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Good morning

Today's forecast:
Rain-likely with southwest winds-15 to 25 mph. Highs in the middle 40s. Lows 30 to 45 degrees.
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Magic Valley

Pet chimney near death
A big Buht landmark will be dismantled soon as a milk factory becomes a fish factory.
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State schools Superintendent Anne C. Fox said she has the power to dismantle an educational innovation.
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Shark skipped
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Enthusiasm over lower interest rates overpowered other concerns on Wall Street and propelled the Dow Jones industrial average to its eighth record close in two weeks.
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Judge OKs subpoena for Clinton

The Associated Press
LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — President Clinton was ordered Monday to testify at next month's Whitewater trial for James and Susan McDougal, his partners in a failed northern Arkansas land deal.
The White House said it wants the president to testify by videotape rather than in person.
Mrs. McDougal is accused of receiving a \$300,000 loan that David Hale, a former municipal judge who

ran a small business investment firm, says Clinton pressured him to make. Clinton, who has not been charged, has denied the accusation.
U.S. District Judge George Howard Jr. issued an order approving the subpoena on behalf of both the McDougals. The judge directed the lawyers to proceed in a way that does not interfere with the president's official duties, perhaps by using videotape or satellite.
"We have received Judge Howard's order and we will review

it carefully," David E. Kendall, Clinton's personal lawyer, said in Washington. "The president's intention is to cooperate in an appropriate fashion."
The White House and McDougals' lawyers are likely to skirmish over whether Clinton will appear in the Little Rock courthouse, testify from a remote location by satellite or offer his testimony on videotape, which would be replayed in the courthouse.
A White House source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said "we

expect that ... discussions with Mrs. McDougal's lawyers will result in the president providing videotaped testimony."
Mrs. McDougal's lead attorney, Bobby McDaniel, said he wants the president to testify in person because that is "the best way to evaluate the credibility of the witness."
Hale, the government's chief witness, "is going to testify in person and the president should too," McDaniel said.



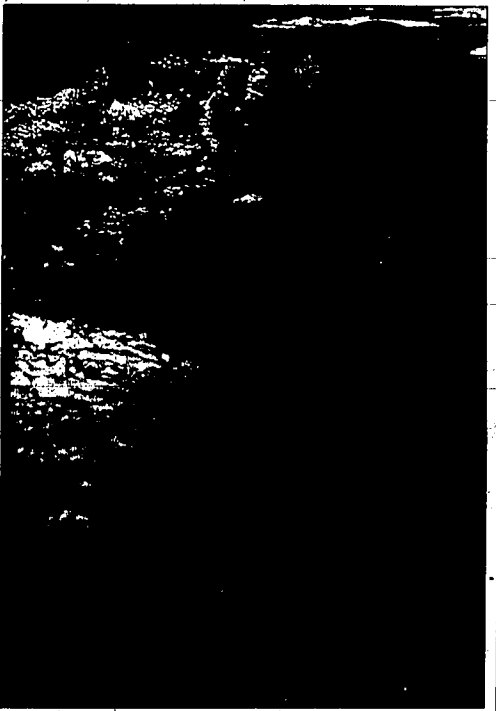
Clinton

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After the freeze, warmup brings flood worries

By William Brock
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley was a soggy place Monday as temperatures soared into the mid-40s, transforming fresh snow into slush and fueling fears of flooding.
"The potential for flooding is certainly with us, so it depends on the weather for the next few days," said Gary Young, Twin Falls city engineer. "Temperatures in the 40s, by themselves, won't be a problem, but 40s with rain will be a definite problem."
"If it doesn't rain, we'll probably get out of this all right," Young said.



Jim Lane, maintenance supervisor for the South Central District Health Department, keeps a channel of melt water flowing past the building Monday in Twin Falls.

Today's forecast calls for rain, according to the National Weather Service. Though it's not their responsibility, civic-minded souls can help by keeping city "catch basins" — commonly known as storm drains — open to collect excess melt water. City crews also will be busy clearing ice and snow away from the drains, Young said.
"Over the years, we've made some storm-drain improvements, but the city still isn't very well set," he said.

A major melting would provide the city's first test of a new storm-water retention area, built at Thomas Park last year. If it works, the area could spare homeowners in the Indian Trails and Larkspur areas from basement flooding.
One of the biggest concerns in rural areas is the potential for dairy lagoons to overflow their banks, said Steve Kolar, Twin Falls-based water-quality science officer for the state Division of Environmental Quality.

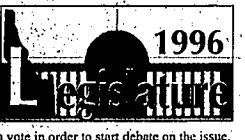
"Just driving around in the last couple of weeks, I've seen a lot of lagoons that are at, or near, capacity — and it looks like there could be a big mess up ahead," Kolar said Monday.

"I think it's going to get really ugly around March, especially if this stuff comes off in four or five days — like it can around here," he added.
Feces- and urine-laced water from dairies can pollute the Snake River, as well as groundwater sources, if it escapes from lagoons. However, the DEQ no longer regulates dairy contamination
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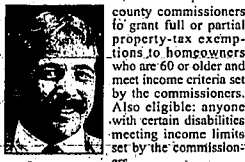
Elderly may receive tax break under new proposal

By Karen Tolkinen
Times-News writer

BOISE — Long-time residents in counties with rising property values could see property-tax exemptions if a bill sponsored by Sen. Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum, becomes law.
The bill drew bipartisan support in the Senate Local Government and Taxation Committee Monday, despite warnings from Sen. Evan Frazier, R-Pocatello, that it added weight to his hopes to do so.
The committee decided unanimously to send Stennett's bill to the Senate floor for



a vote in order to start debate on the issue.
"It's a social policy," Stennett said. "It's intended to keep a couple of people in Blaine County and a couple of people in Teton County in their homes."
If passed into law, the bill would allow



Stennett

county commissioners to grant full or partial property-tax exemptions to homeowners who are 60 or older and meet income criteria set by the commissioners.
Also eligible: anyone with certain disabilities meeting income limits set by the commissioners.

Homeowners would have to apply for the exemption before April 15, prove that the homeowners are their primary dwelling places and provide state and federal income tax returns for the past three years.
Once a year, voters could hold an election initiating or repealing the exemption if they present the commission a petition signed by at least 10 percent of those who voted in the last election.
Stennett removed a provision from last year's bill, which failed in the House, that would have "deferred" the taxes until after the homeowner's death. The county would then collect the tax, and the heirs or estate would take possession of the house. County officials would then have to pay the tax.
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Visit dad or go to jail, judge tells teen-age girl

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — She gets straight A's and swims like a champion, but Galatea Kapsimalis is a lot like other teen-agers when it comes to hanging out with dad.
Not even the threat of jail has persuaded the 15-year-old to visit the father she says deserted her family in a bitter divorce battle.
The threat came from the same court that in July ordered a 12-year-old girl jailed for refusing to visit her father. The girl was released a day later pending the outcome of an appeal that could determine how far Illinois judges may go in



Kapsimalis

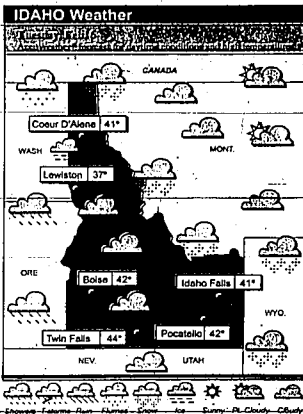
trying to resolve visitation disputes.
"The two cases have caught the attention of family law experts nationwide."
"Ordering children to obey their parents is, except in rare circumstances, no business of the court," said Benjamin Wolf of the American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois, which filed a friend-of-the-court brief in the appellate case and is watching the Kapsimalis dis-

pute. He called the judges' decisions in both cases "an intrusion of the privacy of the family."
Galatea agrees.
"It's definitely not fair," said the teenager, who lives in the Chicago suburb of Bolingbrook. "We have our rights. He can't force us to see our father."
Judge Robert C. Lorz in Joliet has indicated he will await the appeals court ruling before deciding whether to send Galatea and her 14-year-old brother, Peter, to jail. He held the youngsters in contempt on June 27.
"If it comes down to seeing him or going to jail, we'll go to jail," Galatea said.

Jailing children in such cases is almost unheard of, said Mary Becker, a University of Chicago law professor. "I can't imagine that we would even dream of treating adults that way — forcing them to spend time with someone they don't want to spend time with," she said.
Kostas Kapsimalis is seeking to divorce his wife, Bess, after nearly 15 years of marriage.
Kapsimalis said that since moving out of the family home and filing for divorce in 1994, he has seen his children just twice outside court, despite court orders granting him regular visits. Even then, he

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Weather



Idaho forecasts

Magic Valley
Rain likely today. Highs in the mid-40s. Southwest winds 15 to 25 mph. Tonight cloudy. A chance of rain. Lows 30 to 45. Wednesday cloudy. A chance of rain. Highs in the lower 50s. The ultraviolet index forecast is 1, a minimal exposure level.

Extended regional forecast
Thursday and Friday mostly cloudy with a slight chance of valley rain and mountain snow showers each day. Lows in the 30s to lower 40s; Highs in the 40s east to lower 50s west. Saturday partly cloudy. Lows in the middle 20s to middle 30s. Highs in the 40s.

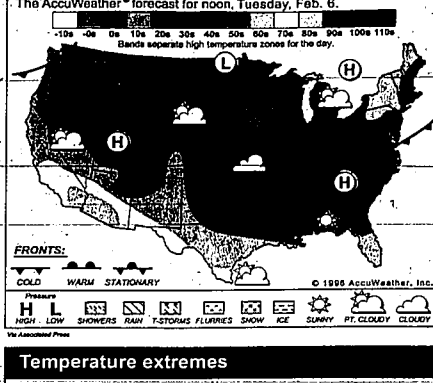
Wood River Valley
Snow and rain likely today. Accumulation 1 to 3 inches. Highs in the mid-30s. Tonight cloudy. A good chance of rain or snow. Lows in the lower 20s. Wednesday cloudy. A chance of rain. Highs in the mid-40s.

Treasure Valley
Rain likely today. Highs in the mid-40s. Southeast winds 10 to 20 mph. Tonight cloudy. A chance of rain. Lows in the 30s. Wednesday cloudy. A chance of rain. Highs in the mid-50s.

Northern Nevada
Mostly cloudy north with a chance of showers northeast today. Partly cloudy central. Highs near 30s and 40s east to the 50s west. Tonight partly cloudy. Lows in the 20s and lower 30s. Wednesday partly sunny. Highs in the 40s to mid-50s.

Northern Utah
Low clouds and fog otherwise cloudy with a slight chance of rain showers today. Highs near 40. Tonight cloudy with a slight chance of rain showers. Lows near 30. Wednesday mostly cloudy. Highs mid-40s. The ultraviolet index forecast is 2, a minimal exposure level.

NATIONAL Weather



National temperatures

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	60	29	.....
Atlanta	31	6	.....
Boston	19	4	.....
Chicago	22	2	.....
Dallas	57	23	.....
Denver	55	33	.....
Des Moines	19	12	.....
Detroit	22	0	.....
Honolulu	88	74	.....
Houston	53	23	.....
Indianapolis	24	-4	.....
Kansas City	35	15	.....
Las Vegas	62	49	.....
Los Angeles	75	60	.....
Memphis	35	10	.....
Miami Beach	62	37	.....
Milwaukee	15	-1	.....
Minneapolis	13	-8	.....
New Orleans	17	18	.....
New York	17	9	.....
Oklahoma City	48	19	.....
Omaha	25	17	.....
Philadelphia	44	27	.....
Pittsburgh	19	-3	.....
Portland, Me.	17	-12	.....
Portland, Ore.	44	27	.....
Reno	59	43	.....
St. Louis	37	12	.....
Salt Lake City	33	23	.....
San Francisco	67	59	.....
Seattle	54	40	.....
San Diego	62	31	.....
Washington	21	5	.....

Almanac

Idaho	Max	Min	Pcp
Boise	37	19	.....
Burley	48	20	01
Fairfield	38	21	.....
Gooding	38	31	.....
Hagerman	53	27	.....
Idaho Falls	33	20	.....
Jerome	39	23	03
Lowiston	42	26	01
Malad	34	49	29
Malta	46	25	10
McCall	39	21	.....
Pocatello	42	22	08
Salmon	21	-1	.....
Stanley	m	m	.....
Sun Valley	45	29	.....

Twin Falls
Max 42, Min 19, Pcp 01

Precipitation
Monthly to date: .34
Normal year to date: 6.78

Comfort factors
Humidity at noon: 68 pcp
Barometer at noon: 30.075

Skywatch
Sunset today 5:58 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:46 a.m.
Lunar phase: Full, Feb. 4; last quarter, Feb. 12; new, Feb. 18; last quarter, Feb. 25.

Idaho weather summary

A series of Pacific weather disturbances produced a mixture of snow, rain and freezing rain across the state Monday. Skies cleared about midday over the Magic Valley after a spell of freezing rain that followed the snow storm which moved into the area Sunday afternoon and continued into the evening.

Morning temperatures were much warmer than the previous few days. Afternoon temperatures ranged from the upper 20s to upper 40s.

Winds were generally light and variable.

Precipitation totals from rain and snow were generally light although more than a quarter inch fell south of Pocatello and nearly half an inch in the lower Treasure Valley. The Panhandle received around .10-inch-with lighter amounts in the central portions of the state.

Temperature extremes

Idaho: High, 53 degrees at Hagerman. Low, 1 degree below zero at Salmon. Nation: High, 83 at Borrego Springs, Calif. Low, 23 below at Sanford, Maine.

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Stennett

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als fought that provision, he said. He is seeking to make this year's law retroactive to Jan. 1. It would affect the home and one acre of property.

He drew support from Sen. Stan Hawkins, R-Ucon, of Teton County where property values are rising because of the region's popularity.

"I've got constituents looking for help," he said. "Teton County is going to look just like Sun Valley, and it's running a lot of people out of their homes."

But he got skepticism from "Frasure, who said the bill's flexibility would potentially exempt all senior citizens from paying property taxes and could allow commissioners to indulge in favoritism.

Flood

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of surface and groundwater supplies.

That duty recently shifted to the state Department of Agriculture.

"There's going to be some problems, undoubtedly," said Marvin Patten, Boise-based chief of the Agriculture Department's dairy bureau. Extra inspectors will be in the Magic Valley if the warm weather continues, he said.

Two out of every three cows in Idaho lives in the Magic Valley, and Patten plans to have two or three dairy inspectors on the lookout for flooding logs.

Patten and Kolar both agreed it's probably too late to prevent flooding from dairy lagoons that already are full.

"If their systems aren't already in place, they'll probably have problems," Patten said. "The best way to get out of winter is with your lagoons nearly empty."

Subpoena

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The McDougals and Gov. Jim Guy Tucker, who had other business dealings with the McDougals, face trial March 4 on conspiracy and fraud charges.

Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr says the three concealed \$3 million in loans from federally backed lenders to benefit themselves illegally.

"This is an extraordinary turn of events and underscores once again the need to get all the facts," said Republican Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, chairman of the Senate Whitewater Committee.

Just last month, Hillary Rodham Clinton became the first presidential spouse to be subpoenaed to testify before a federal grand jury.

The first lady appeared before the Whitewater grand jury in Washington to answer questions about billing documents from her former Little Rock law firm that showed up in the White House two years after Whitewater prosecutors first subpoenaed them.

The records from Rose Law Firm showed how much the first lady worked on land transactions on behalf of Madison Guaranty Savings & Loan, which failed in 1989 at a cost to taxpayers of \$65 million.

Mrs. McDougall's ex-husband

Idaho road report

BOISE (AP) — Most state highways were snow or ice-covered Monday afternoon, the Idaho Department of Transportation reported.

Read conditions:

U.S.-95 — Riggin-Whitebird Hill, wet; Whitebird Hill, wet; Grangeville-Winchester, dry; Winchester-Lewiston, broken snow floor; Lewiston-Moscow, wet; Weiser-New Meadows, icy spots, broken snow floor.

Interstate 84 — Oregon line-Caldwell, wet, icy spots; Boise area, wet; Boise-Mountain Home, dry, wet; Boise-Mountain Home-Twin Falls, wet; Twin Falls-Burley, dry, wet; Burley-Utah line, dry, wet, fog.

Idaho 55 — Horseshoe Bend-Donnelly, icy, broken snow floor; Donnelly-New Meadows, icy, broken snow floor.

Idaho 21 — Boise-Idaho City-Lowman, icy, broken snow floor; Lowman-Banner Summit, closed.

U.S. 20 — Mountain Home-Fairfield, wet, icy spots; Fairfield-Carey, wet; Arco-Idaho Falls, wet, icy spots; Idaho Falls-Ashton, icy spots, snow floor, snowing; Ashton-Montana line, snow floor, snowing.

U.S. 26 — Idaho Falls-Wyoming line, icy spots, snowing; Blackfoot-Arco, icy.

Idaho 51 — Wet, icy spots.

U.S. 93 — Nevada line-Arco, wet; Arco-Salmon, wet, broken snow floor; Lost Trail Pass, wet, broken snow floor, snowing.

Idaho 75 — Shoshone-Ketchum, wet; Galena Summit, snow floor, snowing.

Interstate 15 — Utah line-Pocatello-Malad Pass, icy, broken snow floor; Pocatello-Idaho Falls, wet, icy; Idaho Falls-Idaho Falls, icy spots; Montida Pass, broken snow floor, snowing.

U.S. 30 — McCamman-Montpelier, icy spots, broken snow floor, snowing; Montpelier-Wyoming line, broken snow floor, snowing.

Visit

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said, the youngsters were head-phones and ignored him. He thinks his wife has "brainwashed" them.

"I do love my children. I do miss them very, very much," Kapsimalis said.

Kapsimalis said seeking a contempt ruling against his children was a last resort, an effort "to improve a way to give me my rights."

"I don't want to be punished," says "their father" on scheduled visitation days, and his efforts to find them in contempt have only increased their bitterness toward him for leaving and have made them furious with him.

"I've always said if they wish to see their father they can," Mrs. Kapsimalis said. "You can't force them."

Correction

Sunday's sports section of The Times-News incorrectly identified the number of racers in the Boulder Mountain Tour cross-country ski race.

There were 656 racers in the race that started at Galena Lodge and ended at the Sawtooth National Recreation Area headquarters.

The Times-News regrets the error.

Correction

ments pending its ruling.

The children recently began meeting with their father in Illinois, under the supervision of a psychologist.

Mackoff said he understands the pressures that may have led to both decisions.

"You're not between a rock and a hard place out there; You don't want it to appear that the court order has no validity," he said, and yet, "What do you do to kids who come before you and thumb their noses at you?"

Correction

James ran the failed savings and loan.

If Clinton appears in person as Mrs. McDougall's lawyer wants, he would be subject to cross-examination by Starr, who was appointed to investigate Clinton's land deal and campaign finances. Prosecutors would be allowed to introduce evidence or testimony to challenge the president's veracity.

The appearance would also afford Clinton an opportunity to confront under oath the single most serious allegation made against him — that he pressured Hale to make the improper federally backed loan to Mrs. McDougall.

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Clinton's budget: More rhetoric than numbers

By David Epp
The Associated Press

Analysis

WASHINGTON — The barebones budget that President Clinton sketched on Monday is more campaign manifesto than spending blueprint, challenging Republicans for political turf they have long owned outright.

The 20-page pamphlet points the way to zero deficits in 2002 and makes room for a modest tax cut. Yet it also proposes more than the Republicans want for Medicaid, Medicare, education, the environment and other politically popular programs.

"Government should not do for individuals what they can do for themselves," says a three-page introductory essay — an echo of Clinton's widely quoted remark from last month's State of the Union speech that "the era of big government is over."

