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Good morning

Today's forecast: Showers-with-a-chance-of-thunder-showers. Highs in the mid-60s. Lows around 50.

Local

Rotarians hear school debate The Rotary Club heard debate on the Twin Falls alternative school Wednesday as officials defended a financing plan.

Lamb-Weston unscathed ConAgra Inc. is closing factories and canning employees, but not at Twin Falls' largest employer.

Sports

Buhl still alive The Buhl Indians' softball team remains in the hunt for the District 4, 5, 6 championship.

Forget the Alamo The Utah Jazz do not want to make a return trip to San Antonio's Alamo-dome.

Runner on parade A complete look at this weekend's state track and field championships appears today.

Outdoors

Little red canyon Not far from the bright lights of Jackpot, Salmon Falls Creek offers an easy escape from the rat race.

A good man Outdoors editor William Brock remembers mountaineer Rob Hall, who died recently on Mount Everest.

Opinion

Ready for change Today's editorial endorses a Twin Falls School Board candidate who will be a fighter for good education.

Idaho/Nation

Batt's preference Gov. Phil Batt prefers health care providers not be included on his Medicaid Reform Advisory Council.

Trade-sanctions impact The U.S.-China trade tiff is likely to hit Americans' pocketbooks.

World

A strange, tragic war A militia leader named Gen. Butt Naked and tennis rackets for weapons are just two examples of the strange, tragic war for the capital of tortured Liberia.

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Opponents rip Darrington event

By Karen Tolkinen Times-News writer

BURLEY — Four prominent Statehouse lobbyists held a fund-raising event for state Sen. Denton Darrington in Boise Monday night, and his opponents are making political hay. Charging Darrington with encouraging a closed-ring political insidership, primary challenger Kelly Walton and Minidoka County Republican Chairman Paul May say he is more in tune with state lobbyists than residents of his district.



Darrington Walton going to better represent this district? "Darrington maintained there was nothing improper in his accepting the campaign aid.

"I'm a committee chairman," he said. "I know people all over this state. I represent my district but I also work with people all over this state." Ken McClure, Roy Eiguren, Mark Dunn and J. Kirk Sullivan sponsored the \$50-a-head dinner at Brando's Tea Room. Dunn represents J.R. Simplot Co. and Sullivan represents Boise Cascade. McClure and Eiguren, law partners, represent groups including Anheuser-Busch, Amalgamated Sugar, EnviroSAFE Services of Idaho and the Idaho Medical Association, according to the Secretary of State's Office.

They only served dinner for 50, mostly lobbyists and business people. The fund-raiser drew about \$2,000, Darrington estimated. He said it was the first time he has accepted such a fund-raiser and had no qualms about it. But an irate May said Darrington was just collecting on "political IOU's" and said he plans to support Walton in the primary. "It really aggravates me that you can't get enough support from your constituents locally to run your campaign," he said. "Where's the allegiance?" May is not only upset about Darrington's accepting lobbyists' help, however.

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Fountain fun



After some coaxing from his dad, 3-year-old Keriny Greenwood builds up some courage and gets splashed in the fountain on Main Avenue in Twin Falls. Twin Falls resident Gary Greenwood said he was enjoying an afternoon outing with his children on Wednesday.

Idaho lawmaker faces sexual battery charge

The Associated Press

REXBURG — Longtime state legislator Rex Furness of Rigby on Wednesday appeared in court on a charge of sexual battery of a minor child. The state attorney general's office had conducted an investigation. Official sources said it centered on a complaint of misconduct involving Furness and a teenage adopted granddaughter. Republican Furness was arrested Wednesday on a charge of sexual battery, and released on \$20,000 bond. No preliminary hearing was scheduled. The case was investigated by the attorney general's office, which then turned the case over to the Madison County prosecutor's office. Court documents say that between July 4, 1995, and April 17, 1996, Furness, 72, touched the breasts of a teen-aged girl both inside and outside her clothes. News of the investigation came as a surprise to Furness' colleagues in the Legislature, where Furness is completing his fourth two-year term. Several eastern Idaho legislators said they knew nothing about the investigation.



