a mint from the crisis. Ramaro da Silva, logistics coordinator for the U.N. World Food Program, said officials there were demanding \$1,725 in cash for each landing plane.

"They produce to you straightaway a pile of letters and gazetteed decrees to show that all flights landing in Zaire must pay this amount," da Silva said. "It seems official, but then they do prefer cash."

Capt. David Burgess, a member of the U.S. Air Force logistics team, said the going rate for the American planes was about \$2,000 for a C-141 and \$4,000 for a bigger C-5.

King Hussein circles Jerusalem in plane

JERUSALEM (AP) — King Hussein of Jordan piloted his royal jetliner through Israeli airspace Wednesday, roaring low over Jerusalem's Muslim holy sites to create another first in the Middle East peace process.

Escorted by two Israeli jet fighters, the king spent about 25 minutes over Israel, including five minutes chatting by radio with Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin about peace.

The flight came on a day of accelerating changes in Israel-Jordan relations. Teams from both countries began cutting through the border fence to create a crossing near their southern Red Sea resorts.

And the Israeli parliament, the Knesset, voted 91-3, with two abstentions, to endorse the non-belligerency pact Rabin and Hussein signed in Washington July 25.



While the moves gave Israelis the feeling that peace is at hand, Hussein's actions further alienated many Palestinians who resent his claims to Jerusalem's holy sites.

The flight, much like the parliamentary vote and the fence opening, were largely symbolic gestures, expected to help speed the normalizing of relations.

"It is really grabbing any and every opportunity to maintain the momentum by gestures," said Joseph Alpher, head of the Jaffee Center of Strategic Studies, a Tel Aviv University think tank.

Peace treaty has yet to be negotiated with Jordan, and even more difficult hurdle of Syrian negotiations.

"It is possible to progress in many areas with Jordan," said Parliament member Haim Ramon, an architect of Israel's peace accord with the Palestinians. "But I have doubts that we will come to a full, contractual, separate peace with the Jordanians. I hope we do, but I doubt we will without progressing on the Palestinian and Syrian channels."

When the monarch first entered Israeli airspace around 5:30 p.m.

A Lockheed 1011 Tristar aircraft piloted by Jordanian King Hussein flies by the golden dome of Islam's third holiest place, the Dome of the Rock Mosque, Wednesday in Jerusalem.

At the controls of his Lockheed L-1011 TriStar, Rabin got on the radio to welcome him and tell him about the Parliament vote.

"Your majesty. Welcome to Israel, even though in the air," Rabin said.

The king responded: "Prime Minister, it is wonderful to hear you and I am very, very happy to learn from you of the welcome that the Washington Declaration has received in the Knesset."

Israel closed its airspace to all other flights while the king transited on his way from London to Amman, the Jordanian capital.

The king circled the Temple

mount, which Al-Aqsa Mosque and the Dome of the Rock make the third holiest site in Islam.

Hussein paid about \$10 million to restore the gold covering on the Dome of the Rock earlier this year. Jordan lost east Jerusalem to Israel in the 1967 Middle East war, but still runs the Islamic Trust that manages the sites.

Both Arabs and Jews stopped

and stared as the jetliner, the crown on its tail clearly visible, circled with its escort of two Israeli air force F-15 jet fighters. The Israeli military said the planes flew at 1,000 feet.

"It's unbelievable," said Moshe Vaankin, 39, a real estate agent, "at me waiting to go home and watch it on television, to enjoy it again and again."

"Palestinians were not so enthusiastic."

"This is a farce... He surrendered the land of Palestine to the Jews," said Fatemeh Abdel Ghani, 42, a woman praying on the Temple Mount.

Palestinians are furious that the Jordan-Israel pact reaffirms Jordan's control over the Muslim holy sites of Jerusalem, interpreting that as an Israeli attempt to undermine their claim to the city as the capital of a future Palestinian state.

Speaking to reporters in Amman, Hussein said it was "a very emotional experience" to fly over Jerusalem.

He said he hoped it would lead to a pact on commercial overflights and implicitly criticized the Palestine Liberation Organization for feuding about Jordan's role. He said he would visit Jerusalem whenever he desired, regardless of objections.

"When I decide to go to Jerusalem, I will do that as a Hashemite, a Muslim and a Jordanian, and I will not ask permission from anybody. This is my right," Hussein added.

In the Knesset debate, no one spoke against the Jordan-Israel pact. But opposition leaders said they feared that by giving Jordan a role in supervising the Muslim holy sites, the agreement called into question Israel's hold over the entire city.

Bosnian Serbs denounce international peace plan in harshest terms Wednesday

PALE, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Bosnian Serb leaders denounced an international peace plan in their harshest terms yet Wednesday, defying their patrons in Serbia.

A self-described Bosnian Serb assembly followed the leaders' recommendation and voted unanimously to put the plan before Bosnian Serbs in a referendum Aug. 27-28, a tactic decreed by Serbia as a ruse to buy time.

The assembly had rejected the plan twice before.

U.N. officials, meanwhile, reported a surge in fighting in northern and north-eastern Bosnia and the highest level of cease-fire violations in Sarajevo, the Bosnian capital, since spring.

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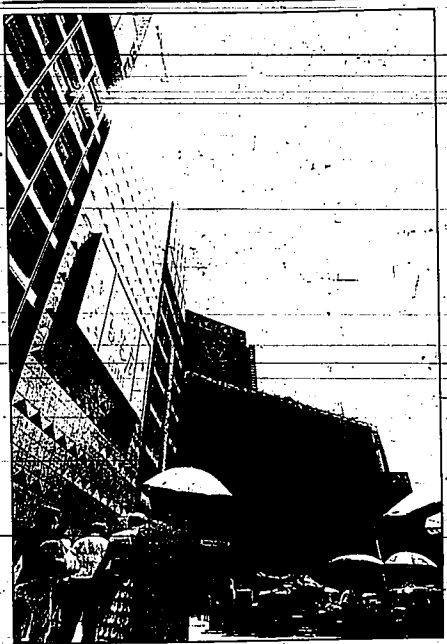
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The glaring summer sun brings the mercury to a record high of 102 degrees in Tokyo on Wednesday.

Record-breaking heat wave dries up Japan

TOKYO (AP) — Hot air under high pressure has been hovering near Japan for a week, drying out farms, killing tens of thousands of chickens and choking off running water.

On Wednesday, it gave Tokyo its hottest day in history.

The mercury topped 102 degrees in the capital city of 8 million, and record heat was expected to envelop the country for at least another week, National Weather Agency officials said. The previous high was 101.3° in 1953.

A week of burning heat has caused water levels in reservoirs to reach dangerously low levels, and the water supply has been reduced in cities fed by 33 of the country's largest dams, another official said.

Rationing was most severe in Takamatsu in Kagawa prefecture, 425 miles southwest of Tokyo, where tap water only ran from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Businesses and residents throughout the country saved water from their dirty dishes and baths to flush toilets.

Japan minister: Tokyo considered nuclear weapons

TOKYO (AP) — Japan's foreign minister acknowledged Wednesday that Tokyo officials once considered making nuclear weapons, a disclosure likely to undermine Japan's repeated assertion that it will never become a nuclear power.

Foreign Minister Yohei Kono made the comments in response to a newspaper report earlier this week concerning a secret 1969 Foreign Ministry document urging that Japan maintain the ability to produce nuclear weapons.

The document was prepared as Japan was deciding whether to sign the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.

At a news conference, Kono acknowledged ministry officials had considered "all policy possibilities" concerning nuclear weapons in 1969, but stressed that Japan then decided to sign the treaty in 1970, pledging not to produce nuclear weapons.

Only a few years ago, suggestions that Japan should have nuclear arms were virtually unthinkable because of the widespread public antipathy toward them because of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945.

Kono's comments are part of increasingly open discussions in Japan about whether it should possess nuclear weapons.

In an interview published Wednesday, the former head of Japan's navy said he believed Japan made a mistake in not developing a nuclear arsenal.

Kazuomi Uehida was quoted as telling the Mainichi newspaper that he spent two years while navy chief of staff in the late 1960s researching possible battle scenarios involving use of nuclear weapons by Japan.

Kono said Japan, as the only nation



Kono

ever attacked by nuclear bombs, would strictly observe the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty and its own pledge to never make, possess or permit nuclear weapons on its territory.

"The nuclear option would only go against the national interests of Japan," Kono said.

He would not describe the contents of the secret ministry document. On Monday, the Mainichi quoted it as saying: "Although Japan does not adopt a policy of possessing nuclear arms for the time being, it should always maintain its economic and technological potential to build them."

A nuclear activist says they believe the government is still trying to keep its nuclear options open.

A year ago, the administration of then-Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa surprised many by hesitating before agreeing to support an open-ended renewal of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.

In June, then-Prime Minister Tsutomu Hata created controversy by saying Japan has the capability to build nuclear weapons, but hasn't made them so far.

There is little doubt about Japan's ability to develop nuclear weapons if it chooses to do so. It has one of the world's most extensive nuclear energy programs, high levels of technology, and large stockpiles of plutonium, a key component of nuclear bombs.



AP photo

Feminist writer Taslima Nasrin leaves a Dhaka courthouse Wednesday after being granted bail which was set at \$125. She had been in hiding since June 4 for insulting Islam.

Fugitive writer appears in court, is freed on bail

DLAKA, Bangladesh (AP) — Thin and unsteady on her feet, a feminist author who has been threatened with death by Islamic fundamentalists emerged from two months in hiding Wednesday to face a charge of insulting Islam.

Accompanied by her lawyer, Dr. Taslima Nasrin appeared in Dhaka High Court dressed in a sari and with her head covered by a scarf, as is worn by traditional Muslim women. She was freed on \$125 bail on a charge of violating a 19th-century law against offending religious sensibilities.

Fundamentalists were enraged when an Indian newspaper quoted Ms. Nasrin, a 32-year-old physician, as saying she wanted the Koran, the Islamic holy book, "thoroughly revised" to protect women's rights.

She has said she was misquoted, but would like to see changes in Islamic laws to protect women's rights.

Like the Iranian death edict against British author Salman Rushdie, Muslim extremists offered a \$5,000 reward for Ms. Nasrin's execution. Authorities followed up June 4 by issuing a warrant for her arrest, which led Ms. Nasrin to go underground. The charge carries a maximum sentence of two years in prison.