Most of the pain that would result from shrinking government wouldn't be felt until well after this fall's election — and even after the 1998 balloting. Of nearly \$600 billion in deficit reductions over seven years in Clinton's budget, about \$363 billion, or 61 percent, would take effect in 2000 and 2001.

Beyond laying out broad goals, the material released during the day offered scant details. It avoided any mention, for example, of how to achieve nearly \$300 billion in projected budget savings over seven years in so-called discretionary programs.

How much will come from

defense, how much from non-defense programs such as parks, housing, agriculture, veterans and dozens of other accounts? Specifics to follow in mid-March, when Clinton is expected to submit to Congress a more traditional, multivolume budget that tracks programs, trust funds and economic assumptions in mind-numbing detail.

That's when the administration will say which programs — and voting blocs — would win and which would lose in a blueprint that calls for spending \$1.64 trillion in the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1.

For now, the president has gained the political advantage. He has embraced a budget that would be balanced in seven years, using economic estimates developed by the Congressional Budget Office — as Republicans demanded. Yet it presents a more moderate face than the plan Republicans wrote on their own, and that he vetoed last year.

The plan I propose cuts hundreds of programs, continues our efforts to downsized the government, but it protects Medicare, Medicaid, education and the environment and cuts taxes for working families," the president said in remarks to the nation's governors, most of them Republicans.

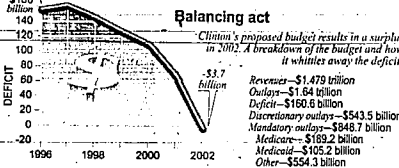
Clinton's reforms, however, addresses our challenges to renew schools, provide economic security, and preserve the environment with the initiatives that I announced in the State of the Union.

It's also sprinkled with initiatives that are bound to be popular.

Budget comparison

President Clinton's \$1.64 trillion 1997 budget plan is a 4.1 percent increase from 1996. How his plan differs from the latest Republican proposal:

	CLINTON	GOP
Savings totals over seven years, 1996-2002		
DEFICIT	Saves \$124 billion	Saves \$168 billion
BASIC GOVERNMENT	Cuts \$297 billion	Cuts \$349 billion
MEDICAID	Saves \$59 billion	Saves \$85 billion
TAXES	Cuts \$98.5 billion with the option to cut more if the economy surpasses Congressional Budget Office projections.	Cuts \$202 billion
	■ Tax credit: \$500 per child	■ Tax credit: \$500 per child
	■ Closing corporate loopholes: Saves \$59.4 billion	■ Closing corporate loopholes: Saves \$26 billion



Source: Office of Management and Budget
AP/France 26

Balancing act

Clinton's proposed budget results in a surplus in 2002. A breakdown of the budget and how it whittles away the deficit:

Revenues	-\$1,479 billion
Outlays	-\$1,644 billion
Deficit	-\$165.0 billion
Discretionary outlays	-\$543.5 billion
Mandatory outlays	-\$948.7 billion
Medicare	-\$169.2 billion
Medicaid	-\$52.2 billion
Other	-\$55.4 billion
Interest	-\$247.4 billion

In one, Clinton proposed federal subsidies to help the temporarily unemployed pay for private health insurance for up to six months.

Rep. John Kasich, R-Ohio, chairman of the House Budget

Committee, led the GOP counter-attack. In a written response, he said Clinton has served up "warmed-over status quo," and that while the president "knows the language of government reform, he doesn't know how to lead the way there."

In his own speech before the governors, Kasich sought to hold for Republicans the political terrain Clinton is trying to steal.

For 40 years, he said, Americans have sent "our money, our power, our influence" to Washington.

The Republican balanced-budget drive, with its call for reining in Medicare, Medicaid and other programs, is an attempt to reverse that, he said.

"The 21st century is not about big taxes and big government and the power of bureaucrats. It's about the power of individuals."

The budget comes at a politically pivotal moment.

Clinton is the first Democratic president in more than 30 years to avoid a fight for renomination.

That frees him to seek the center as the campaign progresses, unlikely to encounter the sort of attacks from his left that Jimmy Carter absorbed from Sen. Edward M. Kennedy in 1980, for example.

After 50 hours of negotiations, Clinton says, he and Republicans are close enough to write a balanced budget into law, and defer the outstanding issues over

Medicare, Medicaid and other programs until after the election.

"I hope we can set aside partisanship and divisions," as you often do in the (governors' association) and provide a balanced budget plan to the American people in the near future," he said.

Republicans say no such agreement exists because they have yet to reach accord on deep-seated policy differences to gain control over spending on Medicare, Medicaid and other benefit programs.

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Briefly

Dairy bill would require solids for milk

WASHINGTON — Milk drinkers could end up with extra ingredients in each glassful — and paying more for them — under an overhaul of dairy programs making its way through Congress.

A gallon of low-fat milk would cost manufacturers 15 cents more to produce because of extra dairy solids required by the measure, the Agriculture Department says, adding that consumers would probably bear the brunt. Other cost estimates are lower.

Prices could rise even higher because of other changes, the department added. As a result, the bill would raise the cost of food stamps, school lunches and other federal feeding programs by more than \$1 billion over seven years, the department says.

757 slides off taxiway; nobody hurt

PORTLAND, Ore. — A Delta Air Lines passenger jet slid off an icy taxiway early Monday at Portland International Airport, closing a runway and delaying or canceling a number of flights.

Nobody was hurt when the Boeing 757, carrying 79 passengers and a crew of seven, slid into the grass adjacent to the north runway about 1:30 a.m., Delta spokesman Todd Clay said.

Flight 1718 originated in Vancouver, British Columbia, and was preparing to leave for Atlanta when the mishap occurred. Before the accident, freezing rain showers and gusty winds swept through the Portland area.

Experts: Blacks susceptible to diabetes

WASHINGTON — Black Americans appear to have a genetic predisposition to diabetes that may be triggered by obesity or other health habits — but simple lifestyle changes could lower the risk, diabetes experts say Monday.

"This is a problem we can beat and it's time to begin," said Dr. James Gavin as he unveiled the American Diabetes Association's African-American Program.

The \$500,000 education campaign will cover how to prevent and control diabetes, a disease where the body either doesn't produce enough insulin or can't use the hormone properly.

Black Americans are twice as likely as whites to get diabetes. At least 3 million blacks have it, although many more are thought to be undiagnosed. Black women particularly are vulnerable — one in four over age 55 has diabetes.

Liz Taylor files for divorce — again

LOS ANGELES — Seven was not a lucky number for Elizabeth Taylor. She's getting another divorce.

The Academy Award-winning actress filed for divorce Monday from her seventh husband, construction worker Larry Fortensky. She cited irreconcilable differences.

"The whole thing is going to be handled privately," Taylor's lawyer Neil Papiano said. "Everyone is cooperating. I think it will be handled well, and in a fashion that will be pleasing to everyone."

Taylor met Fortensky in 1988 at the Betty Ford Clinic, where both were being treated for substance abuse.

Compiled from wire reports

Report finds military air crashes on the decline

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Military aircraft crashes have steadily declined over the past 20 years, but they still cost the Defense Department more than \$1 billion a year, congressional investigators said Monday.

The General Accounting Office report found that human error is a factor in three-quarters of all crashes. Investigators found that the number of military air crashes dropped from 309 in 1975 to 76 last year. Deaths declined from 285 to 85.

Rep. Ike Skelton, who requested the study, said he was surprised at the findings.

"The increased media coverage of these accidents left an impression we were seeing higher numbers of crashes and deaths," said Skelton, D-Mo., a senior member of the

House National Security Committee.

"While this report offers little consolation to those who have lost loved ones, it shows that military aviation safety has improved," Skelton said.

The most recent military crash occurred Jan. 29 in Nashville, Tenn., when a Navy F-14 slammed into a residential neighborhood shortly after takeoff, killing two crew members and three people on the ground.

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Nation

Buchanan seeks to derail Gramm

WINNFIELD, La. (AP) — Bidding for an upset in Louisiana's "spoiled" caucuses, Pat Buchanan labeled Texas Sen. Phil Gramm a supporter of higher taxes and racial quotas Monday as he tried to drum up interest in the first official voting of the 1996 presidential race.

Twenty-one delegates were at stake today in caucuses to be conducted at 42 sites across the state, a process designed by Louisiana GOP officials who support Gramm. That made Gramm the heavy favorite, with most other GOP hopefuls boycotting the event in deference to Iowa's traditional role as host of the leadoff caucuses.

Without the participation of Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, publishing heir Steve Forbes and others, Louisiana GOP officials lost their hope of staging the first major nomination fight. Still, the event dubbed the "cabinet caucuses" by Buchanan — was not without consequences.

Whoever wins here will have the early, if perhaps fleeting, lead in a race for the nearly 1,000 delegates needed to win the GOP nomination. "There were cabinet caucuses" for Gramm in what has boiled down to



AP photo

Republican presidential candidate Pat Buchanan, left, attempts to meet eye to eye with a young unidentified parishioner at First United Pentecostal Church in Monroe, La., Sunday, while vying for the support of 21 GOP National Convention delegates in today's Louisiana caucus.

a duel with Buchanan for conservative bragging rights. Anti-abortion spending by Gramm and Buchanan. A year ago, Gramm won a straw poll of Louisiana GOP activists and suggested it proved he was the can-

didate most in touch with the party's grass roots. But he has stumbled since, lagging well behind in early polling despite heavy spending.

Still, his campaign has billed Louisiana as a major springboard to Iowa and New Hampshire. As recently as a month ago, Gramm was predicting he would win all or most of the 21 delegates to be decided Tuesday.

Buchanan's aggressive challenge had the Gramm camp trying to lower expectations. Gramm, campaigning in Iowa, said that if he captures more than 11 delegates, "that would be victory."

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Dole offers his Midwest roots as strength against Clinton

AMES, Iowa (AP) — Trying to distance himself from his GOP rivals, Sen. Bob Dole offered himself to Iowans Monday as the Republican presidential candidate with the strength to defeat President Clinton in November.

Dole, reaching out to undecided voters a week before Iowa's caucuses, used November electoral math to make his case and said the Midwest "will be the battleground" with Clinton.

"It seems to me that with the opportunities we have in the Midwest, a strong Midwestern candidate would certainly be helpful," the Kansas senator said in a morning campaign stop at Iowa State University.

While the other candidates focused on each other — and Dole — Dole made the case that "it's important to focus on the race in November."

Dole is better known than most of his rivals and has a much longer campaign history in Iowa. Aides said focusing on the general election would appeal to a substantial group of voters who have not made up their minds.

"It's a nice contrast," said spokesman Nelson Warfield.

There was fresh evidence Monday that Forbes has gained ground, at least in New Hampshire. A poll released by WMUR-TV showed Dole and Forbes in a tight race where Dole had been a clear leader only a month earlier.

While Forbes has grabbed campaign momentum, Dole supporters say they have put together a better campaign organization to deliver activists to Iowa's caucuses next Monday.

Dole suggested voters would reject Forbes as an untested candidate.

"I think that's what it boils down to is experience, getting things done," Dole said. "I like to get things done."

The GOP presidential race has turned contentious in recent weeks as it has tightened. Most of the contenders have sought to outdo each other with sharply

conservative rhetoric appealing to party activists.

Dole did his best to sound like a general-election candidate unconcerned with such things.

"If we want confrontation day after day after day, there are probably other candidates out there who will give it to you every day, and America won't move one inch forward," he said.

Dole praised his campaign organization and declared, "We believe we're right back on track." He later assured reporters he was referring to the country, not his campaign. "We've never been off-track," he said. He discounted the import of Forbes' challenge.

"It's not going to last," Dole said. "In the end, the American people aren't going to say that someone with zero experience and a lot of money ought to be president."

White Dole was moving through central and eastern Iowa, Forbes was rolling across the western part of the state in his campaign bus.

"This is the real world, not the fantasyland they have in Washington," Forbes said during a stop in Sioux City.

He urged Iowans to study how his flat-tax plan — under fire from Dole and others — would affect their personal balance sheets, saying: "Inoculate yourself against all of the demagogues and fast-mongers who don't want you to know you'll come out ahead."

Texas Sen. Phil Gramm also was campaigning in Iowa but preferred to focus on Tuesday's caucuses in Louisiana, where he and commentator Pat Buchanan are the only major contenders.

"I think the people in Iowa are going to look at the Louisiana caucuses as a sort of semifinal to decide who is the real conservative candidate," Gramm said during a stop in Muscatine.

Former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander continued to complain that Forbes was getting "valentine coverage" from reporters going easy on him.

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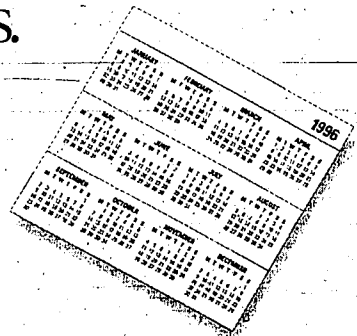
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Idaho

Gritz criticized by his community

WOODLAND (AP) — Members of the fledgling Freeman Patriots say Bo Gritz should lead his constitutional-law community in Idaho or get out of the way.

The former Green Beret and presidential candidate replies it is not above demanding some of the patriots move out of his Almost Heaven community.

"They're certainly not going to find me leading them against a windmill," Gritz said. "It's almost as if nothing is happening in their lives, they make something happen."

The Patriots contend Gritz, who runs his Center for Action from Sandy Valley, Nev., has yet to take any action in Idaho. And some of those who bought the Gritz pitch, as well as a piece of his property, have grown impatient.

"Bo talked the talk and walked the walk," said Ed LeStage, one of the patriots. "But he has changed the talk and the walk." He announced two years ago that he was

moving to the Woodland area to form a constitutional covenant community.

Gritz bought land, subdivided it and sold lots.

But despite media hype that he was building an armed compound, Gritz has yet to even show. And his absence appears to have caused a rift within the patriot rank and file.

So far the Freeman Patriots number about eight adults without a leader. "We're not anarchists by any means," said

LeStage. "In fact, we're lovers of constitutional law. The last thing we want to see is a lawless community."

'It's almost as if nothing is happening in their (the Freeman Patriots) lives, so they make something happen.'

— Bo Gritz



To that end, LeStage and Michael Cain said they both keep guns strapped to their hips.

"If every person carried a gun, this would be a more polite society," said Cain. "We have armed ourselves. But more than on weapons, we've armed ourselves with the armor of God."

said Gritz. "They've invented their own drag-on."

Patriot member Chad Erickson wrote a letter to the Clearwater Progress, the weekly Klamath newspaper. He warned of a diabolical, Star Wars-like attack.

"Through a conference with patriots in Montana, we have learned that federal agencies are planning a strike against the patriots in the Klamath, Idaho, area," he wrote. A helicopter-borne "microwave" weapon would cook the residents without causing smoke and flame from their houses.

Gritz vows not only to disassociate himself from the Freeman Patriots, but perhaps rid his covenant communities of them if they persist.

"If it looks like Almost Heaven is going to become some kind of epicenter, we'll certainly move those people out," he said, adding his family will move to Idaho in June.

Committee backs property tax break bill

BOISE (AP) — For the second straight year, the House tax committee has approved legislation that would give low-income property owners a break on their property taxes.

The House Revenue and Taxation Committee on Monday endorsed legislation increasing the maximum amount allowable under the state's "circuit breaker" law — from \$800 to \$1,200 over the next four years. Low-income people now can qualify for a credit of up to \$800 against their property taxes. The Tax Commission said 24,512 taxpayers claimed at least part of the credit last year.

People with a household income of about \$7,000 qualify for the full \$800. As income goes up, the credit



goes down. The minimum credit is \$100 for households with about \$17,500 income.

The bill sponsored by Rep. David Bivens, R-Meridian, raises the maximum amount by \$100 next year and to \$1,200 by 1999. It would cost an extra \$577,000 next year and \$911,701 the year after that.

The Bivens measure also would make the minimum credit \$150 instead of \$100.

The measure was sent to the full House for consideration, which should come late this week. But last session, similar legislation cleared the House 69-0 and died in the Senate Local Government and Taxation Committee.

The tax panel killed competing legislation from Rep. Ken Robinson, D-Boise. It would have increased the qualifying income amount to \$25,000 in increments.

Ron Rankin, the Coeur d'Alene tax activist, urged support for Bivens' measure, instead of the bill raising qualifying income levels. "The need is at the bottom of the heap," he said.

Rep. Jim Kempton, R-Albion, voiced the major opposition to

Bivens' bill. With state tax collections faltering, he said, the legislation should be amended so it does not go into effect unless there is enough money to pay for it when the state closes its budget year July 1.

Rep. Maynard Miller, R-Moscow, said last year's \$42 million property tax cut meant little to most people, and many property owners wound up paying higher taxes despite it.

"The tax issue is still haunting us," he said. "It's time to do something."

In an effort to save his bill, Robinson suggested a compromise, raising the qualifying income limit and increasing the amount of the tax credit. But nobody took him up on it.

25 freight cars derail west of Pocatello

POCATELLO (AP) — A Union Pacific Railroad freight train derailed about 35 miles west of Pocatello Monday afternoon, and a railroad spokesman said 25 cars went off the tracks.

Union Pacific spokesman Ed Trandahl said there was no immediate information on what caused the derailment. It was reported at 12:39 p.m. at the Quigley Siding, 12 miles west of American Falls.

Trandahl said the freight originated in Seattle and was taking a mixed load of freight to Memphis.

Attorney withdraws from church-school case

POCATELLO (AP) — The attorney representing a group suing Idaho State University and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints over a property deal has been allowed to withdraw from the case.

Magistrate Judge Mikel Williams agreed with Boise attorney Bernard Zaleha's argument that he has a conflict of interest with Idaho State political science professor Tom Hale, who is described by Williams in court documents as the "mastermind" of the plaintiff's case.

The suit, challenging a land swap between the university and the church, was filed last July in U.S. District Court. Plaintiffs are

Jatina Greenhalgh, Helen Clays, Dawn Latin and Leonard Sisk, all of Pocatello, and William H. Aldrich of American Falls.

Zaleha told Williams he had been retained by a client to collect an unpaid judgment against Hale and is defending the same client against Hale in a related defamation suit.

Williams' order gives the plaintiffs until Feb. 16 to find another attorney or the case will be dismissed.

Idaho State legal counsel Kelly Wilbanks said the plaintiffs have amended the complaint to oppose graduation prayers and the university's practice of offering religious course work.

McCall given cleanup deadline

BOISE (AP) — The City of McCall will be given until Jan. 1, 1999, to remove its treated sewage effluent from the North Fork of the Payette River.

Those are the terms contained in a preliminary draft of a new federal discharge permit the Environmental Protection Agency sent to the Idaho Division of Environmental Quality.

The Department of Environmental Quality will release its requirements

for a total maximum daily limit of what can be discharged into the North Fork, and it calls for a zero discharge by 1998.

Wayne VanCour, president of the Cascade Reservoir Association, which has a lawsuit pending against the city and the Environmental Protection Agency, said he has not seen a copy of the draft permit in its entirety.

He said the 1998 date is close to the date his organization wanted.

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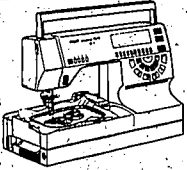
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Editorial

Initiatives belong to public; keep politicians' hands off

Initiatives sometimes are wrong-headed, and sometimes they are the tools of demagogues. Sometimes they let a mouthy minority of citizens force a public showdown on an issue that most people would rather ignore.

Even at their best, they are a crude instrument for making laws — a fractious and graceless way to do the public's business. So it's easy to argue for making initiatives harder to put on the ballot.

But for all their faults, initiatives are Idaho voters' sole means of grabbing the wheel of government and steering for themselves. The initiative process is the public's last line of defense against inept or unresponsive politicians.

