

Good morning

Today's forecast:

Increasing clouds with a slight chance of rain or snow showers. Light variable winds. Highs 40 to 45 degrees. Lows 25 to 30 degrees.

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Mystery unsolved

Police still hadn't located anyone Monday who was missing testicles. A set was found over the weekend in Twin Falls.

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King remembered

President Clinton stands at the pulpit of Dr. Martin Luther King's church in Atlanta and says the message today would be "You've still got a ways to go."

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Pentagon officials say they believe four American soldiers who defected in the 1960s are still living in North Korea.

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Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole receives an enthusiastic welcome from Idaho Republicans when he pays a campaign visit to Boise.

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Teacher check proposal may fail

By Karen Tolkkien
 Times-News staff writer

BOISE — Idaho school officials acknowledge their borders are wide open to teachers or counselors convicted of crimes in other states.

Unlike neighboring states Utah, Nevada, Oregon and Washington, they have little or no way of checking the backgrounds of applicants to find out if prospective employees were ever convicted of offenses that would prevent them from becoming certified in this state.

Yet a proposal from state Schools Superintendent Anne C. Fox that would make such checks mandatory is virtually



doomed to failure this year because of one element — fingerprinting prospective teachers, counselors or administrators.

Moscow Republican Gary Schroeder, chairman of the Senate Education Committee, said he would kill any proposal to fingerprint applicants.

Such a step would infringe on individual



Fox

freedom and rights, he said.

He said he would support a law that did the background checks without fingerprinting.

But Fox said such a move is nearly impossible. She has already watered down her last year's proposal in order to get something passed, and without a state law, districts can't access statewide criminal data bases.

"I would hope (Schroeder) would revisit that in his mind," she said. "The real issue

here is protecting children."

Lawyers, insurance agents and public notaries already have to get fingerprinted to go through criminal background checks, she said.

Under Fox's proposal, the state could reject teaching licenses for applicants whose background check reveal convictions on sexual or physical abuse of a child.

An applicant could also get turned down for a conviction involving "moral turpitude," delivery, manufacture or production of controlled substances, involuntary manslaughter, kidnapping a child or selling or bartering a child.

Mary Lu Barry, an English teacher at

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Canyon impact site



Charred wreckage lies at the site in John Evans Canyon above, where a small turbo-prop business aircraft crashed near Malad City Monday morning. Reporters and sheriff's officers, below, gather near the 100-yard-long area which burned after the crash.

Plane crash near Malad kills 8

The Associated Press

MALAD CITY — The crash of a twin-engine plane in mountainous terrain early Monday killed all eight people aboard, wiping out the upper management of a Salt Lake City-based Coca-Cola bottler.

The twin turbo-prop Mitsubishi MU-2B-36A disappeared from radar screens shortly after the pilot radioed there was an unspecified emergency at 6:17 a.m. MST on the flight from Salt Lake City to Pocatello.

"As far as a wreck goes, this is about as bad as it gets," Timothy Mason, a Federal Aviation Administration inspector said after a tour of the crash site. "Usually you see a wing."

Mason said it would be difficult to determine the cause of the crash because there wasn't much left of the plane. He said it appeared the aircraft came in at a steep, vertical descent and "hit the ground with substantial impact."

Body parts, some of them burned, were both within the wreckage and scattered around a burned-over area about 100

Cloudy record for craft - C2

yards long and 75 yards wide. A crater about 5 feet deep and 12 feet across marked the spot where authorities believe the eight-passenger plane struck.

A portion of a propeller, an engine and a large section of the fuselage were all that were distinguishable amid the wreckage.

Oneida County Sheriff Bill Neal said it appeared the plane nose-dived into the ground. He said that based on the point of impact, authorities are assuming the plane was attempting to turn around, away from Pocatello.

"It had to have been a horrible impact," Neal said. "I've been in law enforcement in Oneida County for 20 years and there've been three crashes in that time. And this is the worst one."

Neal said National Transportation Safety Board investigators were due at the site Tuesday.

Mitch Barker, FAA spokesman in Idaho, said air traffic

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Police press search for 9-year-old kidnap victim



The Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas — The streets where 9-year-old Amber Hagerman and her friends play were unusually quiet Monday.

Two days earlier, they had echoed with her screams as she fought a man who dragged her into his truck.

"The girl hasn't been seen since. The streets are always full of kids playing. They aren't now," said neighbor Bruce Seybert, whose daughter is in Girl Scouts with Amber.

"This is their time to sell cookies — I can't go out and let them do that."

Amber was riding her bicycle near an abandoned grocery store two blocks from their grandparents' home in a working-class neighborhood Saturday when, according to a witness, she was snatched by a man who drove a late-model black pickup.

"He caught her right up under the arm," said Jimmie Kevill, a 78-year-old retired machinist who called po-

lice. "He pulled her off the bike, and the bike fell to the ground. I knew something was wrong."

Despite hundreds of tips, investigators have no leads, police spokesman Dee Anderson said, acknowledging that "as the hours grow, the concern grows."

It is a nightmare relived for Amber's father, Richard Hagerman, whose newborn granddaughter was kidnapped from a Fort Worth hospital 4½ years ago. The baby was safely returned to Hagerman's daughter

about 11 hours later.

Police said they don't see a connection because the kidnapper in that case, a woman, is institutionalized.

Amber's mother, Donna Whitson, and her children are part of a WFAA-TV documentary scheduled to air Thursday about people who are trying to get off welfare.

Nann Goplerud, WFAA executive producer of special projects, said there is no reason to believe there is a connection between the abduction and the documentary.

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Divorcees disagree on divorce reform law

By Karen Tolkkien
 Times-News writer

BOISE — The Idaho Legislature could make divorcees tougher to get if it endorses one lawmaker's effort to strengthen Idaho families.

Both spouses would have to consent before being granted a divorce on "irreconcilable differences" under a bill filed Monday by Republican Rep. Tom Dorr of Post Falls. That would allow a cooling-off time that could save marriages, said Dorr, a member of the conservative Christian organization Idaho Family Forum.

The idea has its critics, though. "I don't know that that does the public any good because when people want a divorce, they'll get a divorce," said Leon Smith, a Twin Falls attorney who is divorced.

"Slowing it down will just make them angry," he said.

The law might save few families, but it would bring back the days of legal wrangling, finger-pointing and private investigators' cries, he said.

If the bill becomes law, Smith foresees a future where spouses have to find other grounds for divorce — alleging mental cruelty, other abuse or infidelity.

"I'd hate to see it go back to gamesmanship," he said.

Dianna Rolig of Twin Falls said she would have welcomed such a law when she went through her divorce three years ago.

"I didn't want the divorce," she said. "It was just too easy to go file and not sit down and say, 'Let's talk about it.'"

Divorces and separations surrounded by turmoil could lead to impaired judgement and hasty decisions, she said.

"My feeling of what it would do is force couples to work it out," she said.

Her ex-husband, Twin Falls attorney Jeffrey Rolig, said he wouldn't want to tighten the divorce laws in the manner Dorr suggests because it would give one person tremendous veto power over the other.

There's already a waiting process, he said.

The intent of the proposal is to correct an inequity by giving both spouses a say in the divorce proceedings, Dorr said. Currently only one person is needed to dissolve the marriage.

Dorr wasn't sure how many cases the law would affect. In the eight-county south-central Idaho region, there were 865 divorces and 1,440 marriages in 1993.

"I would say that in most cases, both parties are willing to get a divorce," he said. Statewide in 1993, 6,899 couples were legally divorced.

Dorr called his effort part of a broader sweep to counteract the 1971 adoption of the "irreconcilable differences" measure

Weather

IDAHO Weather

The AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures.

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LOWLAND	46°
BOISE	43°
TWIN FALLS	42°
POCATELLO	42°

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Idaho forecasts

Magic Valley

Partly cloudy this morning. Mostly cloudy in the afternoon with a slight chance of rain or snow showers. Colder with highs 40 to 45. Variable winds 5 to 15 mph. Tonight and Wednesday mostly cloudy and colder with a chance of snow showers. Lows 25 to 30. Highs in the upper 30s. The ultraviolet index forecast is 1, a minimal exposure level.

Extended regional forecast

Thursday and Friday cloudy with a good chance of rain or snow with a slight chance of sleet on the higher benches. Snow to 15 above cast 15 to 25 west. Highs in the 20s east in the 30s west.
Saturday mostly cloudy with a chance of rain or snow showers. Lows 15 to 25. Highs 25 to 30 east, 30 to 40 west.

Wood River Valley

Partly cloudy today with a slight chance of snow showers. Highs in the upper 30s. Tonight and Wednesday mostly cloudy and colder with a chance of snow showers. Lows around 15. Highs in the lower 30s.

Treasure Valley

Partly cloudy this morning. Mostly cloudy in the afternoon with a slight chance of rain or snow showers. Colder with highs 40 to 45. Variable winds 5 to 10 mph. Tonight and Wednesday mostly cloudy and colder with a chance of snow showers. Lows 25 to 30. Highs around 40.

Northern Nevada

Showers likely today with snow level 5,000 feet north. Continued windy cast. Tonight scattered rain and snow showers with snow level near 5,000 feet north. Locally windy. Lows in the 20s to mid-30s. Wednesday chance of rain and snow showers decreasing afternoon from north. Snow level 5,000-6,000 feet. Highs in the mid-30s to upper 40s.

NATIONAL Weather

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Tuesday, Jan. 16.

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Temperature extremes: Idaho: High, 53 degrees at Boise and Lewiston. Low, 14 degrees at Salmon. Nation: High: 83 at McAllen; Texas: Low: 32 below at International Falls, Minn.

National temperatures

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	58	28	.....
Atlanta	67	42	.....
Boston	40	21	.....
Chicago	27	20	.....
Dallas	52	41	.....
Denver	63	24	.....
Des Moines	28	10	.....
Houston	63	38	.....
Indianapolis	27	27	.....
Los Angeles	62	24	.....
Los Angeles	67	44	.....
Los Angeles	72	65	.....
Milwaukee	24	14	.....
Minneapolis	19	0	.....
New Orleans	75	57	.....
New York	28	28	.....
Phoenix	38	30	.....
Portland, Me.	17	15	.....
Portland, Ore.	65	48	1.01
San Antonio	41	36	.....
San Diego	35	32	.....
Salt Lake City	57	27
San Francisco	50	30
Seattle	53	45	1.82
Spokane	45	40
Washington	48	26

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City	Max	Min	Pcp
Boise	53	38	.03
Burley	49	35	.01
Fairfield	38	27	.17
Gooding	40	34	.30
Hagerman	50	33	.03
Idaho Falls	38	16	.11
Jerome	48	32	.11
Lewiston	57	47	.05
Malad	39	25	.17
Malla	46	30	.....
McCall	m	m	.....
Pocatello	48	31	.01
Shoshone	32	14	.01
Stanley	41	24	.....
Sun Valley	40	26	.....

Skywatch

Sunset today 5:31 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 8:04 a.m.
Lunar phase: Last quarter, Jan. 13; new, Jan. 20; first quarter, Jan. 27; full, Feb. 4.
Visible planets: Morning, Jupiter, Venus. Evening: Saturn, Venus.

Idaho weather summary

Rainfall was reported in every section of the state Monday. The Panhandle reported the greatest amounts of precipitation. Mullin had the most precipitation with 1.01 inch. Rain and snow reached southwest Idaho in the afternoon, where cloudy skies began to break in isolated areas late in the day. As a strong storm system moves across Idaho, continued cloudy skies with rain in the valleys and snow in the higher elevations can be expected.

Temperature extremes

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Deadly storms hammer Northwest; Midwest shivers anew

Violent thunderstorms killed one person Monday in the Northwest and poured down heavy rain while Arctic air dropped temperatures as far as 32 below zero in the upper Midwest.
A low pressure area centered over the coast of British Columbia dumped heavy rain and thunderstorms across the Northwest. Heavy rain fell along the northern Pacific Coast, with 3 to 4 inches falling in 24 to 36 hours along parts of western Washington and Oregon.
Up to an inch of rain was reported in parts of northern California, and more heavy rain was expected through today, along with snow in the mountains.
Strong wind generated by one thunderstorm toppled a 60-foot fir tree near Carver, Ore., just southeast of Portland. The tree fell on a mobile home, killing a woman inside, the Clackamas County sheriff's office said.
Wind gusts reached 70 mph at Netarts on the northern Oregon coast. Wind also blew the roof off a motel and over-

Grand jury focuses on billing records

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal grand jury has begun investigating the alleged discovery of Hillary Rodham Clinton's law firm billing records, while the Senate Whitewater Committee is preparing to extend its investigation.
Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr has summoned White House

aide Carolyn Huber to Little Rock, Ark., on Tuesday to answer questions before the grand jury on how she discovered copies of Mrs. Clinton's long-sought billing records earlier this month, an individual confirmed Monday.
The source spoke only on condition of anonymity.

Meanwhile, Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., said Monday that White House delays in producing documents requested by prosecutors mean the year-long investigation the Senate committee that he chairs will likely continue two or three months past its present Feb. 29 deadline.

Checks

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Twin Falls High School, said such checks would be valuable if they turned up serious wrongdoing.
"We are public servants and we do influence the lives of kids," she said.
However, she was concerned that rehabilitated criminals would be forever prevented from finding work, and thought it strange that the state would require applicants to pay for their own background checks.
Fox recommended a \$45 charge

to run a name through databases at the FBI, the Bureau of Criminal Identification and the State Department of Education.
Tom Schmidt, the head negotiator for the Twin Falls Education Association, took exception to the whole idea.
"Most of the problems would be solved if school districts talked to previous employers," he said. And teachers shouldn't have to pay.
Fox made her plea to the House Education Committee on Monday for such checks.

"We're concerned about being the state where more convicted people will come to," she said.
The bill would exempt support personnel from undergoing such checks. Teachers who already hold Idaho teaching certificates would be exempted from the law unless they committed an offense while they held it.
Fox had her own hiring difficulties early in her tenure. Shortly after she took office in 1993, she had to fire two newly hired staffers — one for past criminal activity and the other for apparently falsifying his resume.

Idaho road report

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Department of Transportation reported hazardous conditions on major routes throughout the state Monday.
Road conditions:
U.S. 95 — Riggin-Whitebird Hill, wet; Whitebird Hill, icy spots; Boise-Moscow, wet; Mountain Home-Meadows, wet, broken snow floor, raining, snowing.
Interstate 84 — Oregon line-Mountain Home, wet, raining; Mountain Home-Bliss-Utah line, wet, raining.
Idaho 55 — Horseshoe Bend-Donnelly, wet, raining; Donnelly-New Meadows, wet, broken snow floor, raining, snowing.
Idaho 21 — Boise-Idaho City, wet, icy spots, raining, rocks; Idaho City-Lowman, icy spots, broken snow floor, raining, snowing; Lowman-Banner Summit, icy spots, broken snow floor, raining, snowing, avalanche warning.
U.S. 20 — Mountain Home-Fairfield, wet; Fairfield-Carey, wet, raining, fog; Arco-Idaho Falls, icy spots, broken

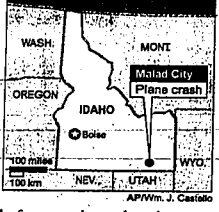
snow floor; Idaho Falls-Ashton, wet, broken snow floor, snowing; Ashton-Montana line, snow floor, snowing.
U.S. 26 — Idaho Falls-Wyoming line, icy spots, broken snow floor, heavy snow; Blackfoot-Arco, wet, raining.
Idaho 51 — Wet.
U.S. 93 — Nevada line-Carey, wet, raining; Carey-Arco, snow floor, snowing; Arco-Salmon, icy spots, broken snow floor, snowing; Lost Trail Pass, icy, broken snow floor, snow floor, snowing.
Idaho 75 — Shoshone-Ketchum, wet, icy spots, mining, snowing; Galena Summit, snow floor, snowing.
Interstate 86 — Dry.
Interstate 15 — Utah line-Pocatello, dry; Malad Pass, dry; Pocatello-Idaho Falls, wet, raining; Idaho Falls-Dubois, wet, icy spots, snowing; Monida Pass, icy, broken snow floor, heavy snow.
U.S. 30 — Dry.
U.S. 91 — Dry.
Idaho 28 — Icy spots, broken snow floor, snowing.

Divorce

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"Just like the welfare system has failed, this has failed," he said. "It will send a message that the state of Idaho does not blanket support divorce."
Several states across the country, including Michigan, are considering similar measures to tighten divorce laws.
Dorr said his proposal stemmed from his constituents in Post Falls.
It would keep the state from granting a divorce to a spouse who filed a newly hired staffer — one for past criminal activity and the other for apparently falsifying his resume.
"We wouldn't be calling it a legal divorce," he said. "We'd be calling it what it really is."

Crash

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controllers in Salt Lake City saw the plane making a rapid descent on radar screens as the pilot reported an emergency.
The pilot of a passing plane reported a fire, but it had been put out by the time the helicopter landed four hours after the crash.
The wreckage was scattered along a relatively flat expanse in foothills at the base of John Evans Canyon seven miles northwest of Malad on private land in the Blue Creek Mountains. Only a little snow was evident around the dry, grassy terrain.



Neal identified the pilot as Richard Swire, 47, owner of Pro Air Services of Salt Lake City, from which Swire was leasing the plane. Phone calls to Pro Air headquarters went unanswered. Ryan Shipman, son of the pilot, said his father had 30 years flying experience.
The eight-year-old was identified as Scott Bogan, 27, a Pro Air copilot from Salt Lake.

Among the dead were four executives of Swire Coca-Cola, USA of Salt Lake City and two employees of a Salt Lake advertising firm. Pocatello is 149 miles north of Salt Lake City. Malad is 102 miles north of the Utah capital.
"We are very sorry to announce that Swire Coca-Cola, USA has suffered a great loss today," said Jeff Edwards, a vice president with Swire Coca-Cola, USA in Salt Lake.
He said the plane carrying local executives and non-employees left Salt Lake City International Airport Monday morning bound for Pocatello. Swire is an independent bottle licensee by Coca-Cola and based in Salt Lake.
Kurt Biedler, vice president of manufacturing for Swire, said the executives were flying into Pocatello for a meeting at the sales center there, called Swire Coca-Cola Pocatello.
They were on a two-week circuit hitting all the company's 35 plants in 12 states, he said.
The company identified the four Swire employees as chief executive Craig Taylor, vice president of marketing Gary Barber, chief financial officer Brad Moore and marketing analyst Merlin Mikkelson.
Also among the dead were two employees of Scopos Garcia Carey Advertising Inc. of Salt Lake City. Company spokesman Greg Carlisle said William J. Garcia, 44, and Bruce Keyes, both of Salt Lake City, were on the plane.
Garcia was a director at the agency and Keyes was an account supervisor. Swire Coca-Cola is a client of the agency.