Furness

"I don't think he's guilty of that," Hawkins said Wednesday. "I think he's real hurt about this whole thing, and he's really worried about his granddaughter." Furness and his wife have tried to take care of their son-in-law and his two children, Hawkins said, including the adopted teenager mentioned in the investigation.

One of the Furnesses' daughters died of lupus four years ago, and the couple have since spent thousands of dollars on medical treatments for the son-in-law, and tried to take care of the two granddaughters, Hawkins said. "It's an unfortunate family problem," Hawkins said. Furness is a former Jefferson County commissioner who was first elected to the Senate in 1989. Considered one of the state's most conservative senators, Furness has been a frequent critic of the state's Department of Health and Welfare. But a Post Register review of Senate votes from 1994 to 1996 reveals Furness joined in unanimous votes to pass bills to strengthen sexual abuse and sex-related laws. This year, he voted for lifetime registration of sex offenders and tougher penalties for other related crimes.

Co-defendant says Paradis didn't kill Idaho woman

The Associated Press

BOISE — The man convicted and condemned with Donald Manuel Paradis for the 1980 murder of a 19-year-old woman told the state parole board on Wednesday that Paradis did not do it and he could have. But the declaration of Thomas Henry Gibson was offset by a pathologist for the state who appeared to undermine key medical evidence Paradis has been banking on to show Kimberly Ann Palmer was not murdered in Idaho where her body was found. "He injected confusion back into everything," Paradis attorney Bill Mauk said after the testimony of Dr. George Lindholm of Spokane. "But we still have

our own pathologist who might be able to amplify things." The Commission on Pardons and Parole recessed until Thursday morning after Mauk and Deputy Attorney General Lynn Thomas spent three hours each laying out their case on the clemency petition of the former motorcycle gang member. Although he still has a hearing on Aug. 9 before the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, Paradis, 47, has all but exhausted his courtbound options and seen executive clemency as his best hope to avoid execution for Palmer's death. If the commission accepts Paradis claims, it would only be able to recommend that his sentence be commuted to life in prison. Gov. Phil Batt would have

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Dole to resign from Senate, campaign as private citizen for presidential seat

Knight-Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — With a tremble in his voice, Bob Dole gave up what he does best to pursue what he wants most, announcing Wednesday he will resign from the Senate after 27 years to focus full time on his bid for the White House. "My time to leave this office has come," Dole said during an emotion-packed six-minute address. "I will seek the presidency with nothing to fall back on but the judgment of the people, and nowhere to go but the White House or home." The decision shocked both Republicans and Democrats who have grown accustomed to seeing Dole on the Senate floor. But the Senate proved to be a millstone in his presidential campaign and Dole's move was designed to jump-start his lagging candidacy. Indeed, Dole's brief address was one of his most eloquent in memory, raising hopes of supporters that now Dole may



Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole receives a hug from his wife, Elizabeth, after announcing Wednesday in Washington he will resign from his Senate seat to focus full-time on his presidential bid.

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Sources: Hazardous canisters on ValuJet were mislabeled

The Washington Post

MIAMI — The hazardous oxygen canisters carried as cargo aboard ValuJet Flight 592 and suspected of having a role in its crash Saturday were mislabeled as empty when they were loaded onto the airplane, sources close to the investigation said Wednesday. The twin-engine DC-9's plunge into the Everglades killed all 110 people on board. ValuJet is not authorized by the Federal Aviation Administration to haul hazardous cargo, but empty oxygen canisters are not classified as hazardous. Captain Candalyne Kubeck had no way of knowing that the canisters were aboard when she and first officer Richard Egan noticed smoke in the cockpit about 10 minutes into the flight and requested to return to Miami. About 37 minutes later, the McDonnell Douglas plane crashed. The National Transportation Safety Board cautioned that the investigation is in its preliminary stages and there is no proof that the

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# Weather

### IDAHO Weather

Thursday, May 16  
AccuWeather's forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures

**Coeur D'Alene** 59°  
**Lowdown** 61°  
**Boise** 65°  
**Idaho Falls** 64°  
**Twin Falls** 65°  
**Pocatello** 65°

Forecast: Partly cloudy with scattered showers or thundershowers. Highs around 60 to 65.