Her case provoked almost daily clashes between fundamentalists and her secular defenders.

But her appearance today, which came two days before a deadline set by a judge, caught opponents off guard. No protests occurred outside the courtroom, apparently because the public had not been told about the hearing and even reporters only found out at the last moment.

After the brief hearing, Ms. Nasrin had an emotional reunion with her family at her apartment, which was cordoned by more than 100 uniformed and plain clothes police.

Hugging her mother and crying, she refused to say where she had hid in Bangladesh for two months.

"During these days in hiding I felt I was dying every moment," she said. "I was not allowed to use the telephone and I lived in a dark room. ... It was like living in a jail cell or in exile."

"But I have promised my protection and will never disclose their identity," Ms. Nasrin denied widespread rumors that a Western embassy in Dhaka, the Bangladesh capital, had sheltered her.

Pope sets 1st trip to former Yugoslavia

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John Paul II will make his first visit to the former Yugoslavia next month, stopping in Croatia and Bosnia, the Vatican announced Wednesday.

An advance team was expected in Sarajevo, the Bosnian capital, later this week to study whether the pope's security could be guaranteed.

The pope will visit Zagreb, capital of predominantly Roman Catholic Croatia, on Sept. 11, to mark the 900th anniversary of the archdiocese.

John Paul has long expressed the hope of visiting Sarajevo to pray for peace and reconciliation between Muslim and Orthodox Bosnians.

Authorities in Bosnia-Herzegovina invited the pope last year and the Vatican said John Paul would like to be a "messenger of hope for the martyred population."

The pope had also hoped to visit Belgrade, the Yugoslav capital, but papal spokesman Joaquin Navarro said the Vatican was informed the time "is not yet ripe" for such a visit. There apparently has been resistance from the Orthodox Church, according to sources who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Some Orthodox have accused the Vatican of taking sides in the Yugoslav conflict. Croats are heavily Catholic, Serbs predominantly Orthodox.

Orthodox Serbian leaders didn't attend a night of prayer and fasting for peace in Bosnia organized by John Paul in Assisi, Italy, last year.

Vatican officials have long expressed skepticism about a papal trip to Sarajevo because of doubts the pope's safety could be ensured.

The advance team was unable to fly directly to Sarajevo this week because humanitarian flights from Italy were suspended following a recent resumption of shelling in the Bosnian capital.

The Vatican said the officials now plan to travel first to Zagreb.

Clashes with gunmen kill French in Algiers

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — Three French military guards and two French consular workers were shot dead in clashes with gunmen Wednesday morning, apparently the latest victims of a Muslim insurgency that is targeting foreigners.

The killings, which involved gunmen who tried to plant a car bomb, followed a bloody July in which seven Italian and seven East Europeans were slain.

Algerian security forces said the five were shot in a guarded residential area in southwest Algiers after returning from the French Embassy. A fourth guard was wounded, security officials said on condition of anonymity.

Canada wins dispute; U.S. can't maintain fee

WASHINGTON (AP) — An appeals panel sided with Canada Wednesday in a dispute with the United States over softwood lumber trade, rejecting U.S. claims that an earlier binational panel had a conflict of interest when it struck down U.S. duties on softwood.

The extraordinary challenge committee's ruling means the United States cannot maintain a 6.5 percent import fee on softwood lumber imported from Canada.

The Clinton administration had argued that Canada was engaged in an unfair trading practice by subsidizing its timber industry and flooding the U.S. market with cheaper lumber.

Leaders of the Canadian timber industry hailed the decision Thursday, saying it would result in the return of nearly \$500 million in duties that had been paid to the U.S. government on Canadian lumber exports.

"It has taken nearly three years, but our position has been fully and finally vindicated," said Tom Buell, chairman of the Canadian Forest Industries Council. "We have said from the beginning of this case that Canada does not

subsidize its softwood lumber exports."

Sen. Max Baucus, chairman of a Senate trade subcommittee and a leading advocate of the countervailing duty, said the ruling "calls into question the very efficacy and integrity of the binational panel process."

"Today's decision only further demonstrates the drastic need for a permanent resolution of the softwood lumber dispute between the United States and Canada," said Baucus, D-Mont.

"Until such a solution is reached, the U.S. lumber industry will continue to be seriously injured and unfairly disadvantaged at the hands of Canada's illegal subsidization."

Canada shipped about \$6 billion of lumber to the United States last year. About half of all the lumber produced in Canada ends up in the United States.

Citing unfair subsidies, the U.S. Commerce Department imposed the 6.5 percent import duty more than two years ago. But U.S. efforts to maintain the duty suffered a crippling blow in January when a U.S.-Canadian trade panel tentatively ruled the imports were not harming American manufacturers.

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Yeltsin raises pension payments to elderly

MOSCOW (AP) — President Boris Yeltsin has ordered a 15 percent increase in government pension payments to the elderly.

However, Yeltsin's decree Wednesday sets the new minimum pension at only 21,850 rubles (about \$11) a month, and overrides parliamentary calls for a 40-50 percent increase.

Yeltsin said such a larger increase would be too much for a country trying to reduce its budget deficit.

Retirees and others on fixed incomes have struggled as prices have soared during Russia's attempt to convert to a market economy.

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What's what?

Client writes: "Rocket scientist" has come to mean "genius" in street talk, but I once worked for a rocket scientist who couldn't even figure out how to make a pot of coffee in the morning when I wasn't around to do it for him. Intelligence is relative, isn't it?

The honeybee is totally deaf.

The Last Will and Testament of an Argentine businessman named Juan Fortunato "disclosed" he'd always wanted to be an actor, so he left \$50,000 as a scholarship fund for young actors — on the condition his skull be used as the skull in "Hamlet."

Q: In diamond talk, what's a "point"?

A: A hundredth of a carat. Average diamond is two-fifths of a carat — 40 points.

Those who know the language of Islam say "Kareem" means "generous."

ACROSS

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- 5 Jack in a rhyme
- 10 Terry garment
- 14 Adore
- 15 Underworld god
- 16 Always
- 17 Take — view of
- 18 Toi
- 19 Fastly
- 20 National park name
- 22 Folklore creature
- 24 Sand formation
- 25 Rain
- 26 Sleep
- 29 — away (waste)
- 32 Zodiac sign
- 33 Agitate in a liquid
- 34 — Abner
- 36 Fat
- 37 Stage
- 38 Lose color
- 39 Inhabitants of: Gulf
- 40 "Ethan —"
- 41 Cuban dance
- 42 Region within a region
- 44 Wearing a cowl
- 45 Marathon
- 46 Ground
- 49 Touching
- 50 Got some rest
- 49 Tediou
- 53 Flapping lid
- 54 Liquid
- 55 Traffic sound
- 56 Chicago
- 57 Apple remnants
- 58 Word out of China is antiques there — they have quite a many — already are marketing to collectors the remnants of Mao Tse-tung's regime. Busts, buttons, badges, Red Guard paraphernalia, maybe backer.
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- 60 Lawyer: abbr.
- 61 Constant
- 62 Sign

DOWN

- 1 Murder
- 2 Pothole
- 3 Rara —
- 4 Cured
- 5 Broken-arm support
- 6 Kind of glass
- 7 Rustic
- 8 From — Z
- 9 Fabled racer
- 33 Jostle
- 35 Show the way
- 37 Rehearse
- 38 Walking sound
- 40 Commotion
- 41 Porter of music
- 43 Scary
- 44 Unorthodox belief
- 46 Better
- 47 Opening
- 48 Spoils
- 49 Bakery item
- 50 Muddy ground
- 51 Additional
- 52 And others: abbr.
- 53 Also, neighbor
- 55 Persona — grata

Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

GOLE GAMES POMP
AID ARMA EPEE
SEAR PERIL DEAN
HERMIT STUDENTS
AMUSE TIS
DISCARE DENIST
ORAN PORCH TARD
NUDE ORANGE TARD
SPOGS AGENT REM
ETERNAL TAILLOES
AID METRO
HERITAGE CEASIES
ORAN PORCH TARD
TORE YOGAE HALL
TODD SPEND EKKI

Sydney Omarr Horoscope

IF AUGUST 4 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Many who feel they understand you could be sadly mistaken. You are a bundle of contradictions — domestic yet hungering for changes, for the unknown, family-oriented but constantly in search of adventure. You are an excellent cook, you are sensual, arouse controversy, are provocative, glamorous in a subtle kind of way.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Refine techniques, gain allies among those who don't necessarily agree with everything you do. Focus on partnership, credit in a subtle kind of way.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Emphasis on basic issues, pets, fitness, employment, ability to solve perplexing emotional problem. Be aware of time limitation, accept challenge of added responsibility. Money due!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Long-distance call verifies view, elevates morale, relates to possible journey overseas. Libra moon highlights romance, creativity, variety, children, challenge.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Poise on new opportunity! Darker corners of your life receive benefit of greater light. Value of property confirmed. Take charge, impart style, lead the way.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Intuitive intellect on target — aethereal unorthodox procedures. Relative who "whines" is signaling, "I need your attention and love!" Aquarius, another Leo figure in scenario.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Stress in dividuality, highlight talent relating to voice, drama, music. Financial picture bright, apparent loss will be transformed into profit. Missing ingredient, link will be located.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Cycle high, you move in right direction, goal in sight, new love on horizon. Hold your ground, don't be intimidated by belittling individual. Check property value, hold tight.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Secret message gets into your hands via unorthodox methods. You see and learn what you were not supposed to see — be quiet, discretion is better, proceed with caution.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Accent harmony, diplomacy, purchase gift for loved one — an object, luxury item, tickets to musical concert. Many of your desires fulfilled in "sensational" manner. Libra represented.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Individual who "left town" returns unexpected. Emphasis on self-esteem, career, standing in community. You might hear these words, "I could not bear to stay away!" Places person involved.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You'll be "asked to work overtime." Emphasis on more responsibility, personal deadline, intense controversial relationship. Libra moon highlights education, travel, philosophy.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Check accounting procedures, offer constructive criticism, refuse to be intimidated by those who know price of everything and value of nothing.