Those who want to monkey with the process need to be told: Hands off.

At the request of the Idaho Farm Bureau, state Rep. Milt Erhart, R-Boise, has just introduced his second attempt of 1996 to stifle initiatives. This one is not as harsh as his first, but it still would make significant changes for the worse.

The current rules for putting an initiative on the ballot require signatures equal to 10 percent of the votes cast in the most recent gubernatorial election. Erhart's bill would add additional requirements: The signatures would have to come from at least 33 of Idaho's 44 counties; and no county could turn in more than half the total.

Also, on Election Day, no more than 20 percent of the ballots could come from one county.

The goal is to make sure that densely populated areas (Ada County comes to mind) don't run roughshod over rural areas. The new rules would prevent initiative organizers from gathering the bulk of their signatures at the Western Idaho Fair and the Boise Riverfest.

The problem with these rules is that they trash the idea of everybody's vote counting equally. The "one-man, one-vote" principle is long-established in the democratic process. But under Erhart's rules, a person living in Boise would have less political power than a person living in a rural area.

While that may be appealing to country and small-town residents, it's unfair — and probably unconstitutional.

Concern about the growing strength of the Boise population center is understandable. But so far, Idaho voters haven't demonstrated any tendency to use the initiative irresponsibly.

Voters commonly turn down questionable initiatives, such as 1994's initiatives on property taxes and gay rights. The important thing is that the initiative process be available to voters in case we really need it.

Erhart's proposal be given a speedy death: The Legislature should leave the initiative process alone.



Reagan's legacy still shapes politics

James Pinkerton

Last week, Republican National Committee chairman Haley Barbour paid President Clinton the ultimate compliment. "As I listened to the State of the Union address," Barbour said, "I thought Ronald Reagan had taken over Bill Clinton's body."

Although the sun may be setting on the former president's life — he turns 85 today his legacy is shaping not only current politics, but also world economics, sometimes in ways that conservatives might not like.

Sixteen years after Reagan bested him in the battle for the 1980 GOP presidential nomination, Bob Dole is suffering from a bad case of Gipper-envy.

Desperate to ingratiate himself to the faithful, Dole told a GOP gathering last July, "I'm willing to be another Ronald Reagan if that's what you want." Yet with his predilection for nasty cracks and nastier taxes, Dole is not credible as a Reaganite.

Rival Steve Forbes may lack Reagan's common touch, but his unbounded optimism about the flat tax and the supply-side fervor of the 1980s — although his \$20 million ad campaign helps, too.

Of course, the real Reaganites are the House Republicans. Their unconservative conservatism — the "Revolution of '94" — echoes the "Reagan Revolution" of '80.

And since George Bush renounced his 1990 tax increase in a recent David Frost interview, Reaganomics rules: Even Democrat Clinton now says that the right way to reduce the deficit is through spending cuts, period.

Fifteen years ago, many thought Reagan would get the United States into a shooting war with the Soviet Union at the end of the Cold War. In 1987, he journeyed to West Berlin and said, "Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall!" Two years later, the wall was down.

Contemporary historians would rather give up their tenured professorships than give Reagan's defense buildup credit for America's triumph over the Soviet Union.

But just about everyone agrees that international market forces, also championed by Reagan, so accentuated the gap between the high-living West and low-living East that



Communist morale collapsed.

And herein lies the irony of the Reagan presidency. By unleashing capitalism, Reagan accelerated not only the decline of big government, but also the dissipation of the old social order.

The unrestrained profit motive that Reaganomics nurtured is what drives entrepreneurs today to buy, sell and broadcast anything that will might make a buck.

And so Reagan's dream of a de-bureaucratized America — "getting government off our backs" — coincided with Bill Bennett's nightmare of a "de-valued" America.

Yet Reagan never seemed to worry about such cultural consequences of capitalism.

For all his Norman Rockwell images and Reader's Digest-isms, he was no nostalgic. Peggy Noonan, his greatest speech writer, says, "He was never misty-eyed about the past. He was misty-eyed about the future."

As president, Reagan looked benignly upon the creative-destructive power of business. In 1980, just 276 Wal-Mart stores existed, muscling out Mom-and-Pop stores along Main streets in the South and West. When Reagan left office, there were 1,198. Today, there are 2,561, from sea to shining sea.

This is the market in action — people voting with their pocketbooks — but Wal-Mart has forever altered traditional small-town life.

Some on the Right glory such transformation. Pat Buchanan, once Reagan's message czar, is now the least Reaganite of the Republicans running.

He has gone beyond opposition to free trade to a fundamental critique of the enterprise system that Reagan championed. "We must vote," Buchanan declares, "sacrificing American workers on the altar of the free market."

The end of Communist tyranny has made the world safe for capitalism. Today, 40,000 transnational corporations sell \$5.2 trillion worth of goods and services around the globe.

The United States has prospered greatly. Inflation-adjusted output has risen 50 percent since 1980. Yet underneath that upward trend line are losers as well as winners; when investors can build a factory in Indonesia as easily as Indiana, that threatens Hoosiers.

Ronald Reagan will be best remembered for his most American of attributes: optimism, even in the face of adversity.

As the twilight now cloaks our 40th president, he is receiving birthday greetings from around the world. For our part, we should treasure his gifts to us — including the confidence that dusk is but the prelude to the next sunrise.

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Letters

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The rumors seem to be flying as much as the snow lately on the city's policy toward snow removal. Perhaps it's time to put those rumors to rest.

First, despite what you may have heard, the city did not sell its snow equipment to any other city, including Jerome and Shoshone.

Second, Twin Falls has more than 140 miles of roads inside the city limits. We do not have the manpower nor the equipment to plow every road. Given the number of times per year the snow level requires plowing, it would be very inefficient and a waste of taxpayers' dollars to employ the people and equipment necessary for just a few days a year.

The city does plow major arterials and collectors so that traffic can circulate with a minimum of disruption. Snow is plowed into the middle of the street to allow for parking, to minimize blocking of driveways and approaches, faster removal of the plowed snow and to allow water to run off along the curbs when the snow melts. If we plow to the curbs, we would block driveways and approaches, bury vehicles parked in the street and cause pooling and, ultimately, flooding when the snow began to melt. The water would be blocked by the piles of snow at the curbs.

Our objective is to provide good service while being mindful of the impact snow removal can have on the cost of local government. While no system is perfect, we believe the current policy on snow removal and plowing is the most cost-effective to the residents of Twin Falls.

THOMAS J. COURTNEY
City Manager
Twin Falls

Education deserves attention

I am writing in response to Burley resident Dean Hansen's objections to the concerns of local officials regarding our overcrowded schools.

Mr. Hansen claims he "doesn't understand what all the fuss is about," and he uses a head count from his 1959 Burley High School yearbook to prove that "somebody

isn't telling the complete truth."

Well, let's start with the complete truth of Mr. Hansen's figures. He says there were 780 students at Burley High School in 1959, compared with the 700 students attending as of Jan. 26, but he fails to add that ninth-graders were part of the student body at Burley High School in 1959, so his 780 figure represents four grades rather than the current three grades in attendance now. If the current ninth grade were moved from the junior high back to the high school, the student population there would be more than 1,000. Instead, both schools are bulging at the seams.

More importantly, Mr. Hansen fails to consider that in 37 years, buildings deteriorate and educational needs change. I doubt if many of us are still driving cars made in the '50s. Comparing the educational needs and challenges of 1996 with those of 1959 is like comparing a pencil to a computer.

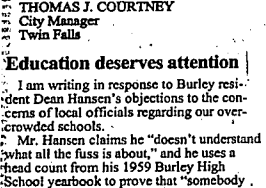
Lastly, if Mr. Hansen still doesn't know what all the fuss is about, I suggest he spend a week negotiating his way through the shoulder-to-shoulder halls and classrooms of any Cassia County secondary school. Such an experience might be an eye-opener for a resident contemplating another bond vote, and 1959 might become a distant memory in the face of today's "pressing" needs.

I don't know where Mr. Hansen lives and I am sorry his taxes are high, but as I look around Cassia County from the hundreds of picturesque river-front homes to the acres and acres of abundant farmland, I can't help but hope that out of this prosperity might come a few dollars a year from each of us for the future of our children.

We are educating them for the '90s, not for the '50s. We are also sending them a message about the importance of education. Whether we let their school buildings deteriorate around them or sacrifice a little to support their very real needs, the message will be received. As a community and as a country, our children deserve our support, especially when we realize that our own prosperity and success is forever wrapped up in theirs.

LYNNE LARSON
Burley

Doonesbury



Letters

'Slush fund' fuels Farm Bureau — "Slush Fund" — this is the term a young Republican congressman used in his speech Jan. 31 on the Lehr News Hour. His idea was that the billions spent on agriculture would be more appropriately used if given to the states for urban development and slush fund, etc. for their choice of use. Now, I looked up the meaning of "slush fund" in Webster's Dictionary. "It is the definition: A fund of money from which bribes are paid or for expense of spreading destructive and wrongful advice, action or information. In other words, the Farm Bureau is thriving on this kind of money. My information on this comes from a copy of the congressional farm or agriculture meeting in Washington in the early 1920s when the Chamber of Commerce organized the Farm Bureau; the farmers were to never have an organization of their own that wasn't monitored by the Farm Bureau.

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The place where this report was published is in Denver, Colo., and they will publish all the copies anyone wants.

Were it not true, they could have put out of business years ago.
VIVIAN CANTRELL
Jerome

Let's not abuse health care

I am writing about the people in care centers. I may not be an expert on what goes on in these care centers, but after being in them for four years, I have heard and seen a lot of things that I didn't like. I let the people in charge know about some of it.

I know it is a demanding job to take care of these people whose needs are more than most people realize. Most of the help does the best it can for the residents, but it is just like all other jobs — you have some slackers and the good help gets the blame if something goes wrong.

I also think that people who have residents

in care centers would be more considerate of them by visiting them once in a while. You don't have any idea how a visit from a friend or a family member can cheer them up. I know that is kind of depressing to some people but come on, let's have a heart for your fellow man.

I didn't write this letter to win a popularity contest. I just wrote it to let everyone know how I felt about one of our biggest problems — the care and health of our older people.

You have no idea what it is like to be one of these care centers. You have federal laws, state laws, company policy, Medicare, Medicaid, health-maintenance organizations, health providers, insurance companies, just to mention a few. I don't know whether most people know it or not but health care is the biggest employer in the United States and probably in the world. It is nice that we have it but let's use it and not abuse it.

HAROLD MOLESWORTH
Twin Falls

By Gary Trudeau Mallard Fillmore

By Bruce Tinsley



Valley life

Grandma's memories become treasured gift

DEAR ABBY: My grandmother lives on a fixed income. For years I have sent her boxes of Christmas cards and stamps to help her with holiday expenses. They're a great gift for someone with a limited income who doesn't need one more bottle of bath oil or another knickknack. I was surprised last year when she told me that she was working on a Christmas present for me. It was a history of her life.

She dictated her biography into a tape recorder, and my aunt used a word processor to transcribe it. It began, "I, Pearl Thompson, was born in Iroquois in Kingsbury County, S.D., on May 4, 1907." It goes on, sharing all the milestones of her 87 years. She describes her father and his sons, claiming land in South Dakota; building their own houses; seeing Harry's comet in 1919—and how they survived the year the great drought hit. She shared how she met George (my grandfather) and some of her grandparents' genealogy, of which I was unaware.

My favorite story is a Christmas memory: "A special Christmas for me was during the '30s when a



Dear Abby
Abigail VanBuren

10-gallon can of cream sold for \$3.50, and eggs were a nickel a dozen." George took the produce to town and came home carrying a pretty plate. I have used it every Christmas since."

And now her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren have this precious memento to remember her by.

I hope you will tell your readers about my grandmother's priceless Christmas gift, Abby. Then perhaps more grandchildren will share in the true joy of the holidays.

TERRY L. THOMPSON, DALLAS
DEAR TERRY: A family history is a gift that money can't buy and exemplifies the true spirit of Christmas—the gift of self. Although your letter arrived too late to inspire my readers last Christmas, perhaps it will be an incentive for those who have put off recording their family history.

Club calendar

- TUESDAY**
- Al-Aton - Berley**
8 p.m. at Presbyterian Church, 2100 Durston. For more information, call (208) 678-9843.
 - Al-Aton - Ellis**
8 p.m. at Peace Lutheran Church, 600 Stevens St. at Sixth.
 - Al-Aton - Gooding**
8 p.m. at City Hall, 308 First Ave. W.
 - Al-Aton - Halley**
8 p.m. at Charter Parish Hall on First Street. For more information, call (208) 788-4682.
 - Alcoholics Anonymous**
Noon to 1 p.m. at Salvation Army, 448 Fourth Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call Irene Stroud at 736-8446 or Dave Lancaster at 734-0290.
 - Alcoholics Anonymous (sunnite, secretly, non-smoking)**
6 p.m. at Magic Valley Fellowship Hall, 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call 734-7242.
 - Alcoholics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)**
7:30 p.m. at 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. Closed meeting. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257.
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6 p.m. at Public Library, TOPS is a non-profit organization to support weight loss. For more information, call 324-5722.
 - Alcoholics Anonymous**
7:30 p.m. at Disabled American Veterans Hall on Harrison Street and Shop Avenue. Open to the public. \$2 donation. Prizes.
 - Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)**
6:45 p.m. at 571 Second E. in Ketchum. Non-modular.
 - Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)**
Noon at 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. Non-smoking. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257.
 - Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)**
7:30 p.m. at 215 Shoshone St. S. in Twin Falls (through rear door). Closed meeting. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257.
 - Narcotics Anonymous**
6:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church on Shoshone Street (go through side doors) in Twin Falls. For more information, call 734-4547.
 - Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)**
Exercise - Over 60 at 10 a.m. Non-strenuous and no charge. For more information, call 734-5084.
 - Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center**
Dinner at noon. For more information, call 734-5084.
 - Twin Falls TOPS Chapter No. 309** (a non-profit organization support group for weight loss).
7 p.m. at Valley Vista Village, 653 Rose St. N. For more information, call 734-5300.
- WEDNESDAY**
- Adult Children Anonymous**
Noon until 1 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N. in Twin Falls.
 - Alcoholics Anonymous**
Noon to 1 p.m. at Salvation Army, 448 Fourth Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call Irene Stroud at 736-8446 or Dave Lancaster at 734-0290.
 - Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)**
7 p.m. at 901 S. Fir in Jerome. For more information,

- call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257.
 - Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)**
8 p.m. at Kimberly Senior Citizens Center on Main Street. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257.
 - Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)**
10 p.m. at 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257.
 - Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center**
Dinner at noon and possible at 1 p.m. For more information, call (208) 788-4682.
- FRIDAY**
- Al-Aton - Dahl**
8 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 516 Main St. For more information, call (208) 543-5792.
 - Al-Aton - Stop Smoking**
Noon at Walker Center, 219 Shoshone St. in Twin Falls.
 - Al-Aton - Woodell**
8 p.m. at Christ Lutheran Church, 1752 Second Ave. W. For more information, call (208) 536-2723 or 231-6522.
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 - Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)**
7 p.m. at 228 Shop Ave. W. in Twin Falls. Non-smoking. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257.
- SATURDAY**
- Al-Aton Family Group**
9 a.m. at Canyon View Hospital, 128 Shop Ave. W. in Twin Falls. For more information, call 734-5222.
 - Alcoholics Anonymous**
Noon to 1 p.m. at Salvation Army, 448 Fourth Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call Irene Stroud at 736-8446 or Dave Lancaster at 734-0290.
 - Alcoholics Anonymous**
5:30 p.m. at Magic Valley Fellowship Hall, 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call 734-7242.
 - Alcoholics Anonymous**
6:30 p.m. at 571 Second Ave. E. in Ketchum. Non-smoking. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257.
 - Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)**
10 a.m. at the Walker Center on Shoshone Street (go through rear entrance) in Twin Falls. For more information, call 734-4547.
- SUNDAY**
- Alcoholics Anonymous**
12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at Salvation Army, 448 Fourth Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call Irene Stroud at 736-8446 or Dave Lancaster at 734-0290.
 - Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)**
6 p.m. at 311 First Ave. N. in Halley. For more information, call (208) 736-3165.
 - Al-Aton - Kimberly**
8 p.m. at Senior Citizens Center on Main Street.

- For more information, call 734-4631.
- Al-Aton - Shoshone**
8 p.m. at Senior Citizens Building on North Park Street. For more information, call (208) 544-7802.
- Narcotics Anonymous**
Noon to 1 p.m. at Salvation Army, 448 Fourth Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call Irene Stroud at 736-8446 or Dave Lancaster at 734-0290.
- Christian 12-Step Support Group**
6:30 to 7:45 p.m. at Eastside Baptist Church, 204 Eastside Drive N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call Suzan at 734-7220.
- Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)**
Noon at 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. Non-smoking. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257.
- Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)**
8 p.m. at 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257.
- Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)**
8 p.m. at War Memorial Hall in Gooding. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257.
- Overseas Anonymous**
3:30 p.m. at College of Southern Idaho Deen Building, Room 112. For more information, call 734-4547.
- Substance Abuse Volunteer Efforts (S.A.V.E.)**
Support group meeting from 8 to 9 p.m. at Cassia Memorial Hospital Book Room in Burley. Organized in 1983, S.A.V.E. received formal permission from the Alcoholics Anonymous World Service Center to adapt its 12 Steps and Traditions to a format which respects the spiritual principles of the I.D.S. Church. The meeting is free and scientists are kept confidential. For more information, call 436-9460.
- Sweet Adelines Chorus**
7 p.m. at Valley Christian Church, corner of Highway and Main Street in Twin Falls. For more information, call Kelly at 733-6328 or Bery at 734-1900.
- Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center**
Exercise - Over 60 at 10 a.m. Non-strenuous and no charge. For more information, call 734-5084.
- Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center**
Dinner at noon. For more information, call 734-5084.

Valley happenings

Black Hills program featured at garden club

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Garden Club has planned its regular meeting for 1 p.m. Wednesday at The Little Saigon Restaurant, 119 Second Ave. W.

Jan Reynolds will present a program on the Black Hills of South Dakota.

Gooding Academic Booster Club to choose books

GOODING - Gooding's Academic Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday to select books for the next "Reading is Fundamental" distribution.

Approximately 1,400 books for all ages will be chosen. Parents' participation is needed, as it is important that both parents and teachers help with the selection. Anyone who wants to help but cannot be present at the meeting is encouraged to call Gail Cushman at 934-4831.

Graduation party focus of February meeting

TWIN FALLS - The February meeting of Twin Falls High School's Parent Teacher Student Organization is planned for 7 p.m. Wednesday in Room B-10 at the high school.

Discussion will focus on the all-night, substance-free graduation party. Planning the event is time consuming and requires lots of help. Senior parents and students are encouraged to attend, but everyone is welcome. Input and ideas also are welcome; call Sheryl Ford at 733-2274 or Carol Carpenter at 734-5362.

Buhl Class of 1976 begins plans for 20th reunion

BUHL - A committee meeting to plan the Buhl Class of 1976's 20th class reunion is planned for 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the home of Janet Fisher, 3697 Sherman St. in Twin Falls. Call 734-6759 for directions.

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Wolf shot over dead sheep

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — Federal agents Monday killed a wolf from Yellowstone National Park that returned to Montana's Paradise Valley, where it earlier had killed at least two sheep.

Mike Smith of the Denver office of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service said agents from the federal Animal Damage Control agency located the radio-collared predator this morning and "did indeed kill the wolf at 9:55 a.m."

Smith said he had no details of the kill. Under the guidelines of the federal project to return wolves to Yellowstone, wolves that kill livestock on the periphery of the national park more than once are to be removed.

