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Smaller issues also at center of budget

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Beneath the high-profile fights over Medicare and tax cuts, the massive Republican budget bill is also a battleground for smaller, but no less intense, showdowns over who will shoulder health care costs for thousands of retired coal miners.

The brewing battle pits giants of the coal and steel industries, like Peabody and Pittston, LTV Corp. and U.S. Steel, against each other, and each side has hired top Washington lobbyists to plead its case.

"It's a classic Washington big company-versus-big company fight," said Morrie Feibusch, a spokesman for the Bituminous Coal Operators Association, and just one of many lesser-publicized — but no less contentious — items wrapped into the huge budget-balancing package.

With House and Senate action complete, the focus of lobbyists now shifts to strategies for this week's conference committee, where differences between the two chambers' versions will be worked out, or even beyond, on what will happen after President Clinton vetoes the final product.

The bill going to conference would provide millions of dollars in relief for companies that have quit the coal mining business or no longer have union contracts with coal miners. These "rehab" companies, as they are called, contend they should be relieved of paying health care costs for retired miners.

But that would mean shifting all the costs for 67,000 beneficiaries — an estimated \$60 million a year — onto the shrinking number of companies still in the mining business. Those companies, including Peabody, Westmoreland and Consolidation Coal, have formed an unusual alliance with the United Mine Workers union to oppose the change.

After passing through the House on Thursday, the Senate approved the Republican balanced-budget bill Saturday, 52-47.

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Dial 'E' for expensive

Magic Valley residents want to reach out and touch the rest of the state for toll-free

By Virginia S. Garber
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Diana Pauls' two young children will soon begin attending school in Gooding. And when they're old enough to go home to an empty house, they'll lose a daytime carer with their mother, who works in Twin Falls.



College of Southern Idaho employee Diana Pauls of Gooding says phone calls from her Twin Falls workplace to her children in Gooding are too costly to keep in touch with the kids every day.

A quick call from Gooding to Twin Falls during business hours can cost \$1.50, and that's too much to pay every day, Pauls said. So her children won't be allowed to call her at work when they get home from school.

"Hopefully, they'll be smart enough to call me if something's on fire," she said.

Of the seven women with children who work in Pauls' office — the College of Southern Idaho's Center for New Directions — only one lives in the Twin Falls calling area, she said. That mother's daytime communication with her children is carried in the office, she said.

"We are trying so hard with the bare bones," Pauls said, but it's still hard to keep her family's monthly bill for toll calls within the Magic Valley under \$45.

Some Magic Valley residents are saying "enough."

More than 13,300 have signed petitions requesting that all phone calls within the Magic Valley be toll-free. In September, Jean Duffek and Lee Harper of Jerome delivered the stack of petitions to the Public Utilities Commission, which regulates the state's various utilities monopolies.

Boise's bills

The typical Boise-area caller pays US West less than \$9 a month for in-state long-distance calls. The average resident of Stanley, Shoshone or Dietrich, on the other hand, racks up a monthly toll bill of more than \$26, according to Lynn Anderson, an economist for the PUC.

And yet, Boise-area callers on average pay

To do more

Jean Duffek is collecting letters from people who think that towns around Twin Falls comprise a community of interest justifying a larger local calling area. She will submit them to the Public Utilities Commission. Duffek's address is 640 Davis St. S., Jerome, ID 83338.

just \$2 more per month in basic service rates than callers in Stanley, Shoshone and Dietrich.

PUC commissioners won't take up the Magic Valley local-calling request — or a dozen others sent in from around the state since 1993 — until they decide on statewide criteria for eliminating toll calling, spokesman Gary Richardson said.

"There's certainly a lot of pressure to get it done," Commissioner Ralph Nelson said. He said he doesn't know how soon he and other commissioners will consider the Magic Valley petition, but it will be "hopefully a matter of weeks."

US West is wailing with everyone else for the PUC to decide on the standards for local calling areas, said Public Relations Manager Clint Berry in US West's Boise office.

The company would support an enlarged toll-free calling area for the Magic Valley, with one condition — US West must be reimbursed for lost revenue, most likely through higher basic service rates, Berry said.

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Unlikely alliance works for grizzly reintroduction

The Washington Post

SELWAY-BITTERROOT WILDERNESS — Among the untamed rivers and trackless valleys of central Idaho's forest wilderness, timber workers and environmentalists have, for once, chosen not to do battle over an endangered species. Instead, they have joined forces in the hope of saving the grizzly bear — and the fragile idea that there is room in the woods for both wildlife and men who make their living with chain saws.

In a unique joint venture that began two years ago with a casual conversation in a Denver bar, conservationists and lumbermen are working to restore grizzlies to central Idaho's huge Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness and part of the even larger Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness to the south.

Their proposal, which could be endorsed later this year by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, would give local residents unprecedented authority to manage any bears that move beyond the wilderness recovery zone to adjacent national forest lands open to logging and other commercial uses.

If the project succeeds, and in this manner of convenience that is still a big if — it could have a profound impact on the resolution of other conflicts over endangered species and on the federal government's approach to managing imperiled wildlife.

"There is enough common ground out there that we don't need to be fighting," said Seth Diamond, manager of wildlife programs for the Interior Mountain Forest Industry Association (IFIA), a timber group that on other issues frequently goes to the mat with environmentalists.

"We see the opportunity to create a new model for endangered species conflicts throughout the country. An overall ambitious goal? Considering it is the grizzly, perhaps not. Except for the gray wolf — whose reintroduction last year in central Idaho and Yellowstone National Park came only after a decade of intense conflict — few species ignite more intense emotions, or involve more complex land-use decisions, than grizzlies.

Even swabbers, for all their mythical ferocity, do not get people. Grizzlies sometimes die, and their feral nature reputation explains why so many people in Idaho and Montana do not want to coexist with them: hunting and carrying limbs to home across hours' drive.

The Selway-Bitterroot zone, some 2 million acres of roadless forest, is the heart of a larger, 5,500-square-mile "grizzly reintroduction evaluation zone" snatched from the Selway River to the North Fork of the Clearwater River.

This remote area of Idaho, encompassing wilderness areas closed to motorized access, and other national forest lands open to "multiple use" management, may be pivotal to grizzly survival in the continental United States.

Once numbering 50,000 individuals and ranging from California to the Great Plains and from Canada to Mexico, grizzly bears have been listed as threatened in the United States (except in Alaska) since 1975. Between



This 11-year-old female grizzly came to Seattle's Woodland Zoo after she and her two cubs were deemed 'nuisance bears' and moved from Yellowstone National Park. Many opponents to grizzly relocation worry about the animals having a deadly effect.

800 and 1,000 grizzlies remain in the Lower 48 states, most concentrated in two big blocks of wild habitat: Yellowstone and surrounding national forest lands and Glacier National Park and the nearby Bob Marshall Wilderness.

Historically, grizzlies were common in the Bitterroot Mountains that divide central Idaho from western Montana. But the last grizzly disappeared from this region about 50 years ago.

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Nation



Sens. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., and Don Nickles, R-Okla., joke during taping of NBC's 'Meet the Press' Sunday. The two were on the show to discuss the budget.

Senators: Compromise without White House

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senators should avoid the political sniping between the White House and Congress and open bipartisan talks on how to balance the budget, Senate Budget Committee Chairman Pete Domenici proposed Sunday.

"Pete, I'm willing to deal," responded Sen. Bob Kerrey, D-Nebr., who appeared with the New Mexico Republican on NBC's "Meet the Press."

"Don't negotiate with the president at the moment," Kerry said. "Negotiate with congressional Democrats who have already demonstrated a willingness to vote for the very things you need to occur."

But the senators also made clear they share the same divisions that have led to President Clinton promising to veto the GOP proposal to balance the budget over seven years by reducing the pace of Medicare and Medicaid spending while affecting a \$245 billion tax cut.

Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla., told NBC that the seven-year timetable for balancing the budget was "not really negotiable" and Domenici suggested that the Republicans would give little ground on the tax cut. "We've worked too hard to get here," Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., said it was the Republicans who have stalled budget talks by their intransigence and Kerrey said the GOP budget-balancing plan was "not realistic if you have a tax cut."

The House and Senate last week both passed their huge packages of tax and spending cuts and are to begin talks this week on working out differences.

Clinton says he will veto the bill because of cuts in education and health care, and stressed Saturday that until the Republicans agree to compromise "there is nothing more for us to talk about."

He also vowed in his weekly radio address that he would not give in to Republican "blackmail" to reject any raise in the federal debt limit unless Clinton agrees to their plan.

"If we have serious negotiations going on that look like they are going to lead to a real solution, we might give a temporary debt extension," Nickles said.

"We anxiously await the president coming forth with something real that will get real support," Domenici said.

Kerrey said he wasn't trying to cut the president out by backing Domenici's idea of bipartisan talks, but thought working out an acceptable budget proposal was the job of legislators. "He's given, I think, relatively clear instructions as to what he's willing to support."

Inmates riot at Tennessee prison, demand return to North Carolina

MASON, Tenn. (AP) — More than 100 inmates demanding to be returned home to North Carolina went on a rampage in a private prison, smashing toilets and sinks and knocking a hole in a dormitory wall.

Guards at the West Tennessee Detention Facility ended the riot Saturday night by pumping pepper gas into two dormitories seized by the prisoners. The inmates were moved to the Shelby County jail in Memphis, about 40 miles away.

There were no deaths, injuries or escapes during the two-hour uprising.

Tipton County Sheriff Buddy Lewis said the 111 inmates had been sent to Tennessee by the North Carolina State Department of Correction and complained they were now too far from their families.

"They are very unhappy because they are over here and they want to go back to North Carolina," he said.

"They totally demolished the dormitory areas they were in."

The medium-security prison, which houses 455 state and federal inmates, is a private facility owned by the Nashville-based Corrections Corp. of America.

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Gun found came from Maryland

WASHINGTON (AP) — A weapon recovered near a sniper's ambush at Fort Bragg, N.C., was bought at a Maryland shop that federal and state officials say has provided guns connected with numerous crimes, a government source said Sunday.

A 9 mm Glock pistol found at the scene of the shootings Friday was purchased from the Freestate Arms and Munitions gun shop in Temple Hills, Md., in 1990, said the government source, who spoke on condition of not being further identified.

The name of Army Sgt. William J. Krentzer, 26, of Clinton, Md., is listed as the purchaser of the gun, said the source. Krentzer is the suspect in the shootings that killed one and injured 18 at the Army base.

The owner of the gun shop was arrested Sept. 27 after an investigation by Maryland state police and the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms on charges of having an expired firearms license and selling weapons without having conducted the required background checks.

"Gun traces conducted by ATF agents have found that in the past 18 months, the last recorded point of sale for more than 100 weapons recovered in crimes was the Freestate Arms and Munitions store," said a news release issued Sept. 27 by Maryland Gov. Parris Glendening.

"The crimes include 10 homicides and three assaults, including an assault on a police officer," it said.

The ATF's special agent in charge, Margaret M. Moore, said that "this is a significant case because Freestate Arms is responsible for supplying firearms to criminals. These weapons have been documented through ATF's tracing program to have been recovered in violent crimes in Washington, D.C., and (adjacent) Prince George's County."

State and federal agents arrested Jay F. Brooking, 39, of Silver Spring, Md., and charged him with 10 counts of violating laws regarding the proper sale or transfer of pistols and revolvers.

The store was closed by Maryland authorities because the owner had not renewed his license. Authorities said it had been operating without a Maryland Firearms dealers license since July 1.

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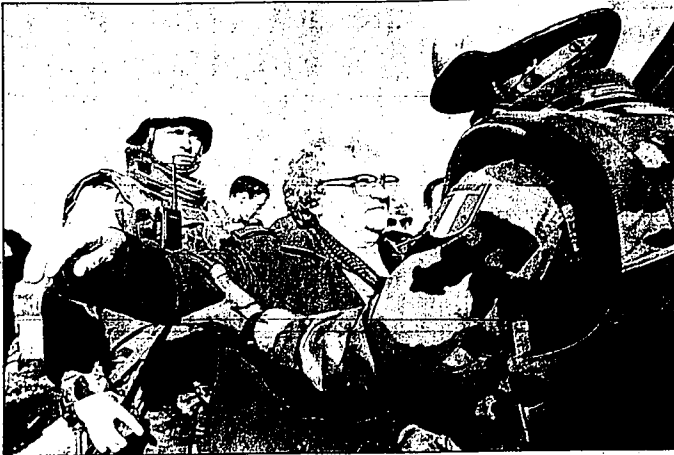
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Nation



A French U.N. peacekeeper searches a bus passenger bound for Kiseljak Sunday. AP photo

With Bosnia talks nearing, mediators try to keep calm

ZAGREB, Croatia (AP) — With crucial peace talks on Bosnia just days away, diplomats struggled Sunday to keep Croats and Serbs from starting a new war over a slice of land in eastern Croatia.

The dispute also was central to Sunday's Croatian parliamentary elections, which were expected to give President Franjo Tudjman a new mandate to continue his tough line against the Serbs.

Talks on returning a piece of Serb-occupied territory to Croatian control broke down Saturday, raising the specter of new warfare that could undermine the peace plan for neighboring Bosnia.

"That's why we're strongly insisting that all parties refrain from use of force," Peter Galbraith, U.S. ambassador to Croatia, said Sunday.

Tudjman repeatedly has threatened to send in the army to take back the territory, known as eastern Slavonia, if negotiations fail.

He already has used military force twice this year to retake other land that had been held by rebel Serbs since Croatia's 1991 war of secession from Yugoslavia.

Galbraith said he hoped the issue could be resolved when the presidents of Croatia, Serbia and Bosnia gather for peace talks that start Wednesday in Dayton, Ohio.

"Although the negotiations are aimed primarily at ending 3 1/2 years of bloodshed in Bosnia, Tudjman has managed to move Croatia's land dispute to center stage.

His threats to retake eastern Slavonia left U.S. and U.N. envoys

with little choice but to include the matter in the Ohio talks.

"It's a difficult road ahead, and we should not have unrealistically high expectations," Galbraith said. "We're concerned that military action could disrupt the peace efforts."

Bosnian Serb leaders expressed hopes for the talks, but warned of new problems. Nikola Koljevic, a senior Bosnian Serb official who will take part in the talks, accused Tudjman of cutting electricity supplies to the Serb stronghold of Banja Luka in northern Bosnia.

Experts predict a big victory by Tudjman's party in Sunday's elections, which he called a year early to exploit the army's recent success in driving Serbs from land they held in southern and western Bosnia.

Tudjman's anti-Serb theme was going over strongly in many areas.

"It is known who we will vote for. They liberated our land," said Dragica Fabijanic, 62, as she waited to vote in Grina, a town retaken from Serb hands this year.

Tudjman's Croatian Democratic Union and a closely allied ultranationalist party aim to win a two-thirds-majority in the parliament — enough to allow them to amend the constitution at will.

Officials in Tudjman's party, which now holds 78 of 138 seats in the current parliament, say they want to strengthen the presidency.

Opponents accuse Tudjman, a former Communist general, of creating a de facto single-party state. The opposition has almost no access to the state television and radio monopoly, which is firmly in Tudjman's control.

Largest U.S. charities see 6.3% boost in donations

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans boosted their donations to the nation's 400 largest charities by 6.3 percent last year, according to a survey that showed the Salvation Army the biggest recipient for a third straight year.

The Chronicle of Philanthropy reported Sunday that the 400 non-profit organizations in its annual survey received \$22.4 billion, or about 51 of every \$6 that were donated to charity nationwide.

The Salvation Army raised \$726 million in 1994 from individuals, businesses and foundations, up from \$683 million a year earlier.

The American Red Cross received \$497 million and remained in second

place for the second year in a row despite a 7 percent drop in donations.

Food Bank, a national network of second harvests, ranked third, with \$425 million. Most of its donations were food and other grocery products.

The Chronicle said Red Cross officials attribute its decline in donations to the lack of any single major, dramatic natural disaster in the last two years to capture public attention.

"Although there have been an unprecedented 15 hurricanes and tropical storms this season... none appears to have pierced the public consciousness enough to stimulate a wave of donations," it said.

Also, the Red Cross this year is experiencing the first budget deficit in its 111-year history. Officials contend the \$60 million imbalance is temporary, the result of a costly restructuring of its biomedical-services division.

The Chronicle said community foundations saw the biggest rise in donations, a 29.2 percent increase. Public affairs groups posted a 14.8 percent gain.

Other increases included museums, 11.2 percent; universities, 10.6 percent; hospitals, 3.2 percent; other health charities, 5.1 percent; public broadcasting, 0.6 percent; and Jewish fund-raising groups, 0.3 percent.

Buchanan warns of GOP war if Powell receives nomination

WASHINGTON (AP) — Retired Gen. Colin Powell will throw the Republican Party into a war for control if he seeks the GOP nomination for president, Pat Buchanan and other prominent conservatives warned Sunday.

In a sign the battle already has begun, conservative William J. Bennett and several moderate Republicans said they hope Powell runs, and believe he can both gain support from conservatives and win the party's appeal.

"Individual conservative Republicans like this man, and they like him for good reason," said Bennett, a former education secretary who has fought recently with fellow conservatives over Powell. Bennett spoke on CBS' "Face the Nation."

But Buchanan, appearing on ABC's "This Week with David Brinkley," warned of a full-scale revolt by Christian conservatives if Powell wins the nomination and tilts the party toward a pro-choice position on abortion.

"You'd have Christian Coalition folks breaking loose, you'd have people walking out of the convention, if Colin Powell tries to impose his agenda," said Buchanan, who is seeking the GOP nomination for the second time.

If the party ends its pro-life, anti-gun control and anti-affirmative action positions, "I will not support that platform," Buchanan insisted, but he stopped short of saying he would bolt the GOP.

Powell, the retired Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman is expected to announce by Thanksgiving whether he plans to join the Republican race.

The GOP front-runner, Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, said conservatives would unite behind him as a single alternative if Powell seeks the GOP nomination.

"My view is that would be helpful to me," Dole said at a campaign stop in Iowa Sunday.

Both moderates and Bennett said they were eager for Powell to more fully explain his positions on abortion, the GOP's "Contract With

America," gun control and affirmative action.

"Because this is worth having a debate," New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani said on the Brinkley program, adding "Colin Powell has a historic opportunity to broaden the base of the Republican Party in many, many ways, and I'd like to see that opportunity taken."

Former President Bush reportedly was touting Powell at a party in Houston last week, although insisting he would not publicly endorse anyone. Newsweek magazine reported in editions appearing on newsstands Monday.

But David Keene, head of the American Conservative Union, said Powell has already made clear his wide divide from conservatives.

"He's described himself as a Rockefeller Republican. He's said that if he gets into it, part of his goal would be to revitalize this position of the party," Keene said on "Face the Nation." "That is the next thing to a declaration of war on the conservative wing of the party."

Columbia warns tires as landing preparation

ASTRONAUTS pointed Columbia's belly toward the sun to start warming up the shuttle tires Sunday in preparation for next weekend's landing.

Because of the way Columbia is flying — with its tail pointed toward Earth — some parts of the shuttle are kept in frigid darkness for long periods.

Flight directors want to be sure the four main landing gear tires maintain proper pressure, so commander Kenneth Bowersox was ordered to turn Columbia's underside toward the sun for eight hours.

The tires are inflated with gaseous nitrogen. When the warm-up period was over, nitrogen pressure had increased from 328 pounds per square inch to 334 psi. Ideal pressure is 330 psi for landing.

Three more tire-warming periods are planned before the shuttle's return to Florida.

Columbia is flying with its tail to the Earth to minimize any necessary jet firings. That could disrupt sensitive experiments, such as testing a boxlike device to detect motion and keep science instruments stable.

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BAKU, Azerbaijan (AP) — Rescue workers recovered about 300 bodies Sunday from the wreckage of a subway that caught fire in the capital, trapping hundreds of terrified passengers. At least 200 others were injured.

Azerbaijan declared two days of mourning for the dead. Officials blamed the tragedy, the world's worst subway accident, on the system's "outdated Soviet" equipment. Unable to escape from the packed cars, most of the people who died were killed by carbon monoxide

poisoning from burning toxic materials in the train carriages, officials said. "As soon as the train entered the tunnel I saw a flash," said Tabii Guseinov, 45, a passenger. "Then the flames enveloped the train car, there was a sound of breaking glass, and the lights went out."

"People started breaking windows to get out. We were starting to suffocate," he said.

The fire broke out between two subway stations in central Baku on Saturday afternoon because of a

malfunction of the train's electrical system, officials said.

Survivors described sparks flying from high-voltage cables just after the train left the busy Ulduz station.

Rescuers battled the blaze until early Sunday, then pulled the injured and the dead, wrapped in rugs and blankets, from the tunnel. Police and security forces sealed off the area, barring journalists.

Authorities initially said only two people had died in the fire, but the death toll climbed steadily overnight as more bodies were found.



U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher, left, and Qatar Energy and Industry Minister Abdulla Bin Hamad Al-Attifayah attend the Middle East and North African Economic Summit in Jordan Sunday.

Secretary of State Christopher calls for lift of Arab boycott

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — The Arab boycott of Israel is hindering the region's economic growth and should be lifted, Secretary of State Warren Christopher said Sunday.

Christopher also said the United States was committed to expanding the peace to include Lebanon and Syria, whose negotiations with Israel have been stalled for months.

"Peace must be comprehensive," he told 2,000 government officials and business executives from 60 countries attending a three-day economic conference at Amman's Palace of Culture.

Christopher is due to leave Monday for Damascus, the Syrian capital, for talks with President Hafez Assad on restarting peace negotiations. But he

said he expected no dramatic breakthroughs.

Christopher stressed that peace and stability were necessary for economic progress in the region.

"For too long, this has been a region of warriors and widows," he said. "It should once again become a region of builders and traders."

The United States has long been opposed to the Arab League boycott, imposed after Israel was established in 1948. It has weakened in recent years, especially since the 1991 peace conference in Madrid, Spain, and subsequent peace agreements Israel has signed with Jordan and the Palestinians.

Christopher said the boycott "maintains walls at a time when negotia-

tions are bringing them down."

"It impedes regional economic integration. The boycott serves no one," he said. "While the boycott is being dismantled and many of the countries here no longer observe it, the moment is right to end the boycott completely."

Christopher also urged the Arabs to start their own economic houses in order by removing restrictions on trade and investment, reforming capital markets, modernizing tax systems and stamping out corruption.

The American delegation to the conference — officially known as the Middle East and North Africa Economic Summit — includes about 175 businessmen and more than 25 government representatives.

Truck bomb kills 6, injures 83 in Algeria

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — A truck bomb exploded east of Algiers on Sunday, killing at least six people, injuring 83 others and destroying a police station and nearby apartment building.

No one immediately claimed responsibility for the attack, but suspicion fell on militants who have been waging an insurgency since January 1992 to topple the military-backed government and install strict Islamic rule.

The station, located 20 yards from the truck bomb, apparently was the

target. The adjacent five-story apartment building that was destroyed was home to many policemen and their families.

The blast left a crater about 20 yards wide and three feet deep, and shattered windows 300 yards away.

Authorities closed off the residential area in downtown Rouiba, 10 miles east of Algiers, and began a massive manhunt in the region for the attackers.

Officials said six people were killed and 83 injured. It wasn't immediately clear whether any of the victims were

policemen or their relatives.

Witnesses said at least 10 of the injured were seriously wounded, including several who had limbs blown off.

No one claimed responsibility for the attack, which occurred just before dawn, right after the end of curfew.

The Armed Islamic Group, the most radical rebel organization fighting Algeria's military-backed regime, has claimed responsibility for some bombings and assassinations in the past and is active in the Rouiba region.

Separatists, federalists make final appeals

MONTREAL (AP) — The two sides in Quebec's bloodless but bitter war of secession made emotional final appeals Sunday to the undecided voters who will cast the crucial ballots in the vote on splitting from Canada.

"We know we have a chance to win — let's grasp it," separatist leader Lucien Bouchard told one of the last rallies before Monday's referendum. "Tomorrow night, a people will be born."

The latest poll, by the Montreal company Leger-Clavier, gave the separatists an edge among undecided voters but concluded, after apportioning the undecideds, that the referendum was a dead heat.

"It's impossible to predict the winning camp," said Jean-Marc Leger, the company's president.

In the city of Hull, at his last rally as head of the federalist cause, Prime Minister Jean Chretien said separation would be a deep loss for all Canadians, including his fellow Quebecers.

"Canada without Quebec is no longer Canada," Chretien said. "Quebec without Canada is no longer Quebec."

The flag-waving crowd sang the national anthem, "O Canada" — the French version and English version resounding simultaneously through a music-filled auditorium.

About 5 million people in the mostly French-speaking province are

eligible to vote, including roughly 10 percent who said they hadn't made up their minds as of last week. Election officials predict an exceptionally high turnout.

The separatists and federalists each said they were mobilizing more than 80,000 volunteers to help maximize the turnout of sympathetic voters.

"It's urgent," Bouchard told supporters. "Everyone must use the hours that are left to convince one or two undecided voters."

Police also were mobilizing, particularly in bilingual Montreal and in Hull, in western Quebec across the Ottawa River from Ontario.

"In this case, to be honest, we are a bit more touchy because it's more emotional than an election," said Hull police officer Yves Martel.

Montreal riot police were on standby. Following a 1980 independence referendum, defeated separatists marched through the wealthy anglophone enclave of Westmount, a bastion of federalists.

About 82 percent of Quebecers are French-speaking and a majority are likely to support independence, according to polls. But an overwhelming majority of English-speaking and immigrant Quebecers are expected to vote to stay in Canada.

Polling stations open at 10 a.m. EST and close at 8 p.m. EST. The outcome is expected to be known within an hour or two unless it is a virtual tie.

Islamic Jihad vows to avenge leader's death

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — Members of the Islamic Jihad pledged Sunday to avenge the assassination of their leader by attacking Israeli targets around the world.

The group confirmed in a leaflet Sunday that a man shot five times in the head Thursday in Malta was its leader, Dr. Fathi Shakaki, and not a Libyan businessman as local police had said.

The leaflet, distributed in the Gaza Strip, said Shakaki "fell by treacherous Zionist bullets."

"We assure the assassins of the Zionist entity ... that this ugly crime will make every Zionist on the face of the earth a target for our painful strike," the leaflet said.

An Islamic Jihad statement in Syria blamed Israel's intelligence agency, Mossad, for the killing.

Israeli experts said the group, which has fewer than 300 hardcore followers in Lebanon and a similar number of guerrillas in the Gaza Strip, is highly centralized and will be hard hit by the assassination.

"Every action was under the control of Shakaki, who was the commander, the trainer and also the man who raised money for the organization," said Gideon Ezra, a former top official in Israel's Shin Bet security service.

Islamic Jihad, which means "the way" in Arabic, opposes the Israel-PLO peace process and has claimed responsibility for killing dozens of Israelis since September 1993, when Israel and the PLO signed a peace accord. The most recent attack was in April suicide bombing that killed seven Israeli soldiers and an American student in the Gaza Strip.

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Troops advance; 70 reported dead

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AP) — Thousands of Sri Lankan troops advanced on the rebel stronghold of Jaffna city Sunday, and at least 30 soldiers and 40 guerrillas were killed in fierce fighting, the military said.

Heavy civilian casualties were also feared as the military offensive to capture Jaffna entered its 13th day. The advancing columns were five miles from the city.

More than 300,000 civilians fled their homes as the military shelled the area, a Catholic priest in the war zone said Sunday.

Priests accused the army of bulldozing houses and fields in newly captured areas, and urged diplomats and human rights groups to pressure the government to halt the offensive. "The bombing is so bad that children cry and scream when they hear the sound of a warplane approaching," said Christopher Jayakumar, president of the Justice and Peace Commission of the Jesuit diocese.

At least 40 civilians had been killed in the first week of fighting, he told reporters after traveling to the capital, Colombo, to meet diplomats.