For Better or For Worse

Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

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The Family Circus By Bill Keane

Valley life

Furious mom of bride tells off wedding no-show

DEAR ABBY: How rude and ignorant can people be? My daughter was married 10 days ago. Despite the fact that both sets of parents are divorced, everyone got along (as it should be) and had a wonderful time.

My complaint concerns "no-shows" people who RSVP'd in the affirmative and failed to appear. We had the reception at a nice hotel, and limited our guest list to the number of people we could afford to have. We made individual favors for each person, and went to a great deal of trouble and expense to make this day one my daughter and her new husband would remember forever.

Abby, a full one-quarter of the confirmed guests did not show up! Don't people realize that we had to



Dear Abby
Abigail
VanBuren

provide the hotel with a guaranteed number of guests two days before the reception, and had to pay for them regardless? If these people had bothered to call and let us know their plans had changed, we could have saved \$400.

Abby, please tell your readers to seriously consider their plans before responding to an RSVP, and if circumstances change after accepting, to at least give the concerned party the courtesy of a telephone call as soon as possible.

Please use my name. I am so angry with these people, maybe they will see this letter and know how much hurt they have caused by their lack of common courtesy.

ARLENE E. DIFFERING,
SUNMERVILLE, S.C.

DEAR ARLENE: Please be assured that you are speaking for many who have paid a tidy sum for "no-shows." Such insensitivity is inexcusable.

DEAR ABBY: In regard to the letter concerning the wedding, the bride folks took on, and how the bride, or the telephone, may produce that decision:

During a recent visit to the Vatican Museum, our guide informed us that in ancient Rome, the man always slept on the right

side in order to have access to his sword for protecting himself and his family.

So, this is not a "silly" question, nor is the question of why men's and women's clothing buttons on opposite sides. The answer can be found in history, as well.

LESLIE BARNES,
DALLAS

DEAR LESLIE BARNES: Now I am intrigued—Why do men's and women's clothing buttons on opposite sides? Please write again and let me know.

RANDOM THOUGHTS: "Anyone who thinks the way to a man's heart is through his stomach must have flunked anatomy."

—ANONYMOUS, BUT IT SOUNDS LIKE WOODY ALLEN

Kimberly honor roll

KIMBERLY — Kimberly Middle School has announced the second semester honor roll. Students who achieved high grades are listed below.

EIGHTH GRADE

4.0: Ben Aldridge, Kathleen Andrew, Erin Baldwin, Matt Berry, Stephanie Bodden, Beth Brinerley, Chad Conley, Monique Craig, Jodi Eguazura, Eric Fenderson, Heather Fennell, Melissa Flowers, Richard Heath, Jason Hill, Mandy Lords, Rhonda Jeff, Lissy Maier, Charles Mathis, Jason Metts, Megan Moynex, David Moody, D.J. Nielsen, Scott Prew, Sonny Robinson, Brice Rutledge, Nathan Schwabedissen, Sam Summers, Jennifer Wall, Jason E. Watts, Jennifer White and Josh Young.

3.5-4.0: Aaron Evans, Stephanie Lerman, Charley Lindemood, Shelly Draper, Joshua Shobe, Shanna Stines, Lindsay Walker, Kevin Watson, Tiffany L. Coe, Ken Johnson, Stephanie King, Brad Lovelady, Tom O'Dell, Brandon Borkowski, Chad Guggel, Dustin Johnson, Kate Rees, Leslie Enoch, Kevin Moudy, Jennifer Clark, Connie Ledbetter, Danielle Muir, Jake Mulberry and Amanda Reeves.

SEVENTH GRADE

4.0: Justin Adams, Rich Arrossa, Christy Coleman, Dallas Gray, Nikki Higley, Chad Johnson, Amy Klimes, Cliff Huff, Shelly Olsen, Ben Roberts, Matt Shewmaker and Derrick Stark.

3.5-4.0: Lisa Annis, Rebekah N. Campbell, Jared Raley, Derek Molyneux, Melanie Murphy, Nick Powers, Brandon Rosenberg, Lonna

Williams, Kelley Denney, Kara Erickson, Philip Knight, Jill Schanahan, Missy Davis, Jordan Dille, Beth Flowers, Rachel Hunt, Kelly Lyle, Lisa Newberry, Shyra Prudent, Julie Shouse and John Williamson.

3.0-3.5: Steve Meter, Heaven Canoy, Ryan Robinson, Tina Schmidt, Jason K. Berrett, Racie Brookner, Jennifer Brown, Amanda Gunneth, Edgar McClain, Callie McFarland, Kara Wells, Benjamin Dille, Kurt Kaiser, Kathy Peaman and Jamie Turner.

SIXTH GRADE

4.0: Chad Anderson, Jennifer Carter, Almie Clayton, Jenny Dille, Amanda Ginder, Victoria Harris, Melissa Hill, Andi Knight, Sara Lockwood, Megan Mulberry, Jamie Porter, Ali Remaley, Liron Robbins, Matt Robinson and Scott Schneider.

SEVENTH GRADE

3.5-4.0: Ryan Bevan, Melissa Borden, Erin Burbank, Jesse Capps, Maude-Sol Castorena, Albert Christensen, Hollis Crawford, Billy Humphries, Travis Lammers, Christina Lee, Jacob Schwabedissen, Anthony Stevens, Julie Thompson, Michele Kling, Ashley Harris, Brianna Hershman, Austin Jacobs, Brandy Kirsch, Linnie Nelson, Athena Ochsner, Janel Bands, Desera Spencer, Tyson Stapp, Amy Vawser, Robert L. Watts, Chad Allen, Amy Feldhusen, Matthew Kopnydowski, Rick Meade, Jesse Olsen, Ben Stanger, Dustin Wooten, Malinda Burton, Jackie Black, Amanda Brown, Kristy Carter, Casey Gambrell, Jeremy Gibbons, Janice Hansen, Scott Meade, Vanessa Strickler and Josh Summers.

SEVENTH GRADE

3.0-3.5: Tim Cook, Jeremy Etherington, Eva Hudelson, Kaiti Keene, Tara Kulm, Betty Leppert, Christine Larsen, Sol Mejia, J.R. Miller, Magen Nielsen, Kelly Olander, Andrew Ryan, Mike Stoner, Jackie Stredley, Nathan Swainston and Gwen Williams.

SIXTH GRADE

High Honors: Erin Andrews, Brad Barnes, Kule Claman, Adriana DeKlotz, Jesus Juarez, Breah Luehr, Mike Pospischal and Duch Routh.

Honors: Anna Chisholm, Gabe Gaudel, Amy Balliet, Leah Campbell, Tim Chandler, Megan Glines, Amanda Hays, Sam Hechtle, Amaris Hughes, Curtis Jones, Libbie Loughmiller, Erin Miller, Michelle Peterson, Melina Ridley, Raechel Ruiter, Justin Staley and Lacey Wray.

Filer honor roll

FILER — Filer Middle School has released the second semester honor roll. Listed below are the students who achieved high grades.

EIGHTH GRADE

High Honors: Catherine Andrew, Jake Brackett, Bo Chadwick, Dori Chandler, Jenae Fields, Adam Hamman, Logan Hudson, Jenny Jaynes, Anita Lancaster, Joe Loughmiller, Jessie Moore, April Myers, Chad Oman, Krista Ortel and Michael Ward.

Honors: Erika Allen, Hilary Blackwood, Marwan Bowman, Jessica Branch, Joel Cortes, Derek Eccles, Lauraine Edwards, Kristi Gause, Jim Gill, Bandy Glines, Hillari Gomez, Jessica Harbert, Krystal Heaton, Matt Hensley, Uria Holloway, Sharisse Hurdle, Becky Knight, Kim Laning, Tamara Malberg, Matt Maloney, Lindy McLaughlin, Ulysses Mittelstadt, Jose Morquecho, Jessica Nunes, Mary Quinton, Joe Rackham, Erin Tolosh, Kerri Severe, Vye Sutherland, Julie Whitney, Mary Wilkinson and Dallas Williams.

SEVENTH GRADE

High Honors: Daisha Elhrnraut, Dylan Ferguson, Chelsey Fiskler,

Jonathan Greif, Lance Griff, Alisha Kevan, Lisa Kulm, Todd Lanting, Bryan Lawley, Alyson Mai, Kari Miller, Marcel Richards, Rebecca Sztanman and Matt Ward.

Honors: Rebecca Auld, Ryan Bean, Amy Bennett, Melissa Blastock, Amber Brinerley, Sundee Compion, Kallie Conlon, Julie Cowger, Jamie Dionne, Katie Eisenhauer, Kody Henstock, Lindsey Hudson, Carly Hurd, Becky Jones, D.J. Jones, Brian Keene, Tara Kulm, Betty Leppert, Christine Larsen, Sol Mejia, J.R. Miller, Magen Nielsen, Kelly Olander, Andrew Ryan, Mike Stoner, Jackie Stredley, Nathan Swainston and Gwen Williams.

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Murtaugh honor roll

MURTAUGH — The second semester honor roll at the middle school and high school has been announced by the Murtaugh School District. Listed below are the students who achieved high grades.

SENIORS

High Honors: Erin Andersen, Natalie Boisvert, Jessica Stanger and Leslie Rambo.

Honors: Bryan Brown, Janet Farmer, Kirby Necker, Tony Valsholtz and Chris Wright.

JUNIORS

High Honors: Jason Chesley, Nikki Chesley, Wesley Cummins, Robert Johnson, Dustin Moyes and Ben Wardell.

Honors: Debbie Buckley.

SOPHOMORES

High Honors: Lee Andersen, Stacy Egbert, Alish Funk and Eric Hoon.

Honors: Corie Armstrong, Aimee Bland, Todd Brown, Jason Egbert, Michael Funk, Rosalinda Gonzales, Stephanie Gunneth, Kevan Nebeker and Kelly Pynn.

FRESHMEN

High Honors: Brittany McFarland,

Honors: Ross Cameron, Amber Dayley, Brandon Mason, Greg Rambo, Justin Stanger and Curt Wright.

EIGHTH GRADE

High Honors: Lisa Andersen, Holly Heworth and Wendy Humphries.

Honors: Tobee Bell, Ginger Bland, Lance Cummins, Kerena Dye, Josh Funk, Tiganie Gunnell, Regan Pence, Daniel Stanger, Spencer Stanger and Kinda Stasney.