The young male wolf, known as No. 3, killed two and possibly four sheep in the area four weeks ago.

Federal biologists captured the wolf in January and moved it to the opposite end of

Yellowstone park. But it returned to the same ranch last week, and a fifth sheep on the same ranch was wounded early Saturday.

Susan Brailsford, who raises the sheep with her husband in the Paradise Valley about 25 miles north of Yellowstone, said one of their sheep suffered a neck wound early Saturday. Some wool was torn, it was bleeding and hanging its head.

The couple watched the wolf approach

within 20-25 feet of their home on Saturday night. The wolf moved within 20 feet of a shed where they had safeguarded their remaining sheep, but then moved off.

ADC and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service agents both called the Brailsfords to let them know the wolf had returned and would be removed, the Brailsfords said. Larry Handegard, Montana ADC director, said ADC agents would probably shoot the wolf from the air or ground at the earliest opportunity.

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Magic Valley

Around the valley

City to share radio with regional E911

TWIN FALLS - The city will share its radio frequencies with the South Central Region E911, the City Council decided Monday.

But if Twin Falls ever severs its relationship with the regional emergency-dispatching facility, the city gets its frequencies back, City Manager Tom Courtney said.

Also Monday, the council voted to spend \$54,643 on water department supplies to negotiate an engineering contract for bike route construction and to add a professional-office-overlay zoning to a residential lot at 2068 Addison Ave. E. for architect Russ Lively.

Twin Falls patrolman pleads not guilty to theft charges

TWIN FALLS - A Twin Falls patrolman pleaded innocent Monday to five felony charges accusing him of stealing cash from motorists.

Steve Collins, 33, who is currently suspended from the Twin Falls Police Department without pay, entered his plea through one of his attorneys, K. Ellen Baxter of Hailey, to five counts of grand theft.

Last month, five men testified that Collins pulled them over during the summer of 1995 and took \$4,100 in cash. Keith Roark, another attorney hired by Collins, said some of the men wanted revenge against Collins for arresting them.

Fifth District Judge Daniel Mechl withdrew from the case, saying that his familiarity with Collins might look like a conflict of interest to the public. No trial date has yet been set.

Collins has not been jailed. Mechl advised him to show up for all of his court hearings.

Blaine County voters go to polls today for new jail

HAILEY - Blaine County voters will decide today whether to build a new jail.

An \$11.8 million bond issue is on the ballot. Officials say the existing jail is too small and cannot be expanded. Opponents of the bond issue speculate that the problems could be solved with less money than is in the bond issue.

Polls are open today from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Chamber of commerce seeks money for beautification plan

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce is gathering pledges for The Valley Connection - a beautification project along Highway 93 from Interstate 84 to the Perrine Bridge.

The project is a joint effort with the Jerome Recreation District to plant native trees, hardy shrubs, wildflowers and perennials and to create a bicycle and pedestrian path.

The total cost will be about \$325,000, with 80 percent provided by the Federal Intermodal Surface Transportation Enhancement Act. That leaves \$65,000 to be raised locally, the chamber said.

Sponsors' names will be placed on a plaque at the Perrine Bridge visitors center. For information, call the chamber at 733-3974.

Public meeting on camping, livestock plan set for Feb. 26

TWIN FALLS - A public meeting about proposed livestock and camping restrictions in the Sawtooth Wilderness has been postponed until Feb. 26.

The meeting was originally scheduled for last night, but Sawtooth National Forest officials canceled it yesterday because of inclement weather.

The Feb. 26 meeting will be held in Twin Falls, but no venue has been set.

Elks ladies schedule monthly meeting today at Elks Lodge

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Ladies of the Elks will hold their monthly meeting at 7 p.m. today at the Elks Lodge on Shoshone Street North.

Final plans for the Sweetheart Ball, planned for Friday, will be discussed.

Sex offender pleads not guilty to molestation charge

TWIN FALLS - A convicted sex offender pleaded innocent Monday to a felony charge of molesting a pre-teen boy.

Earl Lee Vinsant, 61, of Twin Falls, is charged with lewd conduct. A pre-teen boy told police that Vinsant molested him on Oct. 15, 1995, according to court documents. Vinsant was being held on \$25,000 bail at the Twin Falls County Jail Monday. Vinsant was convicted to sodomy in Provo, Utah, in 1961, in incest assault in Ogden, Utah, in 1958, and lewd conduct in 1987 in Gooding County. A trial is set for July 16.

Compiled from staff reports

Fox begins fight over School to Work

By Karen Tolkinen Times-News writer

BOISE - State schools Superintendent Anne C. Fox on Monday said she has the power to single-handedly dismantle one of the state's latest educational innovations. But other officials disagreed and speculated that she is only trying to appease her right-wing constituency.

Fox said that by withdrawing her name from the \$1.9 million federal

grant application for Idaho's School to Work program she could invalidate the grant.

"If I chose to back out, the grant is null and void," she said. A provision of the grant calls for interagency cooperation, she pointed out.

She also said she planned to put a hold on the money already awarded to the state, rewrite the grant application, and send it back to the federal government. Final authority over the grant

belongs to the state Board of Education, said board President Curtis Eaton of Twin Falls.

"I'm fairly confident that decisions relating to School to Work are board decisions," he said. "In order to make a dramatic change in the program would take the board making a decision."

Fox said her concerns are partially based on School to Work hearings held last week in the House Education Committee, as well as an

Idaho Falls meeting in October. She has heard response from advocates and detractors. Detractors, she said, consistently oppose federal programs such as Goals 2000 and Outcome-Based Education.

On Monday, she said Idahoans have to stand up to the feds.

"I don't want the federal government dictating what they are now," she said. "It isn't right, and we have to stand up and say so."

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Fox

Snowy day



A day off from school, some freshly fallen snow and mild temperatures create the ideal conditions for an afternoon of tubing thrills and spills for Twin Falls youths Galleen and Quin Allred. There was just one complaint. "It's hot out here," said Galleen after a number of trips down a hill at the College of Southern Idaho on Monday.



MIKE GALSBUURY/The Times-News

Dog owners may face stiffer fines

By Karen Tolkinen Times-News writer

BOISE - Marilyn Wanker tearfully recounted the tale of a female elk, legs shredded and face bloodied by a Rotweiler on its boxer-outside-har-home-north-of-Ketchum last spring.

"Have you ever heard the mournful cry of an elk under attack?" she asked lawmakers in the House Resources and Conservation committee on Monday.

Wanker had - and it wasn't pleasant. And the penalties for owners whose pet attack wildlife are only \$42, not harsh enough to get much compliance, she said.

"We need to make it painful enough in their pocketbooks that they will know this is a serious offense and think twice about letting their dogs roam," she said.

Committee members apparently agreed with her on Monday. They overwhelmingly agreed to send a bill, outlining harsher penalties and sponsored by Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, to the House floor for a vote.

If signed into law, dog owners would have to pay between \$25 and \$1,000 fine if their pets attack wildlife.

Dog attacks are a growing problem in communities next door to wildlife habitats, Jaquet said. Most attacks are by urban dogs who are let run free by their owners. Currently, the fine for dog owners is only \$42, no matter how often the dog has repeated the offense, how vicious it is, or whether the owner has ordered the attack.

Lee Frost, a conservation officer with Idaho Fish and Game, said by law he can kill any dog found attacking wildlife because it's a night on natural resources. But he prefers working with the owner over killing the animal, he said.

Rep. Joan Wood, R-Rigby, wanted to know if the harsher sentences could carry over to the federal government's wolf reintroduction program in Idaho.

If the federal government owns the wolves, then shouldn't the federal government have to pay for any livestock they kill? she asked.

Frost, a state employee, shrugged at that one. His department already reimburses farmers for crop damage by elk and deer, he said.

"Fairness is probably your perspective," he said. "Wildlife belongs to the people of the state of Idaho."

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Malta farmworker just wants to go home

The Associated Press

BURLEY - Severely injured Malta farmworker Javier Tellez Juarez says he is ready to go home since being hospitalized Dec. 13.

Tellez, who lost both arms and a leg when his clothes were caught in a tractor-powered post hole digger, last week was moved from the intensive care unit to rehabilitation at the University of Utah Medical Center in Salt Lake City. Despite his physical condition, Tellez wants to move ahead.

"I feel good considering the ordeal I've gone through," he said. "I'm tired. I just want to go home and be with my family."

Tellez has been at the center of a heated debate in the Legislature over providing worker's compensation for field workers.

Tellez said the accident occurred so quickly he does not remember much. "I don't think I had enough time to be scared. I was just there," he said. "When I woke up in the hospital, I don't know what I was thinking. A feeling of confusion."

It was a mishap that could have happened to anyone, he said.

"When something like this happens, who do you blame?" he asked. When asked if he would pursue



Tellez Juarez

legal action against his employers at the Tracy farm, he said an attorney would handle those matters.

"It's a good idea for workers to have this type of insurance," Tellez said of workers' comp.

"This type of accident could happen to other workers anytime and I hope some good can come out of it."

Tellez said he wanted to thank the community for all the help and donations to his wife, daughter and other relatives.

"I'm going to get well, and I've got to move ahead," he said.

Hospital spokesman John Dwan said the facility would not go after money donated to the family. Tellez's hospital bill is about \$500,000.

"The hospital will go after all available funds, insurances and other resources to collect payment," he said. "Javier has received the same care as other patients and we don't differentiate on the inability to pay," Dwan said. "But we can't take Idaho's patients if we're not going to get paid."

Days are numbered for Buhl landmark

By Virginia S. Garber Times-News writer

BUHL - Buhl residents may have to learn a new way to give directions around town - their 69-year-old landmark soon will be snatched from the sky.

The old Pet-brand milk facility's smoke stack, which stands more than 150 feet tall, should be demolished by the end of the month, said demolition project manager Rob Hegstrom of JUB Engineers Inc.

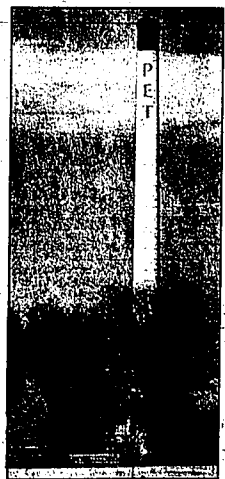
"I guess it's been around as long as any old-timer," he said. "Everyone can identify with it in Buhl."

Within several days, crews will finish razing the old Pet processing plant with the exception of the warehouse and smoke stack, Hegstrom said. The stack will stand until asbestos in the landmark's coating can be dealt with.

The site eventually will be graded and landscaped, said President Larry W. Cope of Clear Springs Foods Inc., which purchased the old Pet manufacturing complex and the former B&M Oven Baked Bean plant from Pillsbury Co. in September.

Clear Springs, a Buhl-based rainbow trout producer, is remodeling the 46,000-square-foot baked-bean plant to manufacture a new line of specialty fish products, Cope said. The plant should open around May 1, he said.

But the old milk plant, built in 1927, is no longer functional for any other type of food processing, Cope said. JUB is handling the Pet plant demolition for Pillsbury, he said.



MIKE GALSBUURY/The Times-News

The Pet milk chimney in Buhl is scheduled for demolition this month.

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Cut in general tax support for schools wins final OK

BOISE (AP) — A \$4.1 million cut in general tax support for public schools won final approval Monday from a state Senate apparently seriously concerned about the impact of Idaho's slowing economy on tax receipts.

The unanimous vote by the Senate, matching the unanimity of the House a week earlier, sent the bill to Gov. Phil Batt. The governor recommended the approach to maintain classroom support at levels promised a year ago so that an automatic statewide property tax increase was not triggered.

The emergency appropriation simply eliminates \$1-million earmarked for Education Department school reform efforts. It also replaces \$12.3 million in general tax revenue with \$9.2 million from the budget reserve account and \$3.1 million from the education endowment — money the schools were constitutionally entitled to anyway.

The action was required after Batt imposed a 2 percent across-the-board budget cut last summer to bring planned state spending into line with tax collections that have been increasing at a slower rate than expected.

The financial manipulation will have no effect on the actual amount



of state aid that goes into Idaho's classrooms. But it reduces by \$3.1 million the amount of endowment money the schools could receive next year to help offset the impact of Batt's austere budget plan.

Conservative State Schools Superintendent Anne Fox has said that Batt's plan is at least \$10 million short of what is needed.

It is also the first time the Legislature has opted to actually cut back the general tax commitment to public education. In other budget crunches, taxes were raised or deeper cuts were made in other parts of the state budget to preserve the school aid package.

But Batt, and GOP lawmakers even before his inauguration 13 months ago, have been arguing that the state should be shifting its emphasis from increasing the amount of state aid to changing the way education is delivered in Idaho. Still, the state remains one of the lowest in the country in money spent per public school stu-

dent. And Republican Sen. Stan Hawkins of Clatsop wants to force to tell his colleagues that restoration of much of the held-back cash was probably unnecessary. That's because Fox announced two weeks ago that slower enrollment growth and a large number of retirements by top-notch teachers have created a \$7 million surplus in the part of the state aid package earmarked for teacher salaries.

"So we're going to throw the same amount of money at less kids," Hawkins said, and that should be kept in mind when the state-aid package is set for the 1996-1997 school year, probably next week.

Some lawmakers have talked about removing the windfall \$7 million from basic classroom support — where it is headed now — and designating it for building maintenance or even saving it to augment next year's aid total, which is now proposed at \$689.5 million. That is up from the revised total of \$659.9 million for this year.

But most lawmakers expect the money will be left for use by schools this year and as a cushion for the potentially even more austere financial picture next year.

House votes to create new job, but can't pay for it

BOISE (AP) — The House voted unanimously Monday to create a new job: coordinator of information on missing children.

The bill, which was approved 70-0 and sent to the Senate, was any way to pay for the position.

Sponsoring Rep. Elaine Hofman, D-Pocatello, said it will take \$50,000 to fund an Idaho coordinator for the Missing Persons Clearinghouse. Idaho is just one of

three states without formal participation in the nationwide network of information and photos about missing children.

"It is legislation whose time has come," Hofman said. "This is a proven assistance tool that is missing in Idaho."

As of Jan. 1, Hofman said Idaho had 149 active missing children cases. They include 142 classified as runaways, 6 apparent abductions

and 9-year-old Stephanie Crane of Challis, still listed as an "endangered child" since her disappearance a couple of years ago.

Rep. James C. Smith, D-Sandpoint, reminded House members that a couple of weeks ago they approved \$44,000 for an Idaho State Police officer assigned to the Statehouse for security. "I think it would be very worthwhile to spend \$50,000 to protect our children," he said.

Death notices

George Evan "Bud" Wilson — George Evan "Bud" Wilson, 87, of Burley, died Monday, Feb. 5, 1996, at the Burley Care Center. The funeral will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Howell-Edwards-Doerksen Chapel of the Gardens, 1330 Commercial St., Burley. Burial will follow at the View Cemetery in Salem. Friends may call before the funeral on Friday at the funeral chapel, in Salem. Arrangements are under the direction of the Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Chapel, 221 W. Main St. in Burley. Burial will follow at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call from 10 to 10:45 a.m. on Thursday at the funeral chapel.

Norman N. Francis — WENDELL — Norman N. Francis, 83, of Wendell, died Monday, Feb. 5, 1996, at the Magic Valley Manor in Wendell. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demary's/Wendell Chapel.

Services

John F. Winkle, of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. today, Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

Reformed Church, Churchill, Mont. (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Eugene Tyner — TWIN FALLS — Eugene Tyner, 75, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Feb. 4, 1996, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Mahalia Nool Ashford, infant daughter of Allen and Karalie Ashford of Jerome, 1 p.m. today, Jerome-2nd Ward LDS Chapel Relief Society Room, North Lincoln. Viewing, one hour before the funeral at the church. (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome).

Dorothy M. Springer, of Eagle, 11 a.m. Wednesday, Summers Funeral Homes, Eagle Chapel. Viewing, 9 a.m. until the time of the funeral on Wednesday at the funeral chapel.

Ray Lyons — BURLEY — Ray Lyons, 86, of Grand Junction, Colo., and formerly of Burley, died Monday, Feb. 5, 1996, at the Oaks Center in Fruita, Colo. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Payne Memorial

Larry Dean Holland Jr., infant son of Larry D. and Linda Marsh Holland Sr. of Richfield, 2 p.m. today, Demary's/Shoshone Chapel.

Ruth Denise Walton, of Rupert, 1 p.m. Wednesday, Taylor Memorial Chapel, Burley. Viewing, 6 to 8 p.m. today and one hour before the funeral on Wednesday at the funeral chapel.

Hospitals

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Some names are omitted at patients' request.

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Bonnie Henson of Twin Falls.

Released
Alexander Gause of Jerome.

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Admitted
Evelyn Johnson of Heyburn.

Released
Ron Bench, Rebecca Boyer and Lex Kunau; all of Burley; Larry Adams and Lexi Archuleta, both of Rupert; and Dorothy Andersen of Oakley.

MINDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Admitted
Vellela Fowler and Lavon Phillips, both of Rupert.

Released
Erma Brim of Rupert.

Obituaries

Twin Falls

Torza Ruth Cutler — Torza Ruth Cutler, 88, of Scottsdale, Ariz., and formerly of Twin Falls, died Monday, Jan. 29, 1996, in Scottsdale of a brief illness.

Mrs. Cutler was born Feb. 12, 1907, in Eureka, Utah. She moved to Twin Falls in 1946, with her husband, Dr. Morton Cutler. She was very active in the PTA, Medical Auxiliary, Twentieth Century, co-authored the bylaws for the Ladies of the Church and numerous jobs in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She was an avid golfer and bridge player. She enjoyed these activities until her death.

After her divorce from Dr. Cutler, she moved to Tampa, Ariz., where she achieved her master's degree in education and taught until her retirement.

Survivors include her daughters, Diane Gillespie, Phoenix, Ariz., and Ginger G. (Steve) Johnson of Longmont, Colo.; her son, Daniel M. (Marjorie) Cutler of Jerome; her sisters, Maurine "Kit" Moon of Twin Falls and Barlene Howells of Payson, Ariz.; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. Services for Mrs. Cutler were held Wednesday, Jan. 31, 1996, in Tempe, Ariz.

Halley

Jane Andrews — Jane Andrews, 90, a longtime resident of Halley, died Monday, Feb. 5, 1996, at her home.

Mrs. Andrews was born Feb. 10, 1915, in Rathdrum, Idaho, to John and Tacie Post. She finished public school in Rathdrum in 1932, and graduated from the University of Idaho in 1936. Jane taught at the Halley High School from 1936 until 1938, when she married Edgar M. Andrews in Pocatello.

Jane worked in the Blaine County Recorder's office for many years. She was a 50-year member of the O. S. Sistershood, served on the original Blaine County Museum Board and on the Halley Public Library Board. Jane was actively involved with the American Red Cross, working with the swim programs and blood bank, and served as the treasurer of the Sawtooth Chapter of the American Red Cross for 40 years. Jane was also consolidated with the Magic Valley Chapter. After retirement, Jane volunteered with the Blaine Senior Citizens, the Blaine Senior Center, Church Thrift shop, the museum, library, and numerous other organizations.

Jane was a longtime resident of Halley. Jane had a good sense of the history and was always ready to share

her knowledge of and enthusiasm for the area. Her desire to meet and get to know people in the area touched many people who came to Halley over the 60 years she had lived here. Jane was a behind-the-scenes person, assisting, advising and encouraging friends, children and organizations in which she believed.

Jane's independent spirit, sense of humor, kindness and energy will be remembered and missed by many whose lives she touched during her lifetime. Her survivors include her son, Bill Andrews of Boise; her daughter, Marcia Penny and her husband, Bob of Twin Falls; her grandson, Eric Perry of El C. Prieta; her grandsons, Fred Post and his wife, Martha of Coeur d'Alene, and Maurice Post and his wife, Lois of Libby, Mont. She was preceded in death by her husband and her parents.