### Idaho forecasts

#### Magic Valley

Thursday showers. Highs in the mid-60s. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph becoming west by afternoon. Thursday night mostly cloudy with evening showers or thundershowers. Lows around 50. Friday partly cloudy. Increasing clouds in the afternoon with a chance of showers or thundershowers. Highs 60 to 65. The ultraviolet index forecast is 5, a moderate exposure level.

#### Extended regional forecast

Saturday through Monday mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thundershowers each day. Lows in the 40s to lower 50s. Highs in the 60s to lower 70s.

#### Wood River Valley

Thursday rain showers. Highs around 60. Thursday night mostly cloudy with scattered evening showers or thundershowers. Lows around 50. Friday partly cloudy. Increasing clouds with scattered showers or thundershowers in the afternoon. Highs in the upper 50s.

#### Treasure Valley

Thursday showers. Highs in the upper 60s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph becoming northwest late in the day. Thursday night mostly cloudy with evening showers or thundershowers. Lows around 50. Friday partly cloudy. Increasing clouds in the afternoon with a chance of showers or thundershowers. Highs in the mid-60s.

#### Northern Nevada

Thursday rain showers. A chance of thundershowers. Highs around 60. Thursday night mostly cloudy with scattered evening showers or thundershowers. Lows in the upper 30s. Friday partly cloudy. Increasing clouds with scattered showers or thundershowers in the afternoon. Highs in the upper 50s.

#### Northern Utah

Thursday showers and thundershowers likely mainly in the afternoon. South winds 15-30 mph. Highs 75-80. Thursday night lows 45-50. Friday mostly cloudy and cooler. Highs 65-70. Chance of rain 20 percent Wednesday, 50 percent Thursday, 80 percent Thursday night and 60 percent Friday. The ultraviolet index forecast is 5, a moderate exposure level.

#### Idaho weather summary

Precipitation was recorded across the state on Wednesday, with Grangeville, Mullan, Lewiston, Pocatello and Salmon all receiving a trace.  
Temperatures ranged from the lower 50s to the lower 70s, while winds were light and variable from 20- to 25 mph, with gusts near 30 mph.

### NATIONAL Weather

The AccuWeather's forecast for noon, Thursday, May 16

**FRONTS:** COLD WARM STATIONARY  
**PRECIPITATION:** H (Heavy Rain), S (Showers), A (Aurora), F (Fog), FL (Flurries), SN (Snow), IC (Ice), BU (Buffy), FT (Foggy), CL (Cloudy)

#### National temperatures

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	91	57	....
Atlanta	78	61	....
Boston	68	43	....
Chicago	63	47	.04
Dallas	89	61	....
Denver	69	51	....
Des Moines	72	61	0.1
Detroit	65	49	.16
Houston	87	78	....
Indianapolis	62	51	.82
Kansas City	65	58	....
Las Vegas	93	73	....
Los Angeles	78	65	....
Memphis	81	63	....
Miami Beach	82	78	....
Milwaukee	50	43	.39
Minneapolis	65	53	....
New Orleans	85	66	....
New York	67	50	....
Oklahoma City	67	50	....
Oroville	72	57	.01
Phoenix	98	73	....
Pittsburgh	55	48	.26
Portland, Me.	68	52	....
Portland, Ore.	62	53	.70
Reno	85	49	.15
San Antonio	86	65	....
Salt Lake City	78	62	....
San Francisco	64	58	.60
Seattle	65	48	....
Spokane	62	51	.48
Washington	68	50	.01