Ray Glidden, flight operations manager for the Idaho Division of Aeronautics, said the search began about 8:30 a.m. shortly after daylight. The department received notification of the missing craft about 7 a.m., he said.
A Life-Flight-helicopter pilot from Bannock County Regional Medical Center spotted the aircraft just after a fixed-wing plane from Glidden's state agency saw it shortly after 9 a.m.
A National Weather Service aviation meteorologist said it was overcast and calm over the Malad City area when the plane went down. He said visibility was 10 miles with a light wind.
A team, including a forensic pathologist, will attempt to identify the remains of the victims Tuesday, said Onida County coroner Spence Horsley.

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GOP-Dem deal seems long shot

WASHINGTON (AP)—After months of laboring in the background, conservative and moderate Democrats are taking center stage in the budget fight. But Republicans face long odds in getting Democrats to line up with them against President Clinton.

With budget talks between Clinton and Republicans stalemated, frustrated GOP leaders say they will now try to romance right-of-center Democrats. Lining up significant numbers of Democratic votes for the Republican plan for eliminating deficits by 2002 could pressure Clinton to make concessions and produce a compromise, the argument goes.

But as election-year politics envelops the already highly partisan budget battle, it's a scenario that even many Republicans are openly doubting. They say that lawmakers such as the so-called Blue Dogs—conservative House Democrats who have already begun striking budget bargains with the GOP—will ultimately remain loyal to their party's president.

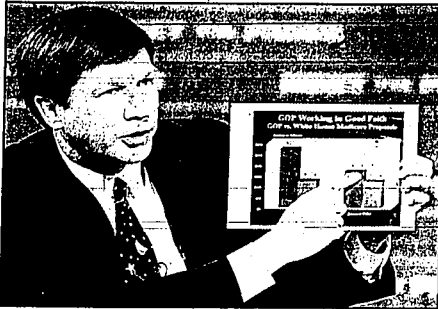
"A lot of these dogs, blue or whatever, are going to be getting calls from the White House, and they'll find their way back home," Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., told reporters. "You know, dogs have a way of doing that."

No one expects Republicans to attract enough Democrats to gain the two-thirds House and Senate majorities they would need to override a Clinton veto of the GOP budget-balancing package.

But some Republicans believe that if a GOP measure that wins Democratic votes is killed, it would still be a political plus. Even if Clinton did not rush back to the bargaining table, the GOP could spend the election campaign arguing that the only thing that blocked a plan to balance the budget, revamp welfare and cut taxes was the Democrat in the White House.

But in private conversations, some Republicans voiced doubts that such a strategy would offer any real political benefits.

Pulling conservative and moderate



House Budget Committee Chairman, Rep. John Kasich, R-Ohio displays a chart on Medicare during 'Meet the Press' Sunday.

Democrats onto the GOP's balanced-budget bandwagon helps speaking on condition of anonymity, very lawmakers whose congressional seats Republicans would love to capture, these Republicans say.

That is because it would blunt the argument that the country needs a Republican Congress ever if the budget is ever to be balanced. In addition, to gain support from conservative Democrats, Republicans would have to compromise with them on achieving savings from welfare, domestic programs and tax cuts. This would be tantamount to Republicans bargaining with themselves, GOP critics of this approach say, since Clinton's signature would still be needed for anything to become law.

and that's working from the center out," said Sen. John Breaux, D-La., one of 20 Senate moderates—10 from each party—who comprise the so-called Centrist Coalition. Sen. John Chafee, R-R.I., is the leader among its Republicans.

Both the Blue Dogs and the Senate's Centrist Coalition have pieced together seven-year balanced-budget plans of their own with savings for various programs that fall mostly between initial GOP and Clinton offers.

In recent days, the Blue Dogs have even reached agreements with House Republicans on savings from Medicare and Medicaid, though they disagree on specifically how the Medicaid savings should be achieved.

The biggest discrepancy the two groups have with Republicans is over tax cuts—both want significantly less than the \$202 billion over seven years that the GOP is seeking.

The Blue Dogs proposed no tax cuts at all, though they say they would accept some.

"If you want six or seven Democratic votes, stay where you are," Condit says, he tells Republicans, "If you want a block of Democratic votes, you have to get serious about Medicaid and tax cuts."

Breaux and other centrists say there is no budget deal between Clinton and GOP leaders, there could be momentum from moderates of both parties to join forces and try pushing a plan of their own through Congress.

Breaux says when lawmakers return from a recess next week, it will be with a message: "From outside the Beltway—get the job done."

But others doubt that, arguing that both parties have established positions they are happy to run on. Republicans can blame Clinton for blocking a balanced budget; Democrats can say Republicans insisted on Medicare and Medicaid cuts to pay for unneeded tax reductions.

"There are a lot of people on both sides now who want to go to the polls and point fingers," said one Democratic aide who spoke on condition of anonymity.

"If you want six or seven Democratic votes, stay where you are. If you want a block of Democratic votes, you have to get serious about Medicaid and tax cuts."

— Rep. Gary Condit, D-Calif., on what he tells Republicans

Calif., one of the 21 Blue Dogs, said in an interview last week. "There's a way to solve this thing."

Mom trades girl, 8, for crack

BOSSIER CITY, La. (AP)—An 8-year-old girl was raped after her mother traded her to a man-for-crack, police said Monday.

"The woman and the man both admitted it was a deal for crack," police spokesman Mike Halpern said. "The man said she knew he was going to have sex with the little girl."

Michael Cain, 31, and the girl's

mother, Bertha Hill, 28, were arrested Sunday and jailed on \$100,000-bail each.

Police received a call Sunday night about a woman screaming outside a motel. An officer went to assist the mother, who was intoxicated and creating a ruckus. Then the child said she was the one who needed help, Halpern said.

Study links older brothers, gay men

NEW YORK (AP)—The more boys a mother has produced, the greater the chance that the next son will be gay, a study says.

The reason might involve the mother's immune system acting on the developing male fetus, researchers speculated. Or, they said, it could be a psychological effect on a boy of growing up with older brothers.

Several earlier studies found that gay men tended to have more previously born siblings than heterosexual men did. The new study says this effect comes only from brothers, not sisters.

Previously-born brothers are not necessarily older brothers, because the study also counted brothers who died before study participants were born.

Psychologist Ray Blanchard, head of the clinical sexology program at the Clarke Institute of Psychiatry in Toronto, reported the work in the January issue of the American Journal of Psychiatry with Anthony Bogaert, who has since left the institute.

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First Lady says aides misconstrued comments

WASHINGTON (AP)—Hillary Rodham Clinton said Monday her conversations with presidential aides on reported financial mismanagement at the White House travel office could have unintentionally prompted the mass firings there.

While continuing to maintain that she didn't order the travel office purge, the first lady said that aides could have misconstrued her remarks to mean she wanted the seven employees dismissed.

"The mere expression of concern could be, I guess, taken to mean something more than ... was meant," Mrs. Clinton told the "Diane Rehm Show" on Washington radio station WAMU-FM. The first lady made the remarks as she launched a tour for her new book.

Mrs. Clinton said she was told by White House aides in the days before the firings that an accounting firm had been engaged to examine possible financial mismanagement in the travel office, and "I said that sounds like a good idea."

In explaining why she thinks her remarks could have been misconstrued to mean more than she intended, Mrs. Clinton said that living in the White House is "an entirely different environment" than what she is used to. The first lady said that she has



First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton leaves a Washington radio station Monday.

spent a lifetime dealing with people "in a very direct way" and saying

what "was on my mind."

Facing renewed questions over her roles in the Whitewater and travel office affairs, Mrs. Clinton also said she would "consider" testifying about Whitewater before a Senate committee chaired by Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y.

"I'd consider anything to bring this matter to a close," said the first lady.

In Atlanta, several hundred people gathered to commemorate the birth of Martin Luther King Jr. Mrs. Clinton an impromptu display of support.

President Clinton was in attendance at the Ebenezer Baptist Church when Atlanta Mayor Bill Campbell said, "Mr. President ... stay strong. Tell Mrs. Clinton to stay strong. We're not going to let them attack her either." The crowd stood and applauded.

When the president took the podium, he said that "for purely personal reasons, I'll never forget how you all stood after the mayor mentioned my wife's name."

Mrs. Clinton's explanation on the travel office firings follows disclosure of a 1993 memo stating the first lady was the prime mover in the purge and the planned installation of a Little Rock, Ark., travel firm that had worked for the presidential campaign.

Employees of the Little Rock firm were at the White House in the days preceding the firings.

Her prior statements about Whitewater are under scrutiny because of newly disclosed billing records outlining her work for Madison Guaranty, the failed

S&L owned by the Clintons' Whitewater real estate partners.

Mrs. Clinton said she in the days before the travel office dismissals, she had conversations about problems in the travel office with then-White House chief of staff Mack McLarty and deputy White House counsel Vincent Foster, who committed suicide in July 1993, and received one phone call from David Watkins, then-director of administration.

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Clinton preaches racial unity on King Day

ATLANTA (AP) — Preaching racial unity from Martin Luther King Jr.'s pulpit, President Clinton said Monday the slain civil rights leader would find his dream fulfilled today.

"He would say to us, 'You've still got a ways to go,'" the president said.

"We have to continue to head the racial divisions that still tear at our nation," Clinton said during the pre-eminent ceremony for King commemorations across the country.

The president waited three hours to speak, visibly enjoying the lengthy, lively memorial to the civil rights activist and Nobel Peace Prize laureate who would have turned 67 Monday. King was killed April 4, 1968.

Linking arms with King's son, Dexter, and wife, Coretta Scott King, the president puffed out his chest and sang "We Shall Overcome" and "Lift Every Heart and Sing."

Clinton laughed himself red in the face as comic Dick Gregory poked fun at House Speaker Newt Gingrich for complaining last year about having to leave Air Force One from the rear door. "You made him a Negro for a day," Gregory quipped.

King's birthday was observed in marches and services across the country.

In Indianapolis, GOP presidential candidate Sen. Dick Lugar recalled the night Robert Kennedy told a stunned crowd in the Indiana capital that King had been killed. "Crisis came in an awesome, horrible way that night," said Lugar, who in 1968 was Indianapolis' 36-year-old mayor.

Sen. Bob Dole, R-Kan., front-runner for the Republican nomination,



President Clinton holds hands with Coretta Scott King and Dexter Scott King, the widow and son of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., while singing during King Day services at Ebenezer Baptist Church Monday, in Atlanta.

issued a statement in Washington denying that U.S. society is racist but urging Americans to "swing open the doors of opportunity" for all. "As we begin the second half of the last decade in this great American century, let us dream a dream together, once again," Dole said.

A rally at Iowa's Capitol in Des Moines, which drew about 200 to hear speeches and the ringing of the state's Liberty Bell, was typical of others around the country.

But in Concord, N.H., four white supremacists rallied at the Statehouse to "congratulate" New Hampshire for remaining the only state without a legal King holiday. An opposing group, the National

People's Campaign, charged at them and knocked down the group's podium and flags.

Clinton was keynote speaker at Ebenezer Baptist Church, where King's father and maternal grandfather preached for 81 years. King landmarks surround the church: the house where he was born and reared; the office where he plotted civil rights strategy; the church where he preached; and his crypt, which draws millions of visitors each year.

The visit was important politically for Clinton, who hopes to mobilize black voters in large numbers this year to help win reelection without abandoning the multiracial coalition that forged his victory in

1992. The crowd of several hundred chanted "Four more years!" as Clinton walked into the church.

Before trying a wreath at the crypt, Clinton stood at the Ebenezer podium and tried to imagine what King would say "if he sort of showed up, sidled down the aisle."

"He would say to us, 'You've still got a ways to go yourselves,'" Clinton said.

"Here's what I think Dr. King would say if he were giving this sermon — in far more powerful and eloquent ways: 'You're doing better, but that's not good enough,'" the president said.

"He would say, 'Ask yourself this

question as you walk out of this church today: How can it be that the crime rate in America is down, but the crime rate among young people ... is up? Are they still out there raising themselves? What are you going to do about that?'" said Clinton, at times adopting the cadence and style of a Southern preacher.

"What are you going to do about that?" he asked again.

The technique, putting words in King's mouth, led to one of Clinton's most powerful speeches of his presidency. A 1993 address in Memphis, Tenn., where King was assassinated.



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Pentagon believes 4 former U.S. soldiers are living in North Korea

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pentagon investigators believe four former American soldiers who defected from their units in South Korea in the 1960s are now living in communist North Korea, a U.S. defense official said Monday.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, also said the Pentagon was pursuing unconfirmed intelligence leads that as many as 11 Americans taken prisoner in the 1950-53 Korean War were still alive in the North.

The intelligence leads emerged in the late 1980s, but until now the Pentagon has not commented publicly on them.

The four Americans the Pentagon believes are living in North Korea have no contact with the Korean War. They were among six U.S. soldiers who defected in the 1960s from the Army's 2nd Infantry Division, based in South Korea, the official said. Pentagon investigators believe two of the six died.

The official said the Pentagon knows the names of the four, but is not releasing them. Their identities were established through analysis of photographs apparently connected to their participation in a North

Korean movie "Nameless Heroes," he said.

The black-and-white movie, apparently filmed over several years in the early 1980s, portrays North Korea's counterintelligence efforts during the Korean War. The title is variously translated as "Nameless Heroes" or "Unknown Hero."

Other details about the four Americans, such as their whereabouts and the extent of their freedom of movement, could not be learned.

The South Korean newspaper Chosun Ilbo published a photograph this week that it said was of a former American POW acting in a North Korean movie made in the 1980s. It appeared to be the same movie the Pentagon has analyzed, but the Pentagon believes the Americans in it were defectors, not POWs.

U.S. officials have not ruled out that a small number of POWs may still be captives in North Korea.

A Feb. 2, 1989, U.S. military intelligence report said a defector had reported that 11 U.S. POWs were working as English teachers and translators at North Korea's

military's foreign language school in the capital, Pyongyang. The report said the 11 were not allowed to travel freely. Their names were not known.

"We're still very interested in those reports," the U.S. official said Monday. The official is closely involved in U.S. efforts to account for servicemen missing from the Korean War.

Jim Coles, a U.S. military spokesman in Seoul, on Sunday dismissed as "totally false" reports in the South Korean news media that the U.S. government had confirmed that North Korea was still holding American POWs.

About 8,100 Americans are officially listed as unaccounted for from the Korean War, although experts who have studied the matter believe that nearly all were casualties whose remains were not recovered or whose recovered remains could not be identified.

North Korea denies it is holding any American captives. The defector who provided the information in the Feb. 2, 1989, intelligence report was debriefed by U.S. officials. His identity is blanked out in the 1989 report.

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Araceli Gallegos, 8, works on her 'I have a dream' T-shirt during class at Van Buren Elementary School in Caldwell Friday. The second-grade class studied the message of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and then commemorated the slain civil rights leader by making T-shirts.

Idaho Republicans give Dole warm reception

BOISE (AP) — Sen. Bob Dole made a triumphant return to Idaho on Monday, getting an enthusiastic reception for his campaign for the Republican presidential nomination. In a three-hour visit to Boise, Dole spoke to the Idaho Legislature, met with Gov. Phil Batt and attended a series of fundraising events before leaving for more campaigning in Salt Lake City and a Monday night trip to North Dakota. Although Idaho is a small factor in the presidential campaign and the late May primary comes after the GOP nomination probably will be decided, Dole said it is important for him to make a good showing in "good, solid conservative" states such as Idaho. "The primary comes a little late, but I'd like people to know that I have a lot of support in states like Idaho," Dole said, as he was leaving the Statehouse. "It helps me in

other parts of the country." Dole said he liked returning to Idaho, where he has many political friends. "I think my first visit was with Len Jordan many years ago," he said. Jordan was first a governor and later a U.S. senator for 10 years. "This is Dole country," Press Secretary Nelson Warfield said the campaign expected to gross \$150,000 at a \$1,000-per-person luncheon for Dole and a private reception. "There are some of us believe the government has gotten too heavy-handed," Dole told the Idaho Legislature. He got the biggest reaction from the lawmakers when he said: "I believe and this Congress believes

that those who live and work on the banks of the Snake River are far better able to decide how to use and preserve natural resources than those who live and work on the banks of the Potomac River." "People in Idaho know better than people anywhere what it is like to put up with an absentee landlord," Dole said, referring to the fact two-thirds of the land in Idaho is federally owned. He referred only briefly to the budget battle that has stalled approval of funding for the federal government. Dole said most voters feel they elect people to get things done. He said he and other Republican leaders will sit down the president and start negotiating again, hoping to achieve an honestly balanced budget. "But if it not credible, the American people do not want us to do it," he said.

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— Presidential candidate Sen. Bob Dole

Batt: Idaho isn't haven for bigots

The Associated Press

Gov. Phil Batt has used the occasion of Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday to reiterate his stance that Idaho welcomes people of all backgrounds and is not a home for bigotry. But longtime civil-rights advocates John and Idaho Purce of Pocatello warn too many people have become comfortable with groups like the Church of Jesus Christ Christian-Aryan Nations in the state. "I started my State of the State message this year by reminding the audience that we are all lucky here in beautiful Idaho... beautiful not just by the usual standards of a gorgeous environment, but also because of its hard-working, fair-minded and generous people." Batt told a crowd gathered Monday in the Statehouse to commemorate the slain civil-rights leader.

Idaho is not a haven for bigotry, hatred and violence. The opposite is true," he said in his legislative address last Monday. "I will continue to set the record straight; Idaho is a warm and friendly state." He also traveled north to Sandpoint recently to praise local leaders for their campaign to dispel the public image tarnished by the Aryan Nations compound at Hayden and white separatist Randy Weaver's deadly standoff at Ruby Ridge. Batt noted organizers of the Martin Luther King Jr. Idaho Human Rights Day set the theme of helping others. "Doctor King said that everyone can be great because everyone can serve," Batt said. "This is much too important for one day. This ought to be a lifetime commitment." Reminders of slavery and freedom hang on the walls of John and Idaho Purce's living room. A photograph from the 1890s shows John's great grandfather, Rellie Purce, a former slave. Framed on another wall are the words to the song, "We Shall Overcome." The retired couple agrees King's dream — that his children would be able to "one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character" — has not been achieved. The rise of conservatism in politics and growth of citizen militias, such as the U.S. Militia Association in Blackfoot, have created a climate that makes some people think such behavior is acceptable, Idaho said. "People need to realize that things like that will not be tolerated," John said. "What bothers me in recent years is that people have become so comfortable with their bigotry."