At her request, Jane was cremated and a memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11, 1996, at the Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Halley. Urn interment will be at the Halley Cemetery in the city of Halley.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Halley Public Library, P.O. Box 239, Halley, ID 83333. In lieu of flowers, the care of Mrs. Trish Smith, P.O. Box 2532, Halley ID 83333. Arrangements are under the direction of the Wood River Funeral Chapel in Halley.

Kevin A. Levitan

Kevin Arthur Levitan, 41, of Halley, went to be with his Lord, Saturday, Feb. 3, 1996, as a result of a fall while on the accident on Highway 75, about six miles north of Halley.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8, 1996, at Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church in Sun Valley. Rev. Timothy Pauls of the Valley of Peace Lutheran church will be the speaker.

Kevin was born Aug. 31, 1954, in Detroit, Mich. He was the first of four sons born to Harry and Geraldine Levitan. Kevin grew up in Saint Clair Shores, Mich., where several lifetime friendships flourished. At age 21, he headed out west to San Diego and began working for the San Diego airport. Kevin joined them five years later after working as a Browns berry bread distributor. He worked with the Browns berry bread company family business, Levitan Appliance. Kevin met his perfect match in December of 1983, and after 40 years of parenthood, married Elaine Wright.

Kevin was almost always the guy

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who brightened someone's day. He helped anyone who was down and out anywhere in the area. He was so humble that it sometimes appeared to strangers that he was a tough guy who took nothin' from nobody. But his friends and family knew he had a heart of gold. Kevin was loved by everyone who knew him and even through his tough guy facade, we knew he loved us right back.

Kevin is survived by his loving wife, "Lizzie," two children, Michelle and Garrett; his sisters, Mary and Nancy; his brothers, Craig, Chris and Timmy; two sisters-in-law, Cindy and Marina; two nephews, Chad and Coody; and Uncle Archie, full of love and Grandma Bette and Levitan of Detroit, Mich.; and a million friends.

Kevin remains in the hearts of the countless people he touched, the many friends he made over the years, and all of the family whom he dearly loved. We love you, Kevin.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Kevin Levitan Memorial Fund, First Interstate Bank, P.O. Box 408, Halley, ID 83333. Arrangements are in the care of Wood River Funeral Chapel in Halley.

Rulon W. Rhodehouse

Rulon W. Rhodehouse, 82, of Shoshone, died Saturday, Feb. 3, 1996, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Rulon was born Nov. 25, 1913, in Parker, Idaho; the son of John William and Lettie Smith Gaidberg Rhodehouse. He was raised and educated in the Parker area. He married Bartsch Hunziker on March 24, 1934, in Parker, and the marriage was later sealed in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple. They farmed in the Rexburg area before moving to Hawthorne, Calif., in 1951. Rulon worked for Rockwell Corporation for 13 years before retiring and returning to Idaho.

He was a member of the Shoshone LDS Church. Survivors include his wife, Bartsch of Shoshone; three daughters, Judy Silva of Shoshone, Jean Parker of Nevada and Carol Moore of California; one sister, Mary Alice Kremm of California; 12 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one son, Dale Rhodehouse; his parents, two brothers and two sisters. The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Shoshone LDS Church, with Bishop Ross Gaidberg conducting a private family burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call from 7 to 7 p.m. today at Demary's Shoshone Chapel and from noon until the time of the funeral on Wednesday at the church.

Alliance: Electrorefining can make bomb material

POCATELLO (AP) — Idaho scientists trying to devise safer, cheaper ways to dispose of spent nuclear fuel are running up against critics who charge it could produce weapons-grade materials.

Opponents contend the technology runs counter to national efforts aimed at nonproliferation. The U.S. Department of Energy last week released a draft environmental impact assessment. It contends its upcoming decision on whether to allow Argonne National Laboratory-West to use an experimental device called an electrorefiner to stabilize 1.6 metric tons of spent fuel would not significantly harm the environment.

The electrorefiner would melt spent fuel from an old Argonne reactor, separate out sodium, then solidify radioactive elements into ceramic logs.

Argonne spokesman Dick Lindsay said scientists believe it could prevent environmental mishaps that could occur if some types of spent fuel are placed in a long-term geologic repository. Separating the sodium would prevent the possibility of sodium-saturated portions of the fuel reacting with air or water, an releasing radioactivity into the environment, Lindsay said.

"Our fundamental concern remains that it is a proliferable technology and that we should not be going down that road at all," said Beatrice Brailsford of the Snake River Alliance, an INEL watchdog group. "You're depending on administrative controls and good intent."

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Magic Valley

Frosty treasures



Snowed out from school, physical education teacher Wendy Merritt gets a workout Monday as she builds a snow family with her 5-year-old son, Brock, in Burley. Merritt teachers at West Minico Junior High School in Rupert.

Pumpers vote today on groundwater district

By John Thompson Times-News writer

RUPERT — Mini-Cassia-area groundwater pumpers are set to vote on establishing a groundwater district today.

Groundwater pumpers from Minidoka County and from neighboring portions of Cassia, Jerome, Lincoln and Blaine counties can cast one vote for every cubic foot per second of water they pump.

The nature of the election poses some problems for Minidoka County officials who will tally the vote. Deputy Election Clerk Delores Osborn said the election is unique because each voter casts a different number of votes.

"We won't have any official results until next Monday," Osborn said. "We have never done it this way before, and it could be difficult to tally because each vote counts for a different percentage."

It will take a two-thirds majority to form the proposed Magic Valley Groundwater District. The election

Where to vote

Polling places for today's election are the Minidoka County Courthouse, Minidoka City Hall and the Minidoka County Highway Shop in Paul. The polls are open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

is funded by the proposed district's members.

Voters will also be asked to decide on a board of directors. Three local groundwater pumpers, Mack Neibaur, Richard D. Blincoe and Douglas E. Grant, will run unopposed for seats on the district's board of directors.

Groundwater pumping districts are being formed all over southern Idaho as a result of two laws passed last year by the state Legislature. The first law requires all groundwater pumpers to monitor and report the amount of water they pump. The second allows for the voluntary formation of pumpers' districts. Forming the districts will help

state water managers, according to Gary Spackman, section manager of distribution for the Idaho Department of Water Resources.

Spackman said last year's legislation, requiring all pumpers to report quantities, caused his office to receive about 1,000 separate reports from farmers in this area. If the district is formed, it will cut those reports down to one per year, Spackman said.

"Forming these districts will give the pumpers a chance to govern their own destiny and we hope it will greatly cut down on paperwork," he said.

A hydrographer appointed for each district would be responsible for measuring the water diverted and keep the yearly records, Spackman said.

"We would rather see local control and local initiative," he said. "As long as the work is performed to a certain standard and the reports are prepared to a certain standard, the districts will have more control and greater latitude over their own destiny."

State Purple Heart group planned

POCATELLO (AP) — The national commander for the Military Order of the Purple Heart is scheduled to visit Pocatello to help charter an Idaho organization of veterans wounded in combat.

A Pocatello chapter was formed last Wednesday, making it the military order's third chapter in the state and qualifying Idaho for a state organization.

"Bill Woodfin, commander of the Magic Valley chapter, was in town to charter the Pocatello chapter. He also hopes to create a chapter in Idaho Falls. Woodfin, 71, of Buhl, said National Commander Carroll Fyffe of Arizona will attend a Feb. 27 installation meeting. Woodfin estimates there are about 80 veterans with Purple Hearts in the Pocatello area.

Man accused of bomb hoax charged again

POCATELLO (AP) — The Bannock County prosecutor's office has refilled a felony charge against a former Pocatello man in connection with a bomb hoax at the county courthouse.

Prosecutor Mark Hiedeman filed the charge of being principal to a false report of explosives against Terry Patrick Ewing, 21, reportedly living in California.

Ewing was accused of calling a local television station and the Pocatello police on April 13, 1995, to report explosives had been placed behind a Ten Commandments monument on the front lawn of the courthouse.

Omar Valverde, who oversees the program for Bernin, said the past six months have yielded complaints from every county in the state, hitting nearly 1,400 for a 53 percent increase over the last half of 1994.

The increase is the result of all the volunteers and staff the office has directly involved with senior citizens through any number of in-home service programs, he said. The people see exactly what is going on with senior citizens throughout the state and now they can report it to the Office on Aging.

"These are hundreds more eyes and ears out there," Valverde said, "it's a new reality that's not going to go away."

Minidoka cities move ahead with plan for animal shelter

By John Thompson Times-News writer

RUPERT — Cities in Minidoka County are getting closer to establishing a joint animal control facility, a project that began nearly four years ago, officials say.

Bollor is coordinating with officials from Paul, Heyburn, Rupert, Acquia and Minidoka to secure financing for the shelter and to adopt a uniform animal control ordinance.

Bollor said construction could begin sometime this spring. D.L. Evans Bank has agreed to finance the \$55,000 project at 7.25 percent interest over 10 years. Bollor said, it appears the city officials will agree to a financing plan through a complicated judicial confirmation process, Bollor said.

At present the five cities are considering resolutions that will allow the judicial confirmation process to go forward. The process gets around the problems the bank faced in taking collateral for the loan on a building constructed on property owned by the city of Paul, he said.

Bollor has agreed to provide the land and pay utility costs for its share of the facility. Rupert will provide administrative services, and the other cities will pay against the balance of the loan, he said.

Currently, a dog picked up anywhere in Minidoka County is taken to a shelter in Burley. Then the city where it was picked up pays Burley to care for it, unless the owner claims the animal.

Those charges amount to about \$500 per month for Rupert,

Meeting planned

The Rupert City Council will discuss a proposed animal-control ordinance and a financing plan for an animal shelter in a meeting tonight.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 624 F. St. The public is welcome to attend.

according to Councilman Gar Loebl. In a previous interview, he said the new shelter would result in a savings for the city.

Burley's animal shelter can accommodate about 30 dogs. Animal Control Officer Wayne Young said there are normally about 20 dogs in the shelter. When it's full, animals are held for 72 hours before they are euthanized, he said. Otherwise there is no set euthanization schedule. Young said the dogs are held as long as room is available, and pet adoption is encouraged.

The new building will be constructed by William Rickert Construction, Rupert.

The cities involved also have to adopt a uniform animal control ordinance. Bollor said the proposed ordinance is based on the current Rupert City ordinance. He said Heyburn's present animal ordinance is a different definition of what constitutes a vicious animal, but otherwise the new ordinance is close to what already is in place.

Minidoka County decided last year to take control of the shelter. But it will contract with the shelter to handle dogs that are picked up outside city limits.

Chenoweth reports clear up questions

BOISE (AP) — The campaign of Republican Congressman Helen Chenoweth has filed amendments to past financial disclosure statements, including the most recent, to clear up some, but not all, of the questions those reports have raised.

The modified report for the final six months of 1995, filed just before the secretary of state's office closed for the week last Friday and barely 24 hours after the original was filed, still left unexplained the apparent double payment of \$2,028 to the firm Chenoweth was a partner in.

The amendments also again failed to include the form required by the Federal Election Commission detailing specifics about the secured loan Chenoweth obtain last November to

cover a questionable \$40,000 unsecured loan she obtained for her campaign from West One Bank a year earlier. That form, attesting that the candidate received no special treatment, must be signed by the bank as well as by the campaign.

The amendment to the report closing out 1995 did once again include in Chenoweth's debt total the \$55,500 she still owes herself from a \$60,000 loan she made to the campaign in April 1994 from the sale of some land she had in Orofino.

That pushed her total debt to over \$102,000, but she still owes \$47,000 to third parties, including nearly \$18,000 her former campaign claims he has not been paid, and that is more than twice the downwardly

revised \$20,000 cash she had in the bank when the year began.

By comparison, Democratic challenger Dan Williams had no debt and \$46,000 in the bank, although he had spent just \$28,000 to get his uphill challenge of the conservative freshman going last year.

Two-term Democratic Larry LaRocco, who lost to Chenoweth last fall in the GOP tidal wave, had over 100,000 in the bank at the end of his first year in office.

Chenoweth's campaign advised the Federal Election Commission that it had been carrying the same \$275 debt to both a Maryland Production Co. and its owner since December 1994 and had consolidated it under the owner's name.

State aging director seeks support for senior protection

BOISE (AP) — Office on Aging Director Jesse Bernin parted company with Gov. Phil Batt Monday, urging legislative budget writers to pump \$750,000 more than Batt recommended into his agency to protect Idaho's elderly.

"Comes the hard part," Bernin, a former House member, told the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee. "I, in no way, would like to bust the governor's budget. Governor Batt is my friend and political mentor."

"But with a legal requirement of a 24-hour turnaround on complaints, it's imperative that we have the money to respond," he said.

Since the Office on Aging took control of the Adult Protective Services Program from the Health and Welfare Department last July, officials say complaints under the federal Adult Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation Act have jumped 54 percent. The increase has stretched the system's ability to meet the 24-hour response deadline for emergencies and the 72-hour deadline for nonemergencies.

Bernin took the \$1 million program and contracted with the six area offices for the service. But he told budget writers that another \$312,000 is needed in the new budget to keep up.

But did not include the extra cash in his austere budget blueprint for 1996-1997. Spokeswoman Amy Kleiner said the governor was assured last spring that Bernin could administer the program without any extra cash, and she said there is no money to

expand the program now.

Omar Valverde, who oversees the program for Bernin, said the past six months have yielded complaints from every county in the state, hitting nearly 1,400 for a 53 percent increase over the last half of 1994.

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Legislative log

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- For Monday, Feb. 5
- SB1313 (Finance) — Makes an emergency appropriation to the School for the Deaf and Blind.
- SB1303 (Finance) — Makes an emergency appropriation to the Department of Agriculture.
- HB403 (Simpson) — Gives the Agriculture Department access to money in the Agriculture in the Classroom account.
- HB417 (Ehrt) — Allows local officials to review school building plans.
- HB513 (Appropriations) — Makes an emergency appropriation to the Department of Land.
- HB519 (Appropriations) — Formally authorizes assignment of a State Police office to the Capitol mall complex.
- HB554 (Appropriations) — Rewrites the public school aid package to reduce general tax support by \$4.1 million and restore withheld money with cash from the budget reserve and school endowment.
- HB935 (Health and Welfare) — Revises certification requirements for emergency medical service personnel.

- HB392 (Simpson) — Revises requirements for filing for elective office.
- Legislative Action Complete
- HB1 (Education) — Recognizes the contributions of Stephen Edward Cosgrove in furthering children education.
- Introduced in House
- HC31 (Education) — Authorizes committee to study impact of federal and state laws and rules which address education of students with disabilities in public schools.
- HC32 (Transportation and Defense) — Amends state Tax Commission rules on the documentation required for claiming refunds for fuel taxes.
- HB662 (Education) — Allows establishment of charter school districts.
- HB663 (Education) — Adds surcharge fee to out-of-state medical education programs to encourage participants to return to Idaho to practice.
- HB664 (State Affairs) — Requires minimum number of signatures on initiatives to be gathered from 75 percent of counties; states maximum number of total from one county may not exceed 20 percent.
- HB665 (State Affairs) — Ensures that all consumers of electric, natural gas and water services within a city that charges

- franchise fees will pay fees equally no matter who is supplier of those services.
- HB666 (State Affairs) — Establishes minimum business production standards between businesses and performing rights groups.
- HB667 (State Affairs) — Allow central committee to submit less than three names for filling legislative and county office vacancies if there are less than three applicants.
- HB668 (Transportation and Defense) — Discontinues Centennial License Plate program and removes requirement that 50 cents of license plate fee must be paid to the Idaho Heritage Trust.
- HB669 (Transportation and Defense) — Provides for the issuance of one license plate for each motor vehicle.
- HB670 (Transportation and Defense) — Defines "construction danger zone" with enhanced penalties for speeding within the zone.
- HB671 (Transportation and Defense) — Changes definition of public transportation service under regional public transportation authority.
- HB672 (Transportation and Defense) — Requires "construction danger zone" prepare comprehensive plans in coordination of agency with jurisdiction over the local highway system.

- Introduced in Senate
- SCR131 (Resources and Environment) — Approves minimum flow for Barbary Springs.
- SCR132 (Resources and Environment) — Approves minimum flow for Briggs Creek.
- SCR133 (Resources and Environment) — Opposes premature permitting of mining at Rock Creek.
- SB1417 (Education) — Diverts all lottery profits to the school district building account to finance 35 percent to 65 percent of school building projects.
- SB1418 (Education) — Allows taxpayer experience credit transfer from school district to school district.
- SB1419 (Transportation) — Clarifies vehicle right-of-ways at uncontrolled intersections.
- SB1420 (Transportation) — Repeals provisions of the highway and bridge law.
- SB1421 (Local Government and Taxation) — Creates a public school reserve fund of \$10 million annually from sales tax receipts to protect public schools from future reductions in state revenue.
- SB1422 (Local Government and Taxation) — Creates state regulation of urban drainage districts.

School

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Topping Fox's list of concerns are School to Work programs in elementary schools, which she said take time away from academics and duplicate some career-awareness programs already in place. Spokeswoman Rhonda Edmiston said Fox also dislikes the concept of certificates of mastery, which high school graduates would present to prospective employers as a test of skills. He had mastered basic work skills.

Idaho was granted \$1.9 million in federal dollars last fall, with the likelihood of similar-sized grants following in successive years. Schools could apply for the money to set up career-awareness and training programs in all grades, sending students out to get real work experience and linking them with mentors.

But the program ran into snags last fall when critics stepped forward, saying the program takes time away from academics while forcing students to choose a career before they are ready.

But the reluctance to accept federal dollars is inconsistent, said Rep. Doug Jones, R-Filer. "We're taking money very willingly and actually complain that the feds might cut money for drug-free schools," he said. "We take federal school lunch money and nobody complains about it. What's the dif-

ference from one federal dollar to another?"

Fox's attempt to alter and perhaps jeopardize the School to Work program is an attempt to appease those who supported her in her campaign, Jones said. Some of them showed up at last week's School-to-Work hearings to tell lawmakers what they didn't like about the program.

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- Lean **\$1.99** lb
- Stew Meat**..... **\$1.99** lb
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- Wieners & Franks**.. **\$2.99** ea
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- Chicken Fried Steak** **\$1.39** lb
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- Scott Paper Towels**..... **59¢**
- 12 oz. Can **\$1**
- Sego Evaporated Milk**..... **2** for **\$1**
- 12 oz. Campbell's **\$1**
- Pork 'n' Beans**..... **4** for **\$1**
- Luv's Diaper or Pants... **\$5.49**
- 14.5 oz. Post **\$1.99**
- Honeycomb Cereal**..... **\$1.99**
- 2 Lb. Bag **\$2.29**
- West. Family Raisins**.... **\$2.29**
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- Chocolate Chips**..... **\$1.19**
- 14.5 oz. Vegetable & Meat **\$1**
- Swansons Cooking Broths**.. **2** for **\$1**
- Regular Size **89¢**
- Hershey Candy Bars**..... **3** for **89¢**
- 64 oz. Astd. Flavors **99¢**
- Sunny Delight Drinks**... **99¢**
- 14.5 oz. Bag **\$1.99**
- Tostitos Chips**..... **\$1.99**
- 24 Pack Cubes **\$6.99**
- Pepsi Products**..... **\$6.99**
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Dow sets 8th record high in 2 weeks

The Associated Press
NEW YORK — Stocks swung back into record territory Monday as a fleet of concerns about inflation and the market's dizzying advance were swept away by enthusiasm over lower interest rates.