Troops resumed their advance at dawn and stiff resistance was encountered, with well-fortified trenches and mine fields near Neerveli, a military statement said of Sunday's fighting. Neerveli is five miles from Jaffna.

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By Molly Ivins



GOP takes on dreaded AmeriCorps

If there were a government program that comes in under budget, pays off a better than 2-to-1 what we spend on it, builds communities, strengthens families, promotes public-private partnerships, helps old folks and makes higher education affordable for poor young people — all for less than a third the cost of one new bomber — what would the Republican Congress do with it?

Kill it, of course.

AmeriCorps, the program that pays citizens, mostly young students, a living stipend to work on community projects in exchange for vouchers for college tuition, is everything that right-wing Republicans have ever talked about in terms of government programs: It's cheap, it's amazingly effective, it does a vast deal of good, it leaves the country better off in measurable benefits, and independent observers rave about it. It has just this one slight drawback: It's President Clinton's favorite program.



So the Republicans in Congress are going to kill it.

This kind of mean-spirited stupidity is now driving public policy.

If you could meet just a half-dozen AmeriCorps volunteers, I guarantee that you'd become a fan of this program; or just spend a day following one of them around. Among other things, these kids are going to be the leaders of the future, just as surely as Peace Corps volunteers have come home and contributed here. AmeriCorps volunteers, many whom I work with in the impoverished neighborhoods from which they come, just work their rear ends off.

was close to its goal of \$18,000 a year per volunteer, despite the first-year start-up costs, which often top 50 percent of the budget in private charities. The IBM, Dana and Irvine foundations reported that the return on every dollar spent ranges from \$1.60 to \$2.60 in "direct measurable benefits."

But the program has also been "studied" by a right-wing advocacy group, the New Citizenship Project, which — lo and behold — deduced that AmeriCorps members were receiving \$7 an hour. They wish. The group apparently failed to account for the \$4,725 per person that goes straight to the educational institution and not into the pockets of AmeriCorps members. Conservative groups have also become concerned that volunteers have become "polititized."

For example, it occurs to you that the AmeriCorps program could be funded by closing one tax loophole, just this one little change in the tax code worth a little more than \$400 million a year. The 50 percent tax deduction for "business-related" entertainment includes "business" done at nightclubs, sports events and theaters.

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George Will and other right-wingers object to calling these kids "volunteers" (oddy enough, an objection that has never come up in regard to Peace Corps volunteers, who are also paid a stipend) on the grounds that to do so is somehow an insult to the 80 million Americans who volunteer their time without getting paid. Excuse me, but those of us who do volunteer work for various church, community and charitable groups are not full-time workers; we make a living doing something else, and it generally pays better than the living expense that AmeriCorps workers get, which works out to somewhere around the minimum wage for the 1,700 hours of work.

Here's a classic example of how social programs get judged these days. Three major groups have done independent studies of AmeriCorps: by the Government Accounting Office (twice); by a consortium of the IBM Foundation, the Dana Foundation and the Irvine Foundation; and by Aguirre International, an independent firm headed by Gerald Ford's commissioner of education. All three reported positive findings.

The GAO audit found that the program

I suppose that AmeriCorps could adopt a regulation forbidding any "political" action by its volunteers, but you know, when you work full-time in a low-income community, the oddest thing starts to happen. You start having these thoughts that are just, well, un-Republican.

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Molly Ivins is a columnist for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Other views

Courts give Idaho power to limit waste storage

Critics of Gov. Phil Batt's nuclear waste deal with the federal government seem to think it was Batt's position to tell the feds how far Idaho could be pushed before it brought the hammer down.

The hammer was in the other hand. If Idaho, or any other state, were able to tell the federal government how much nuclear waste it would accept, every ounce of the stuff would be piled in Washington, D.C. That might not be a bad idea, but that's the way things work in this country. Before Batt signed the agreement committing the government to limit future shipments to Idaho and to remove much of it later, he was facing a near-certain vote in Congress to override the state's wishes.

Did that near certainty reflect on the current Republican congressional delegation's influence with the current Republican Congress? Of course. Can anyone imagine, for example, a Democratic Congress voting to shove something down the state of Washington's throat while the late Democratic Sens. Warren Magnuson and Henry Jackson were in office? When the most senior member of Idaho's delegation, Sen. Larry Craig, said Congress would vote to shove nuclear waste down this state's throat, he was admitting his own feebleness as much as he was predicting the will of his colleagues.

That leaves the other front on

which this battle has been fought, the courts. Critics of Batt's deal are trying to have it both ways here. On the one hand, they say Batt should have refused to go along with further shipments of waste, as if the courts would back him up at the border. But on the other, they say the deal means little because you can't hold the federal government to its word.

The fact is the agreement gives the state more ammo to use in court if the government does not live up to its end. The maneuvers Andrus and Batt used previously were temporary blockades that rested on the Department of Energy and the U.S. Navy's arrogance and dishonesty. Once the feds jumped through the right hoops, the trains would have started rolling again.

And it is a libel on the federal judiciary to say that broken Indian treaties show that agreements with the government cannot be enforced. Again, ask the people of Washington who saw half the state's salmon harvest go to native tribes in a 1970 court decision confirming treaty fishing rights.

The nation's Indian tribes know they stand a better chance of enforcing the government's obligations in court than in Congress. Thanks to the written commitments Batt received on nuclear waste, Idaho now does too.

— Lewiston Morning Tribune

Waste deal includes safety measures, ensures Idaho jobs

The nuclear waste agreement between the state of Idaho and the federal government announced recently is good news and good public policy. A seven-year campaign by Idaho governors to protect Idaho's jobs and environment and to remove waste from the state has come to a successful conclusion.

For Idaho, the agreement makes sense for three reasons. First, an already clean Department of Energy site will be made cleaner and safer. Placing radioactive waste in dry storage and accelerating other cleanup will remove any possible threat to the Snake River aquifer, an absolute necessity for Magic Valley and other downriver water users. Removing transuranic waste no later than 2018 and all waste by 2035 will end whatever remote threat remains.

will now be spent in the region, primarily for waste treatment, storage and cleanup but also to diversify the regional economy. In the process, the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory may become a center for research and treatment of brain cancer and aspects of nuclear non-proliferation. All of this is honorable work the state can be proud of.

At times this summer, we have been hard on Gov. Batt. Today we congratulate him for patience and hard work that got the job done. This is the first agreement of its kind in the nation and guarantees Idaho will not receive any spent commercial fuel.

Given near-unanimous opposition to the additional shipments in Idaho, Batt could easily have reached no agreement and then complained when Congress voted to send waste here anyway. It took political courage to set aside this temptation and work for the welfare of eastern Idaho and the nation. For that, we thank him.

Second, the agreement will take off the table Idaho's most contentious issue, as measured in citizen polls. Some issues will, inevitably, remain and new ones may arise. But Idahoans should rest easy, knowing the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory will be cleaned up now and all waste removed at a time certain, with explicit penalties and safeguards. Since Idaho has profited handsomely from the Navy and the DOE for 45 years, Congress expected Idaho to accept a reasonable deal if one was offered. It was.

Third, the agreement will preserve jobs today and add jobs and help stabilize the regional economy for at least five years in the future. Almost \$800 million that did not have to be spent, and might not have been spent,

Secretary of Energy Hazel O'Leary and Assistant Secretary Tom Grundley also deserve thanks and congratulations. They, and the Navy, got only half the shipments they wanted. And they made two unusual concessions, one that the deal was off whenever the federal government gets out of compliance (with a court to back this up) and a second to remove all waste by 2035 or pay \$22 million a year. But DOE and the navy solved a major national security problem, what to do with naval fuel, and brought, we hope, peace to its Idaho relations at long last.

— Post Register, Idaho Falls

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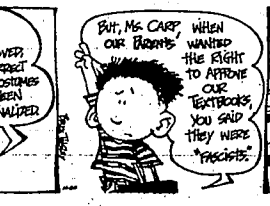
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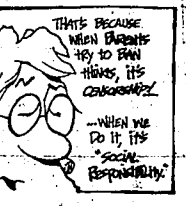
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Salmon deal shows power of money Sponsors battle to keep music fest in Sandpoint

By Scott Sanner
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The salmon deal Vice President Al Gore announced with Northwest lawmakers proves at least two things:

- Oregon Sen. Mark Hatfield's expected retirement next year would seriously erode the Northwest's already-dwindling clout on Capitol Hill.
- There are few problems that cannot be solved, at least temporarily and politically, with a big pile of money.

Analysis

The Clinton administration approved a \$325 million emergency fund to make sure the costs of salmon-recovery efforts on the Snake-Columbia river system don't boost electrical rates for Northwest hydropower users.

The extra money, a backup for the \$435 million Bonneville Power Administration will spend each year changing dam operations to protect fish, made it surprisingly easy to come up with an interim solution for a problem many had considered insoluble.

It produced, for now, every politician's dream — a win-win situation. The fish will get the additional water they need.

The region's ratpayers won't have to foot the bill.

And President Clinton gets a boost with an environmental community still smarting over his flip-flop on salvage logging this summer.

So who loses?

Some say it's the taxpayers.

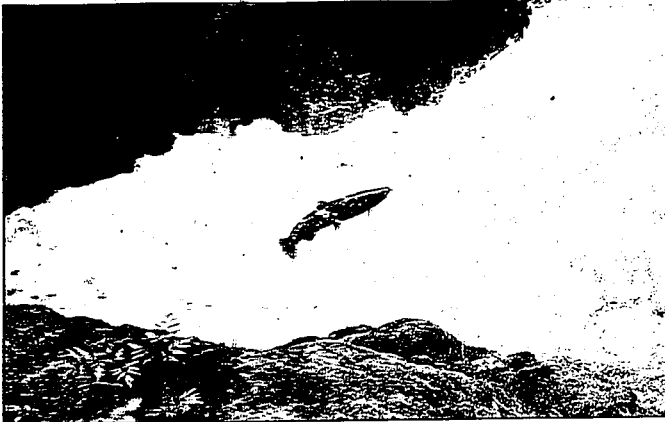
The plan adds \$325 million to the federal deficit, said Tony Williams, chief of staff to Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., who still doesn't like the idea and skipped the Gore news conference attended by most of the region's other senators this week.

Hatfield maintains the money came from Northwest ratpayers in the form of fish-protection credits the BPA failed to claim for 15 years.

A section of the Northwest Power Act of 1980 allows the power-marketing agency to pass on certain costs, in exchange for credits. For example, it was being billing the Bureau of Reclamation for irrigation and the Army Corps of Engineers for flood-control efforts unrelated to fish.

All told, these unclaimed credits have amounted to \$325 million since 1980 — about 28 percent of BPA's estimated \$1.2 billion in fish costs over the period.

Hatfield contends the Clinton administration didn't so much approve the money as agree to let Northwest



AP photo

A salmon, the subject of much political and environmental controversy, leaps a waterfall in Oregon.

ratpayers get it back.

"It doesn't take any money out of taxpayers' pockets," the Oregon Republican said.

Not so fast, say bean-counters at the White House Office of Management and Budget.

"Any dollars out of the federal treasury are dollars out of the federal treasury," said T.J. Glotzier, OMB associate director in charge of natural resources.

He confirmed the credits were paid by Bonneville and its customers from 1980 to the present and never actually used.

"The authority to use those credits existed all along but it was never done," Glotzier said.

Why not?

"I'm told early on it did not seem like it was as large of an expense and conditions were not as tight," he said.

"Over time, it has become a bigger thing."

Whether the money is constitutional U.S. tax dollars or Northwest credits, Hatfield played a key role in making it materialize.

Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., had long considered the money an un tapped resource that could ease Bonneville's financial woes. Sens. Patty Murray, D-Wash., and Max Baucus, D-Mont., were the first to formally propose this use of it to Clinton.

But most were doubtful the fish would

lick in hundreds of millions more dollars.

Hatfield's decision to go along with the deal made it happen.

Bill and Gorton had wanted to cap BPA's fish-recovery costs and suspend environmental laws protecting salmon to keep electrical rates in check.

Gorton was confident the House and Senate would pass the proposal and hoped that while Clinton might initially veto it, then the president would sign in the second time around — as he did the salvage-logging legislation.

"There was a strong feeling on our side you never know what the administration's bottom line is until you put them in a position where they are forced to negotiate," said Gorton aide Williams.

"We were put them in that position."

But while Gorton wanted to fight it out, Hatfield wanted a solution, even a stop-gap one.

"I've never felt it was necessary to anybody's advantage to pass something like this for certain would get a veto dump at the White House merely to prove we have the macho to pass a bill against the president's threat," said Hatfield, chairman of the Appropriations Committee.

"If I could rather resolve the issue, frankly, if you've been in an issue for 40-some years, you get a little anxious and weary. You want to resolve it," he said.

Hatfield's style is similar to that of former House Speaker Tom Foley, D-

Wash., who was regularly chastised by his own party for seeking peace with Republicans rather than exploiting their weaknesses for partisan gain.

Because of Hatfield and Foley — and Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore., chairman of the powerful Finance Committee before his resignation in disgrace earlier this year — the Northwest for years has had much more clout than the region's few congressional seats suggested.

Should he decide to seek a sixth term, Hatfield can fill his ads with testimonials from Democrats Gore, Murray and Baucus.

"Chairman Hatfield has once again shown the extraordinary leadership and moral compass for which he is famous," Gore told reporters.

"It was Hatfield's statesmanship, his ability to bring differing parties together, that led to this solution," Murray said.

"He has the integrity and moral stature of a leader to help bring all the various parties together," Baucus said.

Republicans at the news conference agreed.

"I don't have the confidence my chairman has, but I'm willing to take his leadership," said Sen. Conrad Burns of Montana.

SANDPOINT (AP) — A volunteer group formed last year to support the Festival at Sandpoint says it will fight plans to move half the concert series to Kootenai County.

Kevin Wunrow, a founder of Friends of Sandpoint's Festival, said his group hopes to persuade festival board members to reverse their recent decision and keep all the concerts in Bonner County.

The feud is over plans to split the 14-year-old festival's three-week concert between Sandpoint and Kootenai County.

Wunrow said if he's not successful in getting the festival board to change its mind, the volunteer group plans to rally community and business support against the Kootenai County plan.

"We will not allow the Festival to do any concerts outside of the Sandpoint area," he said. "There will be an all-out effort to prevent that from happening."

"The Festival is built on 14 years of volunteer labor. Yet they're blaming the community for a perceived lack of support," Wunrow said.

Board Vice President David Slaughter said a concert site at Post Falls or Coeur d'Alene would be more accessible than Sandpoint, ideally leading to a better draw.

The Festival sponsors 15 shows each year. Half would go to Kootenai County, under the plan approved last week.

Lorraine Bowman, former festival board member, says the community that raised the festival is being betrayed.

In an open letter to festival organizers, she wrote: "If you want take your dog and pony show on the road, do so. Just don't let the door hit you on the butt on the way out of town."

Some residents are calling for Festival executive director Connie Berghan's job. At a meeting on Thursday to discuss the decision, she said, "There is a total misperception that we intend to leave Sandpoint altogether. That is absolutely not the truth."

Schools tighten policies on giving out drugs

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — The same educators who tell students to "Just Say No" to illegal drugs often find themselves in the precarious position of administering the other variety — prescription medications.

The increasing number of school children on Ritalin and other drugs has prompted local districts to adopt or tighten policies to protect themselves while serving children with special needs.

But some officials think there should be more than local policies.

The state Board of Nursing has organized a task force on the subject. Its first meeting is Nov. 6.

"There are a lot of concerns about the handling of medications in the schools," said Linda Coley, the nursing board's administrative assistant. "We hope to recommend guidelines and a standard form for

the management of medications in the schools."

The task force's eight members are from Twin Falls, Mountain Home and Boise and include a state Board of Education member and a representative from the state Department of Education.

Gary Dorney, chief investigator for the state Board of Pharmacy, shares the nursing board's concern.

"Schools are operating in an area where they should establish guidelines. There should be some protection for the school district (and) for the nurses."

"If the child is on medication, parents are expecting the school to make sure the child gets it. To me, that's kind of making the schools to be a repository," he said.

Idaho ranks No. 11 in the nation for per capita consumption of Ritalin. Dorney says the state achieved

the dubious distinction in the late 1980s and has jacked back and forth with Utah since.

The only laws governing the drug pertain to illegal sale or transfer.

Dorney hopes to come up with a way to track incidents involving all legal drugs and code them by area "so we can find out if we do in fact have problems with them in the state of Idaho."

Ronald Bauman, director of elementary education, said the Coeur d'Alene School District recently tightened the policy for liability reasons.

The present policy on prescription drugs requires parents submit a written request and present the prescription in the original bottle, clearly labeled with doctor's instructions for use.

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Around the valley

City Council cancels regular meeting today

TWIN FALLS—The City Council has cancelled its regular Monday meeting this week, but council candidates in contested races will debate city issues at 6 p.m. today in City Hall.

The one-hour election debate is sponsored by the government committee of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce. Members of the audience will be invited to pose questions.

The Twin Falls ballot will have two contested council races. Robert K. Myland is challenging incumbent Art Franz. David D. Williams, Irene Crofts Dunbar and Tom Miskell are vying for the position that will be vacated by Councilman Tom Condie.

Commissioners, mayors meet to mull recycling plans

TWIN FALLS—County commissioners and mayors from Twin Falls County will meet Tuesday to consider a possible county-wide recycling program, Commissioner Dennis Maughan said.

Representatives of Hamilton Manufacturing in Twin Falls will tell local officials about the company's capabilities for accepting recyclable materials, Maughan said.

The county's work toward a recycling program is "in its infancy," and Tuesday's meeting is only to gather information, he said.

The public is invited to attend. The group will meet at noon in the commissioners' office on the fourth floor of the Twin Falls County Courthouse before going to Hamilton Manufacturing.

Police find Oregon man after fleeing from his rolled car

TWIN FALLS—An Oregon man is in jail on drunk-driving and leaving-the-scene charges after rolling his car and running from police late Saturday, police say.

Gary Stallings of Eugene, Ore., was traveling north on 3500 East in the vicinity of 4000 North when his vehicle struck a fence and rolled several times, said Stephen Muhonen, an Idaho State Police trooper.

The trooper called the FBI for help from a nearby house then "got scared and took off running," Muhonen said. Residents of the house said Stallings was bleeding from the head and arms, and police found blood inside the overturned car, he said.

At least 10 officers from the FBI, Twin Falls Sheriff's Department and the Kimberly and Hamlet police departments searched the nearby desert area and a portion of the Snake River Canyon, Muhonen said. When a sheriff's deputy found Stallings hiding face down in a ditch at about 2 a.m. Saturday, the man refused medical treatment, he said.

Head Start names Van 1995 Parent of the Year

DIETRICH—South Central Head Start has named Jill Van Sant of Dietrich as the 1995 Head Start Parent of the Year.

The single mother is the only welfare recipient on the Governor's Welfare Reform Advisory Council. She has spent the past six months gathering public comment around the state for welfare reform recommendations.

Van Sant was recommended to the council as someone who shares Gov. Phil Batt's view that public assistance should be temporary on the way to self-sufficiency, according to The Associated Press. Van Sant is expecting her fifth child, she reported earlier this month.

Van Sant is a full-time child development student at the College of Southern Idaho, an honor society member and a supervisor for the Head Start Center in Shoshone, South Central Head Start said.

Christian Fellowship kids will collect non-perishables

TWIN FALLS—Some kids will go trunk-or-treating on Tuesday, not for candy but for canned goods.

A group of children from Winepress Christian Fellowship will be knocking on doors and asking for non-perishable food items for the Project Compassion Food Bank. The bank has provided nearly 200 people with 90 food boxes since June, according to Winepress pastor Ted Magangi.

Project Compassion Food Bank is a community-based program providing food to the hungry in Twin Falls and surrounding areas. The group takes referrals from other service providers, like Salvation Army, Community Action and churches.

Tax-deductible donations are being accepted at the food bank office, behind and beneath the Fish Bowl on the corner of Filet and Fillmore. Call 736-4255.

Compiled from staff reports

Wendell-born author writes first romance novel



By Denise Turner
Times-News writer

SALT LAKE CITY—This year, Beverly King will spend "Christmas by the Book."

That's the title of King's first romance novel, hot off the Covenant Communications presses. It's a story that first began in the halls of Wendell High School.

King was the editor of the Wendell High School newspaper when she was a teen-ager, about the same time she was a delegate

to Girls State and Outstanding 4-H Girl in Gooding County. Her English teacher, Mrs. Hershell Lamb, had inspired her to achieve—and to write.

King is 59 now and she lives in Salt Lake City, but she's coming back to Wendell for the first autobiographical party of her first book.

"I wanted to write about a snowbound couple and a woman who couldn't cook," said King in a phone interview from Salt Lake City last week. "I considered making him a food critic and her

a food expert who couldn't let him know she really couldn't cook."

Instead, after what King calls "about 10 metamorphoses of character," Simon and Amanda are an ex-hostage (South America) and the editor of a Utah food and home magazine, respectively.

Amid lots of plot twists, the two find themselves snowbound at a farm in Idaho on Christmas Day, with lots of misunderstanding.

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Bickel sees glimpse of Egypt

By Liz Wright
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS—Ings Mattashevsky knew less about Egypt than the other places her family has traveled before she started studying the country for a "multicultural carnival" at Bickel Elementary School.

Now, the Ukrainian immigrant describes Egypt and its culture in textbook detail.

"It's really pretty there in some places," said Mattashevsky, 11.

Friday, Mattashevsky and other sixth graders drew a life-size mummy's tomb for the Nov. 3 carnival. The event will feature 20 countries from around the world, each nation studied by a different class.

In preparing for the carnival, sixth graders built a pyramid out of cardboard boxes, drew maps of Egypt, spelled their names using the hieroglyphic alphabet and painted the national flag.

"I think kids need to know there are other places in the world besides Twin Falls, Idaho," said Robin Kirby, who coordinated the carnival, which will raise money for playground equipment.

The international theme for the carnival is fitting—the Twin Falls School District has more diversity among its foreign students than most other Magic Valley schools, according to school officials.

Bickel has two students from India, one from Greece, three from Vietnam, one from Bosnia, six from Russia and 20 from South America, Kirby said.

District-wide, 609 students speak a range of 25 languages, including Armenian, Bosnian, Farsi, Chinese, Thai and Turkish, according to district statistics.

Officials attribute the diversity of the students to the location of a refugee center in Twin Falls, coupled with the city's migrant work force.

Changes in the diversity of the foreign student population reflect changes in the political picture around the world, said Dale Thomsberry, director of operations



Using an overhead projector, Bickel Elementary School sixth graders Taryn Pullin, left, and Brandon Boyd trace an outline to create the Egyptian flag...
BUDY CHARLES MANGINE/The Times-News

3 Ketchum residents compete for City Council

By Donna Yule
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM—Three candidates will vie for two City Council seats in the city election Nov. 7.

Edward Simon

Simon has lived in Ketchum for the past 17 years and practiced with the firm, Simons, six from Russia and 20 from South America, Kirby said.

Simon was elected to the City Council back in 1991 and served for 10 months. He was recalled, along with two other council members in 1992 after they fired the police chief.

Officially, City Council has stagnated and needs new leadership, Simon said.

"I've watched the two incumbents, and they ignore the process," he said. "There are certain laws and ordinances that require elected officials to operate in conformity with those ordinances, and on numerous occasions, they have ignored those and acted in direct violation."

In one case, the council was prepared to

allow a project before it had passed design review, gone through the subdivision process and acquired a building permit, he said. When Simon voiced objections, the council reviewed the decision at the next meeting.

The city needs to look to the future instead of just reacting to complaints, Simon said. The Ketchum comprehensive plan was completed in 1983.

"It's time to revisit that and plan a direction for the next 10 years," he said.

Sue Noel

Incumbent Noel, 57, is seeking re-election.

"I feel that we have a group on the council that work together really well. We don't always agree, but even when we don't agree, we are able to work well together to solve problems," she said.

Noel has lived in Ketchum for 16 years and is a customer liaison for the Bank of America.

The most important issues facing the city, according to Noel, is "controlling

growth so that our citizens that live here now and the people that come here in the future can continue to enjoy the quality of life that drew them here in the first place."

She also is interested in providing affordable housing so the people who work in Ketchum can also live here.

"They are busying people in from Twin and Jerome and all over," she says.

"The main focus of my whole campaign is to get people to get out and study the issues and vote for someone. We had about a 29 percent turnout (at the last city council election), and I think it's very important that the people come out and vote this time. The way to make things better is to get more people involved," Noel says.

Nan Emerick

Incumbent Emerick, 44, wants to continue the projects she has been working on as a council member.

She has lived in the area for almost 20 years. She has served on the council for the past two years and has been involved

in the parking and traffic problems.

"I would just like to hang in there" to see those things resolved, she said.

Emerick is the president of Sun Valley Executive Services and a Realtor with Coldwell Banker.

Emerick said the most important thing the city council is involved with is the review of all the ordinances.

"The ordinances and the regulations that the people of the community have to work with are the backbone of all the other issues. It's a trickle down," Emerick says.

"If we have our ordinances in place and our master plan reviewed, then everything else works out from that."

The key to a successful City Council is community involvement, Emerick said.

"We hold everything open for repeated public meetings, if something is important to a person, they really should write, call or come to a meeting. That's what it's all about. For us to listen to what the residents want and do what we can about those things."

Sun Valley will fill 2 seats in Nov. 7 election

By Donna Yule
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY—The Sun Valley City Council has two contested seats up for election.

James Downen is challenging Joseph Humphrey for Seat 1, and Linda O'Shea is challenging Suresh Shivdasani for Seat 4.

James Downen

Downen, 57, is running because: "I thought I would give the people a choice." He said he has lived in the area for the past 20 years and has served on planning and zoning committees.

"I feel my experience may be of benefit. I hate to waste money, and I think the electors need to be paid attention to," Downen said.

The most important issue facing the Sun Valley City Council is health care, he

said. Getting that issue "wrapped up" is important, and he would like to serve on the council so that things keep moving along. He said the incumbents has helped to cause unnecessary delays and expenses concerning the hospital issue.

Downen also wants to address the traffic problems.

Joseph Humphrey

Humphrey, 58, has served on the Sun Valley City Council for the past 16 years. He is a consulting engineer with an office in Ketchum and has lived in the area since 1972.

He said he is running for re-election because he cares about the town.

"I like to give back a little bit and make a contribution," he said.

Three ongoing issues face the council, he said. He cited the \$6 million road improvement project, the health care

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Stuedkemann, Davis vie for Hailey council seat

By Charlotte Giles
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY—One Nov. 7 Bill Stuedkemann and Rick Davis will be vying for the City Council seat vacated by Bill Corlett.

So many Haileites have asked Davis to run since his 1986-1990 stint with the council that he has decided to try again. At 46, Davis is a lifelong citizen of the city.

He said that the council's most vital issue is "to regain the confidence and trust of the Hailey citizens."

Davis sees the failure of the recent sewer bond not as a no-growth vote but as a no-confidence vote.

"I can get the confidence back," he said.

"We need to increase sewer capacity before we annex new land. Now they

can't build on it," Davis said.

He considers himself a controlled-growth candidate.

Stuedkemann, 46, grew up in a small western Kansas town, population 1,000, and moved with his family to the valley five years ago.

Since then, he has attended most City Council meetings.

"In my job as insurance investigator, I am used to looking at all aspects of an issue, not just what the city administrator wants me to see. I think this will be a valuable asset to the city council," Stuedkemann said.

He said that, for the present, the city's moratorium on building could be lifted with proper maintenance to the current sewer plant.

"We should be looking at a new sewage plant for two years down the road," he said.

Friends mourn deaths of 4 boys

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — The Schliebe boys — Derek, 8, Loren, 6, Steven, 4, and Justin, 2 — were inseparable. They played ball together, looked after one another and took turns feeding the fish they kept as pets in their rooms, said their uncle, Mike Schliebe.