Museum notifies Indians of human-bones

POCATELLO (AP) — A report has been completed and sent to regional Indian tribes about human-bone fragments stored at the Idaho Museum of Natural History in Pocatello. The report was sent to the Shoshone-Bannocks, Nez Perce, Hopi, Duck Water Shoshone, Northwestern Band of Shoshone, Shoshone-Paiutes at Duck Valley and other tribes, said Sharon Holmer, museum anthropology collections manager. The report was done to comply with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act. The tribes may request the bone fragments from the museum. No requests have been received yet.

Holmer said. The museum is handling about 30 cases that involve bone fragments, Holmer said. "There are no complete skeletal remains," she said. Many bones or fragments have been at the museum for decades, since before records were kept. Some might have been dug up when a farmer plowed a field or when roads were built. A Sho-Ban cultural committee will decide on an individual basis whether to request the bones be returned to the tribe and what should be done with them. "Most of the tribes I've talked to want to put them back where they came from," Holmer said.

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Governor lifts liquor moratorium

BOISE (AP) — Gov. Phil Batt has lifted a moratorium on new state liquor stores, clearing the way for new applications to be filed. Last spring, the governor imposed a moratorium on opening more state liquor stores. The Idaho State Liquor Dispensary operates nearly 50 stores and contracts with private businesses to run some smaller outlets. While the moratorium was in place, dispensary superintendent Dyke Nally and a legislative task force revamped the rules. Under the new rules, the opening of new state liquor stores or outlets will be up to the superintendent, and limited to extraordinary circumstances. Nally anticipates some new stores will be opened now that the moratorium has been lifted, but the question still is under study. "The state population has increased a lot. We have people who think we should have better service in some areas, and some areas that maybe aren't served now have grown," he said.

Private stores likely will be limited to those that are so small, remote or unique that the state can't justify running its own operations or a consignment store. Half of the 22 private stores in Idaho last spring have been converted into consignment stores, where the state owns the liquor inventory and consigns it to the store owner to sell it on commission. That's believed to give the state more control over the operation.

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Editorial

Sound bites won't help the pursuit of justice

Idaho is reaching the end of its one-year experiment with news cameras in courtrooms, and the state Supreme Court must decide what to do next.

Our recommendation: End the experiment, and show the photographers to the exit.

That suggestion may sound odd, coming from someone in the news business. But the truth is, the cameras-in-court idea is 99 percent from, and about television, not newspapers.

And, though putting the justice system on the tube may be good for TV ratings, nobody has made a convincing case that it's good for justice.

Supporters of the idea argue that TV coverage of trials can improve citizens' understanding of the justice system. They also say it can make judges and prosecutors more accountable.

That's a swell theory. But the history of commercial television is a history of disappointment. In its youth, TV was heralded as a medium of education and culture.

We've seen some of that over the years, but mostly we've seen "Melrose Place" and "American Gladiators."

Despite its theoretical potential, the reality is that TV cheapens and defiles almost everything it touches. We saw a vivid example in the O.J. Simpson spectacle.

Think things like that can't happen in Idaho? When the Kenneth Aramsmith murder case was making national news in Lewiston, one network crew sealed a fire escape to home in on another network's jailhouse interview.

That's an extreme example, of course. Idaho news media are less fren-

zied than their network counterparts. During the year-long test period for cameras in courtrooms, Idaho media behaved—(mostly)—admirably.

The Times-News has participated in that experiment, despite of our philosophical opposition to the concept.

And we'll continue sending photographers to trials if Idaho courts continue allowing them. TV cameras, not newspaper photographers, are the problem.

That's not the fault of Idaho TV newscasters, who are generally a responsible bunch.

The main trouble with cameras-in-court isn't media behavior, but the potential effect of video on the workings of justice.

Will judges and lawyers play to the TV cameras? Will some witnesses and victims be reluctant to come forward, for fear their testimony will be televised? Will judges standing for re-election compromise courtroom decorum rather than alienate the media?

Twin Falls lawyer Ken Pedersen, a member of the Supreme Court's advisory committee on this issue, commented, "Justice is hard to come by, and I'm personally convinced that cameras in the courtroom lower our chances of getting justice."

Pedersen is right. The possible drawbacks of TV court coverage outweigh the potential benefits.

We in the news media have a right to cover what goes on in court, because you, the taxpaying public, have a right to know what kind of justice is being dispensed in your name.

But we can cover courtroom news adequately the way we always have—with pen and paper.



Stop the baby-boom bus: I want off

Sir? May I change generations? I know this is an unusual request, but I don't want to be a baby boomer any more. No, I'm not jumping ship because the eldest of us are passing the 50-year mark. This has nothing to do with age. It's the embarrassment of seeing our lives portrayed as a never-ending "scene"—and with good reason. Ever since the nation's marketers realized that an awful lot of consumers were born between 1946 and 1964—about 78 million—this generation has been flattered, babied, intimidated and herded into one trend after another.

Frisbies, luau hoops, the pill, pop art, Beatles, flower children, Be-ins, Hair, hair, swinging singles, disco, career women, fern bars, waterbeds, Moonies, jogging, seaweed, working mothers, high-tech, "thirtysomething," Southwestern style, Cajun cooking, four-wheel drives, country style, Bill Gates.

Lemme out. Lately there have been a lot of articles about us. But there always are. The specter of the baby boom generation crossing the half-century mark opens many opportunities to profit from our innate narcissism.

That's why all of life's changes are presented as though they never mattered before—if they ever happened at all. Nobody ever planned for retirement, saw their children leaving home or experienced the effects of age. (Prediction: Apeism is about to become one of our leading injustices.)

For this writer, Woodstock '94 was the last straw. The surprise that the young people who

attended the original event in 1969 were, 25 years later, older. All that pondering on the enormous significance of an overcrowded rock concert. And the mortification of noting that this orgy of self-reflection followed by only two months the commemoration of an earlier generation's defining moment—the D-Day landing.

Three years ago there was not one, but two major genrebooks by celebrated women authors. Menopause is the latest thing.

One of the contenders, Gail Sheehy, appealed first to the generation's perpetual sense of oppression: "It's as though there has been a conspiracy of silence. No one wants us (older women) to find out how much power we have." The marketers know that 28 million of us are on a diet. They sell to us on the basis of two assumptions: (1) We are enthralled by our youth; and (2) We have no self-control. Thus, RJR Nabisco came out with little Oreo cookies and Haagen-Dazs has a smaller ice cream bar. Restaurants place little symbols on the menus to indicate dishes that are good for the heart or waistline.

We've instituted many regulations that force businesses to guard our well-being. Restaurants post signs showing what to do if someone chokes on food. Bars have long carried warnings against pregnant women drinking alcohol. In this spirit, some women voluntarily advertise an absence of unrefined sugar.

As we reach the upper years, there will be no limitations. Never were. We will be fertile, sexy, in full control of the brain waves, great tennis players, entrepreneurs. There will be no Alzheimer's, no impotence, no loss of bone mass, no penny-pinching in old age.

A recurring nightmare has me holed in a nursing home and being patronized by a doctor born in 2003. We have Woodstock Parties. At one of them a graybeard doing the nursing home circuit entertains us with a medley of the old songs. He starts off with "Puff the Magic Dragon" and ends with "Eve of Destruction." We are invited to sing the refrain of both songs.

Some of us laugh. Some reach for the Prozac.

After 2050, the obituaries will start noting inconceivably that the deceased was born during the Truman administration. She will have left two sons by her first marriage, one daughter by her second and three assorted stepchildren by her third.

Then will come the day, probably in the 2070s, when the last member of the baby boom generation dies. Generation X will break out in celebration. If they live that long. I know it's getting late in the day, sir, but I've been thinking about leaving the baby boom cohort for some time now. There are so many of us. Surely one won't be missed.

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Letters

Snowmobilers spoil trail

Thank you, snowmobilers! The saying goes one rotten apple spoils the whole lot. Well, last weekend, one or probably more rotten snowmobilers spoiled the Pensacoma Nordic Trail by traveling on this clearly marked trail in the South Hills. This is not the first time this has happened either. I know most snowmobilers would not do this, but it only takes one rotten apple to spoil my and other opinion of people riding these machines in the snow.

There are many miles of what I understand to be some of the best snowmobiling terrain in the country in the South Hills, and only four or five designated cross-country ski trails in an area closed to snowmobile except by permit.

I am writing this letter to thank you in advance for helping control the rotten apples, whom I doubt read the letters to the editor. Let us all recognize the backcountry trail user's responsibility. JERRY BOESSEL Twin Falls

Fair Board suffers from amnesia

I am concerned that perhaps our Twin Falls County Fair Board may have suffered a case of amnesia in its recent letter condemning the federal government's efforts to limit tobacco advertising at rodeos. It was quite eloquent in standing up for the advertising rights of businesses who sell legal products, and for the fair board's right to receive money from them. As a taxpayer and fairgoer, I support those thoughts. The fair board also allows Copenhagen-Skool to give

out free samples of its products to people of legal age during the rodeo as part of its sponsorship agreement.

This fair board the same group of people that refused to allow other legal businesses to distribute another legal product, beer, during the fair? I believe Coors is also a big rodeo sponsor in many areas, besides being a major benefactor to the many barley growers in our valley. I also understand that the fair "gets a cut of the action" from many vendors at the fair, and the revenue from a "Beer Garden" might help offset some of the fair's expenses.

If the fair board truly believes that the money it receives from the tobacco companies comes without any advertising expectations in return, then the board has been bucked off onto its head one too many times. SHERRY OLSEN Twin Falls

Micron saw far commercials

For those of you who are still wondering why Micron did not select Twin Falls as the site for its new plant, I think I have the answer.

Its executive staff watched the automobile dealership commercials on our local TV stations.

After doing so, it reached the conclusion that the intelligence level in this area was somewhat below the national average.

Remember, if you don't come see me, you won't see the "General." See ya heerrr! JIM FRITZLEY Twin Falls

Doonesbury Flashbacks



By Garry Trudeau

Mallard Fillmore

By Bruce Tinsley

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Asian states to close 'boat people' camps by July

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — Declaring it's "time to go back," the United Nations said Monday camps for Asia's remaining boat people should close by July and it will quit paying to support them.

The announcement was a fresh sign of international resolve to close a lingering legacy of the Vietnam War, the end of which in 1975 prompted an exodus of more than 1 million people. By now nearly all have migrated to new countries and some have returned to Vietnam.

The U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees said 39,000 remain in camps.

"We hope the repatriation can be carried out in as honorable a way as possible," said Alexander Casella, the U.N. agency's head of Asian operations. But he emphasized: "The time to go back for these people has come."

Casella spoke to reporters at the end of a two-day conference on Indo-Chinese refugees—the first major meeting since the United Nations failed to meet its goal of emptying the region's camps by the end of 1995.



AP photo

A U.S. Marine patrol walks across the charred oil landscape near a burning well during perimeter security patrol near Kuwait City on March 7, 1991. Five years after the Persian Gulf War that ended the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait, the physical scars are gone from that area.

Saddam still dominates Iraq, but country is near shambles

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — On Jan. 17, 1991, ferocious allied air raids launched a U.S.-led offensive to drive Saddam Hussein out of Kuwait — and, some hoped, out of power.

Five years later, a defiant Saddam is still president of Iraq and his bitter standoff with the world shows no sign of abating. But while the Iraqi leader has proved to be a stubborn survivor, the 20 million Iraqi people are becoming poorer and hungrier.



Hussein

and aid agencies report thousands of cases of malnutrition in places where none existed before the war.

The U.N. Security Council, seeking to alleviate some of the suffering, has offered to let Iraq sell up to \$4 billion worth of oil a year to pay for medicine and food.

But Saddam has refused, saying it would infringe on Iraqi sovereignty.

"The bottom line is that he doesn't want to feed his own people," said Madeleine Albright, the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations. "He doesn't give a hoot about his own people. It's as simple as that."

U.N. weapons inspectors say Iraq has yet to reveal all about its programs to build weapons of mass destruction, one of the several conditions necessary for lifting the embargo.

Iraq's isolation has grown even deeper in recent months. King Hussein of Jordan, a one-time ally of Saddam, granted asylum in August to two of Saddam's daughters and their husbands — who were important Iraqi officials — and the king has called for a new leadership in Baghdad.

Iraq's government has sharply reduced the availability of telephone lines in an apparent attempt to limit contact with opposition groups in exile.

While conditions in Iraq appear grim, most analysts see little prospect of Saddam leaving power.

"Members of the ruling elite in Iraq might be 'fighting among themselves' for survival, but the regime is here to stay," said Fahd Fanek, a prominent Jordanian columnist.

Outside Iraq, the Gulf War and the

In the United States and elsewhere, analysts still debate whether the U.S.-led coalition should have tried to oust Saddam after driving his forces from Kuwait in a six-week war.

Even former President George Bush, who ordered the invasion, said his administration may have mishandled Iraq's surrender. If done differently, he said in an interview to be aired Tuesday on PBS, Saddam might not still be in power.

"I miscalculated," Bush said. "I thought he'd be gone."

The war and the U.N. trade embargo imposed five days after Saddam invaded Kuwait in 1990 have deprived Saddam of the oil revenues and the military muscle that fueled his dreams of becoming the paramount leader of the Arab world.

Saddam has imposed austerity measures in an attempt to halt the economic decline that has beggared the once-prosperous nation. He recently announced plans to freeze salaries, impose new taxes, raise utility bills and sell off a quarter of the government's automobile fleet.

"To implement the new economic policy... the leadership is in dire need of your support," Saddam said in a Jan. 6 speech.

Before the Gulf War, the Iraqi dinar was worth more than three dollars. Now it's worth about 0.02 cents.

On street corners in Baghdad, children beg for money. Middle-class families sell off their furniture at huge flea markets to buy food. Hospitals

Gore backs Israeli peace efforts

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Vice President Al Gore assured Israel on Monday that the United States supports its efforts to reach peace with Syria.

"You can be sure that the United States will stand by you," Gore told Prime Minister Shimon Peres at Ben-Gurion International Airport outside Tel Aviv. "We shall not let go of the hope which we share for a future blessed with peace, security and prosperity."

The U.S. ambassador to Israel, Martin Indyk, said Gore's visit was intended to show that Washington is determined to achieve a comprehensive Middle East peace this year.

"Israel has already signed peace agreements with Egypt, Jordan and the Palestinians; Syria, and its proxy, Lebanon, are the only immediate Arab neighbors who have not made peace with the Jewish state.

The Haaretz newspaper suggested that Gore's talks with Israeli officials may center on Washington's efforts to persuade other Arab and Gulf states to make peace with Israel, too.

On Tuesday, Gore was to meet with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat in the West Bank town of Jericho, ruled by the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Earlier Monday, Gore met with President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt in Cairo. Predicting a period of dynamic economic change in Egypt, the vice president said: "Peace without prosperity is a hollow legacy to leave our children."

Both Egypt and Israel, which made peace in 1979, have avoided cuts in their large U.S. aid packages. Egypt receives \$2.1 billion a year, second only to Israel's \$3 billion.

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World

Prisoners' release scrapped; Bosnians insist thousands missing

BOCAC, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — A prisoner swap meant to demonstrate the will for reconciliation among Bosnia's warring factions fizzled Monday. Only nine people were freed instead of the hundreds expected. The failure, four days before the Jan. 19 deadline for all prisoners of war to be freed under the Dayton peace agreement, displayed the lingering enmity and mistrust that threatens the peace pact.

As in the past, the main stumbling block was government insistence that Serbs account for thousands of missing people. "No agreement has been made about the release with the Serb side," because the Serbs refuse to say what happened to 24,742 people whose names have been handed to them, said Amor Masovic, the Bosnian government official charged with overseeing POW exchanges.

Masovic said 4,000 of those are thought to be prisoners. The fate of others is unknown. They include thousands of people who disappeared in 1992 as the Serbs swept through northern and eastern Bosnia, expelling, imprisoning and killing Muslims. The government also has said it wants to know what happened to more than 3,000 people seized by the Serbs after the fall of the eastern enclave of Srebrenica in July.

Human-rights organizations, the United States and other governments have evidence that thousands of detainees were massacred. The Serbs deny it. The International Committee of the Red Cross, which mediates prisoner releases, says it understands Bosnian government concerns but considers those missing from Srebrenica to be a separate matter. The Serbs have listed only 123 prisoners to be released to the gov-

ernment, Masovic said. The government appears unlikely to drop the issue of the missing without an admission from the Serbs that the people are imprisoned, or — as most believe — dead. The Red Cross and the NATO-led force implementing the peace had expected nearly 500 Bosnian Serbs, Croats and Muslims to be released outside Bocac, 12 miles south of the Serb stronghold of

Banja Luka. The rest were to be freed near Tuzla, Sanski Most and Gorazde. In all, 900 were to be released. After it became clear that the government would not exchange prisoners, Red Cross officials said they were hoping for a swap of Croat and Serb prisoners. They gave up after Bosnian Croats and Serbs either failed to show up or drove away with buses full of prisoners.

Briefly

Australian police commissioner resigns

SYDNEY, Australia — The police commissioner of Australia's most populous state announced his resignation on Monday as a government inquiry continues to unearth evidence of widespread corruption within his force. New South Wales Police Commissioner Tony Lauer said he was stepping down to allow someone else to clean up the organization. The inquiry has startled the citizens of New South Wales for more than a year with evidence that senior officers have taken bribes from underworld figures for years. Other have dealt in narcotics and prostitution. Much of the evidence has come from officers who informed on colleagues after admitting their own bad deeds.

Ancient king's shroud found in China

BEIJING — In an ancient tomb deep inside Lion Mountain in eastern China, archaeologists have found the body of a king wearing garments made of 4,000 pieces of extremely thin jade plaques sewn together with gold thread. The shroud was decorated with gold flowers and had a gold belt with four large gold buttons, each with a design of two bears threatening a galloping horse. The official Xinhua News Agency, which announced the find on Monday, called it "the finest and most precious shroud ever excavated in the world." The buttons indicate the belt originated in central Asia, providing new evidence of early exchanges between central Asia and central China, the report said.

Gorbachev considers presidential bid

PARIS — Former Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev says the more he thinks about it, the more he's likely to run in Russia's June presidential election. "It is an issue that I examine all the time. I think about it all the time and I am leaning increasingly towards a positive decision," Gorbachev said in Moscow in an interview with French television Sunday night. Gorbachev, who stepped down in December 1991 when the Soviet Union dissolved, has said in the past that he was considering running for Boris Yeltsin's job.