The Dow Jones industrial average edged to its eighth record in two weeks. Broad-market barometers reached new highs too, rebounding after spending most of the session lower as many investors sold stocks to lock in profits.

Among Monday's record setters, the NYSE's composite index rose 2.77 to 3422.26, the Standard & Poor's 500-stock index gained 5.58 to 641.43, the Nasdaq composite edged 11.23 to 1,083.34, and the American Stock Exchange's market value index rose 1.73 to 557.27.

Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by a slim margin on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume totaled 377.74 million shares as of 4 p.m., down from Friday's share.

Overseas, Tokyo's Nikkei average fell 1.2 percent. Frankfurt's DAX index lost 1.3 percent and London's FT-SE 100 lost 0.9 percent.

Stocks began a broad advance in late January as expectations mounted that the Federal Reserve would cut short-term interest rates to help prod the economy.

The Fed cut a key short-term rate last week, and the market responded warmly. But rising gold prices — a possible sign of rekindled inflation — and the drag on the economy from a deep freeze across the country made investors more cautious.

Gold stocks rose again continuing their advance. In active NYSE trading, Barrick Gold rose 3/4 to 32 1/2, Homestake rose 1/2 to 10 1/2, and Newmont Mining rose 1/2 to 59 1/2.

Elsewhere on the NYSE, Hilton Hotels surged 1 1/8 to 84 following late Friday's news that noted industry veteran Stephen F. Bullenbach would step down as Disney's chief financial officer to become chief executive of Hilton.

Technology issues also performed well, with Texas Instruments gaining 5 1/2 to 53 1/2 after announcing a licensing deal with Fujitsu for its semiconductor technology. IBM rose 2 1/2 to 113 1/2 and Compaq Computer gained 3/4 to 50 1/2.

On-line papers tripled to 175 last year

The Associated Press
WASHINGTON — The number of North American newspapers available through on-line computer services nearly tripled last year to about 175, it is expected to double this year, a newspaper industry group said Monday.

The newspapers are available on the Internet, the global network that links millions of computers at universities, corporations, government agencies and homes. Readers can gain access on the network's World Wide Web, through commercial on-line services such as America Online and CompuServe, or through computer bulletin board services.

The 175 North American newspapers, up from about 60 in 1994, put such publications well ahead of other mass media in going on line, the Newspaper Association of America said.

About 600 newspapers published outside North America also are available on line, the group said.

Internet providers boom in Idaho

NAMPA (AP) — The number of Internet telephone providers in Idaho is soaring, but that amount could dwindle in the future, says one of the first hubs in the state.

Micron Internet Services, a division of Micron Technology, currently serves the Boise Valley, Mountain Home, Twin Falls, the Ketchum area and Idaho Falls.

The company will soon expand into Coeur d'Alene. Internet subscribers make a local call to Micron, which then connects them to the rest of the globe.

"We do have other areas where we want to go in the state of Idaho, but with each market we go into we have to stop and take a look at what services are already there," Micron Internet Services accounts manager Todd Chavez said.

"A year ago there were virtually no providers at all in Idaho. The market was wide open. Now there are almost no major markets without at least one provider," he said.

He estimates at least seven in the Boise area alone.

Competition among them nationwide will almost certainly result in fewer companies by the turn of the century, Chavez said.

"Right now, there are about 1,200 Internet providers in the United States, and the best practitioners in the industry are that number will start to decrease," he said.

Micron Internet Services and RMC Internet Services, another Boise-based service, report subscriptions are increasing about 10 percent per month.

Since 1993, RMC-Internet Services has expanded to Lewiston, Sun Valley, and several sites in Utah and Virginia.

No. 1 automaker cruises the 'Net

The Associated Press
DETROIT — The world's largest automaker is entering the passing lane on the information superhighway.

General Motors Corp. opened a World Wide Web site Monday with the goal of becoming the No. 1 car seller on line.

GM's Web site will allow Buick customers to configure and price a new car, Cadillac buyers to link up with local dealers, and customers interested in Chevrolet to calculate loan and lease payments with General Motors Acceptance Corp., GM's finance company.

Saturn's Internet site will allow shoppers to electronically browse the used-car inventory at local dealerships.

The GM Web site "is the first step in an interactive journey that will ultimately link the needs of our customers with the GM brand that best suits them," said GM marketing and advertising vice president Phil Guarnacio.

The major automakers and other businesses have flocked to the Internet in the past year, betting that the worldwide computer network will be a main conduit for communications between seller and buyers.

"The idea is to create a one-to-one check out the GM site," the GM site on the World Wide Web is <http://www.gm.com>, he told each other "you've got

Latest Internet technology charges up GM's Web site

The site, open to the public at <http://www.gm.com>, includes cutting-edge media like sound, animation and video.

Audio clips feature GM workers' voices (sound files played through Netscape helper applications). Clickable buttons automatically highlight themselves when you pass the cursor over them (Macromedia Shockwave technology).

Video clip of road plays continuously (Macromedia Shockwave technology).

Panoramic photo files let users examine the interior and exterior of GM vehicles from all angles (Apple QuickTime VR technology).

AP/Kate Taro

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Grains

Commodity	Unit	Price
Wheat	bu	2.15
Barley	bu	1.85
Oats	bu	1.65
Soybeans	bu	10.25
Beans	bu	12.50

Sugar

Commodity	Unit	Price
Sugar	c/ton	22.50
Cocoa	c/ton	1500
Wheat	bu	2.15
Barley	bu	1.85
Oats	bu	1.65

Metals

Commodity	Unit	Price
Gold	oz	380
Silver	oz	15
Copper	lb	0.35
Aluminum	lb	0.18
Zinc	lb	0.25

Markets

Dow-Jones

Commodity	Unit	Price
Dow Jones	Index	3422.26
S&P 500	Index	641.43
Nasdaq	Index	1083.34
AMEX	Index	557.27

Beans

Commodity	Unit	Price
Beans	bu	12.50
Soybeans	bu	10.25
Wheat	bu	2.15
Barley	bu	1.85
Oats	bu	1.65

Livestock

Commodity	Unit	Price
Cattle	lb	0.65
Hogs	lb	0.45
Sheep	lb	0.55
Poultry	lb	0.15

Fossil fuels

Commodity	Unit	Price
Oil	barrel	22.50
Natural Gas	cu ft	0.15
Coal	ton	15

Most active

Commodity	Unit	Price
Wheat	bu	2.15
Barley	bu	1.85
Oats	bu	1.65
Soybeans	bu	10.25
Beans	bu	12.50

Grains

Commodity	Unit	Price
Wheat	bu	2.15
Barley	bu	1.85
Oats	bu	1.65
Soybeans	bu	10.25
Beans	bu	12.50

Potatoes/onions

Commodity	Unit	Price
Potatoes	bu	1.50
Onions	bu	1.20

Unleaded Gasoline

Commodity	Unit	Price
Gasoline	gallon	1.20
Propane	gallon	0.80

Closing from Edward D. Jones & Co.

Commodity	Unit	Price
Wheat	bu	2.15
Barley	bu	1.85
Oats	bu	1.65
Soybeans	bu	10.25
Beans	bu	12.50

CROR

Commodity	Unit	Price
Wheat	bu	2.15
Barley	bu	1.85
Oats	bu	1.65
Soybeans	bu	10.25
Beans	bu	12.50

Chicago (AP) — Futures trading at the stock on the

Commodity	Unit	Price
Wheat	bu	2.15
Barley	bu	1.85
Oats	bu	1.65
Soybeans	bu	10.25
Beans	bu	12.50

NATURAL GAS

Commodity	Unit	Price
Natural Gas	cu ft	0.15
Propane	gallon	0.80

Comics

Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

KING? NO, YOU'LL NEVER GET TO BE KING...

YOUR GRAMPA SAID HE WAS A KING? WELL, MAYBE YOU WERE RIGHT...

MAYBE YOU WILL GET TO BE KING...

NO, I DON'T WANT TO DONATE TO YOUR THRONE...

Mother Goose & Grimm By Mike Peters

YOU'RE RUNNING AWAY JUST BECAUSE YOU HEARD WE'RE GOING TO HAVE GLOBAL WARMING?

OH...

I THOUGHT THEY SAID GLOBAL WORMING.

B.C. By Johnny Hart

HMM... ANOTHER OF THESE SAPPY POUTQUES.

HENNING HAVING.

AHEM... PARDON MY TENDRANCE, BUT WHAT EXACTLY ARE WE SELLING HERE?

ALTERATIONS AND LUSHING GAS.

Garfield By Jim Davis

PAT PAT PAT

THERE!

37th DAYS 2-6

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

IT LOOKS LIKE EDWARD MUNCH'S "THE SCREAM"

ACTUALLY, IT'S MACAULAY CULKIN IN "HOME ALONE"

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

DID HE LEAVE YOU IN DEBT?

NO... WE HAVE BLACK CROSS.

BLACK CROSS?

IT PAYS FOR THE HOSPITAL AND THE FUNERAL.

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

THEY SAY SOME MARRIAGES FAIL BECAUSE THE HUSBAND IS OUT IN THE STIMULATING BUSINESS WORLD AND THE WIFE STAYS HOME AND STOPS GROWING.

DON'T SAY IT!

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DON'T SAY IT!

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

I'VE BEEN WAITING ALL PAY FOR LOUISE TO COME HOME

HI, BELLA! I'M HOME!

BIG DEAL.

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

BANK

STARK REALISM, IMPLIED VIOLENCE, TAUT WITHOUT BEING TRENDY....

I LIKE THAT IN A HOLDUP NOTE!

The Born Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

ALL RIGHT, WILBERFORCE, WE KNOW A THOUSAND MILLIONS IS A BILLION, BUT HOW MUCH IS A THOUSAND BILLIONS?

WHAT'S THE DIFF?

DON'T YOU WANT TO KNOW HOW TO COUNT?

WHAT GOOD IS IT IF I CAN SPEND THE REST OF MY LIFE COUNTING AND NEVER REACH THE END?

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OPEN OTHER SIDE... OKAY...

I'LL BE DARRIED! WHAT HAVE THIS SIDE I GOT HERE, A GULLY? OPEN OTHER WALK GARDEN SIDE, TOO!

NOW WHAT? IT SAYS NOT TO OPEN EITHER SIDE.

SO IT'S GOING TO BE ONE OF THOSE DAYS

Pickles By Brian Cranz

YOU SHOULD BEE A DOCTOR ABOUT YOUR SWELLING, YOU KEPT ME AWAKE PART OF THE NIGHT.

MAYBE IT'S TIME TO GET TO THE HOSPITAL.

NO, I CAN'T BEAR THE THOUGHT OF HAVING TWO BEETS TO MY MORNING.

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I'M GOING TO HAVE A CAR WHEN I GROW UP...

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Mommy, Kittycat heard you singing "Lean on Me."

Nicaragua boast high poet ratio

Patriotic Nicaraguans - that's a redundancy, I'm told - claim to have more poets per capita than any other country.

Maybe you've read the claim of child psychologists that it's impossible to spoil a baby less than a year old. They now also say it's impossible for grandparents to spoil their grandchildren if they don't all live in the same house.

Not all seasoned souls who joyously get back together with their old loved-ones live happily ever after. For one thing, say the romance researchers, about a third of them are still married to their former partners, and it's said their grandchildren those a wistful longing look that may last for a while.

A gecko can walk across a vertical surface.

Some language mechanics say the "cocktail" originated in an upstate New York tavern when a maid served a drink with a rooster feather in it. But other word tracers say that's wrong. Horse breeders, they contend, trimmed

ACROSS

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- Wearing footwear
- Spring month
- Head over
- Conduit
- Trigonometry
- Wanderland girl
- Concerns
- Dweller
- Johnson of comedy
- Have a meal
- Serve on oven terms
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- Twosomes
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- Garden tool
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- Ceramic pieces
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- Keep-on (switch)
- Veal
- Those who contribute
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- Decaim violently
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- Have-in-one's
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- Golfing Sam
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- In good shape
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- Danson
- Clue
- Night light
- Two-somes
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- Young bird of prey
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Sydney Omarr Horoscope

IF FEBRUARY 6 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are musical, have unusual voice, possess sense of drama, often are complimented on taste in art, cuisine, luxury items. Taurus, Libra, Scorpio persons play memorable roles in your life. Current cycle highlights domestic adjustment that could include actual change of residence. **SIGNAL SIGN:** In March you let go of burden you should not have carried in first place. November could be your most romantic, profitable, memorable month of 1996.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Time on your side! Don't skip details, refuse to be intimidated by terrorism. Focus on basic issues, employment, care of pets. Element of deception exists - be aware, wary.

TAURUS (April 20-May 21): Get priorities in order, focus on organization, willingness to remove yourself from miasma of double-dealing. Capricorn native declares, "You're too good a person to be involved!"

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Obtain hint from Taurus message. Let go of unsavory situation, relationship. Individual in foreign land corresponds, relates message of love. Sense universal appeal, dance to your own tune.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Take charge of your fate, destiny. Family members, sincere, transformed. Emphasize independence, creativity, style. Short trip involves search for legal documents.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Keep options open, rely on unorthodox methods, break free from prison of inertia. Get going despite reservations of family member who fails to perceive potential.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Diversify, arrange social program in connection with political, charitable campaign. New wardrobe important, gifts verifying that your love is not unrequited. Major ambition fulfilled in stunning manner.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Insist on learning where you stand, what you can anticipate in return for efforts, contributions. See people and places in realistic light.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You get proverbial second chance - don't assert views and act in positive manner.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Many express sadness for you, wish you to see tomorrow. Focus on response to public demands, cooperative efforts, marital status. A relationship concludes, another gets started.

World

Town emerges as centerpiece for Bosnian Serbs

BANJA LUKA, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Too many refugees.

Too little heat. Too few jobs. Yet despite the rough edges, Banja Luka is upbeat, proud to be the major city and likely capital of a quasi-state that no one but Bosnia's Serbs really wants.

The traffic lights don't work. Power blackouts flicker daily from one neighborhood to another. Breath freezes in the unheated lobby of the main hotel, and rifle fire echoes through downtown almost nightly.

Yet over and over, a foreign visitor hears the same earnest question: "How do you like Banja Luka?"

The city, along the Vrbas River 90 miles northwest of Sarajevo, is the leading candidate to become capital of the new Serb Republic within Bosnia. Under the U.S.-brokered peace accord, elections are to be held by September, and lawmakers elected then will pick a new capital.

Kadovjan Bajic, vice president of Banja Luka's regional government, said the city has the advantage of being a "much smaller town in the mountains near Sarajevo where Serb leaders were headquartered during the war.



Bosnian Serb refugees board a bus in downtown Banja Luka bound for the town of Mrkonje Grad, which was recently returned to Bosnian Serb authorities according to the peace plan.

Banja Luka was the Serbs' biggest stronghold in the north, and a rivalry between the two cities often led to rifts among Serb leaders.

Residents of Banja Luka say how glad they are that peace has come

and ask visitors if it's true that Serbs seen in the West as cannibals or beasts.

They boast of Banja Luka's assets — a university, a burgeoning private sector, an orchestra.

"Culturally, economically, politically, it's the most important center in the Serb Republic," said Zeljko Kopanja, editor of the twice-monthly Independent newspaper.

"Banja Lukans feel they're part of Europe, but they know it will take democracy to show that, so they're impatiently awaiting elections."

Before war began in 1992, Banja Luka's population was almost 200,000. An estimated 50,000 people — mostly Muslims and Roman Catholic Croats — left during the war, fleeing intimidation and terror. Between 85,000 and 100,000 Serb refugees flooded in from regions lost by the Serb army.

The refugees, many from rural hamlets, have not always coexisted smoothly with the more urban Banja Luka natives.

Bajic said Croats and Muslims could return to Banja Luka if they wished, but acknowledged they might not find a warm welcome.

"It will take time," he said. "Many Serb refugees who are now settled in Muslim and Croat houses have nowhere else to go."

Muslim street names have been changed, and the main mosque, in the heart of downtown, has been

razed. The site is now vacant.

But Serbs in Banja Luka are unapologetic for their ill-will toward Bosnia's Muslim-led government and army, disputing the Western consensus that the Muslims were the principal victims of the war.

Momciljo Savija, director of a foreign language institute and an up-and-coming local politician, described Bosnian Muslims as "fundamentalists" capable of torturing Serb children.

Savija talked of the Serbs' aspirations for a free-market economy and multiparty democracy. Yet he said his compatriots would rather endure more war and isolation than repudiate their wartime leaders — accused war criminals Radovan Karadzic and Ratko Mladic.

"The people love them," he said. At Savija's institute, teen-agers studying English peppered an American visitor with questions. What did Americans think of the Serbs? Would the U.S. government open a cultural center in Banja Luka?

Unlike Sarajevo, Banja Luka survived the war physically intact — no bombardments or sniper fire. Yet its people feel they suffered deeply,

recalling winters without electricity and the embargo imposed by their former patrons in Serbia that cut off many supplies.

Much as Sarajevoans recall horrific shelling attacks, Banja Luka residents say a dozen babies died at hospitals because a shipment of oxygen was blocked at the Serbian border. They are indignant that this embargo continues.

"If the war is over, no one should punish anyone here with sanctions," said Bajic. "They will only punish ordinary people, not those responsible for the war."

Embargo or not, Banja Luka faces an immense challenge in reopening factories and providing jobs for demobilized soldiers.

Kopanja said there were fears that former soldiers would be recruited by local gangsters, creating private armies that could keep the city in the thrall of crime.

And even if all goes well for Banja Luka, many residents hope its reign as a capital city is brief. Bajic said an overwhelming majority would seize the opportunity to unite with Serbia if the option were there.

"In our soul," Bajic said, "our capital is Belgrade."

Briefly

5 executed for money smuggling

BEIJING — Two people from Taiwan and three from southern Guangdong province were executed on Monday in China's biggest case of smuggling counterfeit money, the state-run news media reported.

Seven others convicted in the case were sentenced to prison, in some cases for life, the Xinhua News Agency reported.

The case involved about \$4 million in counterfeit Chinese yuan that was smuggled from Taiwan during a four-month period of 1994. The executions were carried out in Shanwei, a city in Guangdong.

Police arrest 5 in Tokyo hostage-taking

TOKYO — Police arrested five people on Monday who allegedly kidnaped a Tokyo family and held them for \$9.5 million in ransom.

The kidnapping took place in October, but the victims did not immediately go to police, apparently out of fear of retaliation, an official said on condition of anonymity.

The kidnapers allegedly held a stun gun on a 36-year-old businessman in a parking lot on Oct. 12. They robbed him of \$1,238 and took him to a downtown Tokyo house, where he was held captive, the official said.

The man's parents were taken hostage at their home the same day. The assailants demanded \$9.5 million in cash, and threatened to kill the couple, the official said.

Christopher struggles to revive talks

JERUSALEM — On his 17th negotiating trip to the Middle East, Secretary of State Warren Christopher is struggling to find a formula to pump life into lagging peace negotiations between Israel and Syria. One way or another, he is likely to wind up Thursday with an announcement the negotiations will resume — under the added pressure of a probable decision by Israel's prime minister, Shimon Peres, to call national elections in May.

"That's a decision that will have to be made by this government," Christopher told reporters after a two-hour meeting Monday with Peres in the prime minister's office.

Despite the hint of disapproval, Christopher went on to declare: "We can continue the negotiations under any scenario, and that is what we intend to do."

Guatemalan president escapes attack

GUATEMALA CITY — President Alvaro Arzu escaped unharmed from a bizarre attack Sunday in which a man tried to ram his pickup truck into Arzu and his wife as they were riding horses on a rural road.

Pedro Aroldo Zaz Rompich, 24 of Guatemala, was shot and killed by the president's bodyguards, Interior Minister Rodolfo Mendoza said.