On Saturday, the four brothers died together in a bedroom, probably from heat and smoke inhalation, when fire gutted their two-story, wood-frame house on the city's north side.

The boys' parents, Rob and Jill Schliebe, were in serious condition Sunday at Deaconess Medical Center; a nursing supervisor said.

Schliebe, 29, broke his back and Mrs. Schliebe, 28, dislocated her hip and broke her knee when they jumped out of a second-story window to escape the fire.

Hurt and unable to move after the jump, the Schliebes lay on the ground

outside their house and yelled, "The kids, the kids. There's kids in there," neighbor Richard Shane said.

Shane jumped on the roof and tried to enter an upstairs window but was beaten back by the intense heat, he said.

Fire Battalion Chief Dick Seaman said the first firefighters at the scene put a ladder up to the window of an upstairs bedroom, but the blaze was too hot to attempt a rescue.

Firefighters had to attack the fire from the ground level before they could get upstairs.

Investigators speculate the fire smoldered for a long time in a downstairs bedroom then suddenly flared.

Fire Marshal Garry Miller said the fire probably started in some bedding or a dresser, then erupted when the flames broke through and got some oxygen.

"At 1,200 degrees, there is a flash-

over, so everything that burns ignites at once," he said.

The sudden deaths made Joe Stapleton's quest for a missing boy another battalion chief.

"They had zero escape time," said.

The cause of the fire had not been determined Sunday, fire dispatchers said.

Neighbors and relatives said the Schliebe family is close-knit. Mike Schliebe frequently sent treats to Derek and Loren to Holm Elementary School parties, tech Connie Connelly said.

Both parents were involved in the sons' education and regularly attend parent-teacher conferences, she said.

The boys themselves were enthusiastic students.

"In both of them, there were big bulbs that went on, and they knew about everything," Connelly said.

"They were exceptional students."



A helicopter tries to head a stray bison toward the corrals at Antelope Island State Park in Utah, about 35 miles north of Salt Lake City Saturday. The bison was one of more than 700 that were rounded up during the 9th Annual Bison Round-up.

Utah roundup draws 450 riders

ANTELOPE ISLAND, Utah (AP) — Every year, the state's Department of Natural Resources is forced to turn away people who want to ride their horses in the annual bison roundup here.

And this year was no exception. Participants in the weekend's Ninth Annual Bison Roundup included the maximum 450 horse riders and their friends.

"I'm so excited I could die," first-timer rider Susan Openshaw of West Valley said as she cleaned her campsite Saturday morning and readied her horse. "At 2:30 this morning, I woke up and said, 'Is it too early to get up yet?'"

El Dean Holliday of Kayville, who's been to every roundup since

they began in 1987, also was not disappointed. "It's been a grand experience," he said, grinning.

The annual roundup on the island, located in the Great Salt Lake northwest of Salt Lake City, has become a tradition and a necessity. Park officials long have recruited the riders to gently herd the bison to the north part of the island so that helicopters and trucks can then move the animals to corrals.

There the bison will rest for four days before they are weighed, vaccinated and released. Park manager Tim Smith said about 150 bison will be sold, thinning the herd to a more manageable 550.

The state capped the number of riders at 450 after 700 showed up in

1993. During the roundup's first year in 1987, there were between 30 and 70 participants.

Nearly all the riders are from northern Utah because the state's given preference to them, Smith said. But next year, the state is adopting a lottery system that would give the same preference to both in-state and out-of-state residents, as well as those with experience or none.

"The bottom line is, we're a public agency set up to serve the public," Smith said.

By mid-afternoon Saturday, rangers estimated that as many as half of the island's 700 bison had been herded into the holding corrals. All of them were expected to be in the corrals by Sunday evening.

This week at CSI

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

- TODAY**
- Student Senate meets at 2 p.m. in the student conference room of the Taylor Building.
 - Overesters Anonymous meets at 3:30 p.m. in Desert 112.
 - Pep Band rehearsal will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Fine Arts 121.
- TUESDAY**
- Military testing will be held at 6 p.m. in Shields 201.
- THURSDAY**
- Regional fish and wildlife management meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in Aspen 108.
 - Magic Valley Community Concert will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Fine Arts Auditorium.
- FRIDAY**
- World Institute for Sinus Education meets from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Evergreen A-09.
 - Blood drawing will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Taylor Building cafeteria.
 - Harvest Festival will be held from 3 to 9 p.m. in Expo Center.
 - Arts on Tour presents the Montana Logging Ballet Company at 7:30 p.m. in Fine Arts Auditorium.
- SATURDAY**
- World Institute for Sinus Education will meet from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Evergreen A-09.
 - Harvest Festival continues from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. in Expo Center.
 - Military testing will be held at 10 a.m. in Shields 201.
- SUNDAY**
- Harvest Festival continues from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Expo Center.

Kootenai eyes newly found skull

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Kootenai County Sheriff's Detectives are re-visiting the county's oldest open murder case.

But the book is finally being closed for someone who has pondered the disappearance of Ron and Rita Marcussens for more than two decades.

The Marcussens, a Rathdrum couple in their first year of marriage, vanished on Nov. 19, 1973. Rita's disappearance and a few bone fragments were found within a year.

Former prosecutor Gary Haman tried George Stroisch of Post Falls for Rita's murder, back in 1976. Stroisch was acquitted, largely due to unanswered questions about Ron's whereabouts.

Those questions were answered Thursday when a skull found the previous day was identified as Ron's.

"It confirms what I believed all along — that Ron was dead too," said Haman.

Haman, who is now a district judge, said the defense raised the possibility to the jury that Ron was not a victim, but the perpetrator of Rita's death.

Now that Ron is a confirmed homicide victim, it destroys that defense theory.

On the agenda

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

- TODAY**
- Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
- TUESDAY**
- Buhl School Board, 7 p.m., superintendent's office downtown.
 - Minidoka County Democratic Party, 8 p.m., courthouse.
 - Shoshone City Planning and Zoning Committee, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
 - Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
- WEDNESDAY**
- Bliss City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall.
 - Minidoka County Fair Board, 8 p.m., board office at the fairgrounds.
 - Oakley City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
 - Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
- THURSDAY**
- Glens Ferry City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
 - Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
 - Wendell City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
- FRIDAY**
- Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

1995 farm bill may alter CRP budget

LEWISTON (AP) — The U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee this month passed an agriculture budget reconciliation plan that deals telling blows to the 10-year-old Conservation Reserve Program.

The national organization of Pheasants Forever reports the measure would drop CRP spending from the current annual level of \$1.8 billion to \$974 million by the year 2002. At the average annual rental rate of \$50 per acre, that means the program would be reduced from the current 36.4 million acres to just under 19.5 million acres.

The Natural Resources Conservation Service reports Idaho farmers have retired about 850,000 acres of erodible cropland from production and put the land under a soil-conserving cover of grass or trees — erosion rates have dropped by more than two-thirds.

Launched in the 1985 Farm Bill as a way to put highly erodible cropland out of production while still giving farmers an income on their idled acres, the CRP has been successful not only at reducing soil erosion but increasing wildlife habitat.

Since the program began there have been 13 sign-up periods.

Each sign-up period has attracted more applicants than there were acres to award. Farmers submit bids on how many acres they want to enter into the program and the selections are made at the national level by the Department of Agriculture and approved by Congress. Many think payments for acreage enrolled in the program may be reduced.

Georgia DeHans of the Grangeville NRCS office said she thinks a cap

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Wednesday	Burgundy Beef Tips served over butter noodles	\$6.95
Thursday	Seafood Night ... deep fried shrimp or scallops served with coleslaw and french fries	\$6.95
Friday	All-you-can-eat Fish served with cole slaw and french fries	\$6.95
Saturday	All-you-can-eat Baby Back Ribs.....cooked to perfection	\$9.95
Sunday	Roast Pork & Dressing served with mashed potatoes and country gravy	\$6.95

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AUCTION CALENDAR

through November 6, 1995

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31st - 5 pm
Household - Tools - Antiques - Consignment - Furniture - Home - **KLAS AUCTION BARS**

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1st - 8pm
Antique & Collectibles Sale - Antiques & Collectibles - Twin Falls - **HUNT BROTHERS AUCTION**

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1st - 1900
Union Pacific Railroad & Bannock Paving Co. Surplus Equipment - U.P.R.R. Yards, Pocatello - **GREAT WESTERN AUCTIONS**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4th - 1000
Jim Messersmith Estate - Farm Machinery Household - Antiques - Collectibles - Jerome - **ADVENTURES WALL AUCTIONEERS**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4th - 10 am
McBride's Service - Trucks & Truck Parts - Tools - Shop Furniture - Office Furniture - Twin Falls - **ADVENTURES WALL AUCTIONEERS**

MUSSEY BROTHERS AUCTIONEERS
(Formerly Messersmith Auction Co.)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4th - 1900
Cassia County School District - Surplus - 1900s - **BELLES AND ASSOCIATES**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4th - 1900
Joe Walsh - Shop - Boat - Livestock Equipment - Castledale - **ADVENTURES WALL AUCTIONEERS**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th - 11 am
Household items - Tools - Motor Vehicles - Farm & Construction Equipment - **THE AUCTION EXCHANGE**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5th - 1000
Bev Clark - Antique - Tractor - Pickup - **ADVENTURES WALL AUCTIONEERS**

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6th - 1000
Tim Anchutepqui Estate - Farm Machinery - Gooding - **ADVENTURES WALL AUCTIONEERS**

Services

- Juan Salinas Juarez**, of Rupert, Mass of Christian Burial, 11 a.m. today, St. Nicholas Catholic Church, Viewing, one hour before the funeral today at the church, (Hansen Mortuary in Rupert).
- Duane C. Eubanks**, of Kennewick, Wash., and formerly of Gooding, 10:30 a.m. today, Demary's Gooding Chapel, Viewing, 9 a.m. until time of the funeral today at the chapel.
- Harry Gals Washburn**, of Oakley, 11 a.m. today, Oakley LDS Stake Center, Viewing, one hour before the funeral today at the church, (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).
- Cleo James Mort**, of Twin Falls 1 p.m. today, White Mortuary Chapel in Twin Falls.
- Mary M. Foscooco**, of Gooding, funeral pending at Pueblo, Colo. Friends may call from 1 to 7 p.m. today at Demary's Gooding Chapel.
- Thelma C. Anderson**, of Burley, 2 p.m. today; Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel, 321 E. Main, Viewing, 10 a.m. until time of the funeral today at the chapel.
- Fred P. Hayalip**, of Jerome, 1 p.m. Wednesday, First Christian Church in Gooding, Viewing, 1 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at Demary's Gooding Chapel.
- Garnet "Steve" Dock Stephens**, of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. Tuesday, Blay Colonial Funeral Home, 2531 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. Viewing, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. today at the funeral home with family greeting friends from 6 to 8 p.m. today.
- Hazel Dell Fitzpatrick**, of Orange, Calif., and formerly of Twin Falls, graveside service, 11 a.m. Tuesday, Twin Falls Cemetery, Viewing, 4 to 8 a.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.
- David Gallison Victor Gentry**, of Twentynine Palms, Calif., and formerly of Filer, memorial service, 2 p.m. Saturday, Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls.

Death notice

Violet Duby - Violet Duby, 80, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Oct. 29, 1995, at West Magic Care Center. Services are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Hospitals

- MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER**
- Released
- Verma Lewis and Joel Fricto, both of Burley; Robert Taylor of Rupert; Marsha Terry and Minnie Christensen, both of Heyburn; and Debbie Cook of Murtaugh.
- Admitted**
- Homer Jackson of Jerome.
- Released**
- Benjamin Lemmons of Buhl and Raymond Perry of Wendell.
- CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER**
- Admitted**
- Ora Anderson and Ivan Daley, both of Burley, and Rance Buerkle of Heyburn.
- Released**
- Velda Fowler and Brandon Pelcher, both of Rupert, and Maria Cuevas and twin daughters of Doelo.
- MINDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**
- Admitted**
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Briefly

Ricks nips CSI by 1 in Region 18 cross country

COEUR D'ALENE — The College of Southern Idaho's cross country team lost a one-point decision to nationally top-ranked Ricks College Saturday at the Region 18 championships.

The Vikings beat second-ranked CSI, 28-29.

Ricks also won the men's division, beating CSI 24-46. North Idaho College and Utah Valley finished third and fourth, respectively, in each division.

CSI's Lena Brannard was the first woman to cross the finish line, winning with a time of 18:59. Coconino Community College was second at 19:06. Angie Fortner (19:22) finished sixth for CSI, and Twin Falls High School graduate Janice Windsor was eighth at 19:28 — just three seconds out of seventh place.

In the men's division, Ricks' Fikre Woodruff won in 26:22, ahead of CSI's Holbrook Call, 26:40. Matt Forney was the next Golden Eagle finisher, coming in fifth in 27:19.

The runners will now set their sights on the national meet Nov. 11 in Alfred, N.Y.

Top 10 individuals:
1. Brannard (CSI), 18:59; 2. Woodruff (CSI), 18:59; 3. Kelly Johnson (Pocatello), 19:02; 4. Fortner (CSI), 19:22; 5. Kara Ormrod (Pocatello), 19:28; 6. Fortner (CSI), 19:22; 7. Kara Ormrod (Pocatello), 19:28; 8. Andrew Hamilton (Pocatello), 20:08; 9. Brannard (CSI), 20:22; 10. Andrew Hamilton (Pocatello), 20:22; 11. Heather Johnson, 21:08; 12. Woodruff (CSI), 21:22; 13. Call (CSI), 21:46; 14. Nathan Johnson (Pocatello), 22:18; 15. The Pocatello (Pocatello), 22:18; 16. Steve Coburn (Pocatello), 22:18; 17. Kanchana Karama (Pocatello), 22:41; 18. Call (CSI), 22:46; 19. Kanchana Karama (Pocatello), 22:46; 20. Steve Coburn (Pocatello), 22:46; 21. Alan Davis, 22:49; 22. Steve Coburn (Pocatello), 22:49; 23. Steve Coburn (Pocatello), 22:49; 24. Alan Davis, 22:49; 25. Steve Coburn (Pocatello), 22:49.

Jerome drag racer makes quarterfinals at event

POMONA, Calif. — Jerome racer Mitch McDowell made the quarterfinals of the NHRA World Finals Drag Race competition here Sunday.

McDowell drove his 1995 Pontiac Firebird into the final eight in the alcohol funny car division with a best time of 5.93 seconds at 236 mph in the standing quarter finale. He was eliminated in the quarterfinals by Los Angeles racer Lou Gasparini.

Raptor arrested, charged with assaulting woman

TORONTO — Alvin Robertson of the Toronto Raptors was arrested over the weekend for allegedly assaulting a Toronto woman.

He was freed on \$3,000 bail Sunday after a short court appearance. He was arrested at the SkyDome Hotel, where he is staying, after the incident Saturday night involving an unidentified woman.

He is to appear in court again Friday, when the Raptors open their season at home that night against New Jersey.

Robertson spent Saturday night in jail and is barred from contact with the woman as part of his bail agreement.

"On advice of my counsel, I'm not at liberty to discuss the matter," Robertson said Sunday after the Raptors lost 96-89 to Cleveland in an exhibition game.

Leader widens gap at PBA Weber Classic Sunday
RICHMOND, Va. — Dave D'Entremont had his second consecutive 7-1 match play round Sunday night and widened his lead in the PBA \$250,000 AMF Dick Weber Classic.

Marino returns to lead Dolphins past Bills



Dan Marino didn't throw a touchdown pass, but the Dolphins did win a game — finally.

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New York Jets less than a month more going. "This team should be \$-0-0," Marino said, "but that's not the point."
Buffalo assistant head coach Elipah Pitts said he was "impressed" by Marino's performance, who is still recovering from surgery for prostate cancer.

Take down



Seahawk defenders Carlton Gray, left, and Dean Wells pull down Cardinal Larry Centers in the first quarter.

Deion, Dan, defense dominate

The Associated Press
Deion Sanders returned quietly to the NFL. Eric Zeier made a noisy first start. And the 49ers' vaunted offense felt silent Sunday.

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Huskers take No. 1 spot from 'Noles

The Associated Press
There's a new No. 1 team in college football. Nebraska, which had been No. 2 all season, overtook Florida State for the top spot in the polls Sunday.

Notes from the net: Final thoughts on state volleyball

A few notes from the state volleyball tournaments that wrapped up in Twin Falls and Coeur d'Alene Saturday. ... Magic Valley schools have a long way to go to catch up with the competition elsewhere.

Out in left field
Brad Bowlin
in last season's state tournament — Bonneville — eliminated them this year. ... Twin Falls is still without a state title in volleyball, girls' basketball, wrestling, football. Only boys' hoop title came in 1974.

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Scores and stats

Football

NFL standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA
AFC East	10	5	1	282	207
AFC Central	9	7	0	297	247
AFC West	7	9	0	253	281
AFC North	6	10	0	257	276
AFC South	5	11	0	233	270

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA
NFC West	7	9	0	243	257
NFC East	7	9	0	256	261
NFC North	6	10	0	253	276
NFC South	5	11	0	233	270

Sports on TV/Radio

Event	Station	Time
Pro Hockey: Avalanche @ Stars	Prime Sports Ch. 16 (H)	8:30 P.M.
Pro Football: Bills @ Vikings	KUVC-TV, 35.6 (H)	7 p.m.
Pro Football: Redskins @ Redskins	Prime Sports Ch. 16 (H)	7 p.m.
Equestrian Competition	PRIME Sports Ch. 16 (H)	7 p.m.

NFL summaries

San Diego 34-10 Denver

San Diego QB Drew Brees threw for 222 yards and three touchdowns, leading the Chargers to a 34-10 victory over the Denver Broncos.

Philadelphia 20-17 Dallas

Philadelphia QB Donovan McNabb threw for 298 yards and three touchdowns, leading the Eagles to a 20-17 victory over the Dallas Cowboys.

Atlanta 17-10 Tampa Bay

Atlanta QB Michael Vick threw for 245 yards and three touchdowns, leading the Falcons to a 17-10 victory over the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

College football

AP Top 25 college poll

Rank	Team	Points
1	Alabama	100
2	Michigan	80
3	Georgia	70
4	Florida	60
5	Ohio State	50

Rice

explode for the ball," Rice said. "I had to use my energy to catch up to the ball. I had my hands on it, and if you have your hands on it you should get the ball."

The long pass came with about 2:30 remaining in the game and the 49ers were trailing 18-13 at the New Orleans 49. San Francisco punted on the next play and never got the ball back.

"I should have made the catch," Rice said. "If I would have made it, we would have won the football game."

Rice, already the NFL's career leader in touchdowns with 148, surpassed Lofton's total when he caught a 13-yard pass from Grbac in the second quarter.

After the catch, 49ers fullback Fred Ely hugged Rice and pointed to the stadium screen flashing news of the record fans. Floyd then bowed to Rice as referee Larry Nemmers announced to the crowd:

"Congratulations to Jerry Rice for breaking the all-time receiving record in the National Football League."

The game was stopped momentarily, but the celebration didn't last long as Grbac threw an interception two plays later.

Lofton played 16 seasons for Green Bay, the Los Angeles Raiders, Buffalo, the Los Angeles Rams and Philadelphia.

Volleyball

Continued from B4

freshmen Kallie Coon and Kara Hyman stepped up at key times during Friday's two victories on Friday. So did sophomore Naomi Richards.

"Now if the coach can just get each of his players to grow a couple of inches, we'll be doing great," Coon said. Exact figures weren't available, but Class A-3/A-4 tournament director Dale Thorneby said attendance was better than last year, when the Class A-1 and A-2 tournaments were in Twin Falls. Even though the once-beaten Bruins were in the title hunt.

"Maybe that's not so surprising considering how poorly Twin Falls High School athletic events have been offered this season and how important there's so much more to do on Friday and Saturday nights."

Brad Bowlin is the Times-News sports editor.

Hockey

NHL standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	T	OT	GF	GA
Philadelphia	7	10	1	0	44	59
Washington	7	11	0	0	39	59
Carolina	6	10	1	2	46	59
San Jose	6	9	3	2	39	39
N.Y. Rangers	5	10	3	2	35	36

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	T	OT	GF	GA
Chicago	6	11	1	1	31	37
St. Louis	6	10	1	2	44	48
San Jose	6	10	1	2	39	39
Los Angeles	5	10	2	1	31	37
Colorado	5	10	2	1	31	37

Basketball

NBA standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	OT
Toronto	5	8	3
Washington	5	8	3
Charlotte	5	8	3
Orlando	5	8	3
Atlanta	5	8	3

WESTERN CONFERENCE

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8	LSU	20
9	Ole Miss	10
10	Auburn	10

USA Today/CNN poll

Rank	Team	Points
1	Alabama	100
2	Michigan	80
3	Georgia	70
4	Florida	60
5	Ohio State	50
6	Texas	40
7	Illinois	30
8	LSU	20
9	Ole Miss	10
10	Auburn	10

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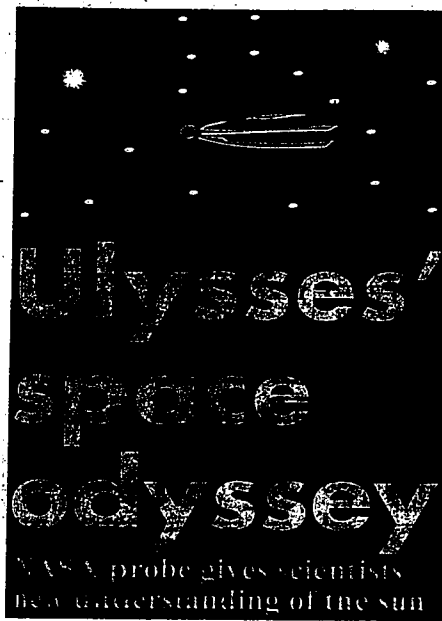
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Galileo probe gives scientists new understanding of the sun

The Associated Press

PASADENA, Calif. — A new, three-dimensional picture of the sun is emerging from information relayed by the spacecraft *Ulysses* on a recently completed 2 billion-mile trip between solar poles, space scientists said Thursday.

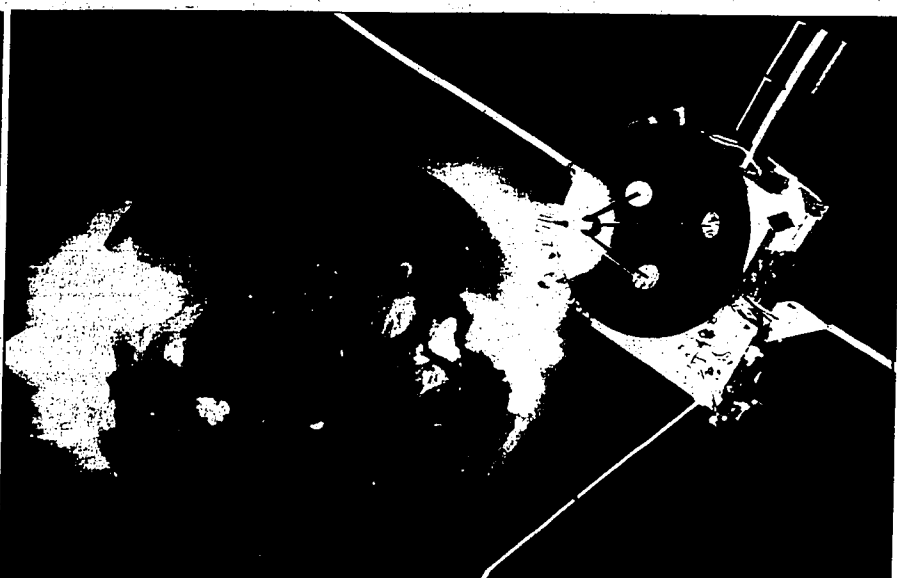
Among other things, scientists found that the heliosphere, the region in space dominated by solar particles and electromagnetic fields, narrows near the sun's equator like a cinched waistline and billows out at the poles.

Ulysses, built by the European Space Agency and launched on Oct. 6, 1990, aboard the space shuttle *Discovery*, is a cooperative venture between European and U.S. scientists.

During a briefing at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, they discussed what the latest figures at south pole pass in 1994 and a north pole pass completed just a few weeks ago. Data obtained by the 810-pound probe has forced them to revise some theories of how the sun and its extensive atmosphere behave.

The new data paints a picture of the sun in the current quiet phase of its 11-year sunspot cycle. A return to both poles in 2000 and 2001 during high sunspot activity should produce another picture.

Among the most important observations:



NASA and European scientists are beginning to receive a new three-dimensional picture of the sun from information relayed by the spacecraft *Ulysses* on its 2 billion-mile journey between solar poles. This computer illustration from the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., depicts the probe passing over the sun's pole.

• The solar wind, the part of the solar atmosphere that flows into space, moves slowly near the sun's equator — about 1 million miles a second, but nearly twice that speed toward the poles. John Phillips of Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico, principal investigator on *Ulysses*' solar wind plasma experiment, said it fills two-thirds of interplanetary space.

Special detection instruments aboard *Ulysses* have revealed that 90 percent to 95 percent of solar wind is made up of positively charged hydrogen particles; 5 percent to 10 percent is positively charged helium and the remaining 1 percent is a combination of trace amounts of oxygen, iron, carbon, nitrogen, neon, silicon and sulfur, according to Amonette Galvin of the University of Maryland. She also said the solar wind is colder and less dense at the poles.

• The sun's magnetic field, previously believed to intensify over the poles, is uniform.

• One of the things *Ulysses* has proven is the situation is more complicated than we thought," said Edward Smith, NASA project scientist at JPL and a co-investigator on magnetic fields. "The magnetic field is not playing a passive role. The magnetic field has got energy in it. The magnetic field is pushing the solar wind toward the equator."

• Smith said *Ulysses* produced confirmation of magnetic phenomena called Alfvén waves in the fast solar winds over both poles. Alfvén waves are high-speed waves that travel outward along magnetic field lines in a wiggly pattern.

• Cosmic rays, the very energetic particles moving through the galaxy that likely came from star explosions known as supernovae, are not funneled toward the sun's poles as theorized.

"The funnel doesn't exist," Smith said.

Smith pointed to auroras, the spectacular Northern lights produced when protons from the sun collide with atoms in Earth's atmosphere, and solar flares, the sudden bursts of particles that can streak into Earth's atmosphere and disrupt communications. He also noted that energetic solar particles can disturb Earth's magnetic fields, disrupting communications and satellite systems.

Recorder stuck in rewind almost unhinges Galileo

The Washington Post

PASADENA, Calif. — You could say the spacecraft *Galileo*'s \$1.35-billion mission to study the planet Jupiter is hanging by a thread.

But that is pretty good news to the crisis-hardened scientists and engineers who have nursed the robot craft through almost two decades of development and launch delays, six years of interplanetary travel and one near-catastrophic hardware failure. *Galileo* is now hurtling across the final 16 million miles toward Dec. 7 arrival at its destination, and the team is relieved that the thread — actually a length of magnetic tape — is still intact.

Their latest potential disaster, a broken tape recorder, pales in comparison to what this team has already been through, veteran project manager William J. O'Neil said last week at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory here, site of *Galileo*'s Mission Control. But on Oct. 11, he acknowledged, even he sank into despair. That was the day the recorder stuck on rewind for 15 hours and there were indications the tape itself was irreparably severed. "There was that fraction of a day ... with the prospect we had lost the imaging."

The reel-to-reel recorder was originally intended to serve as a backup to the spacecraft's main antenna, which was designed to send up to 50,000 images of Jupiter and its moons back to Earth at high speed, dispatching an entire image within seconds. But in 1991, the umbrella-shaped antenna stuck after unfurling only part way. This left the team dependent on a smaller, slower antenna to return all the data during the craft's two-year sojourn in Jovian orbit.