SEVENTH GRADE

High Honors: Micah Adams, Brandon Boun, Mary Chesley, Kyle Funk, Maggie Hopwood, Lindsey Ward and Jonathan Hill.

Honors: Daniel Brown, Cody Mai, Kurt Mason, Rossana Mendez and Cliff Wright.

SIXTH GRADE

High Honors: Levi Perkins.

Honors: Cameron Andersen, April Angiano, Kelley Bigger, Jeremy Cummins, Crystal Heworth, Brooks McFarland, Kenley Nebeker, Casey Pence, Cole Perkins, Jessica Tolman, Jill VanLeuven, Raegen Widmer and Nathan Hill.

Give your kids tools to cope with adversity

Boston Globe

Given the unpredictability of life in the '90s, perhaps the best gift we can offer our children is a tool to cope with adversity.

Some children are born more resilient than others, even within the same family. Researchers say this is not simply a function of personality.

"Resilience is not a fixed trait that a child has or doesn't have," says psychologist Ann Masten, who has been studying resilience in children for 15 years. "You become resilient." It's a process, and it's more about parenting than it is about a child. Parents facilitate it, or don't.

This is good news for our children. In some ways, the world is safer than ever — kids wear bike helmets, don't use seat belts without thinking twice. But in other ways, it is not.

The family down the street is getting a divorce. A classmate's father is out of work. A child is murdered. A teacher kills himself. A schoolmate's brother is shot to death. A local teenager dies in a car wreck on prom night.

"No child growing-up today is sheltered from violence and trauma," says Masten, who is associate director of the Institute of Child Development at the University of Minnesota.

Unfortunately, a child doesn't have to be the victim of trauma to be traumatized — Harvard psychologist Catherine Ayoub says children can be upset simply by witnessing something violent and violence and death are not the only source of trauma. Yale psychologist Suniya Luthar says even the stuff of daily living requires more resilience than ever before.

"Children have more stress day to day," Luthar says. She points to changes in family structure and to the way society in general is pushing kids to grow up faster.

Resilience, then, is a survival skill. "The child who has it has a better chance of growing up to be a mentally healthy adult who can function well in our society," Masten says. From as early as age 2 or 3, you can tell whether a child has tendencies that make her naturally resilient. If she tends to be hopeful, action-oriented, tenacious and have good common sense, she'll probably take adversity stride most of the time. If she tends to be timid, nervous, anxious, easily overwhelmed and easily sidetracked, she may not.

Your help can make the difference for her.

It begins simply enough, by making sure she has a close relationship with you or with some other adult who has an important presence in her life.

Every child needs a loving adult to turn to for help. In process information, to buffer him from stress, to protect him with self-worth," says Masten. "I've never heard of a case where a relationship with an adult was not foremost in a child overcoming adversity."

Second in importance in building resilience is giving your child a sense of control over his life. "You want him to feel from an early age that

life isn't something that overwhelms you," says Ayoub, who is an associate professor at Harvard's Graduate School of Education and works with children who have been traumatized.

The best way to send that message is by teaching your child coping skills. A clinical psychologist, Dorris Tinker labels as a cornerstone of resilience.

"You want to always talk about consequences — 'If you do this, then what will happen?' And if you do that, then what?' — so a child sees there are alternatives, especially alternatives to feeling hopeless or to getting criticized," she says.

Learning to put things in perspective is another skill Tinker says children need. "A 4-year-old can be as upset at losing a favorite pencil as she is at her father's getting into a fight. It is only by our teaching that they learn one event is more significant than the other, and how to cope with both."

In the case of something relatively insignificant, you might say, "I know how much that pencil meant to you. What if you lost that next time? You won't lose it? Keep it in your cubby or your backpack? And you know what? A pencil can be replaced, right?"

In the case of something irreplaceable like a cat, Tinker says you need to cry with your child, help her face the facts, and move on. "It makes me cry, too, that Sandy got killed. We can't replace her, but maybe someday we can have another cat that we'll learn to love."

Just as teaching perspective can increase resilience, Tinker says being overly critical can decrease it. "If every time your child makes a mistake or tries something new you say, 'Why did you do that?' in a critical way, he'll get to the point where all his thinking is focused on second-guessing you about being criticized," she says. Tinker is an associate professor at Penn State University Medical Center.

As parents, we need to value original thinking by saying such things as, "You tried something new and it didn't work, but I'm glad to see your brain was working it, or, 'That turned out to be a good idea, huh? I wonder what you could have done differently that might have helped?'"

Giving control to your child, even to your toddler, is another way to help a child feel she is not powerless. This needs to be done in age-appropriate ways, of course, and it's important to consider your child's temperament in the process.

Ayoub offers two real-life scenarios: "You're in McDonald's with your 11-year-old. He wants more fries, but he won't go to the counter and order them himself. He wants you to go with him."

You're taking your children to a fireworks show. From the moment you arrive, the younger one is anxious about the finale. "When will it happen? How loud will it be?"

In each case, the response that creates a foundation for resilience, according to Ayoub, is one that validates the fears and gives a coping skill. "I know you don't like to do things like this alone. How about if I stand next to you and you order and pay for it?"

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Lockheed-led group wins Energy Department contract

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — A Lockheed-led team Wednesday won a five-year, \$5 billion contract to manage the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory — Idaho's second-largest employer.

"This contract represents a major milestone in DOE's efforts to change the way we do business," Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary said in announcing the selection for the consolidated contract scheduled to start Oct. 1.

"We have selected a strong and diverse team that is well-suited to the scientific, engineering and environmental challenges at the INEL," she said. "Meeting these challenges will push new technologies into the marketplace, create jobs and enhance U.S. competitiveness."

Besides California's Calif.-based Lockheed Corp., which has worked on such pro-

grams as the space shuttle, the F-117 Stealth fighter and Navy ballistic missiles — other members of the Lockheed-led team are Babcock & Wilcox, Idaho, Coleman Research Corp., Wilco Engineering & Services, Numatec, Parsons Environmental Services, Trust International and Thermo Electron Corp.

Gov. Cecil Andrus and all four members of Idaho's congressional delegation praised the selection. Andrus said Lockheed would bring "new blood and enthusiasm to a stagnated operation."

Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, a member of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, said Lockheed's size and national presence makes it "a tremendous partner for Idaho in Washington, D.C., as we work on current projects and seek

future opportunities for Idaho."

Rep. Michael Crapo, R-Idaho, whose district includes the INEL, said the Lockheed team would "bring a new dimension to management at the site. It has a long history of successful partnerships with the government and I am pleased that Idaho will now benefit from that longstanding relationship."

Community leaders in INEL-dependent Idaho Falls, 50 miles east of the site, had a measured response.

"The real impact on the community and on Idaho Falls is not so much who is managing the site for the department, but what the funding is for the various kinds of programs, because that's what keeps people employed — programs, not the contractor," Mayor Linda Milam said.

O'Leary's announcement was broadcast

in Idaho Falls via satellite to the University Place Auditorium and at other locations for the 11,200 INEL employees.

The agency originally planned to announce its choice in June from among Lockheed Idaho Technologies, Gemtec and Idaho Applied Technologies for the contract to operate the eastern Idaho nuclear research and engineering site.

The award was postponed after Lockheed Corp. was indicted for illegal sale of military aircraft to Egypt in 1989. But the Energy Department said its inquiries concluded that the allegation related to two Lockheed subsidiaries not associated with Lockheed Idaho Technologies or its INEL bid.

The Lockheed team will replace EG&G Idaho Inc., the Energy Department's largest

contractor at the site for 18 years. It also will replace Protection Technology, Idaho, Babcock and Wilcox, Idaho; MK Ferguson and Westinghouse Idaho Nuclear Co.

WINCO manages the Idaho Chemical Processing Plant, where it first reprocessed nuclear fuel and now stores and converts waste to powder form.

EG&G Idaho led the Idaho Applied Technologies consortium in this year's bidding. The Gemtec group was led by Westinghouse Electric Corp.

It is the first Energy Department operating contract awarded since the agency reformed its contracting process. O'Leary said the new approach stresses performance incentives, job creation through technology transfer, cost savings, and more effective subcontracting strategies.

Software consultant develops electronic encrypting program

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — To some civil libertarians, Phillip Zimmerman is a hero.

To the government, he is a suspect. To one corporation, he is a danger.

It is possible, in fact, that this self-employed computer software consultant is all these things; on the Information Highway, the distinctions blur. What is clear is that Zimmerman is in trouble.

This is what Zimmerman did: He developed a program — Pretty Good Privacy, or PGP — which encrypts electronic files in a virtually unbreakable code. He gave PGP to a friend. The friend made it available on the worldwide network of computer systems.

As a result, he has been targeted in a federal criminal investigation to determine whether he violated a law prohibiting the export of encryption software. And he has run afoul of RSA Data Security Inc., which owns a patent on the mathematical algorithm used in PGP.

But among civil libertarians, Zimmerman has achieved a kind of cult-hero status in the growing debate over electronic privacy issues.

"Two hundred years ago when they wrote the Constitution, they never thought it was necessary to put a special amendment in the Bill of Rights for the right to have a private conversation. You would just go out behind the barn and talk," Zimmerman said.

But today's eavesdroppers use copper wires and glass fibers carrying our conversations. So, do we want to sacrifice our privacy because of that? Our civil liberties are eroding because of the Information Age. Cryptography will bring them back.

There are hundreds of computer software programs like PGP that encrypt communications. Most are based on a "public-key" technology. Users are given a widely distributed "public key" and one the user keeps confidential. The technology allows a message encoded with a user's public key only to be decoded by the private key.

"Attorneys, financial consultants and others in business use PGP to protect documents and electronic mail. Human rights activists in some Third World countries use it to encode data about government tyranny," said Daniel Salcedo of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.



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But Zimmerman said he has heard of a case in which a man later convicted of child molestation used it to keep some documents secret.

That irks law enforcement authorities, who say encryption prevents police from monitoring illegal activities, from drug networks to terrorism.

One solution to the police dilemma is the Clinton administration's proposed "clipper chip." It would scramble computer or telephone communications, but the government would retain a set of decoding keys to enable court-approved electronic surveillance. Manufacturers would be asked to voluntarily install the chip in their products.