### Almanac

City	Max	Min	Pcp	Yesterday	Max	Min	Pcp
Boise	70	52	17	67	52	08	
Burley	66	54	05	65	37	....	
Fairfield	63	47	63	Normal	73	42	04
Gooding	63	49	10				
Hagerman	79	53	22				
Idaho Falls	65	42	09	Month to date	00		
Jerome	67	52	08	Normal	to date	.50	
Lewiston	67	55	27	Water year	to date	9.08	
Malad	73	54	....	Normal year	to date	7.80	
Martinsburg	65	54	....				
McCall	66	52	....				
Pocatello	66	52	08	Humidity	at noon	40 pct	
Shoshone	67	47	....	Barometer	at noon	29.91 F	
Stanley	59	41	....	Polen count	at noon	53 (grass), high	
Sun Valley	51	41	27	Courtesy: Adrena and Arney, of Idaho			

#### Skywatch

Sunset today 8:54 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow 6:14 a.m.  
Lunar phase: Last quarter, May 9; new, May 17; first quarter, May 25; full, June 1.  
Visible planets: Morning: Jupiter, Saturn. Evening: Venus.

### Temperature extremes

Idaho: High, 79 degrees at Hagerman. Low, 40 degrees at Stanley.  
Nation: High, 105 at Childress, Lajitas, Texas. Low, 28 below at Houlton, Maine.

#### For up-to-the-minute weather information

Tune to the National Weather Service radio band at VHF-FM 162.4 or 162.55 MHz or call 423-4423. The Internet address for Idaho Transportation Department road reports is: <http://www.state.idaho.gov/itd/trnp.htm>

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### Heavy rain rolls across Ohio Valley; Texas swelters

Thunderstorms poured locally heavy rain on the Ohio Valley on Wednesday, with more storms scattered across the upper Midwest. Temperatures hit record highs above 100 in Texas.

An estimated 1 to 3 inches of rain fell during the morning over parts of southern Indiana, southwestern Ohio and northern Kentucky, a region already saturated by heavy rain last week.

Flood warnings were posted in parts of Indiana and Ohio, and flash flood watches were issued in several counties in Kentucky.

By afternoon, the heaviest rainfall in the Ohio Valley had moved into southern Ohio and northeastern Kentucky. Those storms were expected to move into the Northeast overnight and on Thursday.

Strong thunderstorms spread across sections of the northern Plains during the morning, then weakened as they moved across Minnesota in the afternoon.

Showers and thunderstorms also were scattered across central and northern Iowa, mostly with light rain.

In the West, a strong low-pressure system sitting off the Pacific Northwest spread rain into Oregon and northern California, with showers and a few thunderstorms extending eastward into the Idaho Panhandle and western Montana. Other light showers dampened parts of southern Idaho and eastern northern New Mexico.

Elsewhere, showers and a few thunderstorms moved into eastern sections of the Carolinas during the afternoon with mostly light rain. Other showers extended across parts of northern Florida and a few thunderstorms developed over the state's southern tip.

Hot air settled across western Texas, heating Lubbock to an early afternoon record high of 103 and tying the record of 102 at Midland, the National Weather Service said. In the Texas Panhandle, Amarillo hit 100, the city's earliest century-reading on record.

# Crash

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oxygen canisters had a role in the crash. None has been recovered.

Board Vice Chairman Robert Francis said Wednesday that shredded pieces of the aircraft, painstakingly retrieved by divers slogging through the muck that covers what is left of the plane, continued to show signs of soot that indicate a possible fire. Much of that material is from the floor and ceiling of the cabin.

Sources said that examination of the sooty material raises a strong possibility of an electrical fire in the area at the rear of the cockpit, and that no one should jump to the conclusion that the oxygen canisters were the source of the fire.

The canisters in question are used on some airplane models (not the rushed plane) to provide oxygen when the airplane undergoes decompression and oxygen masks fall. When installed, the canisters are encased in insulation above the passenger seats.

The metal surfaces of the canisters can glow as hot as 500 degrees Fahrenheit when producing oxygen and have caused flammable material to burst into flame in tests. The chemical reaction that produces both oxygen and heat can be initiated by some minor impact, safety-board officials said.