The tape recorder then became the key link in a sophisticated scheme developed to work around the loss of the big antenna. Using it, managers estimated, they could still deliver up to 70 percent of the mission's original scientific content despite a reduction in the number of images to a total of about 2,000. They were count-

ing on the recorder — equipped with 1,850 feet of quarter-inch Mylar tape — to store digital information, particularly for images, until it could be compressed by on-board computers for transmission back to Earth at an average rate of two or three images a day.

Once transmitted, the data would take one hour to make the one-way trip to Earth, traveling at the speed of light.

But just minutes after *Galileo* took its first color picture of Jupiter, eight weeks before its scheduled arrival there, it signaled its controllers that the tape recorder had rewound for playback as intended but then failed to stop spinning. Flight engineers sent commands that stopped the rewind and put the recorder on hold while they scrambled to diagnose the problem.

Within hours of the failure in space, in what O'Neil called "an amazing coincidence," a laboratory duplicate of the on-board tape recorder also broke down during a routine trial run of operations to be performed at Jupiter. Because of faulty circuitry, the spare failed to sense that it had reached the end of its magnetic tape, he said. "The thing just tore the tape off the reel and left it flapping." The team feared the same thing had happened 537 million miles from Earth. "In space," he noted, "that would have been catastrophic."

Assuming the worst, some team members looked for ways to maximize the scientific return even if the tape recorder was out of commission. They found they could partially replace the recorder with memory storage sites in the main on-board computer.

"Some of us did some calculations and became convinced that, remarkably, there was a way," O'Neil said. "We were really buoyed up by that realization that we had a really good mission even without the tape recorder. That's when we came out of our depression. ... This made it emotionally more tractable."

He was referring to Friday, Oct. 20, and the team's first test of the in-flight tape recorder

since its initial breakdown. There was "tremendous elation" when the telemetry finally delivered the news that the tape had not broken — yet, O'Neil said.

He speculated that the on-board recorder had fallen victim to what he calls the "uphill/downhill problem." On Oct. 10, engineers had rewound the tape to its beginning and taken three images on a tape that could hold fifty images.

When the tape is near either end, O'Neil said, the capstan, or speed-regulating spindle, must work harder to pull it. "It's like a car trying to make it up the hill when the road is iced over," O'Neil said. "We're fairly confident that the three capstans just spun, and didn't pull the tape at all. We just couldn't get traction — like a car spinning its wheels."

Why this problem developed is not clear. The *Galileo*'s tape recorder is similar to those in use in other spacecraft, including some classified military satellites, O'Neil said. The main difference in the *Galileo* mission is that the recorder has been used rarely during the long cruise, while other craft use their recorders constantly. "We believe some of the grease got stiff, and we lost some lubrication." Running the tape, he added, may help redistribute the grease.

Galileo's managers have decided to sacrifice their chance at a first-ever close-up shot of Jupiter's moons Europa and Io, which is known to harbor active volcanoes, as the craft sweeps close by on its Dec. 7 arrival at the giant planet.

That way they can devote the tape recorder and other systems to their first priority — to shepherd the spacecraft safely through its hazardous insertion into orbit around Jupiter, the hottest and fastest orbital entry ever attempted, Johnson noted. Without the tape recorder, according to Torrence Johnson, the project's chief scientist, the team would have achieved maybe 50 percent of its research goals and returned only 150 images. "Now we're probably somewhere in between the 50 and 70 percent levels."

And the hard part is still ahead.

The life cycle of stars

- How stars begin:** Inside vast clouds of gas and dust floating in space, gravity causes the denser areas to pull together, or coalesce.
- Gravitational collapse:** Gravity compresses the gas and dust into a spinning disk with a bulge in the middle.
- Protostar formation:** Warm protostar forms as center collapses under its own gravity. Gas and dust in disk continue to fall inward.
- Protostar radiates:** The protostar radiates heat and ejects matter from its poles.
- Star formation:** Eventually, fusion begins in the hydrogen gas at the core, and the star forms as life. The disk either disperses or forms planets.

How stars end

Stars burn until they use all their nuclear fuel. Different sized stars evolve differently. The larger a star, the hotter, brighter and shorter-lived it is.

- Star the size of the sun:** Burns for 10 billion years. Star exhausts its hydrogen and swells into a red giant.
- Core collapses:** Core collapses. Nuclear reaction blows off the star's surface.
- Blow-off gases:** Blow-off gases form a glowing nebula. Core collapses into a white dwarf star.
- Our sun's fate:** Our sun has been burning for 4.5 billion years, and has fuel for another 5 billion. It will eventually form a red giant, and its surface will reach out as far as Earth's orbit, incinerating our planet.
- Star 10 times the size of the sun:** Burns out in 20 million years; 5,000 times more luminous.
- Bright, hot, blue star:** Bright, hot, blue star uses up its hydrogen fuel, swells into a red supergiant.
- Supernova:** When nuclear reactions cease, core collapses and star explodes in a brilliant supernova.
- Star 40 times the size of the sun:** If star explodes with enough force, much of its mass is hurled into space, leaving behind a small, dense neutron star.
- Star 30 times the size of the sun:** Can exhaust its fuel in as little as 1 million years.
- Red supergiant:** This large star is one of the most luminous in the universe.
- Supernova explosion:** It expands into a powerful supernova explosion.
- White dwarf:** Its huge core collapses past the neutron star stage and becomes a white dwarf, a dense, heavy structure whose gravity is so strong that not even light can escape from the interior.

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Lewiston levee plays host to scout's scale model of the solar system

The Associated Press

LEWISTON — To see the solar system, go to the confluence of the Snake and Clearwater rivers at Lewiston, then walk southward along the levee bike path.

The sun is at the confluence, and the planets are lined up along the path. Neptune, the eighth planet from the sun, is exactly one mile down the path. How can something the size of

Neptune fit on the bike path? Well, 17-year-old Bill Stutzman has done some figuring and has struck the universe to a scale that fits nicely along the levee.

Neptune is 28 billion miles from the sun. It takes 333,000 earths to make up the mass of the sun, but on Stutzman's scale of 1 to 28 billion, the sun is a little bigger than a basketball.

Stutzman, his father, mother, sister and a handful of Boy Scouts from Troop 168 gathered on the levee on a mid-summer Saturday to install plaques about the planets indicating their distance from the sun.

Pluto, the furthest planet from the sun, is more than two kilometers down the trail. The crew dug holes to insert the black and white plaques mounted on cement blocks while Stutzman supervised, telling workers to square up the plaques.

"I pick at the details. They look at me funny and say 'I'm a perfection-

ist," he said while taking a break in the shade. But he had been getting his hands dirty, too.

The Lewiston High School graduate had to finish his project before he turned 18 and was no longer eligible to become an Eagle Scout.

He got the idea while walking through a similar model of the universe at a science center in Boise. At the time, he was looking for ideas since he didn't want to install benches or plant trees, although he quickly pointed out that those efforts also benefit the community.

"I really wanted something more creative," he said. "That's really more my personality. All the planning, plotting and mapping were the easy part," he said.

With the help of an engineer at Polatch Corp., where his father Jim works, he designed the plaques. He mapped out where they should go on the levee using an aerial photograph, tape measure, calibrated wheel and satellite positioning device that he borrowed from a pilot.

The biggest setbacks cropped up when he began looking for the materials to make the signs. Originally he wanted durable bronze plaques, but cost estimates were around \$4,000. Then he scaled down his plans from casting the bronze to photo etching — the cost was still more than \$500.

"I've come to a lot of frustrating moments in this project when I almost called it quits," he said.

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Gaining weight? It's not our fault

I am pleased to report that we finally have a scientific explanation for why everybody in the world is gaining weight. At least I am, and I know it's not my fault. Granted, I do not have the best dietary habits. Sometimes in a restaurant I will order fried, fatty foods ("Give me a plate of fried, fatty foods, and hurry" are my exact words). But I compensate for this by engaging in a strict exercise regimen of vigorously pounding the bottom of the ketchup bottle for as long as necessary. "No pain, no gain," that is my motto regarding ketchup.

Nevertheless, I have been gaining weight, and you probably have, too, which is why you're going to be happy to learn that neither of us is responsible. The universe is responsible. We know this thanks to a scientific insight that was gained by alert 14-year-old Massachusetts reader Tim Wing. Tim reports that he was browsing through "The Usborne Book of Facts and Lists" when he came across the following fact: Every single day, including federal holidays, 25 TONS of space dust lands on the Earth. This means that every day, the Earth weighs 25 tons more, which means that it contains a larger quantity of gravity, which causes the force made up of invisible rays that cause all physical objects in the universe to become more attracted to bathroom scales.

What this means, Tim Wing points out, is that as gravity gains an ounce, people all over the world are getting heavier. And there is more bad news: At the same time that gravity is increasing, the entire universe is expanding, except for planets, which means that — and this has been confirmed by extensive scientific tests conducted in my closet — a so-called "33-inch-waist" pant will barely contain a volume that formerly fit easily into a 31-inch-waist pant. Albert Einstein accurately predicted this phenomenon in 1923 when he formulated his Theory of Pants Relativity, which also states, as a corollary, that as the universe grows older, "it will get harder and harder to find anything good on the radio."

But our big problem is this gravity buildup, which has already started to pose a grave threat to public safety. In fact, it was an incident that occurred recently in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., where, according to a Sept. 16 Miami Herald story that I am not making up, "A logheaded turtle fell from the sky and hit a man in his white Chevy Nova."

(Scene: The hospital emergency room.)

DOCTOR: Where was the victim hit?
NURSE: In his Chevy Nova.
DOCTOR: OK, let's do a CAT scan, and I want his oil changed immediately.

Seriously, the man was unhurt, and so was the turtle, which, according to The Herald story apparently was dropped by a sea gull. But that is exactly my point. Since when do sea gulls — one of the most sure-handed species of bird — drop turtles? The obvious answer is: SINCE TURTLES STARTED GETTING HEAVIER, along with everything else.

And as space dust continues to



Dave Barry
Humor

land on Earth, the situation will only worsen, with chilling results. According to my calculations, by the year 2038, an ordinary golf ball will weigh the equivalent, in today's pounds, of Rush Limbaugh. Even a professional golfer, using graphite clubs, would find dozens of strokes to make such a ball move a single foot. An average round of golf would take four months — nearly twice as long as today. Is that the kind of world we want our children to grow up and develop guns to discuss in? I think not. This is why we must call upon the scientific community to stop puttering around with global warming and immediately develop a solution to the gravity problem.

(30-second pause)

Well, we see that the scientific community has once again let the human race down, leaving it up to us civilians to deal with the situation. Fortunately, I have come up with a practical answer in the form of a:

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Follow my reasoning: The problem is that 25 tons of stuff is landing on the Earth every day, right? So the obvious solution is to put 25 tons worth of stuff into a rocket every day and blast it into space. It couldn't be simpler!

Perhaps you're saying: "But, Dave, how are we going to find 25 tons worth of stuff every single day that is so totally useless that we can just send it into space with total confidence that it could never possibly in any way benefit humanity?"

I can answer that question in three simple words: "Fourth Class Mail." Every day at least 25 tons of material is painstakingly mailed all over the United States and thrown away immediately upon receipt. Solid-waste experts estimate that 78 percent of our nation's landfill capacity is currently occupied by sincere unopened letters from Ed McMahon informing people that they have almost definitely won \$14 million. Why not just load that material directly into rockets? And consider this: If we send up more than 25 tons a day, the Earth would actually lose gravity. I calculate that every human being on the planet would instantly be six ounces lighter if we also sent Ed up there, not that I am necessarily proposing this.

So I say let's fire up the rockets and get this program going before gravity gets so strong that all we can do is lie on the ground, helpless, while turtles rain down upon us. If you agree, write to your senator and congressional representatives and let them know where you stand. Stress the urgency of the situation. Stress their responsibility as public officials.

Above all, stress that there's room in the rocket with Ed.
Dave Barry is a humor columnist for the Miami Herald. Write to him c/o Tropic Magazine, The Miami Herald, One Herald Plaza, Miami, Fla. 33132.

Now, let's rate talk-show wardrobes

Los Angeles Times

The airwaves are abuzz with the sound of talk, talk and more talk. For veterans Oprah and Geraldo and their many daytime TV disciples, that's hundreds of wardrobe changes a week. And as they parade up and down the aisles, their clothes come under as much scrutiny as their outrageous guests, most of whom deserve to be zinged for the tacky, dingy clothes they wear while basking in their 15 minutes of fame.

Among the latest purveyors of gab and garb are Carrie Wilson, Danny Bonaduce, Tempestt Bledsoe, Mark Walberg, Lauren Hutton and Gabrielle Carteris. We're not sure how they're faring against Ricki (and Charles, on Montel and Jerry...) in the ratings race, but we do know how they're holding up in the wardrobe wars. So settle into your favorite chair, kick off your shoes and tune in as we bring you today's straight-from-the-benches topic: "You May Think You're a Talk Show Host Who's All That... but... Where Did You Get That Outfit?"

Rating: 4
Show: "The Montel Williams Show"

Host: Montel Williams
The Look: Always looking as if his clothes just came off the ironing board — he, however, no doubt, from his former life as a U.S. Navy intelligence officer, Montel is an eclectic, elegant dresser. He's a detail man: print ties — flowers, abstracts and geometrics — always worn with striped shirts; patterned socks with shoes so shiny you can see your reflection; vests with zippered pockets; vests with Edwardian flaps; vests that tie, snap and button in the back, and striped band-collared shirts (as seen on "Daughters Who Hate the Sleazy Way Their Mothers Dress"). One favorite look is a double-breasted charcoal gray Joseph Abboud suit worn with a pale blue shirt — with a spread collar so smooth the tips curl ever-so-slightly — and blue and gray flower print tie.
Signature Style: collarless shirts and vests.

Confidential to Montel: What can we say? Montel, you are all that!

Rating: 3
Show: "The Oprah Winfrey Show"

Host: Oprah Winfrey
The Look: The trimmed-down queen of daytime talk dresses like the diva she is. Her spare-no-expense, sophisticated wardrobe includes impeccably tailored suits and luxurious knits. Still, we're surprised by some ill-fitting ensembles, such as a charcoal gray pin-stripe pantsuit whose trousers pulled at the hips, distorting the stripes. Much more flattering is a fuzzy oatmeal turtleneck sweater tunic over full mocha pants. Oprah's new short "do" could use a little shaping to make her head less blocky, but her subtle makeup gets points for accentuating her best features.
Signature Style: Her strong suits are her strong suit.
Confidential to Oprah: Take one hard, last look in the mirror for fit before leaving your dressing room.



Talk-show queen Oprah Winfrey sports a spare-no-expense wardrobe, but it includes ill-fitting ensembles also.

Rating: 2.5
Show: "Ricki Lake"

Host: Ricki Lake
The Look: In her third season, former hollywood-style girl who went chic and sporty, trading in that dowdy college-girl-on-a-budget look. Now it's miniskirts, pantsuits and sexy dresses in velvet, wool and satin. She hits with a cropped lipsick-red jacket over a pleated mini kilt, but misses with a brown charmeuse blouse worn with a skinny belt over a black charmeuse mini. Ricki gets the prize for best makeup — heavy black liner for glamour-girl eyes.
Signature Style: a study in basic black — pants, velvet jackets, jumpers, blouses. Must be from living in New York all this time.
Confidential to Ricki: You've got the style down, now just punch it up with a little color and you'll go, girl!

Rating: 3
Show: "Charles Perez"

Host: Charles Dabney Perez
The Look: Oh, no — cue The Rembrandts — he's a "Friend!" Young and painfully hip, baby-faced Charles plays the fashion field with flair, relying on designers Hugo Boss and Replay. Talk about fickle, he's all over the place: buttoned-down denim shirts, knit shirts, blazers in browns and grays, suspenders, faded jeans, khakis, plain-front and pleated trousers, hip-hop-styled shirt jackets over a T and vest... Perez gets the nod for whitest teeth — sorry, Danny — on TV.
Signature Style: Blazer, jeans, T-shirt — a style New York-based Perez calls "masculine and contemporary. I tend to stay away from too much of the 'downtown' (Soho) look."
Confidential to Charles: Settle down. We were glued to "Women Who Commit Crimes for Their Mates," but the felony in progress was

Rating: 2.5
Show: "Geraldo"
Host: Geraldo Rivera
The Look: Depending on the subject du jour, Rivera veils from uptown suave to down-home sportswear. For a serious show on the O.J. Simpson verdict, he wore a tailored double-breasted gray suit with a pinch of an abstract-print tie peeking through. For the silly "Gangsters in Drag: Armed and Glamorous," a ribbed turtleneck and tight-fitting pleated trousers showed off his well-muscled physique. The transvestite bad girls — Selma (a Susan Power look-alike), Pinky (a pickpocket in Lycra), Treasure (silicone injections wrapped in a leather trench coat) and Muscles (a vision, though not an angelic one, in sheer white) — couldn't keep their eyes off the host with the most.
Signature Style: turtlenecks and double-breasted suits.
Confidential to Geraldo: You're fab in those European-cut suits, but kick those "Father Knows Best" sweaters to the curb.

Rating: 0.5
Show: "The Jerry Springer Show"

Host: Jerry Springer
The Look: Tired, one-suit Springer attire that ought to be retired.
Signature Style: dark suit, light-colored shirt, drab tie, moppy hair.
Confidential to Jerry: Hire a stylist.

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The second class in the series is a refresher course for those who have taken the class before.

Those attending should wear loose, comfortable clothes and bring two pillows and a blanket (optional) to each class. Cost is \$25 or \$55 per class, and payment is expected at the first class. For more information or to register, call 324-4301.

Red Cross offers first-aid, CPR course

TWIN FALLS — The Sawtooth Chapter of the American Red Cross is offering an eight-hour course in Standard First Aid (first aid and adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation) from 6 to 10 p.m. Nov. 8 and 9. Cost is \$35, and pre-registration is required.

A nine-hour Community First Aid and Safety (first aid and infant, child and adult CPR) is planned for 6 to 10 p.m. Nov. 15 and 16. The fee is \$40, and pre-registration is required.

For more information or to register, call 733-6464 or stop by the American Red Cross office, 718 Shoshone St. E.

Widow service plans meeting series

TWIN FALLS — The Widowed Information and Consultation Services is planning a series of meetings on "Coping with Widowhood."

The eight-week series will meet at the Idaho Office on Aging at the College of Southern Idaho. It will be designed to help widowed people receive information and support in dealing with problems of being widowed. Dates and times have not been set.

Anyone interested in more information or registration should call 736-2122.

To do for you is a calendar listing of health-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Health & Fashion section. Mail notices to: The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or deliver to our office at 132 Third St. W.

Dieters love new high-fat 'diet'; hospital says may be dangerous

Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel

Let's see, day four. We eat bananas.

Tomorrow — hooray! — 20 ounces of beef. The next day — yummy, yummy — all the chicken, beef and veggies we care to consume.

Is this a diet or what!

Actually, we have seven days to consider here, and in some days we're snuck with just fruit or veggies.

Or the eight bananas.

And, of course, the cabbage soup, cabbage soup, cabbage ... ooops, excuse me.

Folks who have tried the diet swear that they've shed 5 pounds, 7 pounds, or more in a single week.

"I lost 12 pounds," says Susan Gillier one night over dinner.

"I don't know how much I lost," says her cousin, Madelyn Katz, who has joined us. "But my friend, who told me about it, lost 35 pounds." Make that 40.

Skip Day of Hollywood, Fla., lost 8 pounds, and his wife lost 5, the first week they tried it.

No hooks or supplements are being pushed here. No one is making a bundle from your weighty guilt (except perhaps cabbage growers). Just you and this diet printed on a sheet of paper, origin unknown.

Sports figures, including muscle-oid Arnold Schwarzenegger, have inquired about it. Football and gym-

nastic coaches have considered putting their entire teams on it.

Coast-to-coast and far beyond people are talking about THIS DIET. The Sacred Heart Medical Center Diet, "used for overweight heart patients to lose rapidly, usually before surgery."

Problem is, the Sacred Heart Medical Center did not concoct the white-bang weight shedder. In fact, the Spokane, Wash., hospital has a person who does little more than write disclaimer letters on the dastardly thing that won't go away.

Nobody knows for certain how the hoax got started, though Elaine Reid, director of food and nutrition, says, "We believe there is a good chance a disgruntled employee who left our cardiac nursing unit" is behind the sham.

Ironically, Reid remembers a diet, purported to be the "Dolly Parton Diet," appearing in a woman's magazine 12 years ago.

Six months later, the similar Sacred Heart Medical Center (sometimes referred to as Sacred Heart Hospital or Sacred Heart Memorial Hospital) Diet began to circulate in chain-letter fashion.

Not only does the hospital not endorse the diet, but Reid warns that for a heart patient the diet — high in cholesterol and saturated fat — could in fact be dangerous.

The soup base (there is a "miracle" soup at the core) is dried onion soup

Odds are higher of contracting serious infections from hospital, doctors say

Dallas Morning News

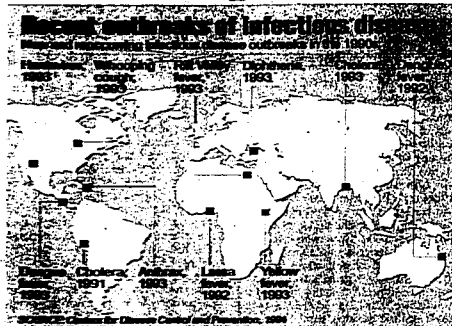
In 1847, an astute medical professional named Ignaz Semmelweis noticed that women in the First Obstetrical Clinic in his Vienna teaching hospital often died from a disease called childbed fever. Curiously, patients in the Second Obstetrical Clinic in the same hospital rarely suffered the same fate.

The first ward, but not the second, was part of the teaching program for the medical school. In those days students went straight from performing autopsies to examining women in labor. Though this was long before the discovery that germs could cause disease, Semmelweis posted an order on May 15, 1847, directing that all students and doctors wash their hands before tending to patients. Later, he required that medical instruments be scrubbed. Childbed fever faded from the hospital.

Almost 150 years later, infections remain one of the biggest threats posed by institutions otherwise known for healing. Unfortunately, the age-old problem has developed modern twists that may make it more frightening than ever.

"This is very serious business," said Dr. Robert Haley, chief of epidemiology at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas and the former head of the hospital infections program at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. "This is something that's worrisome."

One of the main concerns is that bacteria are increasingly able to conquer most known antibiotics, giving



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even seemingly lightweight germs a lethal edge. In some cases, doctors are left with only one drug leading the offense against a common infection.

Infectious disease experts fear that an unstoppable bacteria, a notion that once sounded more like a plot for science fiction, is now unsettlingly close to medical fact.

To complicate matters, hospital patients are now more vulnerable to such germs, physicians say. Pressure to bring down health care costs has meant that many patients recuperate elsewhere, leaving hospital beds with the sickest and weakest. These patients often have collapsed immune

systems as a result of chemotherapy, organ transplants, AIDS or just old age.

Overall, about 5 to 10 percent of hospital patients — about 2 million U.S. patients a year — now end up with a bug they didn't have when they checked in, according to the CDC. Infections are thought to cause or contribute to almost 80,000 U.S. deaths annually, although doctors say it is often difficult to determine an exact cause of death when a person has multiple illnesses.

Known opportunists, microbes enter the body through any portal available. Urinary tract infections,

which account for about a third of the problem, are the most common, followed by pneumonia and surgical and bloodstream infections.

The CDC estimates that on average, a typical bout with an infection may keep a person in the hospital an extra four days. But much of that depends on the type of infection. For example, patients who survive a bloodstream infection typically stay in the hospital about three extra weeks, according to a study published last year by researchers at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics. The added cost of treating the illness came to about \$40,000 per patient.

The Iowa study focused on patients in an intensive-care unit, where the problem of hospital infection is most pronounced.

"Patients in the hospital are sicker than ever, and hospitals are moving to becoming ICUs," said Dr. Robert Gaynes, chief of surveillance at the CDC's hospital infections branch. And although hospitals may be losing inpatient beds overall, he said, "the size of our intensive-care units is actually getting bigger."

A bacterium has an advantage in intensive-care units not only because patients are very ill, but because they usually lie tethered to respirators, intravenous lines and other tubes that can act as convenient shortcuts for invading pathogens.

"The care often life-saving devices, but it's the price we pay for more sophisticated medical care," Gaynes said. "It is the downside to the improvements in medical technology."

Trick or treat? Keep kids' safety in mind

The Washington Post

Halloween is supposed to be scary, but it shouldn't be dangerous. With a little care by parents and children, the day can be great fun and safe.

Since most trick-or-treating is done at night, children need to watch out for falls, traffic and the possibility of burns from jack-o'-lanterns and other candles.

The National Safe Kids Campaign offers these tips for a Halloween free of injury:

- Avoid cumbersome costumes and vision-limiting masks. Use face paint or cosmetics instead. Make sure costumes do not cause tripping and that shoes work with the costumes.
- Teach children not to run while out trick-or-treating and to stay on the sidewalk. Children should cross streets with an adult and not cut across yards, where a child could run into lawn ornaments or clotheslines that are hard

to see in the dark.

- Put reflective tape on costumes and bags.
- Buy "flame resistant" costumes, masks, beards and wigs or use fire-resistant material when making costumes. Avoid costumes made of flimsy material or outfits with baggy sleeves or billowing skirts, since they are more likely to come in contact with candles on

doorsteps or at parties.

- Travel with your young children while they are trick-or-treating, and instruct those going without parents to never enter a home or apartment.

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- CPR Class * Saturday, November 4, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., 5th West Conference Room. To register, call 737-2807.
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- Cesarean Childbirth Class * Tuesday, November 7, 7-9:30 p.m., Education Center (located at the back of our north parking lot). No preregistration necessary. For information, call 737-2900.
- CPR Class * Tuesday & Thursday, November 7 & 9, 4-7 p.m., 5th West Conference Room. To register, call 737-2007.
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Never too old to swim

Over-50 students conquer water fears

Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel

PLANTATION, Fla. — Eleanor Schaffer remembers choking. Swallowing water. Struggling to the surface for air. An afternoon canoe trip by three sisters at summer camp in upstate New York had turned into an afternoon of terror when all three were deliberately tossed overboard into the lake. None could swim.

"That's how they taught you to swim back then," says Schaffer, who was about 8 on that day the first met the water in fear.

"None of us ever learned to swim because of that. My younger sister never learned. My sister, Roz, is still afraid of the water. They ruined it because of that."

Because of that, Schaffer would not learn to swim for another 50 years.

On a humid August night, Schaffer, now in her 60s, is holding onto the side of the pool at Plantation's Central Park and kicking her feet.

During the next two weeks, Schaffer and three other women will learn to swim in the last summer class for adults this year. They will meet four nights a week, even in rain showers, for 50 minutes each night.

Schafer is joined by Dawn Parker, 51, a teacher from Jamaica, and by Jackie Hall, 58, and Ann Smith, 55, friends who retired together in June after three decades at Broward County Schools.

Now a grandmother, Schaffer moved from New York to South Florida with her husband, Sam, 23 years ago. Their retirement days are spent at their Plantation condominium, where Schaffer chats with neighbors at the pool and wades into the shallow end.

Living in South Florida has been a constant reminder that she can't swim. During the years, she has watched her three children and two grandchildren learn to love the water. Hoping to conquer the fear wrought that afternoon at the lake, Schaffer finally signed up for swimming lessons.

"She's a quick learner," says Sam, her husband, who watches the class from a patio chair. He doesn't swim, either. Someday his wife grew frustrated with her afternoon at the pool.

"If she puts her mind to it, she'll do it," he says.

Still, learning to swim is harder at an older age. Adults lack the stamina and the firm leg and stomach muscles of children. Some have physical ailments. Many are out of condition. Kicking is more difficult.

All of the women in this class are over 50. Three of the four can't swim a stroke. Jackie Hall, like Schaffer, has a childhood fear of the water. All of the women are afraid of the "deep end."

Their experiences are not uncommon. The biggest hurdles for adults learning to swim are overcoming their fear, learning to float and raising their face in the water, says Rick Floyd, 44, the swim instructor who has taught dozens of adults to swim at Central Park.