Civil libertarians and most computer industry officials oppose Clinton's proposal, and Vice President Al Gore has indicated that the administration is willing to compromise. Without secure encryption, Zimmerman says, the government could theoretically set up computers to scan networks for subversive words — sort of a high-tech "drift net fishing."

For now, the "clipper chip" is just a proposal. And the federal government is trying to rein in programs like PGP — an effort akin to

picking up a bead of mercury with your bare hands.

In 1993, two years after Zimmerman finished PGP, he was informed of a federal investigation into his transmission overseas, said Boulder attorney Phillip DuBois, who represents Zimmerman.

Federal prosecutors in San Jose, Calif., who are spearheading the probe, declined comment. If Zimmerman were indicted and convicted of the export law violation, he could receive up to 51 months in federal prison.

"We have a situation in which the law has not kept pace with technology," said DuBois. "I personally don't see that Mr. Zimmerman committed any federal, state or any other kind of felony or misdemeanor or anything."

Zimmerman points out that PGP could be legally exported overseas if it were published in a book instead of sent electronically.

"It's like dandelion seeds blowing in the wind; you can't contain biology and you can't contain information," he said.

Zimmerman also has run into problems with RSA Data Security. Zimmerman didn't sell the software initially; he advised users to get a patent license from RSA.

Cleanup plan too expensive

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Republican Sen. Larry Craig says a proposed \$1 billion cleanup of Lake Coeur d'Alene is too expensive.

In letters to Gov. Cecil Andrus, House Speaker Tom Foley, D-Wash., Rep. Larry LaRocco, D-Idaho and Coeur d'Alene Tribe Chairman Ernie Stensgar, Craig urged a cleanup "based on good science and sound economics."

Silver Valley mining companies — which would be on the hook for \$250 million of the cost — agreed with Craig while spokesmen for Foley and Andrus appeared Tuesday to back away from the \$1 billion proposal.

Domestic disturbance leads to explosives, marijuana

KELLOGG (AP) — A domestic disturbance caused some frantic moments for police when they found more than 100 sticks of explosives and a suspected marijuana growing operation.

Shoshone County sheriff's deputies Monday arrested David Christman, 40, on suspicion of growing pot at his Kellogg home. And the Spokane bomb squad spent Tuesday in the Silver Valley disposing of unstable explosives.

Christman and his son, Bill, were bawling at their home on Monday evening, said Deputy Mike Gunderson. The father called police to report his son for battery.

When the sheriff's Bill Christman told them his father had marijuana in his attic, said Deputy

Nelson Morris. Officers said they found harvested pot and grow lamps on the floor.

Gunderson said the elder Christman eventually told them that sticks of a dynamic-like explosive were stashed in a van in the driveway.

"The stuff had been there since 1978," said Danny O'Dell with the Spokane Explosive Disposal Unit. "It had gotten cold and gotten hot and gotten cold and was starting to seep out."

O'Dell said the substance, known as aluminum slurry, is used in mining. Shoshone investigators were unsure where the explosives came from, but a friend of David Christman said the Kellogg man received them as payment for work in Montana.

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Senate subcommittee to meet in Idaho

The Associated Press

Sen. Larry Craig has convinced a Senate subcommittee to meet in Idaho later this month to discuss the deteriorating health of many of the nation's national forests.

The Boise hearing of the five-member Senate Agriculture Subcommittee on Research, Conservation, Forestry and General Legislation is scheduled Aug. 29.

Craig, the panel's ranking

Republican said Tuesday that he plans to work with the subcommittee's chairman — Sen. Thomas Daschle, D-S.D. — to produce comprehensive legislation for introduction later this year or early next year.

"It would combine aspects of existing measures sponsored by Rep. Larry LaRocco, D-Idaho, and Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore."

"Federal inaction in the face of a deteriorating forest health situation

will only add fuel to upcoming fires," Idaho's senior senator said.

"Congress must tackle the forest health emergency with common sense solutions before it's too late."

"This is not an issue solely of trees and timber. The fate of fish, plants, animals, water quality, diversity and other components of the ecosystem will mirror the health of the forest. Further, local economies, recreation and quality of life are affected."

Woman, 82, drowns in boating accident

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — An 82-year-old Ohio woman has drowned in a boating accident on the South Fork of the Snake River.

Lucille Vance of West Jefferson fell out of a rubber raft when it struck some brush about one mile upstream from the Swan Valley bridge Tuesday, according to a Bonneville County sheriff's report.

Two other people were in the raft, one of them Vance's son, who jumped into the water to save her.

Jet skiers pulled her from the water and started resuscitation efforts.

Emergency response crews were not able to revive Vance, who was not wearing a life vest.

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Business

Economy posts moderate gain

The government's main forecasting gauge of economic activity rose moderately in June, while orders to U.S. factories advanced solidly for the fourth straight month.

Meanwhile, the Federal Reserve, in its latest survey of business activity, said Wednesday that there are scattered signs of a slowdown but also possible indications of rising prices.

Analysts said the economy has entered a period of modest expansion marked by slower consumer spending, but with manufacturing continuing to grow at a healthy pace. It is not clear how likely the Federal Reserve is to raise interest rates again, they said.

The Commerce Department said its index of Leading Economic Indicators climbed 0.2 percent in June to an all-time high of 101.5. The index rose 0.1 percent in May after remaining unchanged in April. Previously, the government said the index had been flat in May, but revised the figure upwards due to increased factory orders for consumer goods.

"There was evidence before that the economy may have stalled," said Kermit Baker of Cahners Economics, a Newton, Mass., forecasting firm. "This puts a slightly better spin on the second half of the year than I had been expecting."

"The small rise in the leading indicators is consistent with a slower but steady growth rate in the second half," said Gordon Richards of the National Association of Manufacturers. "Some sectors are still showing robust growth."

The Commerce Department also reported that orders to U.S. factories rose 0.8 percent in June, matching the May increase. Except for declines in construction-related materials and home furnishings, the increase was broad-based and was led by a 12.8 percent surge in orders for medical instruments and navigation equipment.

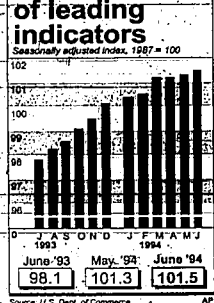
Twin Falls County helps Idaho boost retail sales nearly 50%

BOISE — Idaho's nearly 7,000 retail stores had sales of \$7.7 billion in 1992, up 58 percent since 1987, with Twin Falls County and five other counties accounting for most of it, the Commerce Department says.

That puts Idaho ahead of the national average. The agency said nationwide, retail sales went up an estimated 24 percent over the five-year period. The Census Bureau said Idaho had 6,992 retail stores during the period, with women's accessory and specialty stores the fastest-growing at 58 percent. From 1987-92, sales were up 222 percent.

Other details from the bureau's Census of Retail Trade:

• Grocery stores had the highest sales, \$1.6 billion, up 45 percent from 1987. New car dealers were second, \$1.4 billion. The state had 72,929 full and part-time retail sales employees in mid-March, 1992, up 18 percent from 1987. Camas County was lowest with reported \$1.1 million in retail sales in 1992.



Hecla announces new mine explorations

The exploration of new mineral deposits in the Silver Valley has the mines and labor hoping for even more good news.

Hecla Mining Co. on Tuesday announced it will hire 20 new employees and spend \$4.7 million immediately to explore new silver and lead deposits at its Lucky Friday mine near Mullan.

That could mean as many as 200 new jobs by 1997, if Hecla decides to extract the ore, said Bill Booth, Hecla vice president.

Markets

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Today, his portfolio of funds has many no-load families and is an asset allocation blend that roughly looks like this: 44 percent in taxable money-market funds; 2 percent in domestic stock funds; 1 percent in international and global funds; 8 percent in long-term bonds; 4 percent in short-term bond funds; and 16 percent in cash-bond funds.

So far this year, the total return of Block's portfolio is down about 1 percent. Last year, with his asset allocation about the same, the portfolio's total return was up over 1 percent.

that compares with the Dow Jones industrial average, which is up 13.7 percent for the same period and the S&P-500, which is up 7.06 percent.

"I don't think I'm unusual in the number of funds I own," says Rock, the president of Conference Travel, a full-service destination management company in Sedona.

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'I don't think I'm unusual in the number of funds I own. I think there are a lot of people like me.'

— Steve Block,
Sedona, Ariz.

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But owning four dozen different funds isn't the norm for individual investors. And while there's no absolute number of funds an investor ought to have, money professionals usually suggest the investor keep the number of funds to a minimum, usually from two to 20.

If an individual has \$1 million to invest, we would probably recommend no more than six funds," says Janet Brown, managing editor of the NoLoad Fund newsletter. "With \$100,000, three or four growth funds would be the max."

Brown thinks that there are dangers in owning too many funds, the first of which is manageability. The second, performance fa-

"We think that his (Block's) performance is going to suffer because he is not going to be able to move quickly enough," says Brown, whose newsletter advocates investing in the current top performing funds.

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| 1987 | 800 |
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| 1989 | 1000 |
| 1990 | 1100 |

She added that mutual funds themselves already are diverse investments and that some, owning dozens of funds, probably has an overlap of investments.

"If you look at Morningstar's look at the portfolios of the ent stock funds, you'll find same stocks in a lot of portf she said.

Sheldon Jacobs, editor of No-Load Fund Investor, usually thinks that "less was better" it came to the number of fund investors ought to own, but recently has changed his mind.

"Now, I think more is bet-
the model portfolio in
newsletter, we've got nine
ent funds," he says.

Jacobs notes that it's easy to have the number of funds in your own add up, especially if you're diversifying among fund types.

"You could own a large fund, a small cap fund, a bond fund and a growth fund, and we have even mentioned sector funds."

But, like Brown, he thinks many funds is likely to merge.

Although it's hard to argue the overall performance of Block's mutual-fund investments, both Jacobs and Brown found a number of funds that Block uses "excessively."

"If you had \$2 million million, maybe 20 funds would be nice," Jacobs says.

"But even then a loser is still a loser, and you have to get them out."