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Briefly

Jarrett named WAC player of the week

LITTLETON, Colo. — San Diego State's Paul Jarrett, who averaged 20.7 points and seven rebounds in three games last week, on Monday was named the Western Athletic Conference player of the week.

Jarrett, who transferred from College of Southern Idaho, shot 53 percent from the field and 43 percent from the three-point range in games against New Mexico, Texas-El Paso and Brigham Young. He had career-highs of 27 points and 10 rebounds against the Lobos.

Vandal student athletes post 2.96 GPA for fall semester

MOSCOW — The University of Idaho joins some highly regarded academic institutions next fall in the Big West Conference. Judging from the past semester, the Vandals will fit in just fine.

The Idaho Athletic Department announced the 252 student athletes posted an overall grade point average of 2.96 for the fall semester. Very few schools of any size at any level can match that achievement.

“I thought that average was great; this is incredible,” Idaho athletic director Pete Lieske said.

Idaho athletes recorded a 2.85 grade point average for spring semester. But 11 of Idaho's 12 teams improved their GPA from spring to fall.

Belle admits knocking down teen-ager with truck

CLEVELAND — Cleveland Indians star Albert Belle, who has been sued for \$850,000 by a teen-ager accused of egging Belle's house, admitted knocking down the youth with his pickup truck during a chase.

The lawsuit filed by the guardian of the 16-year-old Cleveland Heights youth, claims that the boy's back, neck, left knee and right leg were injured. The youngster was one of four who were chased by Belle on Oct. 31 after the alleged egging.

Compiled from wire reports

Sportslate

Today

- College basketball: Cal Poly, SLO, at Idaho
- High school girls' basketball: Camas County at Carey, 8 p.m.; Castelford at Oakley, 6 p.m.; Vilar at Wendell, 6 p.m.; Fleet at Glenna Ferry, 6 p.m.; Kimberly at Gooding, 6 p.m.; Hansen at Murtaugh, 6 p.m.; ISDB at Bliss, 6 p.m.; Mountain Home at Jerome, 6 p.m.; Idaho Falls at Minico, 6 p.m.; Shoshone at Richfield, 5 p.m.
- High school boys' basketball: Jerome at Twin Falls, 7:30 p.m.; ISDB at Bliss, 4:30 p.m.; Raft River at Hagerman, 6 p.m.; Hansen at Murtaugh, 7:30 p.m.; Camas County at Carey, 4:30 p.m.; Shoshone at Richfield, 3 p.m.; South Fremont at Wood River, 7:30 p.m.
- High school wrestling: Wendell, Glenna Ferry at Oakley, 6 p.m.
- High school bowling (4 p.m.): Jerome at Gooding

Twin Falls approves softball per-game fees

By Virginia S. Garber Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Men's and church softball leagues will have to charge their players more this season to cover a new fee schedule approved by the City Council Monday.

The city's four independent softball associations now will pay by the game for using city facilities — \$30 per game for men's league, \$40 for women's, \$37 for coed and \$35 for church, the council decided.

The move — recommended by the city's Parks and Recreation Commission — was an effort to make charges more equitable between the four leagues and to cover the city's revenue shortfall for upkeep of fields at Harmon Park, Frontier Field and South Park.

Previously, softball leagues paid the city according to the number of league players. That resulted in payments ranging from \$18.72 per game from the men's league to \$41.80 per game from the women's league in 1995, according to

parcs commission figures.

Coed and women's leagues won't have to raise their player fees much — if at all — to cover the new city charges, parks commission member Carl Legg said.

Leagues will pay the city a yearly \$7.50 surcharge for each out-of-town player, the council decided. Several councilmen called for teams and coaches to do a better job of “poling” players' addresses to make sure players living outside the city limits pay extra to play.

In 1995, men's and women's leagues

paid the old \$5 city surcharge for out-of-town players without charging those players a higher fee, parks commission figures show. In the coed league, out-of-town players paid the extra cost.

The council rejected Monday a second phase of the parks commission recommendation, which would have required all leagues to pay \$40 per game, plus \$10 yearly for each out-of-town player, in 1997.

The city's last fee increase for adult softball was in 1991, Legg said.

Bruin wrestlers rebuild team

Coach wants to see 8 qualify for state

By Brad Bowlin Times-News sports editor

TWIN FALLS — It's only practice, but Bruin wrestling coach Dave Slotten is wearing his game face.

“Close that door. It's too cold in here,” he barks, sending a sweat-drenched wrestler scurrying to comply.

Actually, the wrestling room above the high school's auxiliary gym is sweltering. Nearly 40 wrestlers huff and puff and sweat through another grueling workout, adding more heat to the room than the air conditioning system can possibly overcome.

“Let's pick it up. More motion,” Slotten yells, striding among the pairs of wrestlers strewn about the mats.

“No Excuses” is painted in large block letters across one wall. The names of past wrestlers are emblazoned on another. The last state champion, Geoff Pierce (1993), is on the wall. The only one before him is Billy Walker (1982).

It is in this crucible of blood and sweat that Slotten hopes to create a championship-caliber wrestling program.

“Our goal is to have eight kids qualify for state this season,” Slotten said. That would be quite an improvement over last season, which saw only one Bruin make it to the state tournament.

But the signs of improvement already are



Twin Falls wrestling coach Dave Slotten demonstrates a wrestling move to his team.

showing. Twin Falls finished seventh overall in the season-opening Elko Tournament against about a dozen teams from Nevada.

“Our performance was Elko was head and shoulders above where we were at the end of last season,” Slotten said. “If we can improve that much by the end of this season, we'll do all right.”

Jason Rublaitus was the only Bruin to place at the state tournament last season, finishing fifth at 103 pounds. As a junior, he has moved up to 112 and shows no signs of relinquishing his position as team leader.

Senior Ryan Larson successfully challenged sophomore Jason Heatwole for the lead spot at 135, but Slotten said he expects those two to battle all season long.

Wrestling is a team

sport, and individuals must prove at practice each week that they are the best on the squad at their particular weight class.

Rely Salinas is the runner up at 140 pounds, while Brad Engelen leads the team at 152. Sam Garner holds the top spot at 160, while Dan McMullen has been a pleasant surprise at 171.

Senior Jared Goodmaster is a proven force at 189 with a couple of solid years under his belt.

Those are the brightest stars in a group of 35 grapplers that have become up under Slotten's strict tutelage. Seventeen “tough guys” have quit since the first practice two months ago, according to the coach.

“Too much time, let's go,” he yells after a short blast on his coach's whistle. The pause between

Please see BRUIN/B4



Bruin wrestler Jason Rublaitus escapes from a teammate during practice. Rublaitus finished fifth at state last year in the 103-pound classification. This year he will wrestle at 112 pounds.

Magic Valley's wrestlers start long journey to state

The Times-News

High School wrestling preview

Magic Valley schools placed 21 wrestlers in the top six at last year's Class A-2 and A-3 state wrestling tournaments.

Ten of those wrestlers have graduated, however, leaving wrestling coaches across the valley looking for contenders on their rosters.

The road to state is long, with wrestlers battling teammates for the top spot at their own school before tackling opponents each week.

Come district tournament time, the wars intensify as only the top three move on to the state competition in Pocatello's Holt Arena March 7-9.

Buhl finished fourth in the state A-2 team standings last season, and Coach Stacey Wilson said the Indians should field a strong team again in 1996.

The Indians finished second in their own 15-team tournament last weekend

and boast five returning wrestlers who placed at state last season.

Leading that crew is senior Nate Nihill, the champion at 119 pounds in wrestling at 125 this year.

Brother Nick, a sophomore, finished sixth at 130 and has gained 10 pounds in the off-season.

“We're going to be solid in the 119- to 160-pound area, Wilson said.

Junior Tommy Howell finished second at 112 last season and wrestles at 130. Sophomore Anthony Bartlett (119) also finished second at state at 103.

Nick Weaver will try to improve on his fourth-place finish at 140 by moving up to 152.

“We've got a good freshman class. They're taking their lumps now, but they'll come around,” Wilson said.

Jerome

The Tigers finished third at the Buhl Invitational, and hope to challenge by district tournament time.

John Whitechurch (135-pounds) was the highest Magic Valley finisher at second over the weekend. Teammate Russ Weston took fourth at 140.

Jerome also has a contender at 160 pounds in Try Mathews. Monte Weeks fills the 189-pound category, where he finished third at the Buhl tournament.

Wood River

The Wolverines boast a strong squad anchored by heavyweight Trent Rushion. The senior finished fifth in the state last season at 189, and three of the four wrestlers who finished above him have graduated.

Expect Joey Showalter (135) and Dave Gundy (145) to give Wood River strength in the middle weights, while Travis Jordan (160) and Nate Adams (171) add power higher up.

Class A-3

Declo finished third in the state last season and will again be the team to beat in the Magic Valley. But the Hornets could face challenges from a strong Wendell team and up-and-coming Gooding.

The Senators have 27 wrestlers that, while young, could challenge at their respective weight classes by season's end.

Senior Kolby Nebeker brings the most experience at 125 pounds. Juniors Jason Lloyd and Travis Rogers will battle at the lower weights.

Sophomore Justin Miller finished fourth in districts last season at 125 pounds. He's at 130 this time around.

Sophomore Larry Gillette of Shoshone (135) qualified for state last season, as did junior J.R. Neal (145).

Junior Tim Richey (152) is a two-time state qualifier. Clay Knaup at 189 is the only other non-freshman on the Gooding roster.

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CSI rodeo annual boxing smoker receives facelift

By Brad Bowlin Times-News sports editor

TWIN FALLS — When the College of Southern Idaho rodeo team's boxing smoker started by accident 19 years ago, nobody expected it to become one of the Magic Valley's biggest sporting events.

That's exactly what happened, however, and rodeo team coach Shawn Davis expects more than 2,300 people to crowd into the CSI Expo Center Saturday night for a full card of men's and women's bouts.

The event, which begins at 8 p.m., is the largest fundraiser for the team, which uses the money to pay for equipment and travel expenses.

Last year's smoker drew about \$14,000. Ringside seats are sold out, but some tickets are still available at \$8 for reserved or

mezzanine level and \$6 for general admission. Tickets are available at Latham Motors, Vicker's Western Wear, Woody's Restaurant in Burley, the college bookstore or rodeo team members.

Anybody looking for the handful of standing-room-only seats available at the door Saturday night should show up early because many people are turned away every year as the Expo Center fills up.

In addition to more than 20 bouts, fight fans will see a new ring, paid for by Latham Motors, that Davis said will dress up the event.

New red, white and blue ring covers will be complemented by identically colored tux-and-short outfits for the ring girls, Davis said.

The previous ring was a ground-level

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N. Idaho takes lead in Scenic West

The Associated Press

North Idaho moved into sole possession of first place in the Scenic West Athletic Conference basketball race with a pair of clutch victories on the road last week.

The Cardinals (16-1 overall, 5-1 in SWAC play) pulled off an upset in Twin Falls, knocking off favored Southern Idaho 79-73 on Friday.

On Saturday, North Idaho edged Treasure Valley 73-65.

Quentin Hall was 7-for-7 from the floor against Southern Idaho, leading the way with 18 points. Steve Helm had 17.

Utah Valley (14-2, 4-1) dropped into second with a 106-82 loss at Dixie on Friday. On Saturday, the Wolverines rallied

from 18 points behind in the second half to beat Snow 85-83.

Dixie got 29 points from Kevin Simpson, who leads the SWAC in scoring, to beat Utah Valley. The Rebels (16-2, 4-2) also knocked off Salt Lake 87-76 Saturday to move into third place.

In other league action, Ricks (9-9, 2-4) dropped two games on the road, falling to Treasure Valley 72-56 and 91-66 to Southern Idaho. Snow (13-5, 3-3) defeated Salt Lake (12-5, 1-4) by a 74-71 score, and Eastern Utah (14-3, 3-2) whipped Colorado Northwestern (5-8, 1-4) 106-75.

This week, North Idaho hosts Eastern Utah and Colorado Northwestern, while Utah Valley entertains Treasure Valley and Southern Idaho.

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Inside Scores and stats B2

Tradition, coaching may make Super Bowl super

By Dave Goldberg
The Associated Press

Why will this Super Bowl be unlike all others?

The obvious signs say it will be the same, a rout by the NFC team, the Dallas Cowboys over the Pittsburgh Steelers. Dallas opens as an 11½-point favorite, jumped to 12½ and will probably continue to climb.

After a four-game funk, the Cowboys have played like their last three games like they are supposed to. That includes Sunday's 38-27 NFC title game win over Green Bay.

"We're going home," Michael Irvin said of Dallas' third Super Bowl trip in four seasons.

And the NFC team always wins 11 in a row going into the Jan. 28 game at Sun Devil Stadium in Tempe — and usually wins big.

Only two of those games — the 49ers' 20-16 win over the Bengals in 1989 and



the Giants' 20-19 victory over the Bills in 1991 — were competitive.

But here are some factors that could make all those millions actually worth the 30th anniversary game rather than spend the second half betting on which new commercial will be the most inventive.

• The owner factor.
The white hat, Pittsburgh's Dan Rooney, against the black hat, Nike's Jerry Jones.

Jones suggested 64% of the 30 owners rooted for him against Green Bay, which is owned by half the state of Wisconsin. Rooney is the NFL's most popular owner, so drop that to 1½ in the Super Bowl. The one is Jones, the half is Al Davis, whose heart is still in the AFL even if his head is with Jerry.

Even the NFC owners will be on Rooney's side. They've won enough.

• The coaching factor.
"I've never been in the big one," Barry Switzer says. "They tell me it's a lot of fun."

It's also work.

The Cowboys rallied around Switzer on Sunday. But it's Barry's staff that draws up the game plan.

Eric Zampese doesn't align the defenses, and Brett Favre exploited a couple of horrible alignments for touchdowns on Sunday. Most notable was one that left Larry Brown on an island against Robert Brooks and led to a 73-yard touchdown pass that prevented a Dallas blowout and help keep the Packers in the game until midway through the final quarter.

And remember this: Ron Erhardt, the Steelers' offensive coordinator, earned two Super Bowl rings for coordinating the Giants' offenses in 1987 and 1991.

• The slash factor.
Yes, Kendall Stewart ("tipster on the white lines") was a factor in the AFC title game, although the Colts had a pretty good idea what was coming when he came on the field. But the Dallas defense is easier to confuse as the Indianapolis defense.

• The team and Eric show.
The Steelers have the potential to

run with Bam Morris and Eric Pegrum, a better tandem than Edgar Bennett's solo act for the Packers. If they can get a ground game going, particularly by running Morris up the middle against Robert Jones, it will take pressure off Neil O'Donnell.

• The tradition factor.
Bill Cowher, the meanest jaw in the game now that Don Shula is gone, should rerun old Super Bowl tapes for his guys, particularly the Dallas game in 1976 and 1979. Yancey Thigpen, Ernie Mills and Stewart can watch Lynn Swann make acrobatic catches and realize that there is a tradition of Pittsburgh-wide receivers playing at their best in big games.

Now to reality.

O'Donnell, like Favre, didn't have a particularly big game in the big game on Sunday. He nearly threw the game away to Quentin Coryatt on Pittsburgh's 49-yard drive.

Most important, it's a given that Dallas will score at least 30 points.

With Smith running behind the best offensive line in the NFL and most in NFL history, the Cowboys will score against teams that can't gang up to stop him because of Aikman, Irvin, Jay Novacek, Kevin Williams and Deion Sanders.

But that was Steelers Bill Walsh have to outgun the Cowboys, as Green Bay almost did on Sunday. They did in 1979, when the Steelers beat Dallas 35-31.

But that was Terry Bradshaw, Swann, Lynn Stallworth, Franco Harris, et al. And the Steel Curtain, the team of the '70s and maybe the team of the Super Bowl era.

The Steelers are a team that beat a wild-card team because Aaron Bailey's fingertips weren't quite long enough.

Unfortunately for Dallas-haters everywhere, the oddsmakers tend to know what they're doing.

Twelve-and-a-half sounds about right.

Bulls Bully Bullets, 116-109

LANDOVER, Md. (AP) — Michael Jordan scored 19 of his 46 points in the fourth quarter as the Chicago Bulls won their eighth straight Monday, 116-109 over the shorthanded Washington Bullets.

Chicago trailed after three quarters before rallying behind Jordan, who had his second straight 40-plus game. He scored 48 Saturday in Philadelphia.

Scottie Pippen scored 27 points and Dennis Rodman had 17 rebounds for the Bulls, who improved to 31-3 with their 21st win in 22 games.

Brent Price scored a career-high 30 for the Bullets, who dressed only 10 players because Chris Webber, Calbert Cheaney, Robert Pack and Mark Price were all sidelined with injuries.

Bucks 98, Knicks 92
NEW YORK — Johnny Newman scored 11 of his 19 points in the fourth quarter to rally Milwaukee over New York, ending the Bucks' four-game slide.

The Bucks, who had lost six of their previous eight, got 30 points and 17 rebounds from Bill Baker and 20 points from Glenn Robinson.

After shooting 60 percent through three quarters, New York came unglued in the fourth quarter and lost for the seventh time in 11 games.

Anthony Mason led New York with 21 points, and Patrick Ewing and Charles Oakley each had 13.

Hawks 96, Pistons 88
ATLANTA — Steve Smith scored 31 points and Mookie Blaylock added 21 as Atlanta Hawks over-500 for the first time in more than a month and won its fourth straight.

Atlanta began to pull away in the third quarter, outscoring the Pistons 12-3 over the final four minutes beginning with Smith's 11-point third put-the-Hawks-ahead to stay at 63-61. Atlanta extended its lead with a 22-10 run to begin the fourth period.

Detroit, which had won four straight games on the road and three in a row overall, was held under 100 points for the fifth consecutive time despite double-figure scoring by all five starters. Grant Hill led the Pistons with 21 points and Lindsey

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Hunter added 18 on six 3-pointers.

Timberwolves 103, Kings 94
MINNEAPOLIS — Darrick Martin scored a career-high 29 points and Isiah Rider had 29 as Minnesota snapped its five-game losing streak.

Sacramento, which lost its fourth game on a five-game road trip, missed an opportunity for its best 33-game record (21-12) since the 1988-89 season.

Minnesota never trailed as it won for just the third time in 15 games since general manager Flip Saunders replaced Bill Blair as coach.

Brian Grant led the Kings with 25 points and Mitch Richmond had 21. Tyus Edney, a rookie, finished with 15 points and a season-best 14 assists.

Lakers 96, Heat 88
INGLEWOOD, Calif. — Eddie Jones scored 20 points and Vlade Divac 19 in Del Harris' 400th career coaching victory as Los Angeles won its third in a row.