"Most of them had a bad experience when they were kids," Floyd says. But "everybody can float if they can relax. If they have confidence in me, they'll be floating on their backs after a few lessons."

Floyd puts an arm under them while the women float on their backs. He has them blow bubbles in the water to get their faces wet.

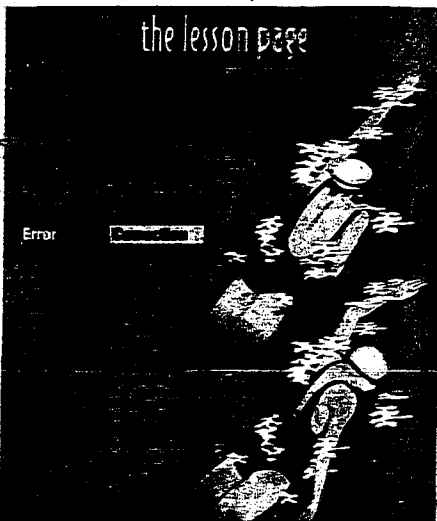
Kick your legs high, close to the surface, he tells them, emphasizing the need to build up the stomach and leg muscles.

"Don't let the legs sink." Sink? That's exactly what they're afraid of.

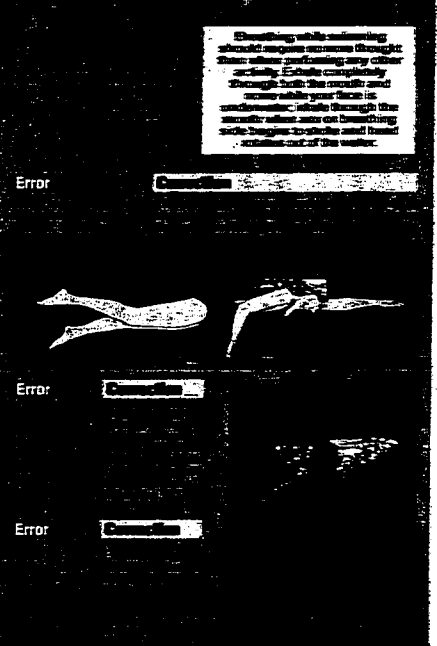
By the middle of the second week, the women have improved markedly.

Parke is finishing 25-yard laps across the pool, in deep water.

Schafer is floating and learning the side stroke.



the lesson page



Swimming with swimming should progress through stages. Start with the water chest to tighten, throwing her into a full-blown asthma attack. A doctor on board stabilized her, and attendants called ahead for the ambulance, which took her to the hospital as soon as the plane landed.

Proper daily care, education can help prevent asthma crises

Knight-Ridder News Service

Her flight lifted off smoothly and Beverly Cassidy relaxed, eager to see her husband on active duty with the Marines in St. Louis.

But less than a minute after flight attendants began passing out packets of peanuts, Cassidy, 42, was grabbing a small portable inhaler.

The smell of the peanuts had triggered an allergic reaction that caused her chest to tighten, throwing her into a full-blown asthma attack.

A doctor on board stabilized her, and attendants called ahead for the ambulance, which took her to the hospital as soon as the plane landed.

Buck home in Royal Oak, Mich., she got serious about learning more and about doing all she could to control her disease, which now affects 15 million Americans.

Sherrill books and joined a support group. This summer, she decided to start a new group aimed at adults like herself who don't understand the seriousness, even deadly, consequences of asthma.

"There's a serious lack of education about asthma," says Cassidy, whose new group meets for the first time Tuesday night in Novi, Mich. It's affiliated with the Michigan chapter of the Asthma & Allergy Foundation of America.

As asthma rates soar, particularly in African American and Hispanic urban neighborhoods, doctors and advocacy groups are sounding an alarm to warn parents about risks and spread the word that asthma now is more treatable than ever. Their message to the public: Don't take asthma lightly.

An attack can be frightening. Suddenly, even in the middle of sleep, people may begin gasping for breath.

Their necks and chests tighten. They become panicky and stressed as they struggle to breathe.

Quickly inhaling medicine to relax the bronchial muscles may help, but that also can exacerbate an attack.

Yet asthma, caused by inflammation of the airways of the lungs, never was rated a serious public health threat — not until the last few years, when numbers reached such startling levels they couldn't be ignored.

No one knows why the numbers are increasing, though theories range from pollution to better reporting of asthma cases.

But whatever the reason, the numbers are rising.

Asthma cases have increased about 60 percent in the last 10 years. Statewide, 400,000 people — about 4 percent — now have the condition.

In urban areas, asthma is almost epidemic. In Detroit, nearly 100,000 residents — one in 10 people — are affected. African Americans with asthma are three times more likely to die of it than whites and are twice as likely to require hospitalization.

Annual death rates have reached nearly 5,000 — a 66 percent increase in 10 years. Some deaths, like the asthma-related death in July of teen supermodel Krisly Taylor, have attracted national attention and raised questions about whether doctors recognize and properly treat the disease.

Taylor's doctor had not diagnosed her with asthma, though the 17-year-old Florida had been treating her breathing problems with an over-the-counter inhaler. Her death was attributed to an irregular heartbeat triggered by asthma.

Experts say Taylor's case typifies the problems with asthma: Doctors

don't adequately diagnose it, and patients try to treat themselves with nonprescription remedies that may help during an attack but do not treat underlying asthma causes.

Others don't do enough to avoid substances that trigger asthma attacks.

The big culprits are the same things that cause allergies: Dust, mold, pet hair and cockroaches.

"Allergies and asthma are not the same," says Dr. John Anderson, head of the allergy and immunology division at Detroit's Ford Hospital. Yet they often coincide. Four of five children with asthma have allergy problems; half of adult asthmatics are allergic to a range of items, Anderson says.

But there are 200 or more other causes of asthma, ranging from cigarette smoke to viral infections, and from household chemicals to pollution.

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I'LL TAKE THE WALKIE-TALKIE, YOU TAKE THE TEST.

KSAN INUSHWAN CURRY! URKHYN!

B.C. By Johnny Hart

WHAT WAS YOUR MOST DIFFICULT CASE?

I ONCE CURED SOMEONE WITH 11 DIFFERENT PERSONALITIES.

WHO WAS THAT?

THE PITTSBURGH STEBLER.

Garfield By Jim Davis

THE MOON IS FULL, AND AN Eerie CREAKING IS HEARD AS A COFFIN LID SLOWLY OPENS... AS...

COUNT CAT ONCE AGAIN STALKS THE NIGHT!

GARFIELD! BRING ME A BATH TOWEL BACK!

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

WE PICKED A STORY TONIGHT WE CAN ALL READ TOGETHER.

DO YOU REALLY NEED US BOTH?

YES! MOMMY CAN DO SNOW WHITE AND THE WITCH...

...AND DADDY CAN DO ALL SEVEN DWARFS!

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

WE CAUGHT THIS MAN BREAKING INTO THE GUM BALL MACHINE.

WELL... WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO SAY?

I'M TRYING TO QUIT SMOKING!

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

SPEAK TO ME, HAGAR!

SAY SOMETHING!

YOU'RE STANDING ON MY FOOT!

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

BEEBLE, CALL COOKIE AND SEE WHAT'S FOR DINNER.

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I GOT A HAT AND A SCARF IN A HASTY PREPARE!

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GODDAMN!

Blonde By Dean Young & Stan Drake

I'LL SWING BY THE NEW LOCATION FOR BLONDE'S SHOP.

WANT'LL YOU SEE IT? IT'S PERFECT!

OH, THAT'S IT? RIGHT OVER THERE!

THAT'S... HE MUST BE KIDDING.

THAT'S... HE MUST BE KIDDING.

SEE? I DID YOU A LITTLE BIT. IT WAS PERFECT!

Pickles By Brian Crane

I WAS WALKING THROUGH THE MALL TAKING MORNING WALKS... I SUDDENLY REALIZED...

...TODORADO'S HALLOWEEN!

WHAT WAS YOUR BEST GUESS?

I GAVE THEM PUTTING UP THE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS.

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Will God know it's me?

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List Saint Nicholas as the patron saint of mariners.

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"Dem" means "half." As in "dem-taste" for "half cup." Or "dem-drunk" for "halfway there." Or "dem-cab."

"The relationship of editor to author is knife to throat."

India has a bill of rights for cows.

What's your stand on "politically correct" names? The Bronx Zoo, for example, is now called the "International Wildlife Conservation Park." Nice try, says our Language man, but expect talk always tightens up the idiom. Out there where the another goose is manufactured, the inter-

L.M. Boyd
What's what?

national Wildlife Conservation Park scenery will be as known as the Bronx Zoo.

Q. Only one constant has no active volcanoes. Name it.

A. Australia. Curious, isn't it? Being so close to the Indonesian proping post.

Those beans in the animal world that hunt live prey for survival - lions and tigers and such - don't seem to be making it any sea well in the wild. But those scavengers that live on garbage, natural or manmade - crows and crows and the like - appear to be thriving most remarkably. I sense a broader significance, but don't quite have the handle of it. Do you?

Earth's land cover tookle into the continents we recognize on the map approximately 80 million years ago. Chickens, scientists now say, got their start more than 200 million years ago.

Sydney Marr
Horoscope

IF OCTOBER 30 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are dynamic, passionate, creative, possess marvelous sense of the ridiculous. You are charter member of endless "I'm going to do it" clubs. Sagittarius persons play significant roles in your life. You are independent, controversial, created your own traditions while young. Your curiosity leads you to become fixated with foreign lands, customs, cultures. You are super-conscious concerning fashion, travel, rights and permissions of people in all walks of life. All these could complicate life during December.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): What a Monday! Focus on Moon reality to popularity. Aqueous Moon publicity in popular magazines. Focus on property, public relations. Direction, motivation featured.

TARBIUS (April 20-May 20): Losen - give full play to intellectual curiosity. Lunar emphasis highlights leadership, promotion, hobnobbing with people in high places. Sagittarius helps protect legal rights to property.

LEO (May 21-June 20): Lunar aspect coincides with special studies, education, publishing, ability to make impact on the world. Focus in durable impact, be positive of collateral.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Attention revolves around words, verbal and written. Romantic investment requires time to mature. Travel offer valid, but be sure of bank statements.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Photographs, entertainment, music featured. "People comment. "You voice sounds different!" Spotlight on public appeal, cooperative efforts, virtual stunts. Gift includes jewelry.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You were wonderful. "Where will I find my place?" Terms will be made crystal clear. You'll know where you stand in communion with creative endeavor, excellent results.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Study message. Focus on promotion, power, authority, position. Check time limitations. "Where will I find my place with graduate of college of hard knocks."

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Long-range prospects command attention. Refuse to give up right to land, property. Offer received, could lack substance, if you want, you win. Aries involved.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You are a person of substance. "This is my place." Scenario features familiar places, formal. Paramount concerning love, commitment - some will say. You want to have your cake and eat it too!"

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Fine food! Cancer native invites you to dine gourmet style. Another Capricorn gets number of property, but this job very transaction completed. You did right! Hint!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Out-time prospects, articulate friends, Sagittarius helps make wish become reality. Cycle high, free yourself from prison of inertia. Take initiative, imprint style.

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Sens. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., and Don Nickles, R-Okla., joke during taping of NBC's 'Meet the Press' Sunday. The two were on the show to discuss the budget.

Senators: Compromise without White House

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senators should avoid the political sniping between the White House and Congress and open bipartisan talks on how to balance the budget, Senate Budget Committee Chairman Pete Domenici proposed Sunday.

"Pete, I'm willing to deal," responded Sen. Bob Kerrey, D-Neb., who appeared with the New Mexico Republican on NBC's "Meet the Press."

"Don't negotiate with the president at the moment," Kerrey said. "Negotiate with congressional Democrats who have already demonstrated a willingness to vote for the very things you say need to occur."

But the senators also made clear they share the same divisions that have led to President Clinton promising to veto the GOP proposal to balance the budget over seven years by reducing the pace of Medicare and Medicaid spending while affecting a \$245 billion tax cut.

Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla., told NBC that the seven-year timetable for balancing the budget was "not really negotiable" and Domenici suggested that the Republicans would give little ground on the tax cut.

"We've worked too hard to get here," Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., said it was the Republicans who have stalled budget talks by their intransi-

gence and Kerrey said the GOP budget-balancing plan was "not realistic if you have a tax cut."

The House and Senate last week both passed their huge packages of tax and spending cuts and are to begin talks this week on working out differences.

Clinton says he will veto the bill because of cuts in education and health care, and stressed Saturday that until the Republicans agree to compromise "there is nothing more for us to talk about."

He also vowed in his weekly radio address that he would not give in to Republican "blackmail" to reject any raise in the federal debt limit unless Clinton agrees to their plan.

"If we have serious negotiations going on that look like they are going to lead to a real solution, we might give a temporary debt extension," Nickles said.

"We anxiously await the president coming forth with something real that will get real support," Domenici said.

Kerrey said he wasn't trying to cut the president out by backing Domenici's idea of bipartisan talks, but thought working out an acceptable budget proposal was the job of legislators. "He's given, I think, relatively clear instructions as to what he's willing to support."

Inmates riot at Tennessee prison, demand return to North Carolina

MASON, Tenn. (AP) — More than 100 inmates demanding to be returned home to North Carolina went on a rampage in a private prison, smashing toilets and sinks and knocking a hole in a dormitory wall.

Guards at the West Tennessee Detention Facility ended the riot Saturday night by pumping pepper gas into two dormitories seized by the prisoners. The inmates were moved to the Shelby County jail in Memphis, about 40 miles away.

There were no deaths, injuries or escapes during the two-hour uprising.

Tipton County Sheriff Buddy Lewis said the 111 inmates had been sent to Tennessee by the North Carolina State Department of Correction and complained they were now too far from their families.

"They are very unhappy because they are over here and they want to go back to North Carolina," he said. "They totally demolished the dormitory areas they were in."

The medium-security prison, which houses 455 state and federal inmates, is a private facility owned by the Nashville-based Corrections Corp. of America.

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Gun found came from Maryland

WASHINGTON (AP) — A weapon recovered near a sniper's ambush at Fort Bragg, N.C., was bought at a Maryland shop that federal and state officials say has provided guns connected with numerous crimes, a government source said Sunday.

A 9 mm Glock pistol found at the scene of the shootings Friday was purchased from the Freestate Arms and Munitions gun shop in Temple Hills, Md., in 1990, said the government source, who spoke on condition of not being further identified.

The name of Army Sgt. William J. Kreutzer, 26, of Clinton, Md., is listed as the purchaser of the gun, said the source. Kreutzer is the suspect in the shootings that killed one and injured 18 at the Army base.

The owner of the gun shop was arrested Sept. 27 after an investigation by Maryland state police and the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms on charges of having an expired firearms license and selling weapons without having conducted the required background checks.

"Gun traces conducted by ATF agents have found that in the past 18 months, the last recorded point of sale for more than 100 weapons recovered in crimes was the Freestate Arms and Munitions store," said a news release issued Sept. 27 by Maryland Gov. Parris Glavin.

"The crimes include 10 homicides and three assaults, including an assault on a police officer," it said.

The ATF's special agent in charge, Margaret M. Moore, said then that "this is a significant case because Freestate Arms is responsible for supplying firearms to criminals. These weapons have been documented through ATF's tracing program to have been recovered in violent crimes in Washington, D.C., and (adjacent) Prince George's County."

State and federal agents arrested Jay F. Brooking, 39, of Silver Spring, Md., and charged him with 10 counts of violating laws regarding the proper sale or transfer of pistols and revolvers.

The store was closed by Maryland authorities because the owner had not renewed his license. Authorities said it had been operating without a Maryland Firearms dealers license since July 1.

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A French U.N. peacekeeper searches a bus passenger board for Kiseljak Sunday.

With Bosnia talks nearing, mediators try to keep calm

ZAGREB, Croatia (AP) — With crucial peace talks on Bosnia just days away, diplomats struggled Sunday to keep Croats and Serbs from starting a new war over a slice of land in eastern Croatia.

The dispute also was central to Sunday's Croatian parliamentary elections, which were expected to give President Franjo Tudjman a new mandate to continue his tough line against the Serbs.

Talks on returning a piece of Serb-occupied territory to Croatian control broke down Saturday, raising the specter of new warfare that could undermine the peace plan for neighboring Bosnia.

"That's why we're strongly insisting that all parties refrain from use of force," Peter Galbraith, U.S. ambassador to Croatia, said Sunday.

Tudjman repeatedly has threatened to send in the army to take back the territory, known as eastern Slavonia, if negotiations fail.

He already has used military force twice this year to retake other land that had been held by rebel Serbs since Croatia's 1991 war of secession from Yugoslavia.

Galbraith said he hoped the issues could be resolved when the presidents of Croatia, Serbia and Bosnia gather for peace talks that start Wednesday in Dayton, Ohio.

Although the negotiations are aimed primarily at ending 3 1/2 years of bloodshed in Bosnia, Tudjman has managed to move Croatia's land dispute to center stage.

His threats to retake eastern Slavonia hit U.S. and U.N. envoys

with little chance that to include the matter in the Dayton talks.

"It's a difficult real-world, and we should not have unrealistic high expectations," Galbraith said. "We're concerned that military action could disrupt the peace efforts."

Bosnian Serb leaders expressed hopes for the talks, but wanted of new problems. Milorad Kraljevic, a senior Bosnian Serb official who will take part in the talks, accused Tudjman of wanting ethnicity supplies to the Serb stronghold of Banja Luka in northern Bosnia.

"Experts predict a big victory, try Tudjman's party in Sunday's elections, which he called a year early, to exploit the army's recent success in driving Serbs from land they held in southern and western Bosnia.

Tudjman's anti-Serb theme was going over strongly in many areas. "It is known who we will vote for. They'll vote our own kind," said Dusan Djukanovic, 62, as he waited to vote in Glina, a town north from Serb-ruled territory.

Tudjman's Croatian Democratic Union and a closely allied ultranationalist party aim to win a two-thirds majority in the parliament — enough to allow them to amend the constitution at will.

Officials in Tudjman's party, which now holds 78 of 118 seats in the current parliament, say they want to reorganize the presidency.

Opponents accuse Tudjman, a former Communist general, of creating a de facto single-party state. The opposition has almost no access to the state television and media monopolies.

Also, the Red Cross this year is experiencing the first budget deficit in its 111-year history. Officials contend the \$60 million imbalance is temporary, the result of a costly restructuring of its biomedical-services division.

The Chronicle said community foundations saw the biggest rise in donations, a 29.2 percent increase. Public affairs groups posted a 14.8 percent gain.

Other increases included museums, 11.2 percent; universities, 10.6 percent; hospitals, 3.2 percent; other health charities, 5.1 percent; public broadcasting, 0.6 percent; and Jewish fund-raising groups, 0.3 percent.

oly, which is firmly in Tudjman's control.

In all, 31 parties are competing for the support of 3.6 million registered voters in Croatia and about 500,000 abroad. Preliminary results were expected Monday.

The governing party also amended election laws in its favor, reducing the size of parliament's lower house to 127 seats. Twelve are reserved for Croats living outside Croatia; the number guaranteed for Serbs in Croatia has been reduced to three, from 13.

The new election law also allowed as many as a half-million Croats in Bosnia to vote. That angered the Bosnian government, which is wary of Tudjman's political power in wide areas of northern and western Bosnia.

"This is absolutely normal that I can vote in both states," said one elderly man, who refused to give his name, as he voted in Sarajevo. He said he was voting for Tudjman's party because "it will protect interests of us Croats here."

Tudjman's fervent nationalism could backfire in his relations with the West at a time when his country is trying to join Western institutions and obtain loans.

Many governments condemned his offensives to retake Serb-held territory in May and August.

An estimated 180,000 Croatian Serbs fled the August offensive. U.N. and U.S. envoys reported evidence that Croatian soldiers, police and civilians burned and looted Serb homes and murdered Serb civilians.

Buchanan warns of GOP war if Powell receives nomination

WASHINGTON (AP) — Retired Gen. Colin Powell will throw the Republican Party into a war for control if he seeks the GOP nomination for president, Pat Buchanan, and other prominent conservatives warned Sunday.

In a sign the battle already has begun, conservative William J. Bennett and several moderate Republicans said they hope Powell runs, and believe he can both gain support from conservatives and widen the party's appeal.

"Individual conservative Republicans like this man, and they like him for good reason," said Bennett, a former education secretary who has fought recently with fellow conservatives over Powell. Bennett spoke on CBS's "Face the Nation."

But Buchanan, appearing on ABC's "This Week with David Brinkley," warned of a full-scale revolt by Christian conservatives if Powell wins the nomination and tilts the party toward a pro-choice position on abortion.

"You'd have Christian Coalition folks breaking loose, you'd have people walking out of the convention, if Colin Powell tries to impose his agenda," said Buchanan, who is seeking the GOP nomination for the second time.

If the party ends its pro-life, anti-gun control and anti-affirmative action positions, "I will not support that platform," Buchanan insisted, but he stopped short of saying he would bolt the GOP.

Powell, the retired Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman is expected to announce by Thanksgiving whether he plans to join the Republican race.

The GOP front-runner, Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, said conservatives would unite behind him as a single alternative if Powell seeks the GOP nomination. "My view is that would be helpful to me," Dole said at a campaign stop in Iowa Sunday.

America," gun control and affirmative action. "Because this is worth having a debate," New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani said on the Brinkley program, adding "Colin Powell has a historic opportunity to broaden the base of the Republican Party in many, many ways, and I'd like to see that opportunity taken."

Former President Bush reportedly was touting Powell at a party in Houston last week, although insisting he would not publicly endorse anyone. Newsweek magazine reported in editions appearing on newsstands Monday.

But David Keene, head of the American Conservative Union, said Powell has already made clear his wide divide from conservatives. "He's described himself as a Rockefeller Republican. He's said that if he gets into it, part of his goal would be to revitalize this portion of the party," Keene said on "Face the Nation." "That is the next thing to a declaration of war on the conservative wing of the party."

Columbia warms tires as landing preparation

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Astronauts pointed Columbia's belly toward the sun to start warming up the shuttle tires Sunday in preparation for next weekend's landing.

Because of the warms Columbia is flying — with its tail pointed toward Earth — some parts of the shuttle are kept in frigid darkness for long periods.

Flight directors want to be sure the four main landing gear tires maintain proper pressure, so commander Kenneth Bowersox was ordered to aim Columbia's underside toward the sun for eight hours.

The tires are inflated with gaseous nitrogen. When the warm-up period was over, nitrogen pressure had increased from 328 pounds per square inch to 334 psi. Ideal pressure is 330 psi for landing.

Three more tire-warming periods are planned before the shuttle's return to Florida.

Columbia is flying with its tail to the Earth to minimize any necessary jet firings. That could disrupt sensitive experiments, such as testing a boxlike device to detect motion and keep science instruments stable.

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Largest U.S. charities see 6.3% boost in donations

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans boosted their donations to the nation's 400 largest charities by 6.3 percent last year, according to a survey that showed the Salvation Army the biggest recipient for a third straight year.

The Chronicle of Philanthropy reported Sunday that the 400 non-profit organizations in its annual survey received \$22.4 billion, or about \$1 of every \$6 that were donated to charity nationwide.

The Salvation Army raised \$726 million in 1994 from individuals, businesses and foundations, up from \$683 million a year earlier.

The American Red Cross received \$497 million and remained in second place for the seventh year in a row despite a 7 percent dip in donations.

Second highest, a national network of food banks, ranked third with \$425 million. Most of its donations were food and other grocery products.

The Chronicle said Red Cross officials attributed its decline in donations to the lack of any single major, dramatic natural disaster in the last two years to capture public attention.

"Although there have been an unprecedented 105 hurricanes and tropical storms this season, ... more appears to have pleased the public consciousness enough to stimulate a wave of donations," it said.

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Subway fire kills 300 in Azerbaijan

BAKU, Azerbaijan (AP) — Rescue workers recovered about 300 bodies Sunday from the wreckage of a subway that caught fire in the capital, trapping hundreds of terrified passengers. At least 200 others were injured.

Azerbaijan declared two days of mourning for the dead. Officials blamed the tragedy, the world's worst subway accident, on the system's "outdated Soviet" equipment.

Unable to escape from the packed cars, most of the people who died were killed by carbon monoxide

poisoning from burning toxic materials in the train carriages, officials said.

"As soon as the train entered the tunnel I saw a flash," said Tabil Guseinov, 45, a passenger. "Then the flames enveloped the train car, there was a sound of breaking glass, and the lights went out."

"People started breaking windows to get out. We were starting to suffocate," he said.

The fire broke out between two subway stations in central Baku on Saturday afternoon because of a

malfuction of the train's electrical system, officials said.

Survivors described sparks flying from high-voltage cables just after the train left the busy Ulduz station.

Rescuers battled the blaze until early Sunday, then pulled the injured and the dead, wrapped in rugs and blankets, from the tunnel. Police and security forces sealed off the area, barring journalists.

Authorities initially said only two people had died in the fire, but that death toll climbed steadily overnight as more bodies were found.



U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher, left, and Qatar Energy and Industry Minister Abdulla Bin Hamed Al-Attiyah attend the Middle East and North African Economic Summit in Jordan Sunday.

Secretary of State Christopher calls for lift of Arab boycott

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — The Arab boycott of Israel is hindering the region's economic growth and should be lifted, Secretary of State Warren Christopher said Sunday.

Christopher also said the United States was committed to expanding the peace to include Lebanon and Syria, whose negotiations with Israel have been stalled for months.

"Peace must be comprehensive," he said. "It requires government officials and business executives from 60 countries meeting in a three-day economic conference at Amman's Palace of Culture."

Christopher is due to leave Monday for Damascus, the Syrian capital, for talks with President Hafez Assad on resuming peace negotiations. But he

said he expected no dramatic breakthroughs.

Christopher stressed that peace and stability were necessary for economic progress in the region.

"For too long, this has been a region of warriors and widows," he said. "It should once again become a region of builders and traders."

The United States has long been opposed to the Arab League boycott, imposed after Israel was established in 1948. It has weakened in recent years, especially since the 1991 peace conference in Madrid, Spain, and subsequent peace agreements Israel has signed with Jordan and the Palestinians.

Christopher said the boycott "maintains walls at a time when negotia-

tions are bringing them down."

"It impedes regional economic integration. The boycott serves no one," he said. "While the boycott is being dismantled and many of the countries here no longer observe it, the moment is right to end the boycott completely."

Christopher also urged the Arabs to get their own economic houses in order by removing restrictions on trade and investment, reforming capital markets, modernizing tax systems and stamping out corruption.

The American delegation to the conference — officially known as the Middle East and North Africa Economic Summit — includes about 175 businessmen and more than 25 government representatives.

Separatists, federalists make final appeals

MONTREAL (AP) — The two sides in Quebec's bloodless but bitter war of secession made emotional final appeals Sunday to the undecided voters who will cast the crucial ballots in the vote on splitting from Canada.

"We know we have a chance to win — let's grasp it," separatist leader Lucien Bouchard told one of the last rallies before Monday's referendum. "Tomorrow night, a people will be born."

The latest poll, by the Montreal company Léves-Léves, gave the separatists an edge among undecided voters but concluded, after apporportioning the undecideds, that the referendum was a dead heat.

"It's impossible to predict the winning camp," said Jean-Marie Léves, the company's president.

In the city of Hull, at his last rally as head of the federalist cause, Prime Minister Jean Chrétien said separation would be a deep loss for all Canadians, including his fellow Quebecers.

"Canada without Quebec is no longer Canada," Chrétien said. "Quebec without Canada is no longer Quebec."

The flag-waving crowd sang the national anthem, "O Canada" — the French version and English version resounding simultaneously through a museum auditorium.

About 5 million people in the mostly French-speaking province are

eligible to vote, including roughly 10 percent who said they hadn't made up their minds as of last week. Election officials predict an exceptionally high turnout.