No details about Zaz were immediately released. Authorities did not say whether he was armed.

The attack came as Guatemala was preparing for Monday's arrival of Pope John Paul II. Mendoza said the attack would not affect the papal visit.

11 killed in Rwandan rebel-attack

KIGALI, Rwanda — Eleven people were killed in an attack near Zaire's border, the deadliest violence in Rwanda in six months, U.N. and Rwandan officials said Monday.

The officials did not blame anyone for the Saturday night attack. But they suggested the suspects were Hutus who fled to Zaire after Rwanda's Hutu majority massacred more than 500,000 people, most of them minority Tutsis, in 1994.

Compiled from wire reports

Moods tense in India, Pakistan

POONCH, India (AP) — After two weeks of intense gun battles across one of the world's most dangerous frontiers, Maj. Gen. G.K. Duggal was in a foul mood.

Pointing toward a Pakistani outpost on a nearby mountain peak, Duggal said the soldiers there had fired three small rockets at his base along the Kashmir cease-fire line.

"The Pakistanis plan to target our posts again," probably with heavier anti-tank missiles, he said. "If that happens, it will be an act of escalation."

Pakistan and India have fought two wars over Kashmir, which was divided between the two countries when they were formed at the end of British colonial rule in 1947. The Indian part of Kashmir, Jammu-Kashmir state, is the only majority Muslim state in India.

But the recent fighting was some of the worst in years, and it comes at a time of rising tensions between the two arch-enemies.

Twenty-five people were killed before the fighting tapered off last week, including 20 who died when a rocket hit a village mosque across the border. Each side says the other fired the rocket; U.N.-observers are investigating.

The conflict is especially significant because each country is believed to have a well-developed nuclear weapons program — and each is building up its arsenal.

Ignoring warnings from the United States, India test-fired its new Prithvi ballistic missile on Jan. 27. The missile, with a range of 155 miles, is capable of carrying a nuclear bomb to Pakistan.

U.S. spy satellites reportedly picked up signs in late December that India was planning an underground nuclear test blast, and President Clinton warned that if that happened the United States would cut off virtually all aid and urge other donors to do the same.

India denied that it was planning a nuclear test, but the main opposition party, which has been gaining ground in state elections, is pro-nuclear and polls indicate that most Indians would approve of a nuclear test.

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Against the spade game, West led the diamond jack. West led his last diamond to East's 10 and East cashed a third diamond and led a fourth. South was forced to ruff and when West didn't ruff, South knew two facts. First, he wasn't down yet, and second, he knew where the trump king was. So he led a trump to dummy's ace, dropped East's singleton king and had an easy claim for the remaining tricks.

"How would you have defended the hand?" asked an irritated East after the Swiss match.

"I don't know," replied West. "I can tell you how our opponents beat it at the other table. Against the same lead, East won his diamond ace and cashed his king, deliberately establishing dummy's game. Then he switched to a club. South, who took an innocent-looking trump trumps and East sprung the trap. Now he led a third diamond for West to ruff and the game was defeated one trick."

How could East be sure West had a doubleton diamond? Holding three diamonds including the jack, West would have led low instead of the jack. This made the conditions near-perfect for East to engineer his deceptive defense.

NORTH ♠ 9 8 ♣ Q J 3 ♦ Q 5 4 ♣ 7 4

EAST ♠ K ♣ K 6 ♦ A K 10 ♣ A K 10 5 3

WEST ♠ 5 4 3 2 ♦ 8 7 5 ♣ 9 6 2

SOUTH ♠ Q 10 7 ♣ A K 10 ♦ 6 3 2 ♣ A K J

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: South

The bidding:

South West North East
 1 NT Pass 2 ♣ Pass
 2 ♠ Pass 4 ♠ All pass

Opening lead: Diamond Jack

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds: ♠ K ♠ 9 6 4 2 ♦ A K 10 ♣ 10 8 5 3

ANSWER: Three diamonds. This is an awkward bidding problem. With such good diamonds a jump preference to three diamonds is the best choice. An alternative is to bid two clubs, hoping to elicit enough information for a better move.

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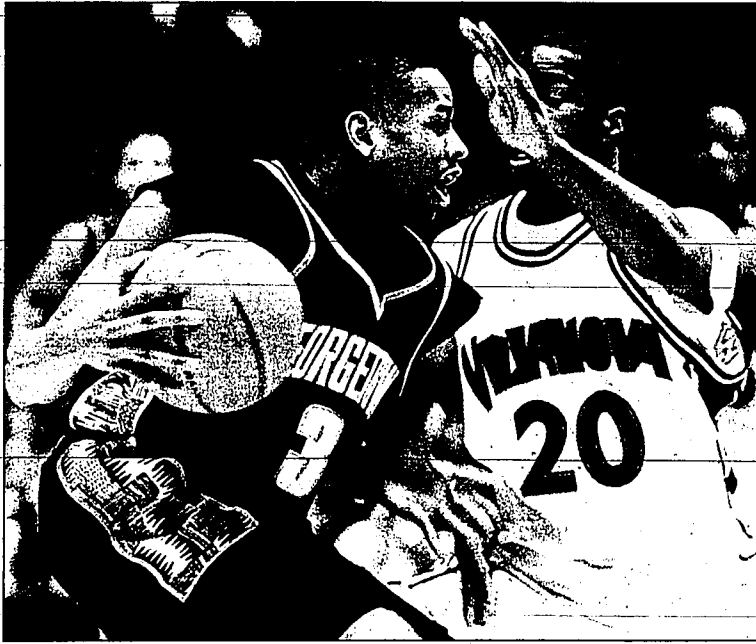
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Sports

Wildcats down G-Town, 79-66



The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Freshman John Celestano had a season-high 19 points and No. 6 Villanova held Allen Iverson to 10 points in the second half in a 79-66 victory over No. 8 Georgetown on Monday night.

The Wildcats (19-3, 10-2 Big East), playing without injured starting forward Eric Eberz, won their sixth straight game, while the Hoyas (19-4, 9-3) had a two-game winning streak snapped.

Kerry Kittles scored 17 points and Alvin Williams had 13 for Villanova.

Iverson, who was 6-of-10 from the field in the first half and 1-of-6 in the second, finished with 22 points, while Othello Harrington added 10 for the Hoyas.

Villanova opened the second half with a 19-5 run that included 3-pointers by Kittles, Williams and Celestano; Celestano's 3 with 13:22 to go gave the Wildcats a 52-40 lead.

The Wildcats stretched it to 54-40 on Kittles' desperation 15-foot jumper with 11:30 remaining and Boubacar Aw's layup at the other end finally stopped a run of 13 straight points by Villanova.

After Iverson's 3-pointer trimmed the lead to 54-45, Kittles followed it with a 3 of his own — from 25 feet — with 9:20 left.

The Hoyas never got closer than eight points the rest of the way and the Wildcats led by as many as 17, 72-55.

Eberz, who bruised his hip in Saturday's win over Pittsburgh, is the team's second-leading scorer at 14.2 points per game. He did not dress but is expected back for Saturday's game with Rutgers.

The game was played at the Spectrum before a crowd of 18,433 — the third-largest college basketball crowd in Pennsylvania history.

The Hoyas don't get a break after playing the sixth-ranked Wildcats. Six of their seven remaining games are against teams currently ranked in the top 25: Syracuse, Boston College (twice), Memphis, Connecticut and Villanova, in their regular-season finale March 2.

Georgetown's Allen Iverson, left, drives into Villanova's Alvin Williams during Monday's matchup in Philadelphia. Iverson scored 17 points in the first half.

Morning line

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“

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—Massachusetts forward Donta Bright, talking about the aggressiveness of his basketball team

Briefly

McDowell knocked out in first round

POMONA, Calif. — Jerome racer Mitch McDowell was upset in the first round of competition Monday in the National Hot Rod Association Winter Nationals at the Los Angeles County fairgrounds.

McDowell, who earlier in the week had qualified third in the a Ford Probe alcohol Funny Car at over 240 miles, lost to Wayne Stocker, a veteran racer from San Diego. Stocker was driving his "Boogie Man" Mustang Funny Car.

McDowell's 3500 horse power car had difficulty getting traction because of the bad track conditions following a hard rain.

The professional classes were allowed to run Sunday, but the rain forced McDowell and others to race Monday.

Wendell, Filer game reset for Friday evening

FILER — The boys' basketball match between Wendell and Filer scheduled for Monday has been changed.

The two teams will face off Friday at 6 p.m. in Filer.

Erhardt, Hodgson hired by offensively weak Jets

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. — Ron Erhardt is headed from the best team in the AFC to the worst in the NFL.

Erhardt, the offensive coordinator for the Pittsburgh Steelers the last four years, was released by the AFC champions last week.

On Monday, he was hired for the same job by the New York Jets, along with tight ends coach Pat Hodgson, who also was dumped by the Steelers.

Erhardt takes over the worst attack in football.

The Jets have uncertainty at quarterback, wide receiver and on the line. Their running backs are decent. Only at tight end, with Johnny Mitchell and Kyle Brady, do they seem set, but Mitchell is a free agent.

Big Sky announces Harrison as conference player of week

OGDEN, Utah — Montana State forward Nico Harrison, a 6-5 senior from Portland, Ore., was named Monday as the Big Sky Conference Player of the Week.

Harrison led the Bobcats to two Big Sky Conference victories over the weekend, upping Montana State's record to 6-1 in the league, and tying Boise State for the lead.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

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Today

- High school boys' basketball: Kuna at Jerome, 7:30 p.m.; Bitas at Camas County, 8 p.m.; Valley at Peelo, 4:30 p.m.; Postville at Minico, 6 p.m.; Castleford at Oakley, 6 p.m.; Hagerman at Rath River, 6 p.m.; Murtaugh at Hansen, 6 p.m.; Filer at Glencoe Ferry, 4:30 p.m.; Kimberly at Gooding, 4:30 p.m.; Shoshone at Carey, 8 p.m.; Dietrich at ISDB, 7:30 p.m.
- High school wrestling: Oakley, Kimberly at Filer, 6 p.m.; Twin Falls, Gooding at Wendell, 6 p.m.

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Robinson's 3-pointers lift Trailblazers over Raptors

Pro basketball

TORONTO (AP) — When Portland in-bounded the ball with 22 seconds remaining and the game tied, James Robinson didn't figure he would take a shot.

"The play was designed for Rod (Strickland) to go to the basket," Robinson said after hitting a 3-point shot with one-tenth of a second remaining to lift the Trail Blazers to a 90-87 victory over the Toronto Raptors. "It was maybe the fourth option on the play."

Strickland, who led the Trail Blazers with 28 points, tried to penetrate, but found his route to the basket cut off.

"I was one-on-one and they cut me off, so I just looked for the open man," Strickland said.

The guard looked for Cliff Robinson, but couldn't find him. Then he spotted James Robinson at the top of the key and got him the ball. Robinson's shot found all the

been beaten on a shot with less than one second remaining in a game.

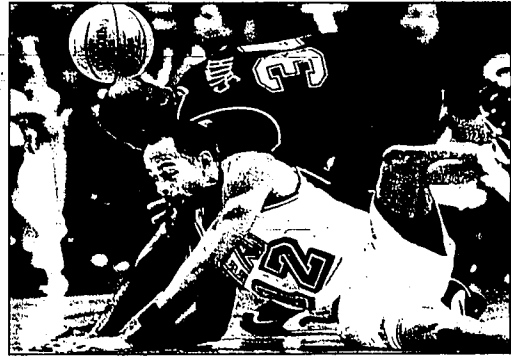
Portland squeaked out the victory despite a dismal shooting performance from the free throw line in the first half.

"It was business as usual," Portland coach P.J. Carlesimo said of his team's free throw shooting woes. "Sure it affects us, but not as much as most people might think. That was evident by the way we turned it around in the second half."

The Trail Blazers hit only one of their first eight from the line and 6-of-14 in the first half. But they found the range in the second half when they were 10 of 12.

"The 10-for-12 in the second half was significant for us," Carlesimo added. "I think it showed that we don't get down. But I'd still take the free throws. After all,

Please see NBA/D2



Miami Heat's Blimbo Coles (12) battles for control of the ball with Sacramento Kings Michael Smith (34) during second quarter NBA action Monday in Miami.

Minutemen still No. 1 with 21-0 record

The Associated Press

A close win didn't do much to Massachusetts' big lead at the top of the college basketball poll Monday.

The Minutemen (21-0), who needed overtime to beat Xavier of Ohio 78-74 Sunday, easily held the No. 1 spot in the rankings for the seventh straight week.

The only unbeaten Division I team, Massachusetts received 58 first-place votes and 1,641 points from the national media panel, well ahead of the seven first-place votes and 1,586 points garnered by Ken-

tucky (18-1).

For the Wildcats, whose only loss was to Massachusetts, it was their seventh straight week as runner-up in the voting as the top seven teams in the poll held their spots from last week.

While the top of the rankings has remained steady all season, the changes continued at the bottom as three teams came in this week. Louisville, Iowa State and Stanford all entered the Top 25 — Iowa State for the first time this season — while Auburn, Clemson and Georgia Tech fell out.

Kansas was third followed by Connecti-

cot, which got the only other first-place vote, Cincinnati, Villanova and Uuh.

Georgetown moved up one spot to No. 8 and was followed in the Top Ten by Wake Forest, which jumped three places, and Penn State, which was 10th last week.

Virginia Tech jumped two spots to lead the Second Ten and was followed by North Carolina, Texas Tech, Purdue, Memphis, Arizona, UCLA, Syracuse, Iowa and Louisville.

The last five teams were Iowa State, Boston College, Michigan, Eastern Michigan and Stanford.

Hall of Fame inducts 6, passes on Tarkanian

The Associated Press

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — George Gervin and David Thompson finally put their fierce scoring rivalry to rest Monday. They were elected — together — to the Basketball Hall of Fame.

The other inductees were UCLA's and Lakers star Gail Goodrich, Olympic champion Nancy Lieberman-Cline, the high-scoring George Yardley and the late Kresimir Cosic of Croatia.

The often-controversial Jerry Tarkanian, who owns the best winning percentage among college coaches, was passed over.

The scoring competition between Gervin and Thompson reached its height on April 9, 1978, as each was grasping at the league scoring title with one game left. Thompson scored 73 points for Denver to take the lead. But a few hours later, Gervin scored 63 for San Antonio, to win the title that season.

"It's truly an honor to be going in with David," Gervin said Monday. "We had quite a few battles."

Each of them battled in his own life, too.



Gervin

Nicknamed "Ice-man," Gervin turned pro after slugging an opponent and losing his college scholarship. Later, while with the Spurs, he entered a drug rehabilitation program.

"Overcoming that addiction is the Hall of Fame in itself," Gervin said Monday.

Despite his personal problems, Gervin, who also played with Chicago, scored more than 2,000 points in six consecutive seasons. He averaged 26 points during 14 seasons in the ABA and NBA.

Thompson, an acrobatic player who led North Carolina State over UCLA and Bill Walton on route to the 1974 NCAA championship, also fell prey to cocaine as a pro. At the height of his drug problems, he did a brief stint at a prison camp for beating his wife.

However, Thompson averaged 22 points during a career that brought him to both

Denver and Seattle. He once hit 13 field goals in a quarter, an NBA record. He is the only one to be named most valuable player in both ABA and NBA All-Star games.

Both Thompson and Gervin now do work for programs that help disadvantaged children.

"It all has been behind me," said Thompson of his past struggles. "Nobody's perfect, and everybody has skeletons in their closet. But when you're a pro athlete, you're in a position when you can have influence on people's lives."

Goodrich, another NBA marquee name, led UCLA to its first titles under coach John Wooden in 1964 and 1965, before starring with the Los Angeles Lakers. At 6-foot-1, he averaged almost 19 points a game in his 14 seasons, which included play with Phoenix and New Orleans.

Goodrich said he would ask his former coach to be a presenter at induction ceremonies May 6.

"Coach Wooden saw something in me as a little high school kid," Goodrich said. "He had confidence that if this little kid grows, he can play ... Others didn't think so."

Utah Valley pads SWAC lead

The Associated Press

Utah Valley increased its lead in the Pacific West Athletic Conference standings with an 87-81 win over Salt Lake on Saturday, a fitting inauguration for UVSC's new David O. McKay Events Center.

Utah Valley improved to 9-1 in the SWAC play and 19-2 overall, while SLC dropped to 3-7, 14-8.

North Idaho (8-3, 20-3) fell another game off the pace after a 93-73 loss at Dixie on Friday. The Cardinals rebounded for a 95-87 win over Snow (6-5, 16-7) on Saturday.

Dixie (8-3, 20-3) moved into a second place with a victory over North Idaho and an 81-45 rout of Ricks (3-8, 11-13) on Saturday.

Defending SWAC champion Southern Idaho (7-4, 19-4) stayed in the race with an 87-57 decision over Colorado Northwestern (2-9, 7-13) and a clutch 65-63 win over Eastern Utah (7-4, 18-5).

In other SWAC action, Eastern Utah beat Treasure Valley (1-10, 8-14) 93-46, Snow beat Ricks 88-82, and Colorado Northwestern edged Treasure Valley 68-63.

In last game of the week, Dixie visited Utah Valley and Southern Idaho travels to North Idaho.

Scores and stats

Basketball

NBA standings

Team	W	L	Pct
Atlanta	23	17	.571
Chicago	22	18	.550
Washington	22	20	.520
Phoenix	20	24	.452
New Jersey	19	24	.440
San Antonio	18	26	.409
Philadelphia	17	28	.378

Sports on TV/Radio

Event	Station	Time
WILL Lacrosse, Rochester at Philadelphia	ESPN/Ch. 12	1:30 p.m.
College basketball, Iowa at Minnesota	ESPN/Ch. 13	6:30 p.m.
NBA basketball, Bulls at Suns	TNT/Ch. 31	8 p.m.
Boxing, Bradley-Smith	USA/CB. 13	7 p.m.
College basketball, Arkansas at Mississippi State	ESPN/Ch. 13	7:30 p.m.

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High school boys' basketball, Kuna at Jerome	KART71400 AM	7:30 p.m.
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Mark Messier	Edmonton	12	32
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Experts: Addicts escape reality

Fort Landerdale Sun-Sentinel

They were a doozy of a Super Bowl fight. As the Los Angeles Raiders pounded the Washington Redskins 38-9 in Super Bowl 18, Kevin Quirk's relationship was taking a different kind of hit.

Quirk, a sportswriter for The Charlotte Observer in Charlotte, N.C., mostly covered Atlantic Coast Conference basketball.

"I really had no real interest in watching the Super Bowl," he says. But, "As a sports writer, I felt it was my duty to watch."

This did not sit well with Quirk's wife, The opponent. They argued that year, which they were doing increasingly when it came to his consumption of sports.

She wanted to do something else that day. Any- thing, she said from another room, but sit through a four-hour contest that had no meaning in either of their lives.

"We were arguing back and forth," Quirk says, "and she didn't realize I had turned the back on her."

When she found out, she was not happy. Quirk doesn't remember the scene at the time, but he does remember his wife "pulled the plug and knocked the TV down."

I thought for a minute that my reaction should be. Then I plugged the TV back in, watched the rest of the game and all of the highlights.

That was 12 years ago. And the divorce became final two years later.

Eight years ago, Kevin Quirk, 41, quit sports journalism. He had simply had enough.

Left with an empty feeling and a need to move on, Quirk went back to school and earned a master's degree in counseling with an emphasis on psychology, from the University of New Hampshire.

An ardent sports fan since he sat through his first baseball game at Fenway Park in 1963 — the Red Sox beat the Yankees 14-7 — Quirk no longer measures his personal success in terms of a team's wins or losses.

Using his expertise, Quirk wants to help other men and women whose lives take a time-out every time their team plays.