Divac also tied a season-high with 17 rebounds to help send Miami to its fifth straight loss.

Alonzo Mourning scored 28 points for the Heat, who have lost eight of nine at the Forum and 13 of 17 against the Lakers since the franchise's inception. Miami has scored fewer than 100 points in 17 of 18 games and is 1-5 since Mourning returned from a foot injury.

Cedric Ceballos missed his second consecutive game for the Lakers with the flu.

SuperSonics 104, Warriors 95
OAKLAND, Calif. — Gary Payton had 23 points and Hershey Hawkins 22 as Seattle, which opened the fourth quarter with a 14-3 run, defeated Miami.

Payton, who scored 11 of his points in the fourth quarter, had nine assists for Seattle, which has won 10 of 12. Hawkins also had 11 points in the final period.

Shawn Kemp had 17 points, 14 rebounds, four blocks and four assists for the SuperSonics. Vincent Askew added a season-high 17 points.



New Jersey Nets' Shawn Bradley towers over Toronto Raptors' Damon Stoudamire as they go after a loose ball during the first half Monday night.

Latrell Sprewell had 26 points for the Warriors. Joe Smith had 18 points, 12 rebounds and five blocks. Tim Hardaway added 15 points and nine rebounds.

Mavericks 119, Magic 104
DALLAS — Jim Jackson scored 29 points and three other Dallas players had at least 20 as the Mavericks overcame Shaquille O'Neal's inside dominance for a 119-104 victory over the Orlando Magic on Monday night.

O'Neal had his way with Dallas' weak interior defense, getting 33 points on 14-of-18 shooting in his

first game back after missing four games with a strained left quadriceps.

The Mavericks, meanwhile, spread the ball around and were able to draw O'Neal away from the lane.

He was held to just eight rebounds. Jackson, continuing his recent surge, took advantage of O'Neal's absence under the basket to score many of his points inside. He also was hot from outside, and he cashed in on his free throw chances by hitting 11 of 14.

Also frustrating the Magic with their inside-outside games were George McCloud with 27 points, Popeye Jones with 22 and Jason

Kidd with 20.

Rockets 107, Jazz 99

HOUSTON — Stanek Olajuwon scored 28 points and Mario Elie had 20 points and a key slam dunk Monday night as the Houston Rockets beat the Utah Jazz 107-99.

Olajuwon scored nine straight points, the last two in the 13th in the game for an 89-82 lead, the biggest advantage in the tightly played game until the final score.

John Stockton and Howard Eisley almost shot the Jazz back into the game with nine points each in the fourth quarter, but the Rockets put it away with 13.7 seconds left on a follow-up slam by Elie after Olajuwon missed a layup, giving Houston a 104-99 lead.

Sam Cassell hit one free throw and Elie closed out the game with two more as the Rockets increased their home record to 14-3, fourth best in the NBA.

Utah, which lost for the fourth time in five games, was led by Karl Malone with 23 points and David Benoit with 17. Stockton finished with 13 points and Eisley had 14.

Clyde Drexler added 19 points for Houston.

The Rockets were slowed by fouls throughout the first half and needed a 10-2 sprint at the end to take a 51-47 halftime lead.

Nets 108, Raptors 83
EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Armon Gilliam scored 12 points in an early 19-4 spurt that led the struggling New Jersey Nets to their most one-sided win of the season, 108-83 over the Toronto Raptors on Monday night.

The win was only the fifth in 17 games for New Jersey and helped the Nets made up for an embarrassing season-opening 94-79 loss to the expansion Raptors.

The loss was the eighth in 11 games for Toronto and their 16th in 18 road games.

Kenny Anderson led New Jersey with 23 points and 13 assists. Gilliam added 20 points, Chris Childs 17 and Yinka Darr a career-high 12 — the first game in double figures for the Nets' 1994 first-round pick. Jayson Williams added 10 points and 17 rebounds.

Hurt Packers' coach still in intensive care

DALLAS, Texas (AP) — Green Bay Packers wide receivers coach Gil Haskell, who was slammed to the ground in a sideline accident, remained in intensive care Monday with a fractured skull.

Team trainer Pepper Burruss said Haskell's injury was not life threatening, but brain injury was a concern.

Burruss said Haskell should remain in intensive care about 10 days with additional recovery time at Baylor University

Medical Center.

"Burruss said Haskell was not in a coma, but described him as in "some form of a stupor."

Baylor officials declined to release any information about Haskell except his condition, which was listed as serious.

Haskell's head struck the artificial turf at Texas Stadium when Dallas Cowboys safety Darren Woodson blocked flanker Robert Brooks out of bounds and into the Packers' 51-year-old assistant late in the second quarter of the NFC championship game Sunday.

Haskell was not responding to stimuli, but had his fingers wiggle when lying on his own and has moved his arms and legs, Burruss said.

Camby back at UMass, feeling great

AMHERST, Mass. (AP) — Massachusetts center Warren Camby said he was "anxious to get back on the court" and was feeling fine Monday, the day after collapsing before a game at St. Bonaventure.

The star of the Minutemen's No. 1 basketball team characterized himself as "100 percent" about 24 hours after passing out before the game at Olean, N.Y.

"I'm fine, I feel great," Camby said upon leaving Olean General Hospital to fly to Massachusetts.

Team physician James Ralph said doctors were uncertain what caused Camby to collapse based on preliminary tests that included an echo cardiogram, blood work, CAT scan, brain MRI and spinal tap.

The 21-year-old Camby was admitted to the University of Massachusetts Medical Center in Worcester on Monday for more extensive heart testing.

"Any circumstances like this is unsettling to everyone, that's why they are going to do every conceivable test," said Ralph, adding he was particularly troubled Camby was unresponsive for 10 minutes after fainting.

Texas Tech cracks Top 25, Minutemen stay No. 1

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — The long wait is over for Texas Tech.

The Red Raiders awakened Monday to find themselves No. 25 in The Associated Press college basketball poll. It was the first time Texas Tech has been in the poll since 1985.

Massachusetts remained the top team for the fourth straight week.

"This is something that was a long time coming," said Texas Tech coach James Dickey, whose Red Raiders (12-1) have lost only to Eastern Michigan.

"We had established when I came in five years ago we wanted to be a Top-25 program. We've had some chances to break into it before," Dickey said. "And with this team, I think they feel like it'll just come with the territory."

Texas Tech's 82-54 victory over Texas A&M on Saturday was the 24th straight in Lubbock

for the Red Raiders, who improved to 2-0 in the Southwest Conference.

The home winning streak and the team's second national ranking in 20 years have helped what Texas Tech saw as a snub in the 1995 NCAA Tournament. Then Tech went on to lose 94-82 to Washington State in the first round of the NIT.

Despite the euphoria, Dickey is sticking to a one-game-at-a-time approach.

"Our players understand, 'Don't get caught up in all the excitement and the hoopla of the prom, but you'd better concentrate on who you're supposed to be dancing with,'" he said.

Sixty-two of the 64 first-place votes in the poll went to Massachusetts (14-0), which received 1,598 points from the national media panel.

Kentucky (13-1) held the second spot for

the fourth straight week, this time with 1,519 points.

Cincinnati (11-0) and Kansas (12-1) swapped third and fourth with the Bears receiving a first-place vote. Connecticut (14-1) received the other No. 1 vote, and moved up one spot to fifth.

Wake Forest, which jumped two spots, Villanova, Georgetown, Memphis and North Carolina rounded out the Top Ten. Georgetown, which lost to Pittsburgh during the week, fell three places in the only other change among that group.

Virginia Tech jumped from 15th to lead the Second Ten and was followed by Syracuse, UCLA, Penn State, Utah, Iowa, Purdue, Arizona, Clemson and Michigan. The last five spots went to Mississippi State, Georgia and pool newcomers Auburn, Boston College and Texas Tech.

Philadelphia flies over Stars; Islanders strike Lightning

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Eric Lindros had a goal and two assists, notching his 300th NHL point, and John LeClair had two goals and an assist as the Philadelphia Flyers beat the Dallas Stars 6-1 Monday night.

The Flyers snapped a four-game home winless streak, their longest since the 1993-94 season. Dallas' winless in its six games in Philadelphia on the road since a 7-5 win in Colorado Dec. 3.

Mikael Renberg, Rod Brind'Amour and Kjell Samuelsson scored the other goals for Philadelphia, which went 3-for-5 on the power play, and Ron Hextall made 35 saves.

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Former Flyer Brent Fedyk scored for the Stars, who went scoreless in five power play chances.

The Flyers scored the second period's only two goals to take a 5-1 lead.

Dallas had a chance to get back into the game with a two-man advantage for 1:14 late in the period, but couldn't capitalize.

Islanders 3, Lightning 2
UNIONDALE, N.Y. — Niklas Anderson extended his point-scoring streak to eight games by getting the

eventual winning goal as the New York Islanders beat the Tampa Bay Lightning 3-2 Monday, extending their unbeaten streak to six games (4-2).

Tommy Soderstrom, starting for the 18th time in New York's last 19 games, stopped 26 shots for the Islanders' first win against Tampa Bay in their last seven meetings (1-6-0).

It was also the first win at home for the Islanders against the Lightning in their last four tries.

Todd Bertuzzi and Marty Melanin also scored for the Islanders, who are unbeaten in their last eight games at Nassau Coliseum (4-0-2).

Alexander Selivanov and Brian

Bellows scored for the Lightning, who got a stellar game from goalie Daren Puppa, who stopped 37 shots.

After Tampa Bay pulled Puppa late in the game, Soderstrom made a diving glove save on Selivanov's center point slap shot with 22 seconds left to preserve the win.

Canucks 6, Bruins 0
BOSTON — Alexander Mogilny scored his 35th goal and added two assists and Corey Hirsch recorded his first NHL shutout on Monday as the Vancouver Canucks beat the Boston Bruins 6-0.

Hirsch stopped 37 shots for Van-

couver's first shutout of the year and the second against Boston in a week. The 23-year-old goalie improved to 5-0-1 in his last six games.

Esa Tikkanen also had a goal and two assists for Vancouver, giving him 10 points in five games.

Craig Billington allowed five goals on the first 13 Canucks shots before being replaced by Bill Ranford.

Acquired from Edmonton on Thursday for Mariusz Czerkawski, a prospect and a draft pick, Ranford stopped six of the last seven shots, including a breakaway by Mogilny.

The damage had already been done.

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drills was too long, and now the conditioning part of the workout begins.

The resigned dread written on the wrestlers' faces offers a glimpse of what's coming as they begin wind sprints from one end of the room to the other.

Another blast from the whistle and they drop to push-up position at one end. One-two-three. One-two-three. One-two-three-four. Up to 10 and then back again. Backs begin to sag, heads drop and faces become contorted visages of pain.

Push-ups completed, it's time for more wind sprints. Then more push-ups. Then back to work.

Slotten spent five years at Buhl before coming to Twin Falls two years ago. He knows that hard work and a steady infusion of young wrestlers is what it will take for Twin Falls to build a wrestling program on par with Region III juggernaut Minico.

He has the first half of that equation down pat. The second is less certain. While East and West Minico junior highs put 112 wrestlers on the mat, O'Leary and Robert Stuart total less than 50 this year.

Slotten hopes that number will increase as youngsters catch on to freestyle wrestling.

This is only the second season Twin Falls has wrestled freestyle, rather than collegiate style. Their eastern rivals in Rupert have been wrestling freestyle for 11 years.

Freestyle generally features faster-paced action and more movement in a standing position than collegiate. It also requires more wrestling experience, making it tougher for fledgling programs to improve.

With collegiate-style wrestling, in which the combatants spend most of their time on the mat, a good athlete can become a good wrestler in a couple of seasons, Slotten said.

Freestyle competition requires more dedication at an early age, he said.

Like the major high school sports — basketball, volleyball and football — wrestling has become almost a year-round sport with summer tournaments, coaching workshops and camps. It's that work in the off-season that makes the difference for wrestlers — and wrestling programs. "It's gonna take a few years," Slotten said.

Smoker

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plywood floor donated by the Filer boxing club. While East and covered with mats from the college.

The other major change for the smoker has come about more slowly, over the past two or three years. More and more women are getting in on the pugilistic action, Davis said.

"Ten girls have called," he said. "A lot of people from Utah State called — kids who have fought in the last four years. And they're bringing at least 50 spectators."

Among the more familiar faces entering the squared circle will be Wendell's T.W. Parker, a 200-pounder who is currently leading the national steer wrestling chase for CSI. He's slated to box Ty Smith, also of CSI.

Golden Eagle cheerleaders and cross-country runner Irene Hubsmith are among the women on the undercard.

Cur Smith of Malad is back, and Mike Morrison from Twin Falls also will tie on the gloves. Jerome's Billy Brunson will take on Shawn Chambers.

The smoker began 19 years ago with a scheduled Amateur Athletics Union boxing card that ended to fall through due to several boxers cancelling at the last minute.

Several CSI students had been playing touch football earlier that day and had gotten into a scuffle. When the AAU organizer called Davis and asked if he had some last-minute fill-ins, Davis said "give me an hour-and-a-half."

Several of those football combatants ended up working out their differences in the ring, and a tradition was born.

By the mid-1980s, the event had grown into a successful fundraiser for the rodeo team.

Davis and others try to match the boxers according to weight, height and ability.

They pair up fighters within five pounds and 2-3 inches of one another.

Each boxer living in the area is expected to show up at the Expo Center to spar so officials can get a look at their skill level and ensure fair and entertaining bouts, Davis said.

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Joining the Senators is Kevin Wassmer, a 135-pound blind wrestler from Boise who is attending the Idaho School for the Deaf and Blind in Gooding.

Declo

Declo's wrestling reign over the Canyon Conference may be challenged this season after the Hornets graduated a solid class of seniors. The Hornets have won five of the last six Canyon Conference Wrestling titles and have not lost a conference dual meet in three years.

Youngsters will fill some big shoes for the Hornets, but Declo boasts three returning state placers.

Kelly Mendenhall, wrestling at 140 pounds, finished third in the state last year. Senior Dustin Palmer (112 pounds) and sophomore Lonnie Osterhout (171) also came home with state hardware last season.

Sophomore Tyler Stoker (160 pounds), wrestling at the varsity level for the first time, could break into the state tournament.

Wendell

The Trojans finished 10th among 15 teams at the Buhl Invitational, placing ahead of several larger schools. They'll get a better gauge of their position with Tuesday's triangular with Oakley and Glenns Ferry.

Derek Gunter, a senior, finished third in the state last season at 112 pounds. Teammate Justin Cutler, a junior, was sixth at 140. Mike Coelho, at 171, should make a run at state qualification.

Glenns Ferry

Coach Rick Rowling has 11 wrestlers out and admits the Pilots have more enthusiasm than experience.

"We're learning a lot right now," he said. Freshman Lupe Garcia is the lead man in the 125- to 130-pound area, while classmate Travis Johnson will wrestle in the 119-130 range, along with sophomore Jason Woods.

Andy Warner is showing promise at the lightest weight class (103), although he tips the scales at about 88 pounds.

Older brother Trenton will compete at 130 pounds.

Filer

Matt Stephens enters his fourth season as coach with 17 healthy wrestlers and three more that should rejoin their teammates on the mat soon.

Junior Lonnie Edwards is the lone returning state qualifier at 125 pounds. He finished second at the Oakley Tournament to start the season.

Junior Ron Stokes could make some noise at 145, and Vic Sutherland finished fourth in the district meet last season at 130.

Freshman Josh Metcalf is an up-and-comer at 119.

Kimberly

The Bulldogs put together enough team points at the Buhl Invitational to edge Filer, but didn't qualify anyone for the final round.

Kimberly will have to find leadership among some newcomers after the graduation of Kelly Olsen at 145-pounds. Olsen was the

only Bulldog to qualify for state in 1993 and 1994 before narrowly missing a third trip last year.

Raft River

Heavyweight Rocky Jones anchors an inexperienced-but-developing Raft River wrestling team.

Jones qualified for state last year in the heavy-weight division, but did not place.

Only three years old, the Trojans' wrestling program is still in its infancy. Raft River will host its first wrestling meets in over 10 years this season, including dates with Oakley on Jan. 23, Aberdeen and Westside on Feb. 1 and Oakley and Declo on Feb. 22.

Oakley

Junior Jamie Rocha leads a squad that consistently ranks among the best smaller schools in the state.

The Hornets' only 1995 state placer left is 275-pounder Peter Nelson, who finished second.

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'Property' to be sent to state lab

By Liz Wright
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Police will mail a pair of severed testicles to state forensic experts this week in hopes of drawing detectives closer to the identity of their owner.

"I am hoping we are going to learn what happened, but right now I don't think we can say," said Lt. Ron Axman of the Twin Falls Police Department.

The apparently human testicles were discovered by a park visitor Saturday afternoon along the creek bank at Rock Creek Park, with a pair of blood-soaked boxer shorts.

Investigators don't know whether the mutilation was self-inflicted or an attack, Axman said.

Theoretically, a victim could bleed to death from having his gonads severed, though "it would take a while," said Burley urologist Dr. Donald Weese. Infection would set in within several days, and the person would need medical treatment immediately, Weese said.

"I don't see any male who I know of who wouldn't go to the hospital right away," Weese said. To survive, a person would have to apply pressure or ice to the wound, which includes three small arteries, he said.

The testicles were apparently slashed off with a knife. A police officer who found them said they appeared to be human testicles. Police will be looking for the cutting instrument, purportedly a razor blade, Axman said.

No witnesses had come forward Monday afternoon, nor has any man been hospitalized recently without testicles.

"It's a real bizarre case," Axman said. The testicles were catalogued as "found property," sealed as evidence and stored in a refrigerator at the police

department. Police were to notify a state lab that they were being mailed, said police Lt. Dennis Chambers.

State forensic experts will test them for blood type, and possibly DNA, Axman said.

The testicles could not be reattached surgically because the tissues would have deteriorated beyond repair, Weese said.

If the victim himself cut them off, such self-mutilation is extremely rare, said Dr. Richard Worst, a Twin Falls psychiatrist. Someone with severe schizophrenia or psychotic depression might rationalize the act as punishment or cure for sexual deviancy, for example, he said.

"I don't believe I have had (such a patient) in 30 years of psychiatry," Worst said.

Around the valley

U.S. Geological Survey to report on aquifer

TWIN FALLS — The City Council meets on Wednesday in the fire station training room at 345 Second Ave. E. for a report from the U.S. Geological Survey on aquifer recharge.

The meeting is open to the public.

Between Murrnagh and Burley, Southwest Irrigation District injects surface water into the aquifer through wells and tests water quality, Twin Falls Water Superintendent Miles Trabert said.