The separatists and federalists each said they were mobilizing more than 80,000 volunteers to help maximize the turnout of potential voters.

"It's urgent," Bouchard told supporters. "Everyone must use the hours that are left to convince one or two undecided voters."

Police also were mobilizing, particularly in bilingual Montreal and in Hull, in western Quebec across the Ottawa River from Ontario.

"In this case, to be honest, we are a bit more trepid because it's more emotional than an election," said Hull politician Yves Marc.

Montreal riot police were on stand-by. Following a 1989 independence referendum, dedicated separatists marched through the wealthy anglophone enclave of Westmount, a bastion of federalists.

About 80 percent of Quebecers are French-speaking, and a majority are likely to support independence, according to polls. But an overwhelming majority of English-speaking and immigrant Quebecers are expected to vote to stay in Canada.

Polling stations open at 10 a.m. EST and close at 8 p.m. EST. The outcome is expected to be known within an hour or two unless it is a virtual tie.

Islamic Jihad vows to avenge leader's death

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — Members of the Islamic Jihad pledged Sunday to avenge the assassination of their leader by attacking Israeli targets around the world.

The group confirmed in a leaflet Sunday that a man shot five times in the head Thursday in Malta was its leader, Dr. Fathi Shukaki, and not a Libyan businessman as local police had said.

The leaflet, distributed in the Gaza Strip, said Shukaki "fell by treacherous Zionist bullet."

"We assure the assassins of the Zionist entity ... that this ugly crime will make every Zionist on the face of the earth a target for our painful strike," the leaflet said.

An Islamic Jihad statement in Syria blamed Israel's intelligence agency, Mossad, for the killing.

Israeli experts said the group, which has fewer than 300 hardcore followers in Lebanon and a similar number of guerrillas in the Gaza Strip, is highly centralized and will be hard hit by the assassination.

"Every action was under the control of Shukaki, who was the commander, the trainer and also the man who raised money for the organization," said Gideon Ezra, a former top official in Israel's Shin Bet security service.

Islamic Jihad, which means "holy war" in Arabic, opposes the 1993 PLO peace process and has claimed responsibility for killing dozens of Israelis since September 1993, when Israel and the PLO signed a peace accord. The most recent attack was an April suicide bombing that killed seven Israeli soldiers and an American student in the Gaza Strip.

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Truck bomb kills 6, injures 83 in Algeria

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — A truck bomb exploded east of Algiers on Sunday, killing six people, injuring 83 others and destroying a police station and nearby apartment building.

No one immediately claimed responsibility for the attack, but suspicion fell on militants who have been waging an insurgency since January 1992 to topple the military-backed government and install strict Islamic rule.

The station, located 20 yards from the truck bomb, apparently was the

target. The adjacent five-story apartment building that was destroyed was home to many policemen and their families.

The blast left a crater about 20 yards wide and three feet deep, and shattered windows 300 yards away.

Authorities closed off the residential area in downtown Rouiba, 10 miles east of Algiers, and began a massive manhunt in the region for the attackers.

Officials said six people were killed and 83 injured. It wasn't immediately clear whether any of the victims were

policemen or their relatives.

Witnesses said at least 10 of the injured were seriously wounded, including several who had limbs blown off.

No one claimed responsibility for the attack, which occurred just before dawn, right after the end of curfew.

The Armed Islamic Group, the most radical rebel organization fighting Algeria's military-backed regime, has claimed responsibility for some bombings and assassinations in the past and is active in the Rouiba region.

Troops advance; 70 reported dead

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AP) — Thousands of Sri Lankan troops advanced on the rebel stronghold of Jaffna city Sunday, and at least 30 soldiers and 69 civilians were killed in fierce fighting, the military said.

Heavy civilian casualties were also feared as the military offensive to capture Jaffna entered its 13th day. The advancing columns were five miles from the city.

More than 300,000 civilians fled their homes as the military shelled the area, a Catholic priest in the war zone said Sunday.

Priests accused the army of bulldozing houses and fields in newly captured areas, and urged diplomats and human rights groups to pressure the government to halt the offensive.

"The bombing is so bad that children cry and scream when they hear the sound of a warplane approaching," said Chatterjee, a lawyer, president of the Justice and Peace Commission of the Jaffna diocese.

At least 40 civilians had been killed in the first week of fighting, he said, according to reports from the capital, Colombo, by news diplomats.

Troops resumed their advance at dawn and stiff resistance was encountered, with well-fortified trenches and mine fields near Norevelli, "a military statement said. "Fierce fighting. Norevelli is five miles from Jaffna."

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Opinion

Other views

Courts give Idaho power to limit waste storage

Critics of Gov. Phil Batt's nuclear waste deal with the federal government seem to think it was Batt's position to tell the feds how far Idaho could be pushed before it brought the hammer down.

The hammer was in the other hand. If Idaho, or any other state, were able to tell the federal government how much nuclear waste it would accept, every ounce of the stuff would be piled in Washington, D.C. That might not be a bad idea, but it isn't the way things work in this country. Before Batt signed the agreement committing the government to limit future shipments to Idaho and to remove much of it later, he was facing a near-certain vote in Congress to override the state's wishes.

which this battle has been fought, the courts. Critics of Batt's deal are trying to have it both ways here. On the one hand, they say Batt should have refused to go along with further shipments of waste, as if the courts would back him up at the border. But on the other, they say the deal means little because you can't hold the federal government to its word.

The fact is the agreement gives the state more ammo to use in court if the government does not live up to its end. The maneuvers Andrus and Batt used previously were temporary blockages that rested on the Department of Energy and the U.S. Navy's arrogance and dishonesty. Once the feds jumped through the right hoops, the trains would have started rolling again.

Did that near certainty reflect on the current Republican congressional delegation's influence with the current Republican Congress? Of course. Can anyone imagine, for example, a Democratic Congress voting to shove something down the state of Washington's throat while the late Democratic Sens. Warren Magnuson and Henry Jackson were in office? When the most senior member of Idaho's delegation, Sen. Larry Craig, said Congress would vote to shove nuclear waste down this state's throat, he was admitting his own feebleness as much as he was predicting the will of his colleagues.

And it is a libel on the federal judiciary to say that broken Indian treaties show that agreements with the government cannot be enforced. Again, ask the people of Washington who saw half the state's salmon harvest go to native tribes in a 1970 court decision confirming treaty fishing rights.

The nation's Indian tribes know they stand a better chance of enforcing the government's obligations in court than in Congress. Thanks to the written commitments Batt received on nuclear waste, Idaho now does too.

— Lewiston Morning Tribune

Waste deal includes safety measures, ensures Idaho jobs

The nuclear waste agreement between the state of Idaho and the federal government announced recently is good news and good public policy. A seven-year campaign by Idaho governors to protect Idaho's jobs and environment and to remove waste from the state has come to a successful conclusion.

will now be spent in the region, primarily for waste treatment, storage and cleanup but also to diversify the regional economy. In the process, the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory may become a center for research and treatment of brain cancer and aspects of nuclear non-proliferation. All of this is honorable work the state can be proud of.

For Idaho, the agreement makes sense for three reasons. First, an already clean Department of Energy site will be made cleaner and safer. Placing radioactive waste in dry storage and accelerating other cleanup will remove any possible threat to the Snake River aquifer, an absolute necessity for Magic Valley and other downriver water users. Removing transuranic waste no later than 2018 and all waste by 2035 will end whatever remote threat remains.

At times this summer, we have been hard on Gov. Batt. Today we congratulate him for patience and hard work that got the job done. This is the first agreement of its kind in the nation and guarantees Idaho will not receive any spent commercial fuel.

Given near-unanimous opposition to the additional shipments in Idaho, Batt could easily have reached no agreement and then complained when Congress voted to send waste here anyway. It took political courage to set aside this temptation and work for the welfare of eastern Idaho and the nation. For that, we thank him.

Secretary of Energy Hazel O'Leary and Assistant Secretary Tom Grumble also deserve thanks and congratulations. They, and the Navy, met only half the shipments they wanted. And they made two unusual concessions, one that the deal was off whenever the federal government gets out of compliance (with a court to back this up) and a second to remove all waste by 2035 or pay \$22 million a year. But DOE and the navy solved a major national security problem, what to do with naval fuel, and brought, we hope, peace to its Idaho relations at long last.

— Post Register, Idaho Falls



GOP takes on dreaded AmeriCorps

If there were a government program that comes in under budget, pays off at better than 2-to-1 what we spend on it, builds communities, strengthens families, promotes public-private partnerships, helps old folks and makes higher education affordable for poor young people — all for less than a third the cost of one new bomber — what would the Republican Congress do with it?

Kill it, of course.

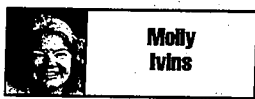
AmeriCorps, the program that pays citizens, mostly young students, a living stipend to work on community projects in exchange for vouchers for college tuition, is everything that right-wing Republicans have ever talked about in terms of government programs. It's cheap, it's amazingly effective, it does a vast deal of good, it leaves the country better off in measurable benefits, and independent observers rave about it. It has just this one slight drawback: It's President Clinton's favorite program.

So the Republicans in Congress are going to kill it.

This kind of mean-spirited stupidity is now driving public policy.

If you could meet just a half-dozen AmeriCorps volunteers, I guarantee that you'd become a fan of this program; or just spend a day following one of them around. Among other things, these kids are going to be the leaders of the future, just as surely as Peace Corps volunteers have come home and contributed here. AmeriCorps volunteers, many of whom work in the impoverished neighborhoods from which they come, just work their rear ends off.

There are only 20,000 of them working now out of the 100,000 that Clinton had planned to build up to, but even so, their list of achievements is impressive. The projects



they work on are coordinated by the charities, social agencies and other organizations that the volunteers sign on with. The kids provide the muscle and often talk local corporations into donating playground equipment, security lights or whatever else is needed.

George Will and other right-wingers object to calling these kids "volunteers" (oddy enough, an objection that has never come up in regard to Peace Corps volunteers, who are also paid, a stipend) on the grounds that to do so is somehow an insult to the 80 million Americans who volunteer their time without getting paid. Excuse me, but those of us who do volunteer work for various church, community and charitable groups are not full-time workers; we make a living doing something else, and it generally pays better than the living expense that AmeriCorps workers get, which works out to somewhere around the minimum wage for the 1,700 hours of work.

Here's a classic example of how social programs fizzle over time. Three major groups have done independent studies of AmeriCorps: by the Government Accounting Office (twice), by a consortium of the IBM Foundation, the Dana Foundation and the Irvine Foundation; and by Aguirre International, an independent firm headed by Gerald Ford's commissioner of education. All three reported positive findings.

The GAO audit found that the program

was close to its goal of \$18,000 a year per volunteer, despite the first-year start-up costs, which often top 50 percent of the budget in private charities. The IBM, Dana and Irvine foundations reported that the return on every dollar spent ranges from \$1.60 to \$2.60 in "direct measurable benefits."

But the program has also been "studied" by a right-wing advocacy group, the New Citizenship Project, which — lo and behold — deduced that AmeriCorps members were receiving \$7 an hour. They wish. The group apparently failed to account for the \$25 per person that goes straight to the educational institution and not into the pockets of AmeriCorps members. Conservative groups have also become concerned that volunteers have become "politicized."

I suppose that AmeriCorps could adopt a regulation forbidding any "political" action by its volunteers, but you know, when you work full-time in a low-income community, the oddest thing starts to happen. You start having these thoughts that are just, well, un-Republican.

For example, it occurs to you that the AmeriCorps program could be funded by closing one tax loophole, just this one little change in the tax code worth a little more than \$400 million a year. The 30 percent tax deduction for "business-related" entertainment includes "business" done at nightclubs, sports events and theaters.

Hey, don't you think we should subsidize that instead of 20,000 enthusiastic kids out helping to raise reading scores, build playgrounds, help old folks keep up their houses, organize safety patrols for school kids and so forth?

Molly Ivins is a columnist for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Letters

Family needs interpreter

I can deeply feel for Cindy and Richard Martin their anguish at not being able to hear!

My wife formerly had normal hearing but lost most of her hearing. We are learning to deal with this situation. However, why should it be a doctor's responsibility to supply an interpreter?

My wife, children and myself well know that life isn't always fair. If the Martins want to be a full part of society, they need to take the full responsibility on themselves to furnish an interpreter! To expect the government to step in by filing a discrimination complaint is not the way to help yourself. Perhaps the Martins have been taken care of by the government for so long they don't know another way.

It's a sad state that we've come to when people expect the government to hold their hand! The freedom fighters of our American Revolution are rolling in their graves over so much government! The government doesn't owe any of us a living and should not!

Once again I truly feel for the Martins and their situation. My family and myself can relate to hearing loss only too well.

TOM STEVENSON
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Great being Good Neighbor

A couple weeks ago, I was KTFI Good Neighbor for the day. What a wonderful day and days afterward — so many phone calls and others in person extending congratulations to me.

I have not found out who sent my name in, so to this person a great big thank you; would love to know who. Also thanks to KTFI. Ven, what a great way to be awakened at 6:30 a.m. "Congratulations, Hazel Wilder." Thanks to the Prime Cut for a very delicious steak dinner cooked just right.

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My first recollection of Art Frantz is back in 1970. He was just tasting politics as he played the major in "The Pied Piper." I was a small child then, but he impressed me with his kindness and desire to help all of us in the city, regardless of the size of our part in I've enjoyed following his career in the theater and city affairs as he continues to offer help and a listening ear to this valley.

He recently played my father-in-law in "Will to Power," and what an excellent father to look up to.

The city of Twin Falls will continue to be benefited by the dedication and service Art offers this community.

Best of luck to you, Art, and to the city of Twin Falls!

MARY ANN STANGER
Kimberly

Is widening Hankins best plan?

Do the people of Twin Falls City and Twin Falls County want to spend millions of dollars to widen Hankins Road to a four-lane truck route?

At least three members of the City Council

Have questioned the need for such a route, as did many who attended the meeting at City Hall.

Many residents do not know that the west side of Hankins Road between Addison Avenue and Kimberly Road is within the city limits. How smart is it to plan a truck route within the city streets?

One of the reasons stated for having the truck route was to give the northeast residents a quicker and better access to the mall. How ridiculous! Anyone in this area can reach the mall in less than 10 minutes. The city and county do not need to provide a truck route for the large Aslett Trucking firm.

Another important issue for Hankins Road not being a truck route is that the Twin Falls School District has purchased 44 acres on the east side of the road between Addison and Falls avenues for the future site of a school. What a great location for a school! Everyone recognizes the need for a truck route to the south and east part of Twin Falls. The only sensible solution is for trucks to be routed across Hansen Bridge and onto Kimberly Road. No one is objecting to the present traffic on Hankins Road, but to develop a truck route through prime residential property makes no sense whatsoever.

A member of the City Council defended Mr. Howard and the highway commission for their decisions and wanted to "railroad" a vote on the issue.

As informed citizens of the city and county, we have a right to know the exact plans and to attend hearings.

JEAN EMERSON
Twin Falls

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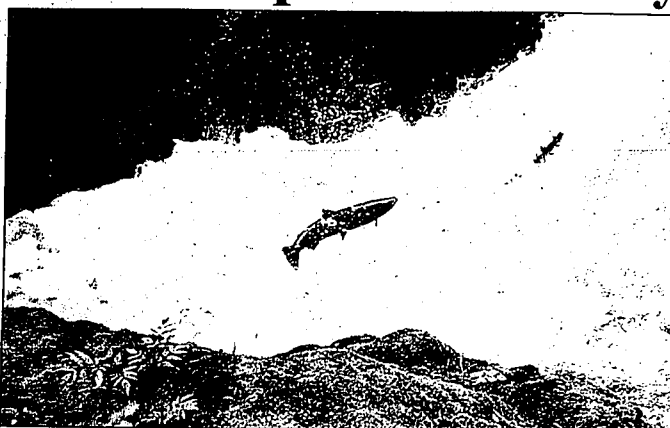
Idaho/West

Salmon deal shows power of money Sponsors battle to keep music fest in Sandpoint

By Scott Somner
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The salmon deal Vice President Al Gore announced with Northwest lawmakers proves at least two things:

- Oregon Sen. Mark Hatfield's expected retirement next year would seriously erode the Northwest's already-dwindling clout on Capitol Hill.
- There are few problems that cannot be solved, at least temporarily and politically, with a big pile of money.



A salmon, the subject of much political and environmental controversy, leaps a waterfall in Oregon. AP photo

Analysis

The Clinton administration approved a \$325 million emergency fund to make sure the costs of salmon-recovery efforts on the Snake-Columbia river system don't boost electrical rates for Northwest hydropower users.

The extra money, a backup for the \$435 million the Bonneville Power Administration will spend each year changing dam operations to protect fish, made it surprisingly easy to come up with an interim solution for a problem many had considered insoluble.

It produced, for now, every politician's dream — a win-win situation. The fish will get the additional water they need.

The region's ratepayers won't have to foot the bill.

And President Clinton gets a boost with an environmental community still snarling over his flip-flop on salvage logging this summer.

So who loses?

"Some say it's the taxpayers. The plan adds \$325 million to the federal deficit," said Tony Williams, chief of staff to Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., who still doesn't like the idea and skipped the Gore news conference attended by most of the region's other senators this past week.

Hatfield maintains the money came from Northwest ratepayers in the form of fish-protection credits the BPA failed to claim for 15 years.

A section of the Northwest Power Act of 1980 allows the power-marketing agency to pass on certain costs, in exchange for credits. For example, it could have been credited to the Bureau of Reclamation for irrigation and the Army Corps of Engineers for flood-control efforts unrelated to fish.

All told, these unclaimed credits have amounted to \$325 million since 1980 — about 28 percent of BPA's estimated \$1.2 billion in fish costs over the period.

Hatfield contends the Clinton administration didn't so much approve the money as agree to let Northwest

ratepayers get it back.

"It doesn't take any money out of taxpayers' pockets," the Oregon Republican said.

Not so fast, say bean-counters at the White House Office of Management and Budget.

"Any dollars out of the federal treasury are dollars out of the federal treasury," said T.J. Glotlier, OMB associate director in charge of natural resources.

He confirmed the credits were paid by Bonneville and its customers from 1980 to the present and never actually used.

"The authority to use those credits existed all along but it was never done," Glotlier said.

"I'm told early on it did not seem like it was as large of an expense and conditions were not as tight," he said.

"Over time, it has become a bigger thing."

Whether the money is considered U.S. tax dollars or Northwest credits, Hatfield played a key role in making it materialize.

Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., had long considered the money an untapped resource that could ease Bonneville's financial woes. Sens. Patty Murray, D-Wash., and Max Baucus, D-Mont., were the first to formally propose this use of it to Clinton.

But most were doubtful the feds would

lick in hundreds of millions more dollars.

Hatfield's decision to go along with the deal made it happen.

He and Gorton had wanted to cap BPA's fish-recovery costs and suspend environmental laws protecting salmon to keep electrical rates in check. Gorton was confident the House and Senate would pass the proposal and hoped that while Clinton might initially veto it, that the president would sign it the second time around — as he did the salvage-logging legislation.

"There was a strong feeling on our side you never know what the administration's bottom line is until you put them in a position where they are forced to negotiate," said Gorton aide Williams.

"We never put them in that position."

But while Gorton wanted to fight it out, Hatfield wanted a solution, even a stop-gap one.

"I've never felt it was necessary to anybody's advantage to pass something we know for certain would get a veto down at the White House merely to prove we have the macho to pass a bill against the president's thrust," said Hatfield, chairman of the Appropriations Committee.

"I'd much rather resolve the issue. Frankly, if you've been in an issue for 40-some years, you get a little anxious and wacky. You want to resolve it," he said.

Hatfield's style is similar to that of former House Speaker Tom Foley, D-

Wash., who was regularly chastised by his own party for seeking peace with Republicans rather than exploiting their weaknesses for partisan gain.

—Because of Hatfield and Foley — and Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore., chairman of the powerful Finance Committee before his resignation in disgrace earlier this year — the Northwest for years has had much more clout than the region's few congressional seats suggested.

Should he decide to seek a sixth term, Hatfield can fill his ads with testimonials from Democrats, Gore, Murray and Baucus.

"Chairman Hatfield has once again shown the extraordinary leadership and moral compass for which he is famous," Gore told reporters.

It was Hatfield's "statesmanship, his ability to bring differing parties together, that led to this solution," Murray said.

"He has the integrity and moral stature of a leader to help bring all the various parts together," Baucus said.

Republicans at the news conference agreed.

"I don't have the confidence my chairman has, but I'm willing to take his leadership," said Sen. Conrad Burns of Montana.

SANDPOINT (AP) — A volunteer group formed last year to support the Festival at Sandpoint says it will fight plans to move half the concert series to Kootenai County.

Kevin Wunrow, a founder of Friends of Sandpoint's Festival, said his group hopes to persuade festival board members to reverse their recent decision and keep all the concerts in Bonner County.

The feud is over plans to split the 14-year-old festival's three-week concert between Sandpoint and Kootenai County.

Wunrow said if he's not successful in getting the festival board to change its mind, the volunteer group plans to rally community and business support against the Kootenai County plan.

"We will not allow the Festival to do any concerts outside of the Sandpoint area," he said. "There will be an all-out effort to prevent that from happening."

"The Festival is built on 14 years of volunteer labor. Yet they're blaming the community for a perceived lack of support," Wunrow said.

Board Vice President David Slaughter said a concert site at Post Falls or Coeur d'Alene would be more accessible than Sandpoint, ideally leading to a better draw.

The Festival sponsors 15 shows each year. Half would go to Kootenai County, under the plan approved last week.

Lorraine Bowman, former festival board member, says the community that raised the festival is being betrayed.

In an open letter to festival organizers, she wrote: "If you want take your dog and pony show on the road, do so. Just don't let the door hit you on the butt on the way out of town."

Some residents are calling for Festival executive director Connie Berghan's job. At a meeting on Thursday to discuss the decision, she said, "There is a total misperception that we intend to leave Sandpoint altogether. That is absolutely not the truth."



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Schools tighten policies on giving out drugs

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — The same educators who tell students to "Just Say No" to illegal drugs often find themselves in the precarious position of administering the other variety — prescription medications.

The increasing number of school children on Ritalin and other drugs has prompted local districts to adopt or tighten policies to protect themselves while serving children with special needs.

But some officials think there should be more than local policies.

The state Board of Nursing has organized a task force on the subject. Its first meeting is Nov. 6.

"There are a lot of concerns about the handling of medications in the schools," said Linda Coley, the nursing board's administrative assistant. "We hope to recommend guidelines and a standard form for

the management of medications in the schools."

The task force's eight members are from Twin Falls, Mountain Home and Boise and include a state Board of Education member and a representative from the state Department of Education.

Gary Domeny, chief investigator for the state Board of Pharmacy, shares the nursing board's concern.

"Schools are operating in an area where they should establish guidelines. There should be some protection for the school district (and) for the nurses."

"If the child is on medication, parents are expecting the school to make sure the child gets it. To me, that's kind of asking the schools to be a repository," he said.

Idaho ranks No. 1 in the nation for per capita consumption of Ritalin. Domeny said the state achieved

the dubious distinction in the late 1980s and has jockeyed back and forth with Utah since.

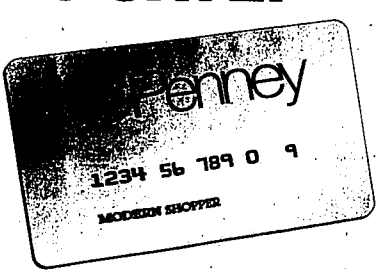
The only laws governing the drug pertain to illegal sale or transfer.

Domeny hopes to come up with a way to track incidents involving all legal drugs and code them by area "so we can find out if we do in fact have problems with them in the state of Idaho."

Hazel Bauman, director of elementary education, said the Coeur d'Alene School District recently tightened the policy for liability reasons. The present policy on prescription drugs requires parents submit a written request and present the prescription in the original bottle, clearly labeled with doctor's instructions for use.

A written request also is required for aspirin, Tylenol, cough medicine or any other over-the-counter drugs.

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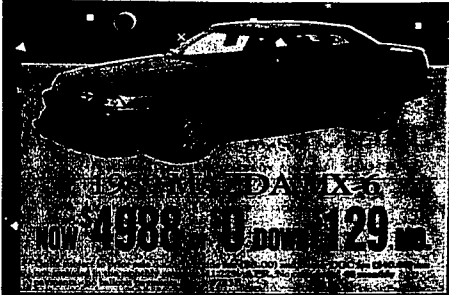
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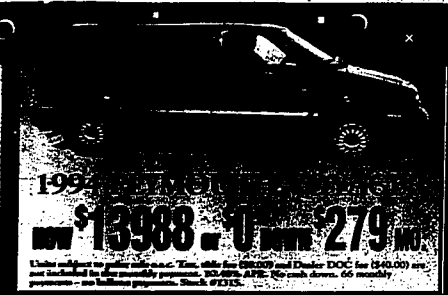
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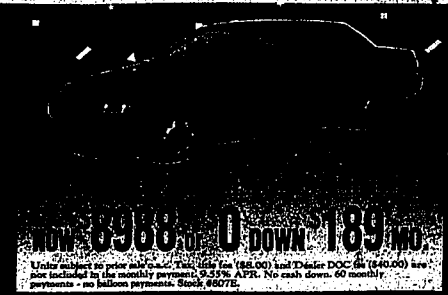
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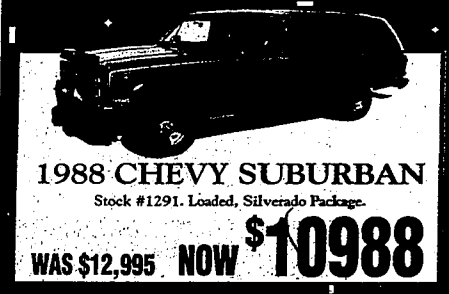
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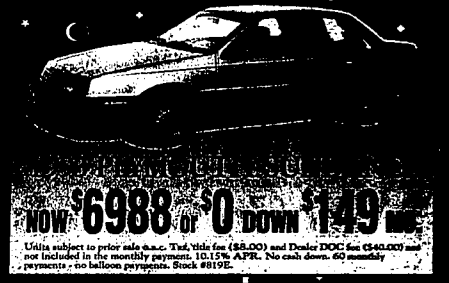
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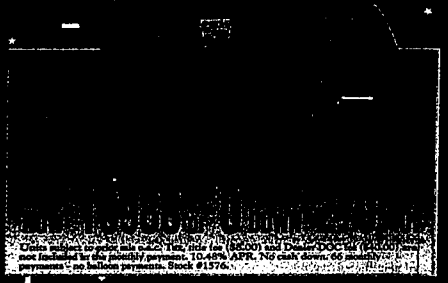


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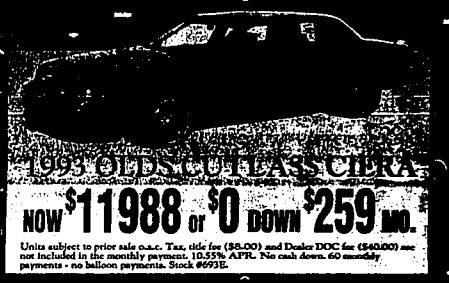


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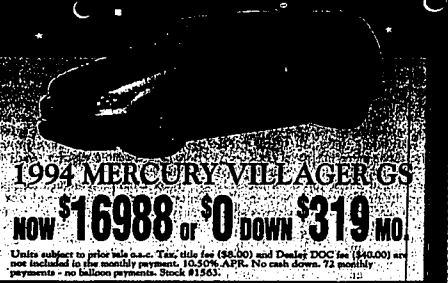
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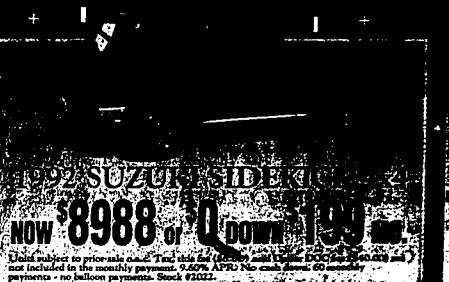
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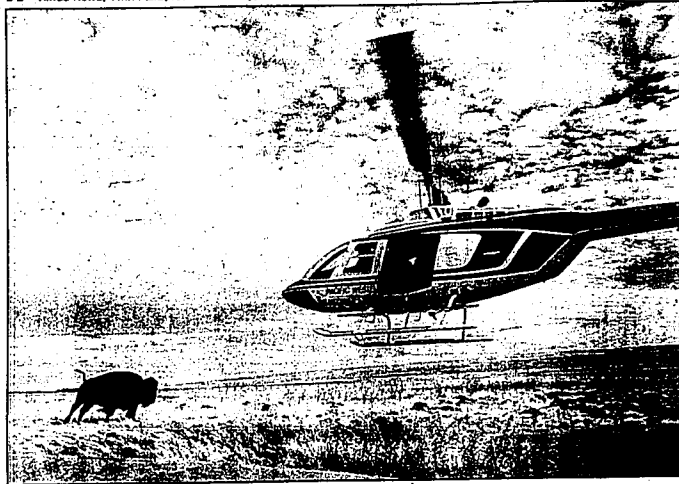
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A helicopter tries to head a stray bison toward the corrals at Antelope Island State Park in Utah, about 35 miles north of Salt Lake City Saturday. The bison was one of more than 700 that were rounded up during the 9th Annual Bison Round-up.