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Big business shifts gears on health-care reform issue

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Until Big Business got behind it four years ago, health-care reform was largely a gleam in the eyes of liberal activists and public health advocates.

But now, as lawmakers consider the most sweeping health legislation in a generation, Big Business is in the ranks of the opposition, complaining that the proposals before Congress are not what it had in mind.

"The health-reform process began as an effort to control rising health-care costs and expand insurance coverage," the National Association of Manufacturers said in a letter to House Majority Leader Richard A. Gephardt, D-Mo. But "Capitol Hill is producing the antithesis of reform," wrote the group, whose members once favored health reform by a 3-to-1 margin.

The Business Roundtable, made up of the country's biggest corporations, expressed similar sentiments in a letter to House leaders last week. "Rather than remaining the true in-

the system, this proposal would begin to unravel the fabric of the private health-care network."

How Big Business went from agitating for health reform to agitating against it is a story of tactical miscalculation, ideological rigidity and a reluctance to get behind a credible proposal. While opponents have waged a fierce grass-roots campaign and launched a national advertising blitz to turn opinion against a Clinton-style health-reform plan, Big Business largely relegated itself to the sidelines. "Missing in action," said John Rother, chief lobbyist for the American Association of Retired Persons, which backs a Clinton-style plan.

"Were they idle? No," said House Energy and Commerce Committee Chairman John D. Dingell, D-Mich. "But did they do as much as they should have? Probably not." Dingell was unable to pass a health-care bill in his panel this spring because of intense lobbying by insurers and small businesses.

"How many votes have they turned? Not many," lamented Rep. Fortney "Pete" Stark, D-Calif., chairman of the House Ways and Means subcommittee on health and chief architect of the health plan that has emerged in the House.

To be sure, more than 100 of the country's biggest corporations from Acme Steel Co. to Zenith Electronics Corp. are on record supporting a comprehensive health plan that would limit the nation's health spending and require all employers to provide health insurance to all workers. And at least a dozen coalitions have been formed to lobby for business interests in Washington.

Their interest in health reform goes beyond concern for the plight of the uninsured. By the late 1980s, corporate health costs were rising at the rate of 20 percent a year and labor unions were stubbornly resisting efforts to cut back on benefits.

For big companies — which generally insure their workers — small business was part of the cost problem. A 1991 National

Association of Manufacturers study found that companies that offered health coverage for their workers were paying an extra \$26.5 billion a year to cover spouses working at smaller firms that offered no benefits. On top of that was another \$10.8 billion each year in hospital fees that went indirectly to pay for the "free" care received by the uninsured.

This financial logic led corporate benefits managers to push for comprehensive reform. But in numerous cases, they found themselves overruled by top executives who could not overcome their dislike of government or the Democratic president leading the charge for health-care reform. Support gave way to ambivalence.

In the end, the intensity with which corporate America wanted reform fell far short of the intensity with which the insurance, drug and restaurant industries opposed it.

"For most of these companies, health care is imprudent, but it is not the primary line of business," said Kristin Bass, staff coordinator for the Corporate Health-Care Coalition in

Washington. "They won't go out of business if they don't get what they want."

All of these factors were in play earlier this year when the NAM, the Roundtable and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce retreated from earlier support for government-imposed curbs on spending and a requirement that businesses provide insurance to workers—the so-called employer mandate.

And even those companies that continued to support the mandate found they could not rally behind President Clinton's proposal or any of the congressional alternatives—a failure, according to Chrysler Corp. lobbyist Walter Maher, that made them "non-players" during the congressional deliberations of the spring and early summer.

A few companies, such as Safeway Inc., joined with unions in pressing for an acceptable plan in back-home meetings with lawmakers. But more often than not, Big Business support was limited to writing letters and issuing sets of "principles" on which they thought reform should be based.

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Husband may end up marooned

For years women have waited for their sailors to come home from the sea, gazing at scarlet sunsets as the salty breeze drifts through the air.

These days a new classification of women find themselves waiting on shore for their men. The whitewater-widow generally finds herself sitting on a fishy-smelling river bank, swatting mosquitoes and applying liberal doses of sunscreen.



Cheryl Wiesmore
Whitewater

You see, the float boater has a dilemma: getting his car from the put-in to the take-out. This is appropriately called the shuttle. A wife who is commandeered into driving the car from Point A to Point B is indecorously called the "shuttle bunny."

Men have ingenious methods for convincing their wives into driving the shuttle. It begins with an invitation to go on a float trip. As the day approaches the boater begins to notice bad weather conditions and high river levels prohibiting all but the experts.

Subtly, the boater suggests that the wife might still enjoy a day in the outdoors by providing a much needed shuttle service. You see, shuttle drivers are available for hire in even the most remote regions of river country. But they come at a high price. And anyone who has handed the keys of his precious shuttle buggy to someone overly anxious stranger knows the anxiety that mounts as one rounds the last curve of the river and searches anxiously for his car.

Any boater I know would far rather spend his meager allowance on boating equipment rather than drivers — though at times a desperate boater will offer his wife the shuttle money.

This way he keeps the cash in the family. He knows that any husband worth a grain of salt will later manage to weasel boating gear from his wife's shuttle earnings.

Paddlers have strange ideas about the enjoyment their wives experience playing shuttle bunny. This comes from the fact that few have been behind the wheel, watching as their wives happily float off.

Husbands generally spend the last part of the float trip coming up with something totally inappropriate to say like, "It must be nice to have so much time to sit and read," or "I'll bet you enjoyed the peace and quiet."

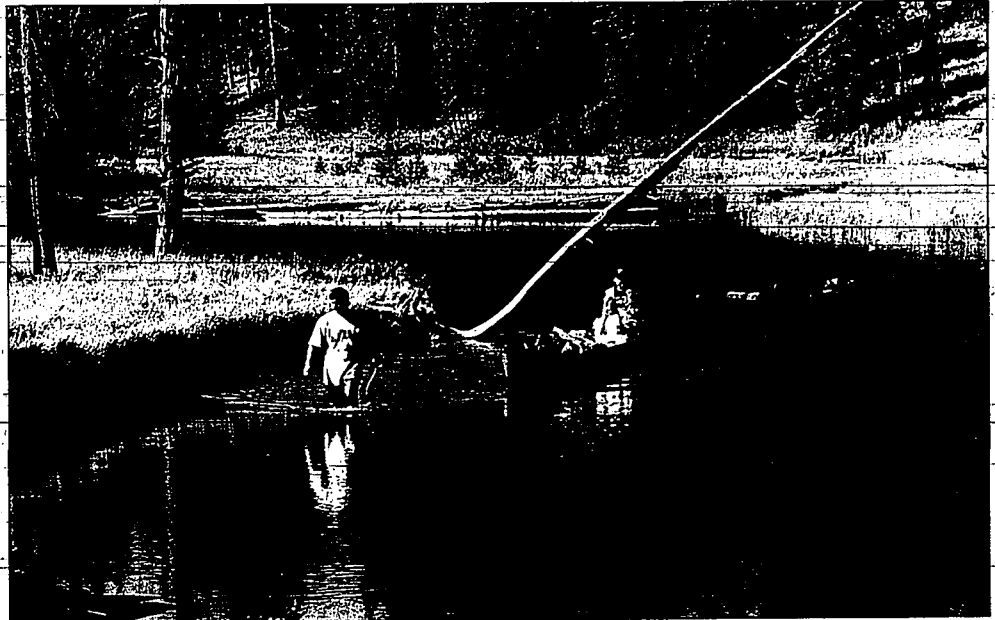
The sailor's wife would stand on her balcony, gazing out to sea, eyes straining to see a ship on the horizon. The shuttle bunny sits in the shade of the largest nearby sagebrush, flipping ants off her pant-legs and watching for snakes. This is usually at the end of a scenic drive that includes fixing flat tires and jump-starting the car.

There are times when the husband might be better off floating right on by. It's time for some equality in this world — women's rights being what they are. This summer I'm going to float some gentle stream while my husband waits patiently on shore.

"I'll drift along with my hand trailing in the cool water, with gentle ripples rocking my canoe. When a rapids that I never bend in the stream, I'm going to see my favorite husband standing on shore, sweat dripping off his forehead and engine grease on his hands.

Ignoring the glazed look in his eyes, I'm going to smile over so sweetly and say, "How's my favorite 'shuttle buddy'?"

Cheryl Wiesmore is married to an avid whitewater canoeist. They live in Kimberly.



David Brock of Portland, Ore., tows a laden canoe up the Lewis River en route to Shoshone Lake. James Brock of Great Falls, Mont., follows.

The other Yellowstone

Weekend get-away into park's back country leaves crowds, RVs behind

By William Brock
Times-News outdoor editor

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK — About 3 million people visit Yellowstone every year, but relatively few find their way into the park's back country.

Maybe that's just as well. Back there, far from the madding crowd, lies the true soul of Yellowstone: vast green forests, bubbling geysers, and wildlife that's never been spooked by a gun.

It's a place for vigilance — lest you become part of the food chain — but it's also a place for relaxation. Yellowstone's back country, far from roads and ringing telephones, offers a glimpse of the world as it used to be.

My brothers and I sojourned there recently — on the shores of Shoshone Lake. We saw evidence of the 1988 wildfires, but most of what we saw underscored the park's health, vigor and vitality: Moose browsed unconcernedly, waterfowl eyed us warily and the flora was as lush as a botanical garden.

Yellowstone is different things to different people, but there's a common theme for all: a deep sense of renewal. Our canoe trip to Shoshone Lake was a tonic to the soul.

Begin at Lewis Lake

The approach to Shoshone Lake is via Lewis Lake, which lies immediately west of the road and a few miles south of Grant Village. Park near the dock area, load your boats and shove off as early as possible.

Lakes in Yellowstone are big, cold and



WILLIAM BROCK/The Times-News

James and John Brock ponder three days in Yellowstone's back country as they slice through glassy water on a recent jaunt to Shoshone Lake.

windy — and capsizing a boat can easily mean death. Ergo, loaded boats have no business making open-water crossings when the wind is up.

A pair of strong paddlers in a loaded canoe can put Lewis Lake behind them in less than an hour. Motorized watercraft are legal

on Lewis Lake, but no mechanized propulsion is allowed on Shoshone Lake or the Lewis River, which connects the two.