Twin Falls officials are eyeing a similar project to replenish the South Plain Aquifer with injection wells south of Twin Falls, and this is a fact-finding meeting, Trabert said.

Region IV Development Association to meet at CSI

TWIN FALLS — Directors for the Region IV Development Association will meet Thursday to discuss job training, economic development and business loans in the region's eight counties.

The meeting begins at 2 p.m. in the West Taylor Cafeteria at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

The board will also discuss the appointment of a private business sector representative to the South-Central Private Industry Council.

The meeting is open to the public. For more information, call 736-3064.

Council decides beer and wine allowable near church

TWIN FALLS — The Mongolian House Restaurant on Blue Lakes Boulevard can serve beer and wine with meals — despite its proximity to a church, the City Council decided Monday.

With a 4-3 vote, the council overturned a decision by the city's planning and zoning board to deny the beer and wine request by restaurant operators Du and Nancy Ly. But diners must drink their alcohol purchases within the restaurant, and the permit can't be passed on to another business at that site, the council decided.

Paul Smith, representing the next-door Episcopal Church of the Ascension, protested the permit and said "opening the door" to alcohol sales there could lead to a full-fledged bar next door.

Also Monday, the council voted to spend \$51,147 on a central-control computer program to monitor and operate the city's water system. Included in the purchase is a monitoring system to track lake levels and all water users' extractions at Blue Lakes.

Filer Public Library begins new reading series, discussion

FILER — A new reading and discussion series called "Tough Paradise" begins at 7 p.m. today at the Filer Public Library.

The books, copies of which are available on loan from the library, will be examined during the series. The first book is "Sweet Promised Land," Joel Bate from the College of Southern Idaho will discuss the book, provide background on the author and insights on the book, relate the reading to the series' theme and raise questions to spark discussion. Adults and high school students are invited.

The series is part of a multi-faceted project sponsored by the Idaho Humanities Council, which recently received an Exemplary Award from the National Endowment for the Humanities to conduct a project highlighting the literature of Idaho and the Intermountain West.

Chamber of commerce welcomes new members

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce bid farewell to a quartet of departing board members, welcomed their successors, and honored several outstanding chamber members at its annual banquet last night.

Volunteer of the Year awards went to Brian and Judi Godfrey, who work, respectively, for First Security Bank and the Murrnagh Auction Co.

The Ambassador of the Year award went to Terry McCurdy, of Aspen Consulting Group, Inc.

The Curtis T. Eaton award went to Roy Raymond Ford.

Charter member awards — representing 50 years of membership — went to Willis Motons and Cain's Home Furnishings.

Outgoing board members were Greg Edean, Rod Burks, Bill Babcock and Debbie Hetherington. New board members were Ljinda Baird, Brent White, Tammy Hamcy and Mike Klaus.

Compiled from staff reports

Details, details...



With a pair of workers hovering nearby, rental car agency operator Leann Watkins does her best to prepare for the arrival of customers on a flight into the Twin Falls airport Monday afternoon. Monday was the first day of operation for the new airport terminal and workers are finishing up some last minute details. The first day using the terminal had a few snags but customers are pleased with the new facility, said airport manager Ron Madsen. A baggage-handling system is not ready for use, and the airport is waiting for new chairs to arrive for the interior, he said.

Annual audit allows hospital bonuses

By Julie M. McKinnon
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — With the results of a strong annual audit to back up their decision, the county hospital's board rewarded the hospital's 720 employees Monday — and gave them incentive to keep being efficient.

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center employees will share \$300,000, a sum set aside from hospital revenues in August after the first 10 months of the fiscal year looked good. The hospital's 1994-95 fiscal year ended Sept. 30.

To divvy up the reward, hospital employees were split into five categories based on their hours. Full-time employees who were at the hospital during the fiscal year will soon

get checks for \$525.57, while those working less than 416 hours during that year will get \$105.11.

Members finalized the deal after hearing an audit report of the 1994-95 fiscal year from Deloitte & Touche partner Paul Childs.

The hospital had total assets of about \$67.1 million at the end of the 1994-95 fiscal year, up from \$60.5 million after the previous fiscal year.

The hospital's total revenues were about \$45.4 million last fiscal year compared with about \$42 million the previous fiscal year; total expenses were about \$42.4 million last fiscal year compared to about \$40.5 million the previous year.

"It's an outstanding audit, it's an outstanding year, 1995. It's something to be proud

of," said hospital board Treasurer Bruce Brown. "I think it's a joint effort of every employee here."

Board members did not raise hospital rates for either the 1994-95 or 1995-96 fiscal years. The hospital also provided about \$1.2 million in charity care in 1994-95 and nearly \$1.26 million in charity care in 1993-94.

As far as this fiscal year is concerned, the hospital has admitted about 10 percent more people than expected in the past three months, said Ken Fry, the hospital's vice president of finance.

Both income and expenses also are higher than anticipated, Fry added.

Also Monday, the board decided to form a task force to figure out how to better share revenues with employees.

Arco man meets with governor to find Big Lost River

The Associated Press

BOISE — Charles "John" Traugher, a longtime Arco crusader to restore water to the Big Lost River, has finally gotten the ear of a state official.

Last week, Traugher took his crusade to the state Capitol at the onset of the legislative session. He exhibited dozens of color 8x10-inch photos of the dry riverbed on a plywood board.

The sign blares, "The Demise of the Big Lost River."

The stream historically disappeared into the lava crust as it flows south of Arco. That is how it got its name.

But for at least the last 10 years, the Big Lost has ceased to flow during the summer months for several miles north of Arco.

That has become a flash point between

farmers who depend on river water for irrigation, and those who pump from the aquifer.

The river at Traugher's home is bone dry. He contends the stream is diverted upstream, past his area, to water crops growing on what was once desert sagebrush.

His photos show dead cottonwood trees line the dry river banks like tombstones. The aquifer level is declining, too. Arco had to drill 640 feet below ground level for a backup well in 1994, he said.

Traugher met last Thursday with Gov. Phil Batt. The Arco man, who is suffering from emphysema and breathes with the aid of an oxygen tank, was pleased with the meeting.

"I think he's genuinely concerned and wants this situation taken care of,"

Traugher said. "At this point, however, the Legislature is totally ignoring us."

Batt's spokeswoman, Amy Kleiner, said the governor is convinced there has been too little discussion of the problem, but she noted Water Resources Director Karl Dreher remains convinced the low flows in the Big Lost are more from the recent drought than by overuse by irrigation and pumping.

Rep. Jo Ann Wood, R-Rigby, who used to represent the Arco area before reapportionment, is aware of the conflict.

"It's a mess," she said. "There was a mistake made, and I don't know the answer."

Traugher blames the Legislature for devising contradictory policies on water law. The time-honored constitutional standard of first-in-time, first-in-right

for water rights is not honored on the Big Lost, he notes.

Later, water laws enacted in the early 1950s allowed for the "full economic development" of the Snake River, such as ground pumping. The Big Lost basin has been a test case in the Snake River Adjudication.

"I don't think those families who moved in here to make a living intended to dry up the river," Wood said. "There weren't any studies done at the time" to prompt the department to reject pumping applications, she said.

Traugher agrees, but he wants Batt or the Legislature to do something to bring order to chaos.

"I've had a real good life," he says. "I'm just trying to do everything I can so my grandkids can enjoy some of those same things, too."

Drinkers unlikely to subsidize college

By Karen Tolkkien
Times-News writer

BOISE — Jerome residents may not have much luck in their tax revolt against the College of Southern Idaho.

Bills aimed at bringing property tax relief to residents of Jerome and Twin Falls counties have a "slim to none" chance in the Idaho Legislature this year, said Rep. Ron Black, R-Twin Falls, who is sponsoring two of the bills.

Fellow lawmakers have been sympathetic but Black, chairman of the House Education Committee, has gotten few commitments to jack up the liquor surcharge.

Few lawmakers favor raising any taxes in an election year, he said. The only tax with much chance of getting through is the gas tax to repair roads and bridges statewide, he said.

"I think there's a lot of sympathy here, but whether the sympathy will translate into votes we'll have to see," he said.

Twin Falls, Jerome and Kootenai counties are the only three counties to support the state's two community colleges through property taxes. Other counties pay through a liquor surcharge depending on how many of their students attend the community colleges.

Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome, would like Jerome residents to have the chance to vote again on whether or not to approve using property tax money — now about \$800,000 from that county — to support CSI.

If that measure were passed, it would take effect July 1, and Jerome residents would have to collect either 100 signatures or signatures of 20 percent of the registered voters in the school district, whichever is less. They would save savings, however, until next year, Bell said.

However, if all three counties voted to back out of the taxing district, the state would be left with an \$8 million to \$10 million bill, she said. That's an unpopular cost. The voters would have to raise money statewide are working on tight budgets.

Bell's own property tax bill for CSI is \$275 on her 80-acre farm, something she said she paid without question until Jerome residents pointed out the inequity.

"This is an unfair taxing situation," she told members of the House Education Committee on Monday.

A Jerome group who has vocally opposed the tax has collected roughly 800 signatures on a petition to ask lawmakers to stop it.

Bell said the Jerome School District needs a new elementary school and possibly a new high school, and would find it easier to pass bonds to build them if they didn't have to pay property taxes on CSI.

The Twin Falls County, which gives roughly \$2.8 million to the college this year, has been less vocal.

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Death notices

Vera P. Carter
 "RUBERT" - Vera P. Carter, 93, of Nampa and formerly of Rupert, died Sunday, Jan. 14, 1996, at the Mercy Medical Center in Nampa.
 The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Rupert West LDS Stake Center, with Bishop Alan Maxwell officiating. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call two hours before the funeral on Wednesday at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Albert L. Hodge
 HEYBURN - Albert LaMar Hodge, 57, of Heyburn, died Monday, Jan. 15, 1996, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.
 The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Paul LDS 3rd Ward Chapel, with Bishop Ferrill King officiating. Burial will follow at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel and one hour before the funeral on Thursday at the church.

Joel A. Brady Sr.
 KIMBERLY - Joel Alexander Brady Sr., 90, of Kimberly, died 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 14, 1996, at the Mountain View Care Center in Kimberly.
 A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at the Twin Falls Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of

White Mortuary in Twin Falls.
Melvin Osborne
 TWIN FALLS - Melvin "Bud" Osborne, 82, recently of Twin Falls and formerly of Bozeman and Ennis, Mont., died Monday, Jan. 15, 1996, at the Twin Falls Care Center.
 The funeral will take place with burial at the Ennis Cemetery in Ennis. Local arrangements are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Charles J. Gundrum
 TWIN FALLS - Charles J. Gundrum, 51, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, Jan. 11, 1996, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.
 A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Salvation Army - Chapel - in Twin Falls. Arrangements are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Services

Oliver Haynes, of Yuma, Ariz., and formerly of Rupert, 11 p.m. today, Rupert 1st and 7th Ward LDS Church, Eighth and G Street. Viewing, one hour before the funeral at the church, (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Ruby A. Hansen, of Shoshone, 1 p.m. today, Shoshone LDS Church, (Demary's Shoshone Chapel).

Ruby E. Crawford, of Kimberly, graveside service, 2 p.m. today, Hazelton Cemetery, (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Ellen Male Oberholzer, of Burley, 3 p.m. today, Burley First Presbyterian Church, 2100 Burton Ave., (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Roger M. "Shorty" Huston, of Kimberly, 1 p.m. Wednesday, Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

Viewing, 3 to 8 p.m. today and from 9 a.m. until the time of the funeral on Wednesday at the funeral chapel.

Melen A. Stanger, of Twin Falls, graveside service, 2 p.m. Wednesday, Cloverdale Cemetery, 1200 N. Cloverdale Road, Boise, (Blay Colonial Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

John Dwayne Atkin, of Twin Falls, 2 p.m. Wednesday, Twin Falls LDS 7th Ward Chapel, 347 Eastland Drive N. Viewing, 4 to 8 p.m. today, White Mortuary, Twin Falls and from 12:45 to 1:45 p.m. Wednesday at the church.

Chester James Slinger, of Twin Falls, memorial service, 3 p.m. Wednesday, Episcopal Church of the Ascension, Twin Falls, (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Denise Kelsey and Elmon Kidd, both of DeClo.

MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Ross Sandeoz and Sally Soto, both of Rupert.

Budget writers find ways to augment Batt's budget

BOISE (AP) - Legislative budget writers, searching for ways to stretch the state's limited general tax revenues, began squirming away cash Monday to augment Gov. Phil Batt's austere 1998 spending blueprint.

The Joint Finance Appropriations Committee unanimously agreed to take full advantage of the savings generated by delays in opening three major projects. Members voted to use the money to cover two-thirds of the cost of converting other prison cells from single to double occupancy.

The diversion of nearly \$60,000 out the need for general tax receipts to less than \$250,000 to accommodate the state's escalating inmate population.

Batt had recommended using only about \$270,000 in savings from the delayed opening of a 100-bed facility at the prison in Orofino and the 96-bed unit at the Maximum-Security Prison south of Boise, supplementing it with \$15,000 in cash from the general treasury.

Legislative budget analyst Eileen Tremblay said the administration's savings estimate from those two institutions was not completely up to date, and she pointed out that another \$142,000 in savings was available from the delay in opening the new work center in Idaho Falls. The money would have paid for operating the facilities had they opened on schedule.

It was the first time the House-Senate panel has found a way to reduce significantly the governor's already tight budget, freeing up general tax receipts for



padding his conservative allocations to politically sensitive areas like education or underwriting initiatives left out of Batt's budget.

Analysts say, however, that double-celling and the current construction program will provide only limited breathing room for the state, and either changes in sentencing laws or a \$250 billion prison construction program is the long-term solution to the skyrocketing inmate count.

Panel members also continued to closely scrutinize other requests for cash to supplement the existing budget - money, if spent, that cannot be used for programs in the new budget.

Senators refused to act on a request for public provision for \$68,000 to replace two vans and a utility vehicle, which were all at least 15 years old with more than 100,000 miles. House Appropriations Chairman Kathleen Garcia of Boise called it micro-managing, but Sen. Dean Cameron of Rupert mentioned the scrutiny was an attempt to assure accountability in using state vehicles.

And they relegated to informal negotiations a request from Batt for \$3.4 million for the new Juvenile Corrections Department to pay for housing an rising number of juveniles being diverted from county programs to state custody.

Cameron repeatedly alleged that the housing bill was run up last summer by administration officials sending juveniles to out-of-state facilities when space the state had already paid for at institutions in Idaho was going unused. He appeared to expect explanation that the inmate facilities did not offer the level of security required under the court custody orders the department was receiving last summer, and with all secured space filled in the state, the department had no choice but to ship juveniles elsewhere.

That requirement ended in October when the law creating the department repealed the security designation for juveniles committed to the department by the courts.

The committee did approve another \$62,000 for the American Civil Liberties Union in what Senate Finance Chairman Atwell Parry of Melba said will be the last payment of attorneys fees the Legislature authorizes for the 1992 federal court case requiring the state to provide institutional opportunities for women prison inmates.

About \$400,000 in attorneys fees have been paid by the state in the case filed by Lois Witke and a number of other women inmates against then-Correction Director Bill Crowl. Witke was released in the 1980s, and Crowl was replaced as director less than three years after the class action suit was filed. James Snelting is the third correction director since Crowl.

He said a final settlement in the 13-year-old-legal-case should be signed this spring.

Hospitals

CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Admitted
 Charles Alves, Claudia Garcia, Albert Hodge and Warren Holm, all of Burley.

Released
 Luke Edwards and Margaret Vogt, both of Burley; and

MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Ross Sandeoz and Sally Soto, both of Rupert.

Obituaries

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

Burley



Eilon M. Oberholzer
 Eilon Male Oberholzer, 87, of Burley, died Sunday, Jan. 14, 1996, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.
 He was born in Chicago, Ill., in 1908, in Council Bluffs, Iowa, the daughter of C.M. and Nellie Dickey Oberholzer. She came to Idaho with her family as an orphan and her father started the Bank of Commerce. She attended schools in Burley and graduated from Burley High School. She attended the University of Nebraska, State College, Colorado, University of Hawaii and San Francisco, and graduated from Idaho State University. She devoted most of her career to teaching the first and third grades at Southwest Elementary, but also taught at Dworshak Elementary and for two years at Kilgore. From 1945 until the early 1960s, she owned and operated Eilon Male's Gift Shop.
 She was a charter member of the Presbyterian Church and the Burley Scriptorium Club, and was active in the community as a member and past president of PEO Chapter J, past president of Alpha Delta Kappa, Daughters of the American Revolution, Retired Teachers Association, Cassia County Historical Society, Friends of the Library, and also had worked as a Pink Lady.

Survivors include one sister-in-law, Mrs. W. B. (Peggy) Oberholzer of San Rafael, one niece, Mrs. M.H. (Polly) Heys of Hillsboro, Calif.; one nephew, Ivan "Skip" Strand and his wife, Judy, of Boise; and eight grand and great grand nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; and one brother, W. Dick Oberholzer.

The funeral will be held at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 16, 1996, at the Burley First Presbyterian Church.
 Those who wish may make memorials to the Burley First Presbyterian Church or to a favorite charity. Arrangements are under the direction of the

Twin Falls



Gayle B. Pike
 Gayle Pike, 60, of Twin Falls and formerly of Burley and Meridian, went to be with his Lord on Sunday, Jan. 14, 1996. He died at his home in Twin Falls, following a valiant battle with cancer.
 Gayle was born at his home in Burley on March 26, 1935, the son of John and Elaine (Pike) Drew and the late Gaylord Pike. He attended schools in the Cassia County area where he was active in drama, sports and 4-H. He graduated from Heyburn High School in 1954. He attended Idaho State University until he returned to Burley to farm and live at the same home where he was born. Gayle farmed until 1980, when he went to work for J.R. Simplot Co. in Heyburn. Gayle's employment with J.R. Simplot Co. took him to many places around the world, and allowed him to accomplish a wide variety of work. He retired from the Food Group Engineering Department of J.R. Simplot Co. in Caldwell in 1991. One of Gayle's proudest accomplishments was his invention and patent of the "Product Length Control System" for J.R. Simplot Co. in 1994.

Gayle married Shirley Peters in Twin Falls in 1954, and they were later divorced. This union bore four children. He met his best friend, and Elaine (Pike) Laura Lewis, in 1986. They were married April 19, 1993, in Salt Lake City, Utah. He was a wonderful, loving husband and father whose unconditional love and support will be missed.