Utah roundup draws 450 riders

ANTELOPE ISLAND, Utah (AP) — Every year, the state's Department of Natural Resources is forced to turn away people who want to ride their horses in the annual bison roundup here.

And this year was no exception. Participants in the weekend's Ninth Annual Bison Roundup included the maximum 450 horse riders and their friends.

"I'm so excited I could die," first-timer rider Susan Openshaw of West Valley said as she cleaned her campsite Saturday morning and readied her horse. "At 2:30 this morning, I woke up and said, 'Is it too early to get up yet?'"

El Dean Holliday of Kaysville, who's been to every roundup since

1987, also was not disappointed. "It's been a grand experience," he said, grinning.

The annual roundup on the island, located in the Great Salt Lake northwest of Salt Lake City, has become a tradition and a necessity. Park officials long have recruited the riders to gently herd the bison to the north part of the island so that helicopters and trucks can then move the animals to corrals.

There the bison will rest for four days before they are weighed, vaccinated and released. Park manager Tim Smith said about 150 bison will be sold, thinning the herd to a more manageable 550.

The state capped the number of riders at 450 after 700 showed up in

1993. During the roundup's first year in 1987, there were between 30 and 70 participants.

Nearly all the riders are from northern Utah because of the state's given preference to them, Smith said. But next year, the state is adopting a lottery system that would give the same preference to both in-state and out-of-state residents, as well as those with experience or none.

"The bottom line is, we're a public agency set up to serve the public," Smith said.

By mid-afternoon Saturday, rangers estimated that as many as half of the island's 700 bison had been herded into the holding corrals. All of them were expected to be in the corrals by Sunday evening.

1995 farm bill may alter CRP budget

LEWISTON (AP) — The U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee this month passed an agriculture budget reconciliation plan that deals telling blows to the 10-year-old Conservation Reserve Program.

The national organization of Phosphorus Forever reports the measure would drop CRP spending from the current annual level of \$1.8 billion to \$974 million by the year 2002. At the average annual rental rate of \$50 per acre, that means the program would be reduced from the current 36.4 million acres to just under 19.5 million acres.

The Natural Resources Conservation Service reports Idaho farmers have retired about 850,000 acres of erodible cropland from production and put the land under a soil-conserving cover of grass or trees — erosion rates have dropped by more

than two-thirds.

Launched in the 1985 Farm Bill as a way to put highly erodible cropland out of production while still giving farmers an income on their idled acres, the CRP has been successful not only at reducing soil erosion but increasing wildlife habitat.

Since the program began there have been 13 sign-up periods.

Each sign-up period has attracted more applicants than there were acres to award. Farmers submit bids on how many acres they want to enter into the program and the selections are made at the national level by the Department of Agriculture and approved by Congress. Many think payments for acreage enrolled in the program may be reduced.

Georgia DeHaas of the Grangeville NRCS office said she thinks a cap

based on soil type will be one modification in the CRP program.

Despite letting the land lie idle, farmers are still responsible for weed control on the CRP ground. In some areas of Nez Perce and Idaho counties with infestations of yellow stachys and other toxic weeds, management can be expensive.

Every time land is taken out of farm production and planted with grass or trees, birds and game benefit. But the progress of the past decade could be thwarted if the CRP is modified so radically that farmers no longer participate in it.

Although farmers are generally attentive to environmental concerns on their property, they still need to make the ground pay, said Don Frasier of the Whitman County NRCS office.

Friends mourn deaths of 4 boys

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — The Schliebe boys — Derek, 8, Loren, 6, Steven, 4, and Justin, 2 — were inseparable.

They played ball together, looked after one another and took turns feeding the fish they kept as pets in their rooms, said their uncle, Mike Schliebe.

On Saturday, the four brothers died together in a bedroom, probably from heat and smoke inhalation, when fire gutted their two-story, wood-frame house on the city's north side.

The boys' parents, Rob and Jill Schliebe, were in serious condition Sunday at Deaconess Medical Center, a Spokane supervisor said.

Schliebe, 29, broke his back and Mrs. Schliebe, 28, dislocated her hip and broke her knee when they jumped out of a second-story window to escape the fire.

Heat was unable to move after the jump, the Schliebes lay on the ground

outside their house and yelled, "The kids, the kids. There's kids in there," neighbor Richard Shane said.

Shane jumped on the roof and tried to enter an upstairs bedroom, but was beaten back by the intense heat, he said.

Fire Battalion Chief Dick Schermer said the first firefighters at the scene put a ladder up to the window and tried to attempt a rescue.

Firefighters had to attack the fire from the ground level before they could get upstairs.

Investigators speculate the fire smoldered for a long time in a downstairs bedroom then suddenly flared.

Fire Marshal Gary Miller said the fire probably started in some bedding or a dresser, then erupted when the flames broke through and got some oxygen.

"At 1,200 degrees, there is a flash-

over, so everything that burns ignites at once," he said.

The sudden flames made a rescue almost impossible, said Joe Stapleton, another battalion chief.

"They had zero escape time," he said.

The cause of the fire had not been determined Sunday, fire dispatchers said.

Neighbors and relatives said the Schliebe family is close-knit. Mrs. Schliebe frequently sent treats with Derek and Loren to Holmes Elementary School parties, teacher Connie Connelly said.

Both parents were involved in their sons' education and regularly attended parent-teacher conferences, she said. The boys themselves were enthusiastic students.

In both of them, there were "light bulbs that went on, and they knew about everything," Connelly said. "They were exceptional students."

This week at CSI

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

TODAY
Student Senate meets at 2 p.m. in the student conference room of the Taylor Building.
Overcasters Anonymous meets at 3:30 p.m. in Desert 112.
Pop Band rehearsal will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Fine Arts 121.

TUESDAY
Military testing will be held at 6 p.m. in Shields 201.

THURSDAY
Regional fish and wildlife management meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in Aqnes 108.
Magic Valley Community Concert will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Fine Arts Auditorium.

FRIDAY
World Institute for Stress Education meets from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Evergreen A-09.
Blood drawing will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Taylor Building cafeteria.
Harvest Festival will be held from 3 to 9 p.m. in Expo Center.
Arts on Fire presents the Montana Logging Ballet Company at 7:30 p.m. in Fine Arts Auditorium.

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SUNDAY
Harvest Festival continues from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Expo Center.

Kootenai eyes newly found skull

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Kootenai County Sheriff Detectives are revisiting the county's oldest open murder case.

But the book is finally being closed for some who have pondered the disappearance of Ron and Rita Marcussen for more than two decades.

The Marcussens, a Rathdrum couple in their first year of marriage, vanished on Nov. 19, 1973. Rita's skull, clothes and a few bone fragments were found within a year.

Former prosecutor Gary Haman told George Stroich of Post Falls for Rita's murder, back in 1973, Stroich was acquitted, largely due to unanswered questions about Ron's whereabouts.

Those questions were answered Thursday when a skull found the previous day was identified as Ron's.

"It confirms what I believed all along — that Ron was dead too," said Haman.

Haman, who is now a district judge, said the defense raised the possibility to the jury that Ron was not a victim, but the perpetrator of Rita's death.

Now that Ron is a confirmed homicide victim, it destroys that defense theory.

A forensic dentist who examined the skull confirmed Ron was shot twice in the head.

That may add credence to a jailhouse witness who testified that Stroich once admitted he shot Ron and strangled Rita.

Winter set in the night the Marcussens vanished, so massive searches in the weeks following their disappearance turned up little physical evidence.

"One of the problems was that it snowed about a foot that night," Haman said. "So everything sat until spring."

Wolfinger said a Search and Rescue team will help investigators conduct an evidence search over the area where Ron's skull was found.

Ron's skull was discovered within a few miles of the area, southeast of Athol where Rita's skull was found 21 years ago.

On the agenda

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

TODAY
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

TUESDAY
Bohl School Board, 7 p.m., superintendent's office downtown.
Maidokka County Democratic Party, 8 p.m., courthouse.
Shoshone City Planning and Zoning Committee, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

WEDNESDAY
Rios City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall.
Maidokka County Fair Board, 8 p.m., board office at the fairgrounds.
Oakley City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

THURSDAY
Glenn Ferry City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
Wendell City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

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

Services

Juan Salinas Juarez, of Rupert, Mass of Christian Burial, 11 a.m. today, St. Nicholas Catholic Church. Viewing, one hour before the funeral today at the church, (Hansen Mortuary in Rupert).

Duane C. Ebancks, of Kennewick, Wash., and formerly of Gooding, 10:30 a.m. today, Demary's Gooding Chapel. Viewing, 9 a.m. until time of the funeral today at the chapel.

Harry Gale Washburn, of Oakley, 11 a.m. today, Oakley LDS Stake Center. Viewing, one hour before the funeral today at the church, (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).

Cleo James Mort, of Twin Falls 1 p.m. today, White Mortuary Chapel in Twin Falls.

Mary M. Fosaccio, of Gooding, funeral pending at Pueblo, Colo. Friends may call from 1 to 7 p.m.

today at Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Thelma C. Anderson, of Burley, 2 p.m. today, Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel, 321 E. Main. Viewing, 10 a.m. until time of the funeral today at the chapel.

Prof. P. Hayalip, of Jerome, 1 p.m. Wednesday, First Christian Church in Gooding. Viewing, 1 to 9 p.m. today at Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Gamer "Steve" Dock Stephens, of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. Tuesday, Blue Colonial Funeral Home, 2551

Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. Viewing, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. today at the funeral home with family greeting friends from 6 to 8 p.m. today.

Hazel Dell Fitzpatrick, of Oregon, Calif., and formerly of Twin Falls, graveside service, 11 a.m. Tuesday, Twin Falls Cemetery. Viewing, 4 to 8 a.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

David Gallison Victor Gearty, of Twenty-nine Palms, Calif., and formerly of Filer, memorial service, 2 p.m. Saturday, Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls.

Hospitals

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Admitted
Homer Jackson of Jerome.

Released
Benjamin Lemmons of Bull and Raymond Perry of Wendell.

CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Admitted
Ora Anderson and Ivan Daley, both of Burley, and Rance Bueckle of Heyburn.

Death notice

Verna Lewis and Joel Pristo, both of Burley; Robert Taylor of Rupert; Marsha Terry and Mimmie Christensen, both of Heyburn; and Debbie Koch of Murrumbidgee.

A baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gary Bueckle of Heyburn.

MINDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Admitted
Steven Gallegos of Rupert.

Released
Velda Fowler and Brandon Pelcher, both of Rupert, and Maria Cuevas and twin daughters of Declo.

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31st 5 pm
Household - Tools - Antiques
Consignment Welcome - KROSA AUCTION BARN

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1st 9am
ANTIQUE & COLLECTIBLES SALE
Antiques & Collectibles - GARDNER BROTHERS AUCTIONS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1st 10:00
Union Pacific Railroad & Banrock Paving Co.
Surplus Equipment - U.P.R.R. Vests, Picnicette
GREAT WESTERN AUCTIONS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd 1995
Jim Messersmith Estate - Farm Machinery
Household - Antiques - Collectibles - Jerome
Advertainment - Now & Future
WALL AUCTIONEERS '95

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4th 10 am
McBride's Service - Trucks & Truck Parts
Tools - Shop Equipment - Motor Vehicle
Twin Falls
Advertisement - Oct 28, Ag Weekly
Nov 2, Times-News, Twin Falls

MURDER BROTHERS AUCTIONEERS
Demary's RESTAURANT AUCTION #2

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4th 1995
Cassia County School District - Surplus - Burley
Advertisement - Now & Future
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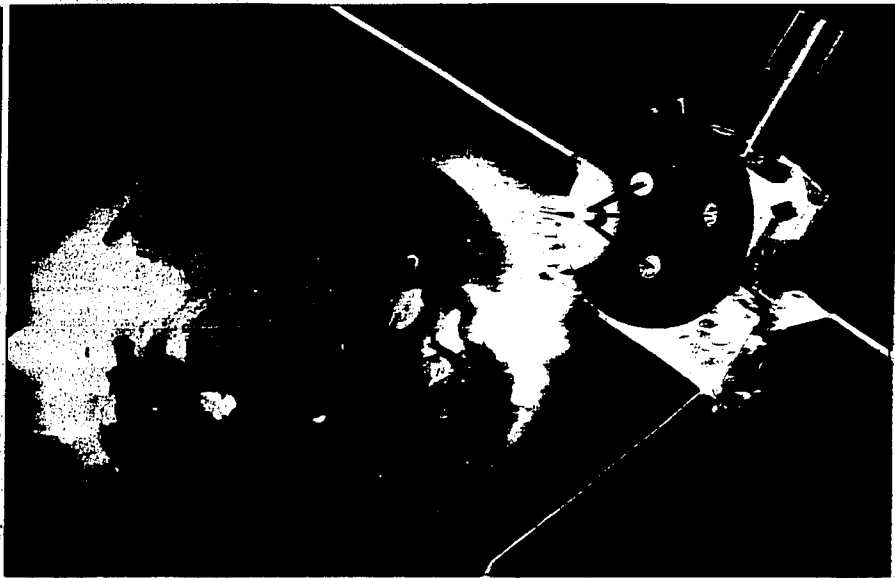
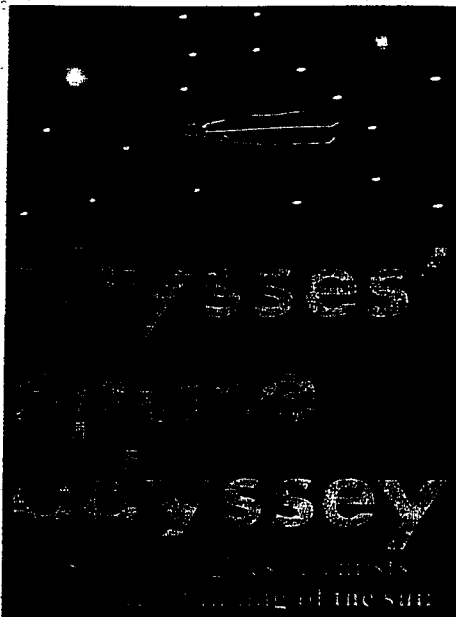
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4th 1995
Joy Welch - Shop - Boat - Lawn
Livestock Equipment - Gardiner
Advertisement - Now & Future
MASTERS AUCTION SERVICE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th 11 am
Household Items - Tools - Motor Vehicles
Farm & Construction Equipment
Consignment Welcome - Jerome
THE AUSTIN EDITION

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5th 1995
Bel Clark - Acreage - Tractor - Pickup
Horse Trailer - Gooding
Advertisement - Now & Future
MASTERS AUCTION SERVICE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5th 1995
Tim Archibald's Estate
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NASA and European scientists are beginning to receive a new three-dimensional picture of the sun from information relayed by the spacecraft Ulysses on its 2 billion-mile journey between solar poles. This computer illustration from the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., depicts the probe passing over the sun's pole.

PASADENA, Calif. — A new, three-dimensional picture of the sun is emerging from information relayed by the spacecraft Ulysses on a recently completed 2 billion-mile trip between solar poles, space scientists said Thursday. Ulysses, built by the European Space Agency and launched on Oct. 6, 1990, orbits the sun in the current quiet phase of its 11-year sunspot cycle. A return to both poles in 2000 and 2001 during high sunspot activity is also possible, scientists say.

The solar wind, the part of the solar atmosphere that flows into space, moves slowly near the sun's equator — about 1 million miles a second, but nearly twice that speed toward the poles. John Phillips of Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico, principal investigator on Ulysses' solar wind plasma experiment, said it fills two-thirds of interplanetary space. Special detection instruments aboard Ulysses have revealed that 90 percent to 95 percent of solar wind is made up of positively charged hydrogen particles, 5 percent to 10 percent is positively charged helium and the remaining 1 percent is a combination of trace amounts of oxygen, iron, carbon, nitrogen, neon, silicon and sulfur, according to Antoinette Galvin of the University of Maryland. She also said the solar wind is colder and less dense at the poles.

Smith pointed to auroras, the spectacular Northern lights produced when protons from the sun collide with atoms in Earth's atmosphere, and solar flares, the sudden bursts of particles that can streak from Earth's atmosphere and disrupt communications. He also noted that energetic solar particles can disturb Earth's magnetic fields, disrupting communications and satellite systems.

Recorder stuck in rewind almost unhinges Galileo

The Washington Post

PASADENA, Calif. — You could say the spacecraft Galileo's \$1.55-billion mission to study the planet Jupiter is hanging by a thread. That thread is pretty good news to the crisis-management team and engineers who have managed the mission since through almost two weeks off development and launch delays, six years of interplanetary travel and one near-catastrophic hardware failure: Galileo is now heading across the final 16 million miles, toward a Dec. 7 arrival at its destination, and the team is convinced that the thread — actually a length of magnetic tape — is still intact. Their latest potential disaster, a broken tape recorder, pales in comparison to what this team has already been through, veteran project manager William J. O'Neill said last week at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory here, site of Galileo's mission control. But on Oct. 11, he said, "The tape recorder stuck into rewind. That was the day the recorder stuck on rewind for 15 hours and there were indications the tape itself was irreparably rewound. There was that fraction of an hour with the prospect we had lost the mission."

ing on the recorder — equipped with 1,850 feet of quarter-inch Mylar tape — to store digital information, particularly for images, until it could be compressed by on-board computers for transmission back to Earth at an average rate of two or three images a day. Once transmitted, the data would be one hour to make the one-way trip to Earth, traveling at the speed of light. But just minutes after Galileo took its first color picture of Jupiter, eight weeks before its scheduled arrival there, it signaled its controllers that the tape recorder had rewound for playback as intended but then failed to stop spinning. Flight engineers sent commands that stopped the rewind and put the recorder on hold while they scrambled to diagnose the problem. Within hours of the failure in space, in what O'Neill called "an amazing coincidence," a laboratory duplicate of the on-board tape recorder also broke down during a routine trial run of operations to be performed at Jupiter. Because of faulty circuitry, the spare failed to sense that had reached the end of its magnetic tape, he said. "The thing just tore the tape off the reel and left it flapping." The team feared the same thing had happened 337 million miles from Earth. "In space," he noted, "that would have been catastrophic."

Why this problem developed is not clear. Galileo's tape recorder is similar to those in use in other spacecraft, including some classified military satellites, O'Neill said. The main difference in the Galileo mission is that the recorder has been used rarely during the long cruise, while other craft use their recorders constantly. "We believe some of the grease got stiff, and we lost some lubrication." Running the tape, he added, may help redistribute the grease. Galileo's managers have decided to sacrifice their chance at a first-ever close-up shot of Jupiter's moons Europa and Io, which is known to harbor active volcanoes, as the craft sweeps close by on its Dec. 7 arrival at the giant planet. "The way they can devote the tape recorder and other systems to their first priority — to shepherd the spacecraft safely through its hazardous insertion into orbit around Jupiter, the hottest and fastest orbital entry ever attempted," Johnson noted. Without the tape recorder, according to Torrance Johnson, the project's chief scientist, the team would have achieved maybe 50 percent of its research goals and returned only 150 images. "Now we're probably someplace in between the 50 and 70 percent levels." And the hard part is still ahead.

The life cycle of stars

New stars begin
Inside vast clouds of dust and gas, pressure gravity causes the denser areas to pull together and collapse.

Star size of the sun
Burns for 10 billion years. Star exhausts its hydrogen and swells into a red giant. Core collapses. Nuclear reaction blows off the star's surface. Blown-off gases form a glowing nebula. Core collapses into a red supergiant.

Star 10 times the size of the sun
Burns out in 20 million years; 5,000 times more luminous. Bright, hot, blue star uses up its hydrogen fuel, swells into a red supergiant. When nuclear reactions cease, core collapses and star explodes in a brilliant supernova.

Star explodes with enough force
Much of its mass is hurled into space, leaving behind a small, dense neutron star.

Lewiston levee plays host to scout's scale model of the solar system

The Lewiston Press

LEWISTON — To see the solar system up to the confluence of the Snake and Clearwater rivers at Lewiston, then walk southward along the levee, is to see a scale model of the solar system. The sun is at the confluence, along with a map of where to find all the planets. Neptune, the eighth planet from the sun, is exactly one mile down the levee. Uranus is two miles down the levee. Saturn is three miles down the levee. Jupiter is four miles down the levee. Mars is five miles down the levee. Venus is six miles down the levee. Earth is seven miles down the levee. Mercury is eight miles down the levee.

Neptune fit on the bike path? Well, 17-year-old Bill Stutzman has done some figuring and has sketched the universe to a scale that fits nicely along the levee. Neptune is 28 billion miles from the sun. It takes 33,000 earths to make up the mass of the sun, but on Stutzman's scale of 1 to 28 billion, the sun is a little bigger than a basketball. Stutzman, his father, mother, sister and a handful of Boy Scouts from Troop 168 gathered on the levee on a mid-summer Saturday to install plaques about the planets indicating their distance from the sun. Pluto, the furthest planet from the sun, is more than two kilometers away. The crew dug holes to insert the black and white plaques mounted on cement blocks while Stutzman supervised, telling workers to square up the plaques. "I picked at the details. They look at me, funny and say 'I'm a perfection-

ist," he said while taking a break in the shade. But he had been getting his hands dirty, too. The Lewiston High School graduate had to finish his project before he turned 18 and was no longer eligible to become an Eagle Scout. He got the idea while walking through a similar model of the universe at a science center in Boise. At the time, he was looking for ideas since he didn't want to install benches or plant trees, although he quickly

pointed out that those efforts also benefit the community. "I really wanted something more creative," he said. "That's really my own personality. All the planning, plotting and measuring were the easy part," he said. With the help of an engineer at Potlatch Corp., where his father Jim works, he designed the plaques. He mapped out where they should go on the levee using an aerial photograph, tape measure, calibrated wheel and

satellite positioning device that he borrowed from a pilot. The biggest setbacks cropped up when he began looking for the materials to make the signs. Originally he wanted durable bronze plaques, but cost estimates were around \$4,000. Then he scolded down his plans from casting the bronze to photo etching — the cost was still more than \$800. "I've come to a lot of frustrating moments in this project when I almost wanted to give up," he said.

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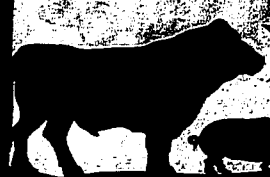


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Health & Fashion

The unquiet hell of manic-depression

Reviewers of "The Unquiet Mind," a book by Kay Redfield Jamison, praise her profound contribution toward understanding a raging, genetic disease that can twist and turn the mind, and often cause death.

The illness? Manic-depression.

Jamison should know all about manic-depression. It's shaped her life.

The jacket cover itself best sketches her background.

"Child of a brilliant mercurial Air Force officer and scientist and a remarkable mother descended from an old New England family, Kay Jamison suffered her first attack of manic-depression at 17. We follow her battle with the illness through college, through graduate school, through a passionate love affair and desperate loss, through episodes of violence, bouts of madness, and attempted suicide. We experience her fear of letting go of the intoxicating highs and of her deep-rooted belief that she should weather the illness without medication — a fear that leads her to resist taking lithium, a drug that would ultimately save her life. And finally, she recounts the slow and painful mastering of her illness through knowledge, courage, medication, self-discipline, and the power of love."



JoAnn Larson
Psychology

While fighting her illness, she became a professional who authored "Touched with Fire: Manic-Depressive Illness and the Artistic Temperament," and a co-author of the standard medical text on manic-depressive illness, chosen in 1990 as the most outstanding book in biomedical sciences by the Association of American Publishers.

By the time she was 40, through her literary works, Jamison had become a world authority on manic-depression, and her work has helped save countless lives.

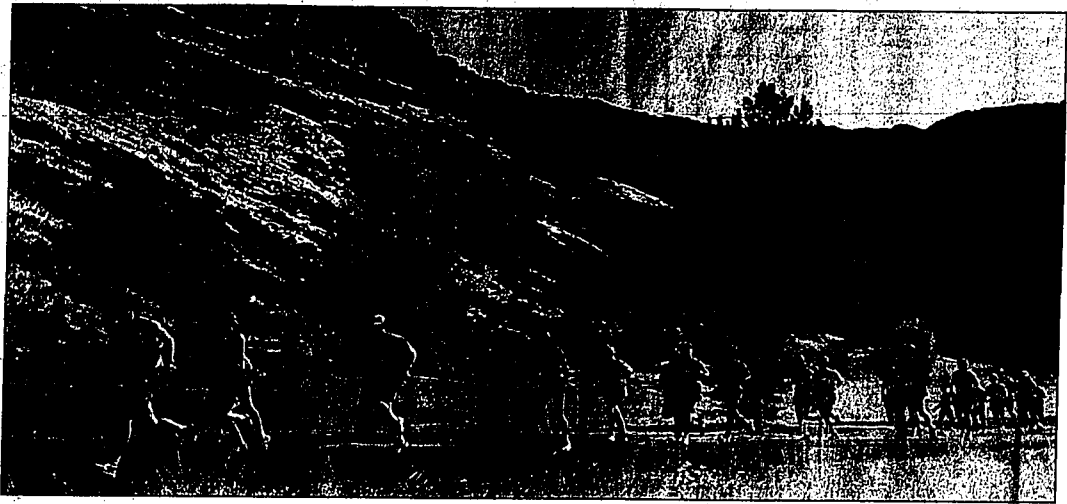
"The disease that has, on several occasions, nearly killed me, does kill tens of thousands of people every year," she wrote. "Most are young, most die unnecessarily — and among the most imaginative and gifted that we as a society have."

Early in her career, Jamison and a few colleagues were responsible for creating an outpatient clinic at UCLA to specialize in the diagnosis and treatment of depression and manic-depressive illness. It would become the largest teaching and research facility in America.

Her illness was always lurking to strike without notice. Although there is no other formal term for the disease, Jamison's disorder was so severe, and "took over" her mind and life so often, that she regards herself always as manic-depressive.

To illustrate is a bout of mania described by Jamison, "There is a particular kind of pain, elation, loneliness and terror involved in this kind of madness. When you're high, it's tremendous. The ideas and feelings are fast and frequent like shooting stars, and you follow them until you find better and brighter ones. . . . But, somewhere, this fast ideas are far too fast, and there's a fit too much embracing, confusion replaces clarity. Memory goes. . . ."

Please see LARSEN/D2



The over-40 crowd was well represented in last month's Rim to Rim fun run that started at the Blue Lakes Country Club north of Twin Falls.

It's all downhill after 40

Middle age needn't mean end of the road for runners

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — If you're old enough to remember John Kennedy, chances are that one word pops into your brain when the phrase "getting in shape" is uttered.