He has started a consulting and counseling practice in Charlottesville, Va., called Life Change. He also is researching the topic of writing called "Men in Hiding: Escaping From Life Through Sports."

Quirk knows almost anyone can relate to the thrill of a great game. In the AFC Championship game between the Pittsburgh Steelers and the Indianapolis Colts, a final play decided the game.

With five seconds remaining, trailing 20-16, Colts quarterback Jim Harbaugh dropped back and lofted a "Hail Mary" deep into the south end zone at Three Rivers Stadium.

Three Steelers batted the ball in the air as time drained from the clock. Colts receiver Aaron Bailey fell backward as the ball popped into his chest. He hit the ground.

The Steeler fans, who believed

10 hints to tell if you're a sports junkie

1. You spend more money on sports souvenirs and accessories in one season than you spent on your daughter's wedding.
2. You watch ESPN's "Sports Center" three times a day; regular news programs three times a year.
3. When Mickey Mantle died, you cried for the first time since you were a kid.
4. You high five, shout, scream, celebrate or mourn over the game but feel more low-key

they were about to see their comeback squandered on a last-second play, held their collective breath.

The ball squirmed. "Incomplete," signaled the official, waving off the play. The crowd went nuts.

Cameras keyed on the relatives of Steeler coach Bill Cowher, who showed the emotion that gripped the faces of his wife, daughter and sisters-in-law.

Quirk says this type of excitement can hypnotize fans. And while getting caught up in a game like this is understandable for anyone, his concern begins when viewers or fans take their "involvement" with the team too far.

When the outcome dictates the spectator's mood for hours, days, weeks to come, it is possible that the game "fills in for the thrill that is not in their lives," Quirk says.

"Sports have an intense drama built into them, that is irreplaceable in other parts of their lives. Where else do you have in every season a champion and a loser? The drama in their own lives pales in comparison," he says.

Quirk says you can lose track of their own winning and losing and not spend as much time "setting and meeting their own goals," the artificial gains, thrills and accomplishments made through

speculator sports begin to take a toll. "You don't focus on understanding your own setbacks. Why? Because this is what you're focusing on with your sports team," he says.

Dr. Richard Lister, a clinical sports psychologist in private practice since 1970 in Costa Mesa, Calif., understands the phenomenon. He agrees with Quirk's assessment that too much immersion in the vicarious thrills of sports can be harmful.

"Don't get me wrong," Lister says, "I'm not trying to curb enthusiasm. To be enthusiastic about sports, I applaud that."

But only if sports are a part of an individual's life activities, Lister says. "If it becomes paramount and one of the most important things, this can be extremely serious with the fanatic fan."

Quirk wants to understand why men isolate themselves and why it is more common for men than women.

He says, so far, his research shows that sports allow men an emotional release that is uncommon to them in their regular lives.

"Men are allowed to express emotions in sports. You can see it in the athletes themselves. They can cry and get each other on the rear — behavior that isn't validated for men anywhere else in our culture. They can be emotional in sports and that's acceptable," Quirk says.

In his research, which includes a questionnaire readers can request (1-800-484-7165; then punch security code number 0022), Quirk tries "to find out just how men do escape by obsessing over sports."

"I'm trying to find out how much time they spend watching sports, how they feel about that time, how the people in their lives feel about all the time they're devoting to sports."

toward your own job, family and personal goals.

6. You estimate that you devote 20 hours a week to sports, but your spouse says it's more like 50.

7. You find yourself talking and waving your arms like (former Oakland Raiders coach) John Madden at every social gathering you attend.

8. You spend 45 minutes reading the sports section and five minutes on the rest of the newspaper combined.

9. You get frustrated at others when they don't understand the rules, ask "stupid" questions, have no sense of sports history or just don't get sports.

10. Your No. 1 New Year's resolution was to form a fantasy football league or join a ruffian baseball association.

No. 2 Lady Mavericks crush Texas-Arlington

RUSTON, La. (AP) — Its usually stern coach was unusually forgiving Monday night when No. 2 Louisiana Tech beat a so-so Texas Arlington by just 21 points.

"It was obvious that we came out flat tonight," coach Leon Barnore said after Tech's 77-56 victory. "We've played four games in the last seven days and sometimes that will happen. I was disappointed with our leadership tonight in our seniors."

They realize we can play better than that," Vickie Johnson scored 14 points in 20 minutes to lead No. 2 Louisiana Tech to a 77-56 victory over Texas-Arlington on Monday night.

Every Tech player got into the game and 11 of the 14 scored as the Lady Techsters (19-1) won their fourth straight game.

"If we're going to expect to be ranked as high as we are it's important to come out ready to play each and every game," Barnore said.

Racquel Spurlock added 10 points for Tech, which enjoyed its bench after leading 35-20 at halftime.

UTA (8-9) led the lead to 13 points on several occasions early in the second half, but never could get any closer.

Tech pushed its lead to as many as 20 points seven times before Stacey Hill hit a jumper with 35 seconds left to give the Techsters the 77-56 victory.

Natasha Johnson led the Mavericks with 20 points, while Tanya Strong had 12.

Maryland 63, No. 14 Duke 52
Sonia Chase and Lillian Purvis each scored 17 points and combined to net No. 14 Duke 63-52 Monday night.

Chase scored eight points in a 12-0 run that gave the Terrapins (9-11, 3-7 Atlantic

College women's basketball

Coast Conference) a 35-18 halftime lead as the Blue Devils (18-5, 7-4) were held to their lowest first-half point total of the season.

Duke started to make a run in the second half, holding the Terps scoreless for nearly eight minutes, but the Blue Devils were never able to get closer than 11 points.

The win marked the first time defeating a ranked opponent since the Terrapins' 17 Rutgers on Feb. 8, 1994.

No. 18 Clemson 75, South Carolina 57

CLEMSON, S.C. — Stephanie Ridgeway scored 20 points and grabbed a career-high 12 rebounds to lead No. 18 Clemson to a 75-57 victory over South Carolina on Monday night.

It was Clemson's ninth straight victory to know this year and only the second time an opponent has registered a double-digit win over the Gamecocks.

Laura Cottrell had 13 points for the Tigers (16-2) while leading with eight points and 10 rebounds. Jeannette Davis added eight points, seven rebounds and four assists.

Shaun Johnson, the nation's fifth-leading scorer with a 23.8 average, had 25 points to lead South Carolina (13-7). She was only 9-of-26 from the field, missed her last seven shots and did not score a basket over the final seven minutes.

For South Carolina, three players combined for 51 of the team's 57 points. Starters Cindy Kelly, Donna Garst and Natalie Funderburk failed to score.

Weather problems postpone game

NORFOLK, Va. — The women's college basketball game between East Carolina and No. 10



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Old Dominion, scheduled for Monday night, was postponed because of weather-related travel problems.

Icy road conditions from the recent winter storm are still making travel in the area dangerous.

The Colonial Athletic Association game has been rescheduled for Wednesday at 7 p.m. EST.

Ladyjacks break into AP top 25

The Associated Press

The alarm sounded early for the South Carolina women.

Expecting a good year, the Ladyjacks strolled confidently into Iowa City for a season-opening tournament back in November and shuttled back home a couple of days later.

"I think that was a wakeup call for our team," coach Royce Chadwick said. "We thought we were pretty good and then we got our eyes opened. We found out we'd better be ready to play or somebody would clean our clock."

They've been ready ever since. Stephen F. Austin has won 16 straight after those losses to Iowa and Maryland. On Monday, the Ladyjacks broke into The Associated Press poll at No. 25.

"It's the first national ranking in Chadwick's two seasons at the school; Stephen F. Austin had not been ranked since the week of Dec. 7, 1992."

"We don't need chairs in our office today," Chadwick said. "Everybody's flying pretty high."

Georgia remained the No. 1 team for the second consecutive week and with No. 24 Notre Dame also making its Top 25 debut, the poll has newcomers for the first time in four weeks.

With a 16-game winning streak of its own, Georgia (18-2) received 39 of a possible 40 first-place votes during a national media panel and had 998 points.

Bulls ready to start another winning streak

DENVER (AP) — The Chicago Bulls — with the exception of Dennis Rodman — were gaseous in their feat after an astounding comeback that nearly extended their team-record 18-game winning streak.

Instead of thinking about what could have been, the Bulls (41-4) talked about what's still to come.

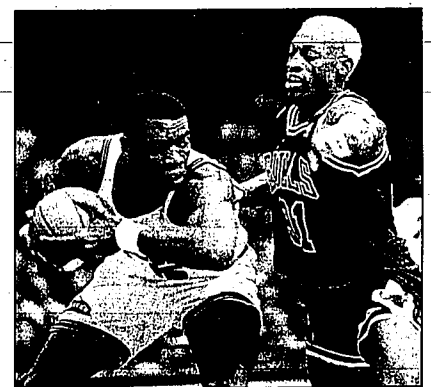
"One day we knew we would lose, and it happened today," Michael Jordan said after Chicago erased a 31-point first-half deficit before losing 105-99 to Denver on Sunday. "We'll get back on track."

Rodman was so diplomatic. After going through his usual antics — he sparred with Denver players and lounded on the scorer's table after a flagrant foul call in the first half — Rodman did not concede anything to the Nuggets.

"I expected you to lose sometime, but I feel bad because we played bad," Rodman said. "That team is not that good. I'm not going to give that team any credit at all."

The Nuggets looked like championship contenders in the first half. They hit 65 percent of their shots in first 24 minutes and were at 79 percent at one point as they took a 25-point lead into halftime.

But Jordan turned the tables in the second half, changing the 39 points in the third quarter to help the Bulls charge back to within two points heading into the fourth.



Denver Nuggets center Dikamba Mutombo, left, battles with Chicago Bulls forward Dennis Rodman for a rebound in the Nuggets' 105-99 upset over the Bulls Sunday night.

"We made it an entertaining game," Chicago coach Phil Jackson said. "We exerted too much energy coming back. It showed from the four-minute mark of the fourth period to the end."

"It was a wonderful run, a terrific run. I told our guys, let's get two, three, four, five, and get started down the path to another streak."

The Bulls, who lost for the first time since Dec. 26, continued a six-game western road trip Tuesday night in Phoenix. All the-

Italian Perathoner defies course to win 1st Super-G

GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN, Germany (AP) — On a treacherous course that took out the favorites, Werner Perathoner of Italy took risks and won the Super-G Monday with his first World Cup victory of the season.

With a daring run on the partly icy Kandahar course in the last super-giant slalom before the World Championships, Perathoner beat Luce Alphand of France, the winner of Friday's downhill.

"It's difficult to say if I had an optimal race," Perathoner said after the second World Cup victory of his career. "You had to risk a lot and it worked for me, although two or three times I thought I was going to go out of the course."

"It was difficult. In parts the course was icy. In parts you had crispy snow."

Both Luce Kjus, the overall World Cup leader, and his Norwegian teammate Atle Skardal, previous leader of super-G standings, missed gates and were eliminated.

With Skardal's elimination, Hans Knudsen of Austria — who finished the race tied for 14th — took over the super-G lead. Kjus remained the overall leader.

The race, the final super-G before the World Championships, began near Monday in Sierra Nevada, Spain, was interrupted twice for a total of 50 minutes to repair the course.



On a treacherous course that took out the favorites, Italian Werner Perathoner, above, took risks and wound up with his first World Cup Super-G victory of the season Monday in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany.

An overnight snowfall made an already-tough course even more challenging.

Perathoner, 28, flashed down the Kandahar course before the first break and covered the 1,360-meter track with 35 gates in 1 minute, 19.2 seconds.

Alphand's time was 1:19.83; his best career finish in a super-G. "I didn't expect to do so well, the course looked very twisting,"

said Alphand, happy with the outcome of the race. "I'm in good form and it was important to do well here."

"I now go to the worlds with a chance of winning a medal in the opening event and that will take some pressure off the downhill."

The World Championships begin with the men's super-G before moving to Alphand's favored downhill and the other events.

Patrick With of Austria was third Monday in 1:20.05 for his best career finish.

The top 10 finishers in the fourth super-G of the season started early, before the first break that lasted 15 minutes while officials repaired the breaking course.

Perathoner's only previous World Cup victory came last year on the Olympic course at Kvitfjell, Norway, also in a super-G.

'Fallen princess' Capriati announces return to tennis

Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — Looking extremely fit and perhaps more emotionally stable than she has been in three years, Jennifer Capriati, 19, the fallen princess of professional tennis, announced Monday she is returning to the women's tour after a long absence.



Capriati

John Evert, once Capriati's agent, described her as physically and emotionally changed. "She has grown out of that teen-age stage. She looks like a young woman," Evert said.

She has accepted a wild card into the indoor Paris Open, a small, 28-player singles tournament that begins Monday.

Although Capriati's agents pointedly said there is no commitment beyond Paris, most believe this is the start of a serious comeback that could take her next to Indian Wells, Calif., and then to the Lipton International on Key Biscayne, March 21-31.

"From what I have seen of her practicing and the reports I'm getting from my pro staff, she is really striking the ball well and moving great," said John Evert, vice president for sales and marketing at Saddlebrook Resort outside Tampa, where Capriati has been training with former ATP Tour pro Alvaro Betancur.

"I think it's absolutely wonderful that she's making a comeback," said Evert. Capriati has been working with well-known tennis fitness expert Pat Etcheberry.

"She is in very good physical condition. I know she has been working hard since last fall," said Evert.

Burned out and at odds with her parents after her accident, Capriati quit the tour after a first-round loss at the 1993 U.S. Open.

She moved out of her parents' home at Saddlebrook. In December she was arrested on suspicion of shoplifting jewelry at a Tampa shopping mall.

A few months later she was arrested at a budget motel in Dania on suspicion of possession of marijuana. She tried to come back in November of 1994 at a tournament in Philadelphia, but she lost to top-ten player Arne Huber in the first round and dropped out of sight. Reports had her in San Diego and 25 to 30 pounds over her playing weight.

She wasn't seen at a high-profile public gathering until the 1995 U.S. Open, where she turned up at an awards dinner. Chris Evert, the former world No. 1, pressed her gently to follow Monica Seles back onto the tour.

The 25 to 30 pounds of extra weight she was once carrying evidently has disappeared. "Physically, her appearance is very presentable. By no means is she carrying extra weight. Also, know she has done a lot of soul-searching about her life," Evert said.

Evert seemed uncertain how quickly Capriati could make a major impact on the game. "With two years off, you're going to be rusty, as prepared as she is going to be in Paris," Evert said.

He compared Capriati to Seles. "Monica is about as intense a practitioner as I've ever seen. It was easy for her to make a comeback," Evert said. "I don't think it will be a difficult comeback for her. But she will take her a little more time. She'll have some close matches. She'll need some tight situations before she gets her rhythm."

Capriati apparently has made peace with her father, Stefano, who pushed her into a series of endorsements as a 14- and 15-year-old that sent her scurrying all over the globe. He is back working as her coach.

Her comeback has the potential to put the Corel WTA Tour on its most competitive footing since the days when Chris Evert and Martina Navratilova were battling for championships almost weekly.

Steffi Graf and Monica Seles, co-ranked No. 1 in the world, had a titanic three-set struggle in the final of last year's U.S. Open, which Graf won, but Capriati had the power to play with both of them, and last week rising star Iva Majoli of Croatia became only the second player to beat Seles since she returned to the game.

At 5-foot-7 and 135 pounds, Capriati stormed out of the junior ranks to turn professional on March 5, 1990, at age 14 and was No. 8 by the end of the year. She reached the semifinals of her first French Open, then made two more Grand Slam

semifinals in 1991 — at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open. Great things were forecast for her. But as her busy schedule and the pressures of the tour began to weigh on her, she began to slip. It wasn't unusual for her to weep in interviews following losses to inferior opponents. She has won six titles, though perhaps her greatest achievement was the gold medal at the 1992 Olympic Games, where she defeated Graf.

Weber State guard tops 3-point list

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — Weber State guard Ryan Cuff, who became eligible for conference and national statistics last week, moved into first place in two of the Big Sky Conference categories.



Cuff is the new league leader in three-point field goal percentage, shooting 47 percent from long range, and also averages the most three-pointers per game, 2.8. He ranks fourth in scoring with 15.3 points per game, second in steals with 2.4 per game and 19th in rebounding with 4.6 per game.

NCAA transfer rules required Cuff, who came from Arizona State, to miss the first six games of the season. To be listed in statistics a player must compete in 75 percent of his team's games, a milestone Cuff reached a week ago.

Cuff's teammate, Jimmy DeGraffenried, held on to the top spot in scoring with a 20.8-points-per-game average. He was held to just 15 points against Northern Arizona, the first time in nine games he has not scored 40 or more points. DeGraffenried did, however, chip in 28 points against Southern Utah.

This week's Big Sky Player of the Week, Nico Harrison of Montana State, improved his scoring average by one point, up from 13.4 to 14.4, with a 29-point career-best outburst against Idaho Saturday.

In two games, Harrison scored 45 points and shot 73 percent from the field, raising his field goal percentage from 56 percent to 59 percent for the year.

Montana State's Quadre Lollis raised his league-leading rebounding average from 16.5 a week ago to 11.2. Against Eastern Washington, the senior had 14 rebounds, and followed that up the next night with 12 against Idaho. He also chipped in 10 points over the weekend to move into second place in the league with a 17.2 points per game average.

Montana's Shane Belpap has already surpassed the 123 assists he recorded last season. He dished out 16 over the weekend to raise his total to 143, a league-leading 7.2 per game average.

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NBC planning 4 more hours of Atlanta games

ATLANTA (AP) — NBC, already projected to televise a record 168 hours of the 1996 Atlanta Olympics will add up to four more hours to its coverage, sports chief Dick Ebersol said Monday.

In four years, however, those numbers will look minuscule.

Addressing the Sporting Goods Manufacturers Association, the president of NBC Sports began laying out his plans for coverage beyond Atlanta. Ebersol said the network will have at least two cable partners for the 2000 Summer Games in Sydney and the 2002 Winter Games in Salt Lake City.

"The Atlanta Games will be unique in that they are the last Games ever to be seen on one channel in the United States," he said. In the future, "coverage will probably be 500 to 600 hours at the Summer Games and 400 to 450 hours with the Winter Games."

NBC, in an unprecedented \$3.5 billion bid, gained TV rights to the five Olympics after the 1998 Games in Nagano, which will be televised by CBS. The NBC contract includes the events in 2004, 2006 and 2008, for which host cities have not even been selected.

As for Atlanta, Ebersol said the network probably will announce in the next two months that it will show 171 or 172 hours during the 17-day Games, which begin July 19.

He said the extra hours likely will be spread over the last two week-

ends of the Games, with complete coverage of the marathon on the final day. At a 15-hour event, Ebersol says a proposal to switch the marathon to an early-morning event because of the blistering afternoon heat in Atlanta.

Ebersol also dismissed criticism that the past two Olympic telecasts — NBC and CBS in 1992 Summer Games in Barcelona and CBS and the '94 Winter Games in Lillehammer — focused too much time on taped features rather than live events. He said about 70 percent of NBC's coverage in Atlanta will be live.

"People love the stories of the Olympics," he said. "It's unlike watching other sporting events in American television, where people are consumed with the results."

A U.S. team handball player in the 123 assists he recorded last season. He dished out 16 over the weekend to raise his total to 143, a league-leading 7.2 per game average.

"I wouldn't have to explain it every day to people what our sport is if they could do a little better job showing it," Fitzgerald said.

Ebersol said the coverage in Atlanta will continue to focus on the most popular sports, such as basketball and gymnastics, while leaving two thirds of the sports with only peripheral coverage, mostly in highlight form.

"I think you'll be happier in the year 2000," he told Fitzgerald.



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