He was an active member of the Community Christian Church in Twin Falls where he was ready to serve in any capacity. Survivors include a large and loving family; his mother, and father, John and Elaine (Pike) Drew of Heyburn; wife, Laura Lewis-Pike of Twin Falls; one brother, Don Drew and his wife, Wanda of Heyburn; one daughter,

Mrs. Rick (Diana) Quansstrom of Meridian; three sons, Patrick E. Pike, Gayle E. Pike and Michael A. Pike and his wife, Audri, all of Salt Lake City, Utah; four stepchildren, Jennifer and Nathan Lewis of Twin Falls, Robin Green of Rupert and Debbie Harris of Burley; two aunts, Nadine Christensen and Bernice Booth, both of Burley; two uncles, Bob Hunt and his wife, Roxana, of Pithello, Wash., and Doc Hunt and his wife, Lue of Prineville, Ore.; and 12 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father, Gaylord Pike.

The funeral will be held at 3 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 18, 1996, at the First Presbyterian Church, 2100 Burton Ave. in Burley, with the Rev. Bob Adams officiating. Burial will follow at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call from 8 to 9 p.m. Wednesday at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley and one hour prior to the funeral on Thursday at the church.

The family suggests that memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Idaho Inc., 1300 Kimberly Road, No. 11, Twin Falls ID 83301; or to the Community Christian Church, 2100 Burton Ave., P.O. Box 464, Twin Falls ID 83303.

Wendell

Karl J.F. Kratzberg
 Karl J.F. Kratzberg, 92, of Winterhaven, Calif., and formerly of Wendell, went to be with his Savior, Tuesday, Jan. 9, 1998.

He was born Aug. 24, 1903, in Greely, Kan. At the age of 4, his family moved by wagon to the Parma Valley, where he was raised and educated. He was a veteran of World War II and a member of the VFW in Wendell. Karl worked in construction, ranching and farming. He was a devoted, active Christian. He and his wife of 49 years, Rosa, had spent the last six years at Gold Rock Ranch in Yuma, Ariz., enjoying life together.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his sons, George and Kenneth of Boise; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; his adopted daughter, Jane Peck of Bellevue, and her children and grandchildren, who he helped raise.

We love you very much, and will miss you Grandpa Karl. You touched many lives with your love.
 He was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers, one sister and one adopted great-granddaughter.
 Cremation took place in California. A memorial service will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, 1998, at the Hagerman Christian Center.

Lottery hits snag in request for funding

BOISE (AP) - Conservative budget writers with longstanding opposition to the Idaho Lottery got unexpected support from lawmakers Monday to at least temporarily sidetrack approval of cash to keep the multimillion-dollar enterprise operating.

"I've never supported the Lottery so my vote was consistent," Senate Finance Chairman Atwell Parry, R-Melba, said. "But I was surprised it failed. This is one item we'll be revisiting."

The Lottery Commission needs another \$12 million of its receipts over the next 96 months to cover the additional expenses associated with a 9 percent increase in ticket sales.

Without the extra cash, Lottery sales - and the subsequent profits - would be curtailed, officials indicated.

No taxpayer money is involved. The Lottery runs off the revenues it generates just as any other business, but it gives the bulk of its profits back to the state to fund public buildings and half for school buildings.

The lottery began in July 1989 after voters overwhelmingly approved a constitutional amendment authorizing it the previous November. That amendment was not submitted by lawmakers, however, until after a nonbinding public vote in 1986 showed over 60 percent support for a lottery. That vote convinced staunch moral opponents to submit their own legislation.

After beginning with a bang, sales fell off slightly in the second year. The dividend that totaled just over \$17.2 million the first two years dipped off to \$12 million the third year before beginning a steady rise to a record \$15 million last summer.

Ticket sales have risen 70 percent from \$52 million in 1990-1991 to \$88 million last year and are expected to hit \$96 million this year, generating a dividend of \$14 million. Lottery officials project sales exceeding \$100 million in 1996-1997.

Having been overruled at the ballot box, moral critics of the Lottery have in the past voted against the appropriation needed to keep the games operating in what supporters have claimed is little more than a backdoor attempt to thwart the public.

Legislative log

The Associated Press

Introduced in Senate
 SCR126 (Education) - Changes regulations on alternative high schools to allow them to be held on regular high school premises.

SB1291 (Education) - Repeals state law requiring school districts to issue an annual accountability report card on themselves to patrons.

SB1293 (Judiciary and Rules) - Revises state procedures for handling administrative regulations.

Introduced in House
 HCR26 (Robison, Pletsch, Miller, Lucas) - Encouraging

Idaho school districts to include parenting education in curriculum.

HB472 (Alltus) - Eliminates requirement that insurance companies must provide home health care or personal care coverage if they market and sell long-term nursing home insurance.

HB473 (Education) - Extends expiration date of public school rules to April 1, 1997.

HB474 (Education) - Forbids staff of the State Board of Education from holding tenured faculty positions with institutions of higher education.

HB475 (Education) - Boosts from 15 percent to 25 percent state surcharge on liquor, doublets on beer and wine.

HB476 (Education) - Boosts from 15 percent to 25 percent state surcharge on liquor.

Plane involved in crash has history of accidents

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Ralph Sorrells studied a lifetime promoting safety and designing Mitsubishi aircraft.

On Monday, federal officials asked him to help investigate the crash of yet another one.

Sorrells has investigated dozens. Even packing a suitcase and hauling it on a plane were tedious tasks, saying the key, "sexy" twin-engine-turboprop Mitsubishi MU-2 must be safe since it hadn't been in a fatal crash for two whole years.

In 1993, the crash of an MU-2 killed South Dakota Gov. George Mickelson and seven others. On Monday, eight men died when an MU-2B-36A crashed in good weather in southeastern Idaho. One of the victims was pilot Richard Shipman, a friend of Sorrells.

Richard Shipman was the owner of Freeway Services of Salt Lake City. He was an experienced pilot and company man, having sold Mitsubishi aircraft in the mid-1980s.

"If anyone could handle that plane, Dick Shipman could," Sorrells said. "But I would have to check to see if he was current in his training."
 The training, Sorrells referred to was a specialized program dubbed PROP - or Pilots Review of Proficiency - sponsored by Mitsubishi. It was established after a chain of crashes claimed several lives:

and 12 injured when an MU-2 crashed shortly after takeoff near Houston, Texas.

In 1986, an MU-2 crashed in Aurora, Ill., killing four people.

In 1990, five people who were business associates of then-Texas gubernatorial candidate Clayton Williams were killed when an MU-2 went out of control and crashed near Putnam, Texas.

In 1992, six people died in the mountains near Glenwood Springs, Colo., when an MU-2 bound for Aspen crashed. Also in 1992, six people died in the southern New Mexico mountains when an MU-2 crashed in rugged terrain.

The 1993 crash that killed Mickelson and the others was a Mitsubishi MU-2B-60 that slammed into a farm silo near Dubuque, Iowa. It prompted an extensive investigation.

Sorrells, who works for Mitsubishi Heavy Industry America in Dallas, said improvements were made - like a uniform control panel he worked on when investigators determined one of the pilots who crashed couldn't find the autopilot switch to turn it off.

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Telephone company looks to link schools

By Jennifer Bunch
Times-News writer

BURLEY - A local phone company will ask the Burley City Council for permission tonight to install fiber optic cable on city property as part of a telecommunications link between the College of Southern Idaho and Mini-Cassia area schools and hospitals.

The link is part of a valleywide project to broaden valley educational opportunities. Twin Falls High School already has a video link with CSI and Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital, which allows doctors to teach high school classes from the clinic. The video link is two-way, allowing doctors to answer students' questions.

Charlie Creason, manager of Project Mutual Telephone Co. in Rupert, said a Mini-Cassia area telecommunications link should be operational by the beginning of the 1996 school year.

The purpose for tonight's meeting with the City Council is to request permission from the city to install underground cable on city property, as well as permission to install some equipment on city power poles, Creason said.

The equipment will be used not only for the educational link, but possibly for an Oakley telephone exchange should Project Mutual's purchase of a US West exchange there be approved, Creason said.

For educational purposes in the Cassia County School District, the initial video link will be a test to determine whether to offer it to outlying schools in the district, said Mike Hoopes, technology coordinator for the district.

"That's an expensive project, and may be several years down the road," Hoopes said.

A video link to outlying schools would allow district students to select from a broader curriculum, he said.

Pink Ladies return to hospital

By Jennifer Bunch
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Gaye Young, a Pink Lady at the former Cassia Memorial Hospital, has returned to the hospital building to start a volunteer organization for its new tenants.

Young supervised the Pink Ladies, Cassia Memorial's team of volunteers, for eight years. Recently she was asked back to the hospital, now owned by Boise-based Western Health Care Corp., to start a volunteer group for the new management. Utah-based-Intermountain Health Care, which operated Cassia Memorial, vacated the building in June to open Cassia Regional Medical Center.

The building now operates as Parke View Care and Rehabilitation Center. The center offers long-term health care and rehabilitation services.

Parke View administrator Tod Murray said Monday it is good to see the trademark pink volunteer jackets in the hospital building again.

"Volunteers are vital to what we do, and we are excited to have them back," Murray said.

Young and a staff of three volunteers opened the care center's snack shop Monday. It will operate Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for now, but hopefully enough volunteers will be recruited to extend the hours, Young said.

Young, who retired in November as supervisor of IHC's volunteer services at Cassia Regional, still volun-



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Gaye Young, left, and Margaret Thompson are two of four volunteers hoping to increase the number of volunteers at the newly opened Parke View Care and Rehabilitation Center in Burley. Young and Thompson opened the snack shop Monday.

teers her time there. Volunteers annually have provided IHC locally with over 1,000 volunteer hours of service, Young said. By giving their time, volunteers help keep medical costs down, and even raise money for health care centers, she said.

When the volunteers at Parke View are able to begin donating to the care center, the first funds will go

toward equipment for a dialysis unit Parke View is hoping to establish, Young said.

At this point, volunteers are helping to staff the snack shop, offer free hair cuts to patients and host meal times for patients, Murray said. Volunteers also will be helping with care center activities for patients, he said.

Want to help?

Volunteers are being recruited at Parke View Care and Rehabilitation Center in Burley. If you are interested in serving, call 677-3073 or stop by the center at 2303 Parke Ave. in Burley.

Briefly in the Valley

Thompson receives hearing for appeal

MURTAUGH - Michael Thompson's hay-cubbing business north of Murtaugh got too-tough restrictions from the county's planning and zoning commissioners when he applied for a special land-use permit, Thompson's attorney said.

County commissioners will hold a public hearing on Thompson's appeal at 10 a.m. Wednesday.

In permit-application hearings last fall, residential neighbors complained that Thompson's Haytech created dust, noise and odors. Haytech manufactures alfalfa pellets for export and domestic sales and has sometimes operated 24 hours a day.

The zoning board voted in November to require Thompson to stop burning waste hay, enclose his hay chopper with air filters, shut down the operation on Saturdays and Sundays and operate no more than 12 hours per day, according to a planning department clerk.

But enclosing the chopper with filters would be so costly that putting that restriction on the permit is the same as not issuing the permit, attorney Brit Groom said.

Thompson also questions whether he was legally required to apply for the land-use permit because a similar business was permitted to operate on that site in the past, Groom said.

Airport board to meet in new terminal

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls-Sun Valley Regional Airport's new terminal may be re-dedicated "Magic Valley Regional Airport."

The airport board meets at 11 a.m. today in the new building.

The board will hear the proposal for a new name and will set guidelines for contracting with an airport-caterer operator to replace the now-closed Hangar Restaurant, Airport Manager Ron Madsen said.

The meeting is open to the public, but those who wish to speak should call ahead to put their names on the agenda, Madsen said. His office number is 733-5215.

U of Idaho alumni gather in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS - University of Idaho alumni from throughout the nation will gather here Friday and Saturday for a meeting of the U of I alumni board.

The Twin Falls U of I alumni chapter will host a dinner for interim university president Thomas Bell on Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Canyon Springs Inn.

Seating is limited and reservations are required. For more information, call Karen Rosholt at 733-2458 or Susan Kelley at 734-8969.

Jerome City Council to discuss topics

JEROME - The Jerome City Council will meet at 7 p.m. today in the Council Chambers, 152 E. Ave. A. The public is welcome.

Agenda topics include: establishment of an area of impact, creation of a drug free workplace, and discussion and authorization for the city of Jerome to participate in the election on the organization of the North Snake Ground Water District.

Residents appointed to safety panel

TWIN FALLS - Eight Magic and Wood River valley residents have been named to a Keeping Kids Safe panel, which will make recommendations on improving the region's child-protection system.

Judith S. Bailey of Buhl, LeeAnn A. Brown of Gooding, Baldwin Carmin of Jerome, Patricia G. Harder of Twin Falls, Betty A. Kleinkopf of Murtaugh, Carlos G. Roundy of Rupert, Josette Y. Stellers of Hailey and Vicki L. Stewart of Rupert.

Panel members were selected from more than 30 nominations, and they were appointed by Idaho Health and Welfare Director Linda Caballero.

The panel is the first of seven that will be created statewide as part of an 18-month pilot project. Members will review how Health and Welfare responds to reports of child abuse and neglect.

Compiled from staff reports

County may get dog pound

By John Thompson
Times-News writer

RUPERT - A special committee of Minidoka County citizens has secured financing for a new joint animal-control facility to handle stray animals from the county's five cities, a committee member said.

If the five cities approve the financing plan, D.L. Evans Bank has agreed to provide the \$55,000 needed to complete the construction at 7.5 percent interest for 10 years, according to Rupert City Attorney Rick Bollar.

The cities of Rupert, Heyburn, Paul, Acequia and Minidoka now have the option to sign on with the new project and accept a portion of the financing figured in relation to each city's population, said Bollar.

Minidoka County chose not to participate, but to contract for animal-control services with the five cities, he said.

The city of Paul's contribution is to provide land and utilities, and Rupert will provide administrative services and manage personnel. Presently, two animal-control officers work in Minidoka County. Bollar said there are no plans to hire additional people to man the new facility.

"If it gets to a point where the demand is too great we'll try to get volunteers to man the desk and

answer phones," said Bollar. "We have no plans to hire additional people at this time."

"We are trying to get an ordinance that is agreeable to all of the cities involved so the officers won't have to go by a bunch of different rules."

— Gar Loosli,
Rupert councilman

Bollar was not sure of the square footage of the new building but he said the construction would allow for future expansion if needed.

For now, stray animals picked up in Minidoka County are transported to a dog pound in Burley and the cities are charged \$8 per animal, according to Rupert Councilman Gar Loosli. He said dog pound charges cost Rupert about \$500 each month under the present arrangement.

Loosli, also a member of the animal-control facility committee, said construction on the new building will start as soon as the financing plan is

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approved, Rupert will be the general contractor, and William Rickert Construction Co. of Rupert, will build the facility, Loosli said.

Loosli added that the animal-control facility committee has also suggested that the five cities adopt ordinances charging all residents \$10 per year to support the facility.

Funds to run and pay for the new facility will also come from dog- and cat-licensing fees and pound fees, he said.

Another ordinance that city leaders will be asked to consider in upcoming months unifies the rules and fees regarding stray pets in the five cities, said Loosli.

"We are trying to get an ordinance that is agreeable to all of the cities involved so the officers won't have to go by a bunch of different rules," said Loosli.

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Money

Smith's ends merger talks, mulls selling chain

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Smith's Food & Drug Centers confirmed Monday it has ended merger talks with Smitty Super Value stores of Phoenix and is considering selling the Salt-Lake-based supermarket chain.

Smith's had said last week that it was negotiating a possible buyout of Smitty's, which operates 28 stores in the Phoenix-Tucson markets.

Smith's has had 154 stores in eight Western states including Idaho with an outlet in Twin Falls, but is selling off more than 30 in southern California.

Because of the failure of the Smitty's merger, Smith's said in a release Monday that it was also terminating its plan to buy back up to half of its

outstanding shares of Class A and Class B common stock at a "significant premium" over recent trading prices.

Smith's said it is now exploring ways to enhance the value of its stock, "including a possible significant repurchase of stock, the possible sale of the company or similar transactions."

John Butler, an investment executive at the Salt Lake office of the brokerage firm Piper Jaffray, said he believes the decision to cancel the shares repurchase will actually enhance Smith's shareholders' value over the long term because a buyback would increase the company's debt load.

Butler said the only major problem at Smith's was its southern California operation, which it

announced it was selling last week. "But there have been rumors-circulating that the company might be sold," he said.

Smith's also announced Monday that Rodney H. Brady has resigned from the company's board of directors, citing "the press of other business commitments."

Brady is the president and chief executive officer of Bonneville International Corp., the holding company for KSL radio, television and other media outlets.

Smith's executives declined to comment beyond the brief statement Monday.

Smith's has stores in Utah, Arizona, Nevada, Idaho, New Mexico, Wyoming and Texas.

Couple asks why they are targets in scheme

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Ken and Karen Detherage admit they were caught up in a Ponzi-style pyramid scheme, but question why he is the only one prosecuted out of an estimated 400 people.

The "unconditional giving matrix" promised a \$12,000 payout to those who recruited eight people to join a 15-block matrix.

Most participants returned the money when they learned the pyramid was illegal. About \$328,000 was recovered and repaid.

Ken admitted to promoting the illegal scheme in a plea bargain in which a similar charge against Karen was dismissed. He was the first in the state to be prosecuted under the 2-year-old law.

First-District Judge Gary Haman gave him a midlevel judgment last July, as well as a year of unsupervised probation.

One former suspect, 25-year-old Dan Edwards, was charged but the case was dismissed earlier this month when he returned the money to those who gave it to him.

BABY APPRECIATION SALE

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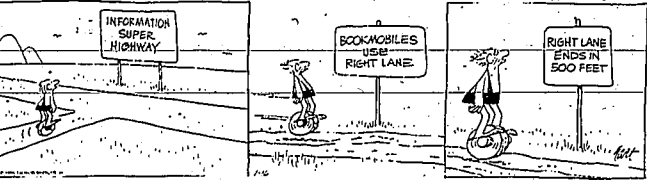


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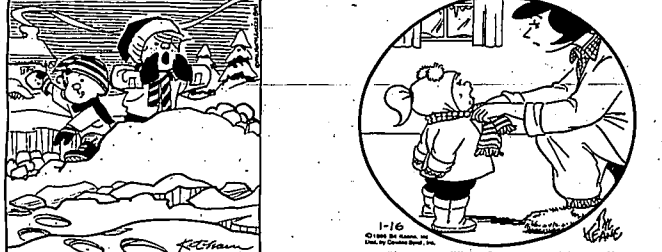
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"WE CAN'T HAVE A CEASE-FIRE, YET. WE STILL HAVE SOME SNOWBALLS LEFT."