At 7,791 feet above sea level, Shoshone Lake is a little higher than Lewis Lake. Canoeists can paddle about halfway up the 3.5-mile Lewis River before the water gets

How to get there

A Shoshone Lake trip is easy to pull off.

Just thunder up to the south entrance of Yellowstone Park (admission: \$10 per carload) and press on to Grant Village. Arrive during business hours and buy a boat registration sticker (\$5 for a seven-day permit); fishing licenses are also \$5 for seven days.

Grant Village is also the place to get a backcountry permit, which includes campsite reservations. Don't try to get by without one, because the backcountry ranger — who will undoubtedly catch you — will be in no mood for excuses.

From a practical standpoint, it's usually best to knock out the paperwork a day before hitting the water; that way, boaters can use the still hours of morning to good effect.

too shallow. At that point, progress is reduced to old-fashioned feet-in-the-water, rope-over-the-shoulder boat dragging.

The drag is a fundamental part of any Shoshone Lake trip, so make the best of it and try to enjoy yourself. At this time of year, the water is surprisingly warm, and fishing waders are optional.

Inches beneath the surface, prominent rocks attest to the passage of countless

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Flying dreams become reality for hang gliders

The Associated Press

GRANTS PASS, Ore. — Russ Camp looks a bit like a large osprey with a helmet and goggles as he perches underneath his hang glider on the edge of Mount Baldy, far above Grants Pass.

Unlike Icarus of Greek mythology, whose wings melted when he flew too close to the sun, Camp eventually will land safely.

But in the moments prior to liftoff, hands sweat and palms itch.

"Clear," Camp says, sensing that the wind is perfect, breaking into a downhill sprint as the two companions steady his glider step back to watch.

The warm air rising in front of Baldy fills his glider, and suddenly Camp lifts off, piercing a panorama of forests, endless horizons and the streets and greenery of Grants Pass, bisected by the shiny swath of the Rogue River.

Soon Camp's bird rises above the horizon and heads for the sun, his craft silhouetted in the evening light.

It is up there with the soaring birds where the members of the Rogue Valley Hang Gliding Association find an inner peace.

"Have you ever had a flying dream? That's what it's really like," said Camp.



AP photo

Hang glider pilot Russ Camp has a bird's-eye view of Grants Pass, Ore., and the surrounding valley during an evening flight last month.

Boating near-misses worry state agency

The Times-News

BOISE — Boating fatalities are down in Idaho, but the number of serious accidents is on the rise and the state Department of Parks and Recreation has issued a special safety alert.

"We're seeing a number of horrifying near-misses due to reckless driving," said Anna Van Buren, of Parks and Recreation's boating safety division.

"Wake jumping" was outlawed by the Idaho Legislature last year, but some operators — particularly jet ski riders — haven't gotten the message.

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boats. The rocks are daubed with a full palette of dull colors, ranging from yellows, reds, and greens, to silver from mineral deposits.

Shortly after the novelty of the drag-wearers off, the view begins to open and it's apparent that something big — a lake, maybe? — lies ahead. After a few more minutes of sloshing, tenacious "boaters" arrive at the southeastern end of Shoshone Lake.

Big fish, big water

Ten miles long and 28 miles around, Shoshone Lake looks bigger than it is because there are no man-made structures on its shores. Instead, the lake is hemmed by a lodgepole pine forest and the vast panorama is comprised entirely of water, trees, and sky.

By North American standards, Shoshone Lake is astoundingly clean and clear. Hand-propelled boats slice cleanly through the glassy water, and the surface waves create spidery pulses of light that creep jerkily across the bottom.

Big trout, timid under the best of circumstances, flee the commotion. As the day wears on, and temperatures rise, gusts of wind begin to ruffle the lake.

Campsites on the southern shore can be reached without straying too far from terra firma, but accommodations on the north shore generally require an open-water crossing.

Shoshone Lake is shaped like an hourglass laid on its side, and the best place to cross is in the middle, at the aptly named "Narrows." From there, hard and focused paddling can deliver boaters to the north shore in about 10 minutes when it's calm.

Cautions: Crossing at the narrows will expose a boat broadside to wind-driven waves, which typically run from west to east. A further caution: Winds in Yellowstone can go from mild to nasty in no time at all; the only warning is a roar in the distance and an advancing front of white-capped waves.

Don't try crossing when the wind is blowing hard; a back-country ranger died July 3 at the narrows after winds and waves knocked his boat over.

He couldn't roll his kayak and the remorselessly cold water sapped his body heat. His death, from hypothermia, should be a sobering lesson to all who follow.

If the wind is too strong for an open-water crossing, stay put and wait it out. Brew some coffee, take a hike, or write a letter. The wind typically falls off in late afternoon, and the final hours before dusk are generally calm and still.

Don't feed the bears

There are 21 campsites on Shoshone Lake, and every one of them has a view that won't quit. The camps are well-spaced and there's plenty of privacy for all.

Little animals, such as ground squirrels, will probably pay a call, but there are some visitors who definitely shouldn't be invited — bears.

Yellowstone's back country is home to a panoply of wild animals, and bears — both black and grizzly — are at the top of the food chain. They are curious animals and have to stay busy to find enough to eat.

Bears also have an acute sense of smell, and they'll zero in on a sloppy camp like ants at a picnic. Once a bear gets into a camp, a certain inevitability — like a Greek tragedy — sets in: Food gets eaten, equipment gets destroyed, and vacations get cut short.

People can get hurt. Bears can get hauled off, or killed, if they become persistent camp robbers.

Bears are big, strong and accusatory to getting what they want. The best way to keep them out of your camp is to keep things meticulously clean.

When you're not eating, hang everything a bear might be interested in — including unopened cans of food and drink, coffee cups-cooking pots, grubby stoves, and greasy clothes — from a rope at least 15 feet off the ground. The Park Service provides "bear hangs," actually poles lashed horizontally between two trees, at all campsites.

Use the bear hangs; you can be cited (\$50 fine and an appearance before the park's federal magistrate) if your camp is too sloppy.

Touch the earth

Don't be afraid in bear country, just be prudent. Begin by leaving

Earth erupts at nearby geyser basin

By William Brock
Times-News writer

No trip to Shoshone Lake is complete without a visit to the geyser basin at the lake's west end.

Visitors can take in the boiling mudpots, hot springs and geysers in a completely wild setting: there are no fences, boardwalks, or "Keep Out" signs to keep the masses at bay.

There's only a trail. It's an elemental, unearthly place where cauldrons boil and bubble, scalding water wells up from the depths, and the chalky earth is smeared with rust-colored streaks.

Some of the vents are 3 feet across, others are 30 feet. Some are round, others are as irregular as a conch shell. Some are blue, green and aqua — the colors of ice. Others are imbued with the gory shades of the setting sun; the interplay of tones is subtle beyond words.

In places, the smell of sulphur hangs heavy in the air, and the ground is warm. The dull roar from bubbling geysers is pierced occasionally by fierce eruptions that spew boiling water high into the air.

Even on 75-degree days, plumes of steam hang in the air.

There's a powerful sense of connection here — where the soul of the earth is laid bare, where the surface is in synch with the center.

Big red dragonflies, eerie in their own right, flit through the scene. Lupine and Indian paintbrush add dapples of color to the green background. Fallen trees, dead and gray as skeletons, are fringed with verdant moss.

The geyser basin lies at an elevation of about 7,800 feet. The thin air, coupled with strong sun, makes hiking deceptively strenuous. Drink plenty of water, stick to the shade and keep a sharp eye peeled for bears.

When approaching thermal features, stay well back from the edge. The earth crumbles abruptly and unwary ogles can tumble in and be boiled alive.

your complacency about survival at home. You can't pack a gun in Yellowstone Park, so pressurized can of pepper spray are the deterrents of choice.

Savor the feeling of not being the biggest, baddest critter in the woods. Sharpen your senses and allow your primal nature come to the fore; sniff the wind, keep an eye open for spoor, and act like a humble explorer — not a brash conqueror. Ponder the same questions of self-preservation that people grappled with thousands of years ago.

That's what "getting back to nature" is all about. A trip to Shoshone Lake is recreation in the truest sense of the word. It's the re-creation of life in the American West — before the West was won.

A few days in the back country will put you in touch with nature's untamed splendor, and bring new perspective to your next Monday morning at the office.



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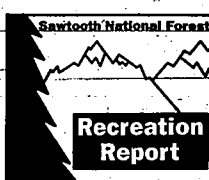
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Special programs: There are several special events being held on the north end of the forest this weekend. The Ketchum Ranger District has a Native American Encampment scheduled for August 4 and 6 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Boundary Campground, one mile east of Sun Valley on Trail Creek Road. The Encampment will feature teepees and Native American Dances.

On the Sawtooth National Recreation Area's 50th Birthday celebration for Smokey Bear will be held at the SNRA headquarters on August 6 from noon to 5 p.m. Another party will be held at the Redfish Lake Visitor Center on August 9 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Activities will include the Smokey Olympics, displays from rural fire departments, Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management fire en-



gines, and of course, Smokey Bear and Woody Owl.

Ongoing Interpretive Programs are being held at the Redfish Lake Visitor Center throughout the summer. A wide variety of subjects will be featured, so call the SNRA headquarters for schedule information.

Fire danger is considered to be

very high with extreme conditions forecast. Stage 1 Fire Restrictions are still in effect. This restricts the use of campfires, including charcoal briquets, outside of designated campgrounds. Smoking is also restricted to a vehicle, campground or a three-foot cleared area. Firefighting resources are in extreme demand, and visitors are asked to keep this in mind when using any type of fire. Take extra precautions to prevent a wildfire.

Campgrounds on all the districts are open. Lake Cleveland Campground on the Burley Ranger District is undergoing reconstruction and will be open only on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, effective August 1.

While construction is taking place, heavy trucks will be on the road and visitors should be cautious.

This road is also very rough due to recent thunderstorms. Not all campgrounds on the forest will have water and campers should check ahead or bringing in their own drinking water. Campfires should be built only in designated fire rings or grills. Campfires are not allowed in dispersed camping sites, which includes areas such as Independence Lakes on the Burley Ranger District, undeveloped overflow camping sites or along trails.