An American Trans Air DC-10 was destroyed by fire while sitting at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport on Aug. 10, 1986, when a single canister ignited after a maintenance employee inadvertently

### Oxygen on board

Cannisters of oxygen carried in the cargo load of the downed ValJet DC-9 are hazardous material, and the plane was not authorized to transport them. The container has raised some suspicion since the crew reported smoke in the cabin and cockpit just before the crash.

**Past incidents**

- July 1994 - Oxygen generators exploded in a disposal barrel at Boeing shop in Seattle-Tacoma.
- August 1986 - Improper handling of oxygen tanks triggered a cargo hold fire in empty DC-10 at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport.

**Front cargo hold, where 50 to 60 oxygen tanks were stored.**

Improper handling and the jostling of unsecured tanks can release the flame pin of a tank, resulting in fire and explosion.

1 Fining pin is released.  
2 Perussion cap fires.  
3 The chemical reaction that occurs can generate up to 500 degrees of heat, enough to ignite fire.

# Paradis

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30 days to approve that recommendation or it would be automatically denied.

Batt has declined to comment on the case, but he sent a letter to the commission late Tuesday, emphasizing that he was not trying to

tantly knocked it loose from a seat-bag being carried as cargo.

The ValJet's flight-data recorder showed a sudden brief increase in interior cabin pressure, which could have indicated an explosion, perhaps one of the tires under heat.

Sources close to the investigation said the ValJet canisters were prepared for shipment by an employee of one of the repair facilities used by ValJet in the Miami area.

Board Chairman John Hayden.

He cautioned the five members, emphasizing that as lay people they are not trained in the law and that they should exercise caution in overruling 15 years of court decisions that have gone against Paradis.

### Whitewater lawyers make pleas

LITTLE ROCK — A defense attorney urged Whitewater jurors to end "years of nightmare" by voting not guilty, saying the prosecution's star witness was a liar who testified to get leniency.

David Hale is a professional at not telling the truth. He's worked on it for years," said Bobby McDaniel, a lawyer for Susan McDougal. "David Hale is trying to add you to his scalp belt of the people he conned."

# Kraft denies altering cheese prices

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two economists charged Wednesday that Kraft Foods Inc. manipulated cheese prices on a small but important auction market in Green Bay, Wis., to pad its profits. Kraft denied the accusations.

Kraft had "the financial motive to influence prices, had the power to influence prices and exercised this power for its benefit," said Willard Mueller, who co-wrote a study on the National Cheese Exchange in Green Bay.

If the study is correct, Kraft's activities could have depressed milk prices for Magic Valley dairy farmers, whose contracts with local cheese plants are often tied to the exchange.

The exchange is open for just 30 minutes each week and handles only a fraction of the nation's cheese output, but it is used to price virtually all wholesale cheese sales nationwide, experts say.

The Agriculture Department uses exchange prices to calculate price supports for dairy products and the study accused Kraft of driving down prices by selling cheese on the exchange for less than it could receive on the spot market. House Agriculture subcommittees on dairy and risk management opened two days of hearings on the allegations Wednesday.

Kraft said it couldn't have fixed prices on the market because most of its sales were made in response to bids by competitors, said Betsy Holden, general manager of Kraft's cheese division. "Kraft was selling cheese for what other traders said it was worth. And no legal or regulatory body of any sort has ever found that meeting another trader's bid price constitutes manipulation," she said.

The study was conducted at the request of the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection with federal funding.

"Whatever happens on the exchange not only impacts milk prices in Wisconsin, but in Texas, Idaho, Florida and New York, as well," said Rep. Steve Gunderson, R-Wis., chairman of the dairy subcommittee.

# Dole

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find his voice as a presidential candidate.

As he fought back tears, Dole spoke about facing the campaign without the trappings of high office, with just the kind of determination that helped him overcome crippling World War II injuries.

"I will stand before you without office or authority, a private citizen, a Kansan, an American, just a man" he said.