"I guess I'll hafta wear this stuff all day at school. You forgot to put on my dress."



Hagar the Horrible

By Chris Browne

Donkeys can retire in Ireland

In Ireland is a Donkey Sanctuary, yea, a retirement home for aging donkeys. Head count there last report: 120.

What you and I call Halloween's Trick or Treat was once known in the Appalachians as "Beggars' Night."

A Florida's west coast has to be a candidate for that distinction. Sunset watching is such a ritual thereabouts in one place - Key West, for example - asks ships to leave the harbor an hour before sundown so they won't clutter the view. That's odd, isn't it? I thought ships enhanced a view.

The wit Judy Tenuta tosses out this rhetorical query: "Have you ever dated someone because you were too lazy to commit suicide?"

You know how the elderly traditionally have been respected in China? One scholar says the aged also were respected, although not revered, in colonial America. Back then, lengthy lifespans were comparatively uncommon, this authority contends, and "old people are always respect-

ed where too few people grow old."

Quite a year was 1908. Half of all Americans lived on farms or in towns with fewer than 2,500 people. The University of Missouri opened the first professional school of journalism. And a Swiss chemist named Jacques Edwin Brandenberger invented cellophane.

Some wildfowl estimate free-ranging cuts nationwide kill about four million birds a day, but cat defenders said, "Nonsense! Prove it!" In another of those "Are you happy?" surveys - this one of people in 39 countries - Singapore ranked higher than the United States.

Your old history teacher may have told you that John Alden was a cooper aka barrel maker, but may not have told you he was invited to sail on the Mayflower primarily to take special care of the ship's beer barrels.

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Sydney Omarr Horoscope

IF JANUARY 16 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are studious, very few people know the real you. Much gained via

dynamic, possess extraordinary perception. People are drawn to you when emotional burdens become almost too heavy to bear. You see things as your own most severe critic, are better at helping others than when it comes to promoting your own cause. Pisces, Virgo, personal many roles in your life. February, November your most memorable months of 1996.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): What a Tuesday! Scenario features leading places, clandestine arrangements relating to creative projects, romance. Insist on definition of terms, check legal rights in connection with inheritance.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Check references, bring source material up to date. Lunar position highlights how the world looks to you, how you appear to others. Spotlight on legalities, partnership, marital status.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Stress unusual appeal, look beyond the immediate, give attention to distance, language barriers. Love relationship heats up - you could encounter soul mate.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Light shines bright where most are dim. Don't overlook the obvious - someone cares enough, wants you to be comfortable, perhaps a sign. Lunar position emphasizes sensuality, sex appeal.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Family member makes prediction, claims to be psychic. Don't laugh, could be true! Spotlight on property, home, value of possessions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Scenario highlights confusion, visits, relatives who make bizarre requests. Sagittarian figures prominent.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Revise, review, rewrite - insist on quality material. Individual who advocates short-cuts is victim of self-deception. Investment information valid, utilize common sense.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Put requests in writing - you're likely to get what you ask for, be sure you're ready for big league. Action is where you are, you'll exude personal magnetism, sex appeal.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Write notice, covets money - you might secretly be saying to yourself, "I didn't think I could do it, but I did!" Focus on an artifact, luxury items, intensified love relationship.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Beware deceptive elements! Give serious attention to sphorism, "Don't judge book by its cover!" Trust foreign languages. Wish fulfilled following perilous journey.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Pressure on, deadline exists, necessary to bring you out of chaotic situation. Some insist you are too strict - tell them to go elsewhere if they don't like it! Focus on distant lands, foreign languages. You'll exhibit desire to make the world happy. Let go of burden, be free to travel, to be involved with romance. Don't reject happiness!



Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Frank and Ernest

By Bob Thaves



The Born Loser

By Art Sansom & Chip



Down and Out

By Art Sansom & Chip



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Valley life

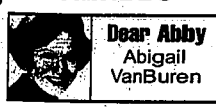
No apology necessary in smoking scenario

DEAR ABBY: I am a retired executive of a nationally known insurance company. I was with it for 31 years. I'm now 62. My wife died two years ago, and after her death I sold my house, returned to my hometown, bought a condo, joined AARP and settled in to being a "golden-ager."

Every morning I have breakfast at my favorite restaurant and read the newspaper while I eat. I'm very anti-smoking, and the restaurant has a section for nonsmokers.

A few months ago, a nice-looking woman began coming into the restaurant about the same time (mid-morning) as I did. She'd sit in the smoking section, have a couple of cigarettes, several cups of coffee and read the newspaper. She appears to be about my age, well-dressed and very attractive. I have never spoken to her. I don't even know her name.

One morning, we were the only two customers in the place, and a waitress, while pouring my refill, said, "Why don't you go over there and speak to that lady and get acquainted? She lost her husband last year, and she's a very nice person."



Dear Abby
Abigail VanBuren

I replied, "Thank you, but I avoid being around smokers."

This morning, the manager of the restaurant said to me, "You insulted one of my customers by saying you wanted nothing to do with her, so now she's having her coffee up the street."

Abby, that's not true. All I said was, "I avoid being around smokers."

Should I get the lady's name and address and write her a note of apology?

-LNSURE
DEAR LNSURE: You don't owe the lady an apology; a note from you would indicate a special interest.

The waitress showed poor judgment in repeating your remark. She should have kept her mouth shut — and so should the manager, who will be lucky if he doesn't lose a second customer for putting you on the spot.

Club calendar

- TUESDAY**
- 4:45 p.m. — Deacons, 2100 Burton. For more information, call (208) 678-9643.
 - 6 p.m. — Peace Lutheran Church, 600 Stevens St.
 - 7:30 p.m. — Disabled American Veterans Hall on Harrison Blvd. Open to the public. C.A. donation.
 - 8:45 p.m. — Magic Valley Fellowship Hall, 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call 734-2242.
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Valley happenings

New NARFE officers to be announced

TWIN FALLS — The National Association of Retired Federal Employees will meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at North's Chuckwagon in Kimberly Road.

Several important issues will be discussed, and new officers for the year will be installed. For more information, call Bud Ruffing at 733-5231.

Hospice volunteers welcome new guests

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Staffing Services Hospice volunteers will meet at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday for a brown bag lunch.

The meeting will be in the hospice conference room. Juice and coffee will be provided. Recognitions will be made, and a planning meeting will be held. Anyone interested in joining the hospice volunteer program is welcome. For more information, call Susan at 734-0600.

Historical society to discuss Holland

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls County Historical Society will hold its regular meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Health and Welfare Building on Pole Line Road.

Cornelius Rievel will talk about the canal system, agriculture and Holland. All interested people are encouraged to attend.

Annual meeting set for Gooding seniors

GOODING — The annual membership meeting of the Gooding County Senior Citizens Organization is planned for 11:45 a.m. Thursday at the Gooding Senior Center, 208 Senior Ave.

Following a lunch break at noon, the meeting will reconvene at 12:30 p.m., at which time nominations for the annual election of the board of directors will be accepted from the floor.

Four board members will be elected for two-year terms, and three alternate board members will be elected for one-year terms. Nominations will be accepted until time to vote. Voting will be held from 1 to 2 p.m., and counting of ballots will follow the voting immediately.

Buttons and Bows gather Thursday

JEROME — The Buttons and Bows Dance Club is sponsoring a workshop for round dancers Thursday at the American Legion Hall.

Beginners step out at 7 p.m., with advanced dancers following at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call June Custer at 733-9235.

Wendell High School offers health fair

WENDELL — The Wendell High School senior health class will host a health fair from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday in the gymnasium at the high school.

HDL total cholesterol checks will be offered by the Public Health Department. Cost is \$10 each. A variety of booths will be set up to provide information on the human immunodeficiency virus and AIDS, nutrition, alcohol and substance abuse, pregnancy facts, the Drug Awareness Resistance Education program, abstinence, physical fitness testing and smoking. The Army National Guard will be doing blood pressure checks and body fat testing.

The Times-News welcomes news of community events. Send material to The Times-News Valley Happenings, PO Box 548, Twin Falls, ID, 83303-0548. Please submit news at least a week in advance and include a phone number where you can be reached.

Letters of thanks

Bone marrow drive participants thanked

To the citizens of Gooding and surrounding towns...

Alta and I would like to express our heartfelt thanks to the 380-plus people who participated in the bone marrow drive held on two Saturdays in Gooding. Not only did they use all their supplies but all they could borrow from the Gooding Hospital and Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

We wish to give special thanks to Shaun Couch of the Gooding County Sheriff's Department for his time and effort in retrieving these supplies. We must give special thanks to Barbara and Dan Moon for the organization of the drive and to KRKR Radio, the Gooding County Leader and The Times-News for promoting the drive. And to all the other people who helped at the drive.

We can't put our feelings into words other than to say thank you one and all. We are very proud to be members of this community.

ED AND ALTA STOVER
Hageman

Adopt-A-Star program thanks retail help

Twin Falls Head Start would like to say thank you to Shopko, Grocery Outlet and King's for providing the space and trees for our Adopt-A-Star project. We would also like to thank the community for its generosity in providing presents for our Head Start children.

Also, the Twin Falls Head Start families would like to thank those in the community who adopted the individual families and helped them have a bountiful and joyful Christmas.

Thank you...

CHRIS ANDERSEN
Center Supervisor
Twin Falls

Blood drive successful due to volunteers

I would like to extend my thanks to everyone who helped make Jerome's December blood draw possible.

Thanks to Sehawns, Mitch's Repair, Jerome Optimist Club, and men and women of the Moose who donated items and provided volunteers. Special thanks to Jack and Betty Hyder and Fred and Jan Tate, and a big thank you to the Jerome LDS 4th and 5th wards for the wonderful cookies.

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Gooding Search and Rescue thank supporters

Gooding County Search and Rescue would like to thank the community for its support of our drawing. The winners of the turkeys Dennis Faulkner, Melvin Brooks, Agnes Thiermano, Letti Daniels, Bob Warbis, Dowell Demaray, Darrin Demaray and Steve Chandler, Dick Maestas won the ham.

We are trying hard to get the training and equipment needed to be the very best we can. Your support is always greatly appreciated.

BRAD BICKFORD
Commander, Gooding County Search and Rescue
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Help with Bickel vision screening thoughtful

As school health nurse for Bickel Elementary School in Twin Falls, I would like to offer a sincere thank you to each of the following ladies

and the gentleman who volunteered their time on Dec. 14 and 15, 1995, to assist students at Bickel with their vision screening. They are:

Parent Teacher Organization
President Robin Kirby, Kathy Dutt, Debbie Engberg, Judi Brudley, Lori Vriesman, Shelley Gardner, Rosa Whitman, Cary Steel and daughter, Brandy Rodgers, Lorraine Steiers, and Leaver Thorneok of the Monarch Lion's Club.

Because of the efficiency and enthusiasm of each member of this team, more than 170 children had their vision checked during those two days. The countless number of hours donated by community service organizations such as the Lion's club and school PTOs should be considered front-page news or at least get bigger headlines!

LINDA CHAPTON, R.N.
Public Health Nurse
Twin Falls

Loved ones appreciated in crucial situation

We do not know how to express our love and thanks for the care and support we have received while Ryan was not doing so well. The cards, flowers, food, phone calls and money were overwhelming.

To our friends, family, co-workers and customers, we say thank you from the bottom of our very souls. To the police, sheriff and detectives, we say God bless you for your hard work and determination. Dr. Donald Workman and Dr. Mark McCain, thank you. Special thanks to some quiet heroes — the young man at the scene who helped save Ryan's life; the eye witnesses who have helped the police and stayed with us in the emergency room. We can never repay the kindness we have received. Please know we appreciate and love you all. Thank you again.

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Chechen rebels killed as Russians storm village

The Associated Press

PERVOMAYSKAYA, Russia — Risking the lives of more than 100 hostages in an effort to wipe out their Chechen rebel captors, the Russian military hurled rockets and shells at this tiny village, then stormed in for fierce house-to-house fighting.

Nine hostages were freed, but the fate of the rest was unknown as night fell. Dozens of rebels were killed and two Russian soldiers died.

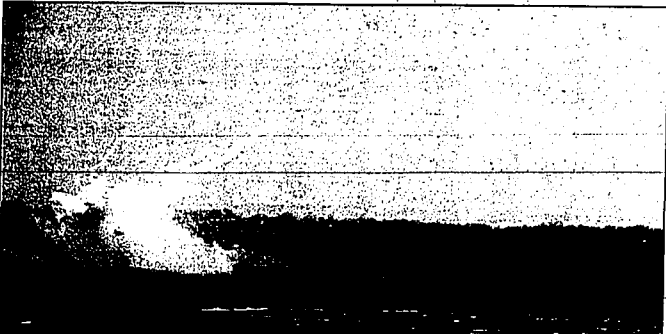
Military planes dropped flares, illuminating the charred houses of Pervomayskaya so soldiers could hunt the rebels and their captives.

The rebels, estimated to number between 150 and 250, put up fierce resistance with small arms and rocket-propelled grenades, and managed to knock out several Russian armored personnel carriers.

Gen. Mikhail Barsukov, who was in charge of the Russian operation, said the attack was launched because rebels had started killing hostages Sunday. The rebels denied the charge.

"We want the terrorists punished and wiped out from the Chechen land," President Boris Yeltsin, speaking in Moscow, told the ITAR-Tass news agency.

The Interior Ministry in Moscow said 60 rebels were killed, 15 serious-



gunmen released most hostages and headed for Chechnya with the rest in a convoy of buses. They were stopped by Russian forces at Pervomayskaya on Wednesday, just short of the border. The rebels refused demands to free the hostages without a new guarantee of safe passage back to their breakaway republic. The Russians brought in hundreds of troops and encircled the village with tanks and artillery. Monday's shelling set homes on fire, and thick smoke spiraled into the sky above the village. Stay-at-home, 45-year-old nurse who fled a few days ago to the nearby village of Sovetskoye, winced as a 122mm howitzer opened up on Pervomayskaya. "I spent 30 years building our home," she said, watching the battle from a safe point across the plains. "Our cattle, our clothes and everything is there."



A missile fired by Russian forces explodes in the village of Pervomayskaya Monday after a storming of the area where Chechen rebels were holding 100 captives.

ly wounded and an unspecified number of others captured. Two Russian servicemen were killed and at least 16 wounded, said ministry duty officer Anatoly Zinich. The deafening roar of rockets, artillery and machine-gun fire at 9 a.m. announced the start of the Kremlin's attempt to end a tense six-day standoff with the band of rebels who had deeply embarrassed the Russian military.

On Jan. 9, the rebels slipped past border guards and seized up to 3,000 hostages in Kizlyar, a town in the Russian republic of Dagestan. At least 40 people were killed in that fighting. With a promise of safe passage, the

Russian helicopter gunships swooped down, firing rocket after rocket. One rocket destroyed a school where some of the hostages, including women and children, had been held. There was no immediate report of casualties.

Rebels had guarded others in village-houses and an mosque. Reports put the number of hostages at between 70 and 120. Holding out some hope that many

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TF 2 bdrm, 1 1/2 bath, ref, DW, stove, 204 Creeview, newly decorated. Furnishings, \$525/mo. Days 325-6863.

TF 2 bdrm, apt. quiet area. No pets. Laundry facilities. \$400/mo. Call 734-8224.

TF Large 2-bdrm, townhouse. \$450/mo. 2 bdrm, \$420. \$450/mo. No pets. 734-4120.

TF Nice, newly new brick. 3-bdrm, 2 bath, no pets. \$800/mo. \$500 dep. 734-5683.

TF Townhouse, 2 bdrm, 2 bath, \$450/mo. Call 734-2838.

TF 200 MOVE IN ALLOWANCE 2 bdrm. 1 1/2 bath, \$500 dep. \$300 dep. Water & lawn care provided. Call 734-8074 or 734-4121.

TF - A-150, \$575, 2 bdrm, 2 bath, \$500 dep. \$300 dep. Washer, microwave, WD, gas fireplace. Water & trash included. ELWOOD & EVANS 734-1401

TF - A-174, \$500, 2 bdrm, appliances, WD hook-up, call 734-1401. ELWOOD & EVANS 734-1401

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THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

"Humility is not renunciation of pride but the substitution of one pride for another."

Eventually West gets his club king, but his maximum take is two tricks and the doubled game is scored.

Bridge score table with columns for North, South, East, West and various card counts.

Vulnerable: Both Dealer: West

The bidding: West North East South Pass 4 4 4 4

Opening lead: Heart Jack

BID WITH THE ACES

South leads: A J 9 6, K 10 8 7 6, A K 7 4, K A 3

ANSWER: One-trump. Do not double with shortness in the other major. Get into the auction with a one-no-trump overcall.

Send bridge questions to The Aces, P.O. Box 1243, Paul, ID 72323, with SAS# for postage.

1845-C Case Side Loader, \$15,500. OAT hay Large or small amounts. 325-4270

STRAW 1st, 2nd, 1 Ton bales. Straw well also. 55-5293, 329-5033

STRAW 500 large bales. Call 886-2087

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TOP QUALITY 2nd & 4th cutting alfalfa hay for sale. 837-4910

709 HORSES - WHITEHEART Boarding, training, Leasing, western, indoor outdoor arenas.

710 HORSE EQUIPMENT - 1090 C & B 16, 816, converted to 3-horse stall.

711 IRRIGATION - 1000 GAL. MAINLINE 1030 ft of 1 1/2" polyethylene

712 SHEEP & GOATS - 50% Bore meat good kids, pure breeds, brood does.

714 SWINE - WEANER or Butcher pig Call 324-4265 or 324-2216

801 ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES - DOLLS Ashton Drake, Heritage Mini, Alexander & others. 733-6454

802 APPLIANCES - DISHWASHER Kenmore portable. \$350. 325-5028

803 BUILDING MATERIALS - Antique mirror backed oak fireplace mantel.

804 COMPUTERS - COMPUTER Leading Edge 386, 14" monitor/writer. Call 738-1780

805 FURNITURE & CARPET - BED hand crafted Engberg king size frame

806 HOME HEALTH CARE - IDAHO HOME HEALTH AND NURSING 734-0017

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WASHER & DRYER \$225/Set 734-1563

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817 MISC FOR SALE - COMPUTER: Commodore 2 1/2" w/16 mb hard drive, printer, 1200 word processor.

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CLEAN AFFORDABLE ROOMS for rent. 345 w. 1738-2451, 825-5254 after 4 pm or 731-2431

610 STORAGE/WAREHOUSE RENTAL - Approx. 6,000 sq ft of storage space available at 2573 S. Lincoln in Jerome.

611 FARMS FOR RENT - 80 Acres for rent near Jerome. 788-4305.

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