Trails are mostly all maintained. Travel maps are available at any district office or the supervisor's office. When traveling in the wilderness hikers should remember that groups of 10 or more and anyone traveling with stock must have a wilderness permit. Remember, bears are out and a neat, clean site will help ensure your safety.

Flying

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who took up the sport only a few months ago and now is solidly hooked. "I haven't been around it too long, but I still find it an amazing experience."

"It's just a wonderful feeling," said Dean Shostrom. "The first day I had lessons I said, 'That's for me, and I bought a glider.'"

Hang gliders thrive on thermals, the bundles of rising air caused when the ground heats up. On a good day, gliders can fly two or three thousand feet above Baldy, which stands about 2,700 feet above sea level and about 1,700 feet above Grants Pass.

"Right when you're getting ready to take off, if you can look out and see the hawks and buzzards soaring, you know you've got good air," Camp said.

Once in the air, hang gliders steer the craft by simply leaning up, down or sideways.

According to Chuck Knaeve, a glider from Wilderville, the hang-gliding movement got a kick start in the United States when a fellow named Bob Bennett sailed over the Golden Gate Bridge in 1973.

It was a primitive beginning.

"In 1975 I got a new glider that cost only \$400," Knaeve said. "It was just three poles and a sheet."

Today, gliders spend around \$3,000 for their craft, and with a safety parachute, helmet, harness, two-way radio and a special altimeter, the whole package can run around \$5,000.

The danger in hang gliding is actually less than other air sports such as experimental aircraft, general aviation, ballooning and skydiving, according to Hang Glider magazine.

The best safety precaution gliders can take is simply to not fly in rough wind conditions. In high winds, gliders can blow into mountains and be slammed down to the ground upon takeoff.

"One thing I've learned in all the flying is, you don't fly if you don't feel it," said glider Dominic Notter.

"There's wisdom in being cautious."

Elk plan ready for review

The Times-News

RENO, Nev. — The Bureau of Land Management has reviewed its administration of elk habitat in the Wells Resource Area, which is in the eastern half of Elko County, and is holding an open house to discuss the draft land use plan amendment on the subject.

The public open house is set for 7 p.m. on Aug. 18 at the Wells High School auditorium, 115 Lake St., Wells, Nev. BLM and Nevada Department of Wildlife staff will be on hand to respond to public questions. Written comments on the Wells Resource Management Plan Draft Elk Amendment and Environmental Assessment must be submitted to the BLM by Aug. 31.

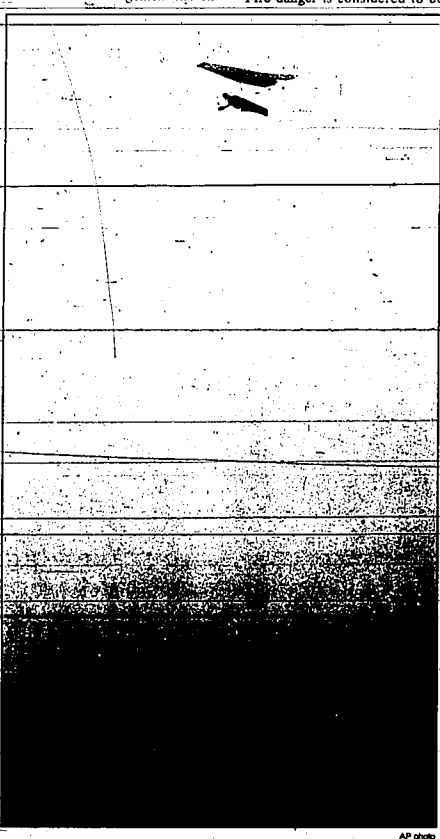
Copies of the documents are available by writing to: Bill Baker, Wells Area Manager, BLM, P.O. Box 831, Elko, NV 89803, or by calling (702) 753-0200.

The number of elk and their habitat areas have expanded in recent years, prompting the BLM to re-evaluate its management of the area. Elk were previously found only in the Pilot Mountains, northwestern Utah and southern Idaho. The documents seek to establish elk habitat requirements, specific management objectives and establish target elk population levels.

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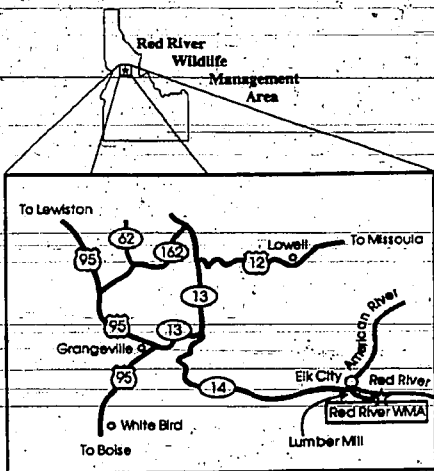
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The Times-News

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In addition to vehicle license plates, sample gift plates may also be purchased. At present, sample plate applications are available at Fish and Game offices and some county assessor's offices. The sample gift plates cost \$30.

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game's Nongame, Endangered and Watchable Wildlife Program receives \$10 from each license plate and \$18 from each sample gift plate. As of May 1994, 4,421 plates have been sold, raising \$44,210.

Fish, Game Department to dedicate wildlife area

The Times-News

ELK CITY — The Idaho Department of Fish and Game's newly acquired Red River Wildlife Management Area will be dedicated this month.

The acquisition follows two years of effort from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Bonneville Power Administration, Trout Unlimited and the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. The Red River WMA comprises a 314-acre meadow reach of Red River near Elk City. The area is home to a host of wildlife, including moose,

elk, deer, black bear, waterfowl, songbirds, salmon and trout.

The long-term objectives for managing the WMA include extensive river and stream habitat, revitalization and development of a conservation education center.

Festivities begin at 3 p.m. on Aug. 13 at the Ranch House (see attached map). The dedication will be followed by a barbecue and a Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation auction.

For more information, contact the Fish and Game office in Lewisville at 799-5101; Tony Kavalok at 842-2300; or Ari Talsma at 466-0204.

Some areas will be closed to vehicles during season

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Sawtooth National Forest has approved a request from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game to close two areas in the South Hills, to motorized vehicles during the two-week antlered deer season in October.

According to District Ranger Don Oman, the two areas are the Fifth Fork of Rock Creek and the Ibox Peak area. The Fifth Fork area, an area approximately 6 miles by 5 miles, generally encompasses the area west of the Rock Creek Highway to the Indian Springs Road. The Ibox Peak area encompasses a roughly 1.5 mile radius around Ibox Peak in the Trapper and Beaverdam Creek drainages in the southeast area of the South Hills.

"The closures for the 1994 hunting season will affect both the regular antlered and last part of antlered deer season in Unit 54 and be in effect from Oct. 12-29," Oman said. "The closures will be re-evaluated yearly to determine if they should be continued, expanded or rescinded."

Existing access points for motorized vehicles will be posted and controlled by Forest Service and Fish and Game officers. By the fall of 1995, gates will probably be installed to allow closure of the

access points during the two-week restriction.

According to Carl Nellis, regional supervisor for the Magic Valley Region of Fish and Game, the request for the closures came from hunters.

"When we developed the 1991-95 Mule-Deer-Management-Plan, we heard from Idaho hunters who wanted increased opportunities to hunt in areas with low hunter densities and improved chances of taking a large buck," Nellis said.

"Hunters in Unit 54, the area in which the motorized restrictions will be implemented, voiced concerns about the indiscriminate use of motorized vehicles, lack of large bucks and hunter congestion in some areas," Nellis said. "This closure will help us meet the growing demand by foot and horseback hunters to have some areas to hunt where vehicles are not present."

Anyone with comments should contact the Twin Falls Ranger District, 2647 Kimberly Road E., Twin Falls, ID 83301, or call 737-3200.

The closures were proposed by the Fish and Game to take effect during the 1993-deer-season. However, since there was not adequate time to notify the public of the closure, the decision was delayed until the 1994 hunting season.

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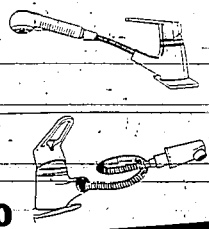
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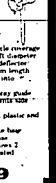


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THE ACES ON BRIDGE

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"I gave myself every chance to be a club player," announced South. "I couldn't make the game the way the cards lay."

Where did he miss the best chance?

Declarer refused West's heart king and took the queen with dummy's ace. He cashed the ace and jack of trumps to lead a low club toward dummy. When West played low, dummy's ace won and another low club brought the queen from East (a well-reasoned play). South won and led a third club, hoping West would win, but it didn't work. East won and shifted to diamonds, and the game went one down.

South tried to find West with Q-3 or J-10-3 in clubs (or even with Q-3 and a good guess). With any of those holdings, West would have been employed and South would not have lost two diamond tricks.

Further, if East had not played the club queen on the second lead, South might have guessed right, ducking the trick to West's jack. South's luck was not great, but he did miss the best chance.

To make the game, South draws trumps after winning dummy's heart ace and cashes his king and ace of clubs. Next, he leads dummy's heart 10 and discards his last club. This fixes West whether or not he holds the third club. If he does and leads it, South ruffs and discards two diamonds on dummy's clubs. In the actual layout, West must lead a red suit, and South enjoys a ruff and sluff for his game-going trick.

NORTH
♠ A Q 10
♥ A 10 3
♦ 7 5
♣ A 7 6 5 4

WEST
♠ 6 3
♥ K Q J 9 8
♦ A J 10 6
♣ J 3

EAST
♠ 4 2 1
♥ 7 5 4
♦ Q 9 4 3 2
♣ Q 10 9

SOUTH
♠ K J 9 8 7 5
♥ 5 2
♦ K 8
♣ K 8 2

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: West

The bidding:
West / North / East / South
1 Pass / 1 Dbl. / 4 Pass / 4 Pass

Opening lead: Heart king

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:
♠ 6 3
♥ K Q J 9 8
♦ A J 10 6
♣ J 3

North
1 NT

ANSWER: Three diamonds. Make the natural bid and leave the rest to partner.

Send bridge questions to The Aces, P.O. Box 12345, Dallas, Texas 75221, with self-addressed, stamped envelope for reply.

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| 1970 | 35 |
| 1980 | 55 |
| 1990 | 75 |

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