Running.

For baby-boomers, inspired by cardio-guru Dr. Kenneth Cooper and reformed couch potato James Fix, jogging has traditionally been the acid test of mind over cellulite — the narrow and rocky path to size 6 dresses and 32-inch jeans.

But then came Jane Fonda and middle age. Lower-impact types of aerobic exercise eclipsed running by 1980, and while the number of runners has remained about the same, the number of walkers has quadrupled since the mid-80s.

It seems that while killer abs and sub-130 cholesterol counts have considerable appeal for many people, they're not worth a single case of shin splints.

"Concern about injuries has gotten a lot of people over 40 to go into other types of exercise," said Dr. James Retmier, a Twin Falls orthopedic surgeon.

Retmier, who's 45, isn't one of them. He started running three years ago and is still going strong, three to five miles on most days.

So, what's a jog, what's a run?

Those who run faster than nine minutes per mile are running; those who run slower than nine minutes per mile are jogging.

— Source: Dr. Kenneth Cooper, "The Aerobics Program for Total Well-Being"

"I had a stress fracture of the tibia (the shinbone) and some other aches and pains," he said. "But once I got into an (exercise) pattern that was comfortable for me, I thoroughly enjoyed it."

Retmier's shuffling walkie prompted his friend, Twin Falls cardiologist and surgeon Dr. Ron Miciak, to take to the road himself.

"Running is just a great form of exercise," said Miciak, who's over 40 and now runs four or five times a week. "I have more energy. I lost 25 pounds, and I just feel better."

For all the sophisticated exercise equipment to which they have access, a surprising number of doctors over 40 are still practitioners of the simplest aerobic exercise of all.

Dr. Rod Swartling, another Twin Falls orthopedic surgeon, started running at age 38.

Nearly 20 years later, he's still at it.

"It's an activity that you can do anywhere," he said. "And if you don't feel like jogging, you can walk, or alternate the two, and still get the benefit."

"It's a self-regulating activity," Miciak said. "If you're not fit, you're not going to be able to run very far, but if you keep at it — walking and working your way up to running farther — you'll become more fit."

Still, there are some potential pitfalls for the over-40 runner:

- **Injuries:** The three great scourges of runners are stress fractures, shin splints (chronic pain in the tibia) and tendonitis (inflammation of the tendons of the legs and feet). But all three are easily preventable, by stretching before running and by wearing by the right shoes, doctors say.

Joggers over 40 are not necessarily any more vulnerable to these problems than other runners, but it may take them longer to recuperate, the doctors say.

And they're prone to push themselves too hard and to try to resume running too soon after they get hurt.

"For most overuse injuries, the best remedy is rest and anti-inflammatory drugs," Retmier said.

Swartling says he sees a fair number of knee injuries related to running, but adds that he treats more runners than most doctors do. Joggers shouldn't worry overmuch about knee problems unless they have pre-existing knee injuries, Retmier advises.

Both men are sticklers for proper footwear.

"You just can't emphasize it too much," Retmier said.

The critical features of a good running shoe are firm arch support, a sturdy, broad-based heel construction, and a toe durable and roomy enough to absorb shock.

Fit, they say, is critical, so is the price tag.

"A good running shoe is expensive," Retmier said. "And if you're smart, you won't wear it until it wears out. One-hundred fifty miles is about the limit."

Please see DOWNHILL/D2

To relax properly requires some effort, but it's worth it

Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — This guy knew all about the Art of Rest and Relaxation.

"There is more to life than just increasing its speed," said Mahatma Gandhi.

Somehow, you don't imagine Gandhi returned from a vacation saying it was too short or went to work Monday mornings all too glad to find a respite from an overbooked weekend.

While diet and exercise get most of the headlines and talk-show spots, rest is indeed a critical element in health. But there's more to it than getting a good night's sleep.

"You need a whole inventory of things to help you feel rejuvenated and restored," said Carolyn Gralewski, a clinical psychologist at the Adler School of Professional Psychology in Chicago who also has a private practice based in Palatine. "You can't rely on only a small handful of activities."

In today's world of round-the-clock news, weather, sports, rock music, home shopping and fast-food hamburgers, it's only fair we offer up a soothing complement of activities to provide quality rest and relaxation in your hectic life.

Let's start with a wakeup call. Consider getting out of bed 10 to 15 minutes earlier, even five minutes. Gralewski promises a payoff: "We're rushing off all day. It starts with slumping down the alarm clock, gulping some coffee and running out the door. When you stop the day at a slower pace, you have set a more relaxed pattern for the entire day. It really works."

Another tip for early morning: Research

shows we can increase our alertness for the entire day by exposing ourselves to bright sunlight (or comparable indoor light) within the first 15 minutes of awakening. A quick walk around the block or outdoor household chore will suffice.

When showering, try to focus on the water hitting your body rather than fretting about the day ahead. This simple act is a form of meditation and allows you to stay in the present moment, which leaves you feeling more in control and less anxious, said Jon Kabat-Zinn, director of the Stress Reduction and Relaxation Program at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center in Worcester.

Eat some protein for breakfast. Nutritionists say a bit of cream cheese or peanut butter on your bagel, skim milk in your cereal or protein powder in orange juice will provide a

boost in alertness while too many carbohydrates can leave you sleepy. Studies back them up.

At the risk of sounding like a spokesman for Day-Timers or Franklin Quest, Dr. Robert S. Elliot recommends daily planning calendars as a regular part of patient therapy at the Institute for Stress Medicine in Jackson Hole, Wyo.

"Minor tasks no longer need to dominate or overshadow major ones," writes Elliot, author of "From Stress to Strength: How to Lighten Your Load and Save Your Life" (Bantam). "A few minutes of planning can control hours of chaos."

Take three-minute segments throughout the day to concentrate on your breathing. This is enough time to trigger a "relaxation

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Looking good

Old-favorite khakis fit in business-casual look

Orlando Sentinel

Clark Gable, John Wayne and John F. Kennedy wore them in the 1950s, as did most American men. Now, after decades on fashion's "out" list, plain-front khaki pants are back in vogue.

Actually, as men embrace a more casual mode of dressing for the 1990s, khakis of every cut, color, configuration and application are taking up more space in their wardrobes.

Khakis may not be new, but they are more popular and are being worn in more situations today than ever before.

"They're doing very well for us. They serve a dual purpose — for casual and business dressing," said Robbie Ellis, a spokeswoman for J.C. Penney stores.

"They're ideal for the new business-casual look, neither too tailored nor too casual — and so versatile. Khakis are often accepted in the workplace when jeans aren't," said Massimo Jacoboni, fashion director at The Fashion Association, a New York trade group.

They're kind of a no-brainer. They go with everything.

Please see KHAKIS/D2



Photo courtesy The Fashion Association

Khakis accent this spruce, flap-patch pocket shirt from Bugle Boy. It's an all-cotton outfit.

Health notes

The spirit of athletics
Exercise and spirituality go hand in hand, and running can be a path toward a spiritual experience. So say researchers who have studied the connection.

"A biological mechanism is at work," said William C. Bushell, a Massachusetts Institute of Technology research scientist specializing in medicine and anthropology. "Whatever creator made the body had this in mind. It comes out in physiological science like a clear blueprint."

Exercise-induced mental and physiological changes, including the flood of body-made opiates that induces what's called the "runner's high," can create a change in consciousness, the researchers say.

Just relax
Speaking of religious experiences, a special medical panel has encouraged wider use of behavioral and relaxation therapies such as biofeedback, prayer and altering negative thoughts as ways to fight chronic pains and insomnia. The panel on behavioral and relaxation therapy uses said at the end of a recent three-day conference in Washington that conventional treatments for these problems — drugs and surgery — have had limited success in alleviating pain and insomnia.

Beating stress
If biofeedback doesn't interest, how about a little drumming? In Tucson, a group called Rhythm for Life organizes after-hours all-night drum feats where people gather to bang out their every day aggressions under the stars. Longevity magazine reports. Seems drumming increases focus and eases tension.

Sickness and in health
Also from Longevity comes a report that if you're one of the 25,000 Americans awaiting a matching donor organ for a kidney transplant, your spouse may be your best bet. A study at UCLA School of Medicine found, surprisingly, that kidney transplants that used a spouse's unmatched kidney rather than a close blood relative's were just as successful.

About Pap smears
The Food and Drug Administration recently approved a new device designed to cut down on errors in Pap smears and detect cervical cancer more reliably.

The device uses image processing and pattern recognition techniques to re-screen all Pap smears initially found to be normal. It picks out the most suspicious for a second look by a technician.

Of 11,751 Pap smears previously found to be normal at seven different labs, the device found 297 (2.5 percent) that were abnormal.

Compiled from wire reports

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Gaining weight? It's not our fault

I am pleased to report that we finally have a scientific explanation for why everybody in the world is gaining weight. At least I am, and I know it's not my fault. Granted, I do not have the best dietary habits. Sometimes in a restaurant I will order fried, fatty foods (I give you a plate of fried, fatty foods, and I know it's not my fault. Granted, I do not have the best dietary habits. Sometimes in a restaurant I will order fried, fatty foods (I give you a plate of fried, fatty foods, and I know it's not my fault.



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land on Earth, the situation will only worsen, with chilling results: According to my calculations, at the current rate of gravity buildup, by the year 2038, an ordinary golf ball will weigh the equivalent, in today's pounds, of Rush Limbaugh. Even a professional golfer, using graphite clubs, would need dozens of strokes to make such a ball move a single foot. An average round of golf would take four months — nearly twice as long as today. Is that the kind of world we want our children to grow up and develop gum disease in? I think not. This is why we must call upon the scientific community to stop pattering around with global warming and immediately develop a solution to the gravity problem.

(30-second pause)

Well, we see that the scientific community has once again let the human race down, leaving it up to us civilians to deal with the situation. Fortunately, I have come up with a practical answer in the form of a:

GRAVITY REDUCTION PLAN
Follow my reasoning: The problem is that 25 tons of stuff is landing on the Earth every day, right? So the obvious solution is to put 25 tons worth of stuff into a rocket every day and blast it into space. It couldn't be simpler!

Perhaps you're saying: "But, Dave, how are we going to find 25 tons worth of stuff every single day that is so totally useless that we can just send it into space with total confidence that it could never possibly in any way benefit humanity?"

I can answer that question in three simple words: "Fourth Class Mail." Every day at least 25 tons of material is painstakingly mailed all over the United States and thrown away immediately upon receipt. Solid-waste experts estimate that 78 percent of our nation's landfill capacity is currently occupied by sincere unopened letters from Ed McMahon informing people that they have almost definitely won \$14 million. Why not just load this material directly into rockets? And consider this: If we send up more than 25 tons a day, the Earth would actually lose gravity. I calculate that every human being on the planet would instantly be six ounces lighter if we also sent up there, not that I am necessarily proposing this.

So I say let's fire up the rockets and get this program going before gravity gets so strong that all we can do is lie on the ground, helpless, while turtles rain down upon us. If you agree, write to your senators and congresspersons today and let them know where you stand. Stress the urgency of this situation. Stress their responsibility as public officials.

Above all, stress that there's room in the rocket with Ed.

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Now, let's rate talk-show wardrobes

Los Angeles Times

The airwaves are abuzz with the sound of talk, talk and more talk. For veterans Oprah and Geraldo and their many daytime TV disciples, that's hundreds of wardrobe changes a week. And as they parade up and down the aisles, their clothes come under as much scrutiny as their outrageous guests, most of whom deserve to be zinged for the tacky, dingy clothes they wear while basking in their 15 minutes of fame.

Among the latest purveyors of gab and gab are Carmie Wilson, Danny Bonaduce, Tempestt Bleedso, Mark Walberg, Lauren Hutton and Gabrielle Carteris. We're not sure how they're faring against Ricki (and Charles and Montel and Jerry ...) in the ratings race, but we do know how they're holding up in the wardrobe wars. So settle into your favorite chair, kick off your shoes and tune in as we bring you today's straight-from-the-helmets topic: "You May Think You're a Talk Show Host Who's All That, but ... Where Did You Get That Outfit?"

Rating: 4
Show: "The Montel Williams Show"
Host: Montel Williams

The Look: Always looking as if his clothes just came off the ironing board (a holdover, no doubt, from his former life as a U.S. Navy intelligence officer), Montel is an eccentric, elegant dresser. He's a detail man: print ties — flowers, abstracts and geometrics — always worn with striped shirts; patterned socks with shoes so shiny you can see your reflection; vests with Edwardian collars; vests that tie, snap and button in the back, and striped band-collared shirts (as seen on "Daughters Who Hate the Slenzy Way Their Mothers Dress"). One favorite look is a double-breasted charcoal gray Joseph Abboud suit worn with a pale blue shirt — with a spread collar so smooth the tips curl ever-so-slightly — and blue and gray flower print tie.

Signature Style: collarless shirts and vests.
Confidential to Montel: What can we say? Montel, you are all that!

Rating: 3
Show: "The Oprah Winfrey Show"
Host: Oprah Winfrey

The Look: The trimmed-down queen of daytime talk dresses like the diva she is. Her spare-no-expense, sophisticated wardrobe includes impeccably tailored suits and luxuriantly braided charcoal gray slouch pantsuit worn with a pale blue shirt — with a spread collar so smooth the tips curl ever-so-slightly — and blue and gray flower print tie.

Signature Style: Her strong suits are her strong suit.
Confidential to Oprah: Take one hard, last look in the mirror for fit before leaving your dressing room.



Talk-show queen Oprah Winfrey sports a spare-no-expense wardrobe, but it includes ill-fitting ensembles also.

Rating: 2.5
Show: "Ricki Lake"
Host: Ricki Lake

The Look: In her third season, former heftyweight Ricki has gone chic and sporty, trading in that dowdy college-girl-on-a-budget look. Now it's miniskirts, pantsuits and sexy dresses in velvet, wool and satin. She hits with a cropped lipstick-red jacket over a pleated mini kilt, but misses with a brown charmeuse blouse worn with a skinny belt over a black charmeuse mini. Ricki gets the prize for best makeup — heavy black liner for glamour-girl eyes.

Signature Style: a study in basic black — pants, velvet jackets, jumpers, blouses. Must be from living in New York all this time.
Confidential to Ricki: You've got the style down, now just punch it up with a little color and you'll go, girl!

Rating: 3
Show: "Charles Perez"
Host: Charles Dabney Perez

The Look: Oh, no — cue The Rembrandts — he's a "Friend!" Young and painfully hip, baby-faced Charles plays the fashion field with flair, relying on designers Hugo Boss and Replay. Talk about fickle, he's all over the place: buttoned-down denim shirts, knit shirts, blazers in browns and grays, suspenders, faded jeans, khakis, plain-front and pleated trousers, hip-hop-styled shirt jackets over a T and vest ... Perez gets the nod for whitest teeth — sorry, Danny — on TV.

Signature Style: Blazer, jeans, T-shirt — a style New York-based Perez calls "masculine and contemporary. I tend to stay away from too much of the 'downtown' (SoHo) look."
Confidential to Charles: Settle down. We were glued to "Women Who Commit Crimes for Their Mates," but the felony in progress was

the court jester-like, shirt on your back, a long-sleeved charcoal-gray knit with black and white zigzags up the front.

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Over-50 students conquer water fears

Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel

PLANTATION, Fla. — Eleanor Schaffer remembers choking. Swallowing water. Choking. Struggling to the surface for air.

An afternoon canoe trip by three sisters at summer camp in western New York had turned into an afternoon of terror when all three were deliberately tossed overboard into the lake. None could swim.

"That's how they taught you to swim back then," says Schaffer, who was about 8 on that day the first met the water in fear.

"None of us ever learned to swim because of that. My younger sister never learned. My sister, Rose, is still afraid of the water. They ruined it because of that."

Because of that, Schaffer would not learn to swim for another 50 years.

On a humid August night, Schaffer, now in her 60s, is holding onto the side of the pool at Plantation's Central Park and kicking her feet.

During the next two weeks, Schaffer and three other women will learn to swim in the last summer class for adults this year. They will meet five nights a week, even in rain showers, for 50 minutes each night.

Schaffer is joined by Dawn Parker, 51, a teacher from Jamaica. And by Jackie Hall, 58, and Ann Smith, 55, friends who reunited together in June after three decades at Broward County Schools.

Now a grandmother, Schaffer moved from New York to South Florida with her husband, Sam, 23 years ago. Their retirement days are spent at their Plantation condominium, where Schaffer chats with neighbors at the pool and wades into the shallow end.

Living in South Florida has been a constant reminder that she can't swim. During the years, she has watched her three children and two grandchildren learn to love the water. Hoping to conquer the fear wrought that afternoon at the lake, Schaffer finally signed up for swimming lessons.

"She's a quick learner," says Sam, her husband, who watches the class from a patio chair. He doesn't swim, either. Sam says his wife grew frustrated with her attempts at the pool.

"If she puts her mind to it, she'll do it," he says.

Still, learning to swim is harder at an older age. Adults lack the stamina and the firm leg and stomach muscles of children. Some have physical ailments. Many are out of condition. Kicking is more difficult.

All of the women in this class are over 50. Three of the four can't swim a stroke. Jackie Hall, the Schaffer, has a childhood fear of the water. All of the women are afraid of the "deep end."

Their experiences are not uncommon. The biggest hurdles for adults learning to swim are overcoming their fear, learning to float and putting their face in the water, says Rick Floyd, 44, the swim instructor who has taught dozens of adults to swim at Central Park.

"Most of them had a bad experience when they were kids," Floyd says. But "everybody can float if they can relax. If they have confidence in me, they'll be floating on their backs after a few lessons."

Floyd puts an arm under them while the women float on their backs. He has them blow bubbles in the water to get their faces wet.

Kick your legs high, close to the surface, he tells them, emphasizing the need to keep up the stomach and leg muscles.

"Don't let the legs sink." Sink? That's exactly what they're afraid of.

By the middle of the second week, the women have improved markedly.

Parker is finishing 25-yard laps across the pool, in deep water.

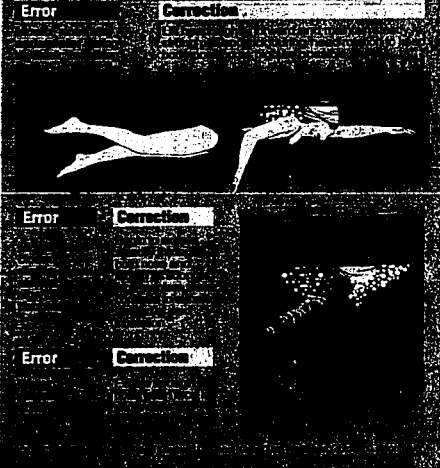
Schaffer is floating and learning the side stroke.



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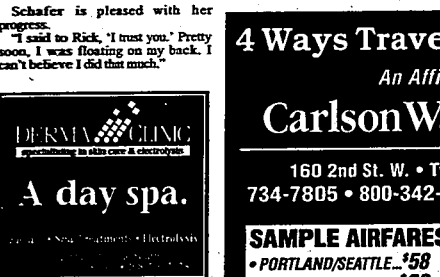
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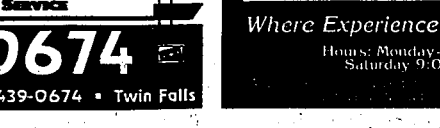
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Proper daily care, education can help prevent asthma crises

Knight-Ridder News Service

Her flight lifted off smoothly and Beverly Cassidy relaxed, eager to see her husband on active duty with the Marines in St. Louis.

But less than a minute after flight attendants began passing out packets of peanuts, Cassidy, 42, was grabbing a small portable inhaler.

The smell of the peanuts had triggered an allergic reaction that caused her chest to tighten, throwing her into a full-blown asthma attack.

A doctor on board stabilized her, and attendants called ahead for an ambulance, which took her to the hospital as soon as the plane landed.

Back home in Royal Oak, Mich., she got serious about learning more and about doing all she could to control her disease, which now affects 15 million Americans.

She read books and joined a support group. This summer, she decided to start a new group aimed at adults like herself who don't understand the seriousness, even deadly, consequences of asthma.

"There's a serious lack of education about asthma," says Cassidy, whose new group meets for the first time Tuesday night in Novi, Mich. It's affiliated with the Michigan chapter of the Asthma & Allergy Foundation of America.

As asthma rates soar, particularly in African American and Hispanic urban neighborhoods, doctors and advocacy groups are sounding an alarm to warn patients about risks and spread the word that asthma now is more treatable than ever. Their message to the public: Don't take asthma lightly.

An attack can be frightening. Suddenly, even in the middle of sleep, people may begin gasping for breath.

Their necks and chests tighten. They become panicky and stressed as they struggle to breathe.

Quickly inhaling medicine to relax the bronchial muscles may help, but that also can exacerbate an attack.

Yet asthma, caused by inflammation of the airways of the lungs, never was rated a serious public health threat — not until the last few years, when numbers reached such startling levels they couldn't be ignored. No one knows why the numbers are increasing, though theories range from pollution to better reporting of asthma cases.

But whatever the reason, the numbers are rising:

Asthma cases have increased about 60 percent in the last 10 years. Statewide, 400,000 people — about 4 percent — now have the condition.

In urban areas, asthma is almost epidemic. In Detroit, nearly 100,000 residents — one in 10 people — are affected. African Americans with asthma are three times more likely to die of it than whites and are twice as likely to require hospitalization.

Annual death rates have reached nearly 5,000 — a 66 percent increase in 10 years. Some deaths, like the asthma-related death in July of teen supermodel Krissy Taylor, have attracted national attention and raised questions about whether doctors recognize and properly treat the disease.

Taylor's doctor had not diagnosed her with asthma, though the 17-year-old Florida had been treating her breathing problems with an over-the-counter inhaler. Her death was attributed to an irregular heartbeat triggered by asthma.

Experts say Taylor's case typifies the problems with asthma: Doctors

don't adequately diagnose it, and patients try to treat themselves with nonprescription remedies that may help during an attack but do not treat underlying asthma causes.

Others don't do enough to avoid substances that trigger asthma attacks.

The big culprits are the same things that cause allergies: Dust, mold, pet hair and cockroaches.

"Allergies and asthma are not the same," says Dr. John Anderson, head of the allergy and immunology division at Detroit's Ford Hospital. Yet they often coincide. Four of five children with asthma have allergy problems; half of adult asthmatics are allergic to a range of items, Anderson says.

But there are 200 or more other causes of asthma, ranging from cigarette smoke to viral infections, and from household chemicals to pollution.

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I'LL TAKE THE WALKIE-TALKIE. YOU TAKE THE TEST.

IKSYAN INSYMAN CURFAY! URRKHAN!

B.C. By Johnny Hart

WHAT WAS YOUR MOST DIFFICULT CASE?

I ONCE CURED SOMEONE WITH 11 DIFFERENT PERSONALITIES.

WHO WAS THAT?

THE PITTSBURGH STEELER.

Garfield By Jim Davis

THE MOON IS FULL, AND AN EERIE CREAKING IS HEARD AS A COFFIN LID SLOWLY OPENS... AS...

COUNT CAT ONCE AGAIN STALKS THE NIGHT!

GARFIELD! BRING MY BATH TOWEL BACK!

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

WE PICKED A STORY TONIGHT WE CAN ALL READ TOGETHER.

DO YOU REALLY NEED US BOTH?

YES! MOMMY CAN DO SNOW WHITE AND THE WITCH... AND DADDY CAN DO ALL SEVEN DWARFS!

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

WE CAUGHT THIS MAN BREAKING INTO THE GUM BALL MACHINE

WELL... WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO SAY?

I'M TRYING TO QUIT SMOKING!

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

SPEAK TO ME, HAGAR!

SAY SOMETHING!

YOU'RE STANDING ON MY FOOT

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BEEBLE, CALL COOKIE AND SEE WHAT'S FOR DINNER

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LOOK LINDA! I GET TO BE A GOLFBOY FOR HOLIDAY!!!

I GOT A HAT AN' A SCARF AN' A VEST AN' BOOTS... I GOT EVERYTHING!

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WHAT'LL YOU SEE IT? IT'S PERFECT!

OKAY THAT'S IT! RIGHT OVER THERE!

THAT'S HE MUST BE KIDDING

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I WAS WALKING THE MALL THIS MORNING AND REALIZED...

"TOMORROW IS HALLOWEEN!"

WHAT WAS YOUR FIRST CLUE?

I CAN THEM PUTTING UP THE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS.

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Credit Anonymous, too, with this: "The relationship of editor to author is knife to throat."

India has a bill of rights for cows.

What's your stand on new "politically correct" names? The Bronx Zoo, for example, is now called the "International Wildlife Conservation Park." Nice try, says our Language man, but street talk always lightens up a lidam. Out there where the Chickens, scientists now say, get their meadow in manufactured, the Inter-

Sydney Omarr Horoscope

IF OCTOBER 30 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are dynamic, passionate, creative, possess marvellous sense of the ridiculous. You are charter member of enemies of muted shirts. Gemini, Sagittarius personify significant roles in your life. You are independent, controversial, created your own traditions while young. You curiously leads you to become fascinated with foreign lands, customs, cuisines. You are super-conscious concerning fashion, travel, rights and permissions of people in all walks of life. A hot flame could complicate life during December.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): What a Monday! Aquarian Moon rises to popularity, ability to transform wishes into reality. Focus on property, publicity, marital status. Direction, motivation featured.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Loosen reins - give full play to intellectual curiosity. Lay significant highlights leadership, promotion, hobnobbing with people in high places. Sagittarius helps protect legal rights to property.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Lunar aspect coincides with special studies, education, publishing, ability to make impact on the world. Deal in durable goods. Give up of collateral.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Attention revolves around words, verbal and written. Romantic involvement desired. Line of bank statements.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Photographs, entertainment, music featured. People comment: "Our voice sounds different!" Spotlight on public appeal, cooperative efforts, marital status. Gift includes jewelry.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You were wondering, "When will I find my place?" Terms will be made crystal clear. You'll know where you stand in connection with creative endeavor, exciting love relationship.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Study Leo message. Focus on promotion, power, authority, passion. "Back street" deal with graduate of college of hard knocks.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Long-range prospects command attention. Return to give up right to land, property. Offer received, could lack involvement. If you wait, you win. Actis substituted.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You might be asking, "Is this deity via?" Scenario features familiar places, faces. Puzzlement concerning love, commitment - some will say, "You want to have your cake and eat it, too!" True?

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Fine food! Cancer native invites you to dine gourmet style. Another Capricorn purchases a property, back street financial transaction completed. You did right thing!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Out-line prospects, articulate desires. Sagittarius hope make with become reality. Cycle high, free yourself from prison of inertia. Take initiative, imprint style.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Secret message becomes path - a home-statement at first, later prestige restored. Keep plans flexible, you'll be invited to attend exclusive social affair. Dress for occasion!

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- 63 Oriental courts
- 65 Poker stake
- 66 Crating on metal
- 67 W'erowithal
- 68 Fishery's ship
- 69 Prophet
- 70 Lovara's meeting
- 71 Headliner

DOWN

- 1 Festive occasion
- 2 And others' abbr.
- 3 Largest amount
- 4 Taken as one's own
- 6 Blaring
- 7 High mountain
- 8 Distinct all
- 9 Confer holy orders upon
- 11 — mutual
- 12 Great Lake
- 13 United States
- 14 Cleric
- 15 W'erowithal
- 16 Fishery's ship
- 18 Notions
- 19 Orslo citizens
- 20 Singles
- 31 More unusual
- 32 Hates Zola
- 33 Very fast
- 36 Swindle
- 38 School term
- 39 Short
- 45 Crochets
- 46 Athlete group
- 48 Self-satisfied
- 49 Handover
- 51 Church instruments
- 53 One in a billion
- 55 Crochets
- 56 Lily plant
- 57 Acting part
- 58 Fish appendages
- 59 Monogram part:
- 60 In a row
- 61 Base
- 64 Beam

Saturday's Puzzle solved:

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