"But I will be the same man I was when I walked into this room, the same man who was yesterday and a long time ago, when I rose from my hospital bed and was permitted by the grace of God to walk again in the world."

"I trust in the hard way, for little has come to me except the hard way."

Upon leaving the Senate, Dole stands to receive an annual pension of between \$107,000 and \$122,000, according to estimates from the National Taxpayers Union. His current salary as majority leader is \$148,400.

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### LOTTERY UPDATE

Friday, May 11th's additional Hot Lotto Sweepstakes numbers that haven't been claimed... come get your cash!

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24731 Aberdeen 64558 Idaho Falls  
7180 Lewiston 51351 Boise  
89051 Idaho Falls

Dwayne Williams of Meridian took home \$40,000 from Friday's Hot Lotto Grand Prize Sweepstakes drawing!

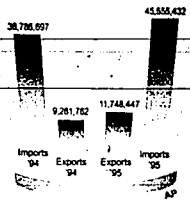
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POWERBALL NUMBER 16

WEDNESDAY MAY 15 NUMBERS  
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WEDNESDAY MAY 15 NUMBERS  
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**U.S. trade with China**

The United States will impose trade sanctions against China to retaliate for piracy. A look at trade history between China and the U.S. (In thousands of dollars)



**U.S.-China trade tiff would hit American wallets**

WASHINGTON (AP) — In an increasingly bitter fight with China over copyright piracy, the Clinton administration targeted \$3 billion in Chinese clothing and consumer electronic goods for punitive tariffs Wednesday. They would be the largest trade-sanctions package in U.S. history.

The Chinese responded immediately with a sanctions list of their own, and the possibility of a full-fledged trade war threatened to aggravate already serious strains between the two governments.

The range of items on the U.S. target list encompasses silk blouses and cotton underwear, cellular telephones, fax machines and bicycles, swimwear, coffee makers and cigar boxes. "This is a ricochet hit on African families," Robert Hall, an attorney for the National Retail Federation, said Wednesday of the Clinton administration's plan to slap tariffs of 100 percent or more on \$3 billion of imports from China, primarily clothing and electronic gear. China now ranks fourth behind Canada, Japan and Mexico as a U.S. trading partner. About \$46 billion worth of goods were imported from China last year, up from \$39 billion in 1994, according to the Commerce Department.

Still, some Americans considered the tariffs a justifiable response to Chinese piracy of American software, movies and music. Jeannie Rusey said in New York City: "I don't care how much money Walt Disney makes, per se. But I know for a fact that when companies lose profits, it affects us, because people lose their jobs."

Other shoppers suggested the sanctions would change their buying habits. "If it's going to be a 100 percent duty, wow. That's going to increase the price and I'm not going to buy it," said Mike Carr, who was browsing in a Los Angeles men's clothing store for a shirt. Chinese textiles are already subject to quotas and a tariff averaging 20 percent, costing the average American family about \$10 per week, said Laura E. Jones, executive director of the United States Association of Importers of Textiles and Apparel. To her, additional tariffs would tax Americans of moderate means to protect the profits of wealthy corporations. "Why should middle America be paying more for their bras, underwear, pants and T-shirts, just to protect Michael Jackson CDs, Arnold Schwarzenegger videotapes, and Babe?" Jones said. "By trying to limit the goods from China, you're talking about a massive tax on clothing, and particularly low-cost clothing."

Announcing the U.S. list, acting U.S. Trade Representative Charlene Barshefsky insisted the administration had no choice but to apply economic pressure in light of China's failure to honor a 1995 agreement to halt widespread piracy of American computer programs, films and music.

"We do not take the move toward retaliation lightly," she told a crowded news conference. "But when other countries do not live up to their trade agreements with the United States, we will take action."

Minutes after the announcement, the Chinese announced a list of proposed economic sanctions that would target a whole range of American farm products.

**Tobacco maker: Ban vending machine sales**



An unidentified man takes a cigarette break outside the headquarters of Philip Morris in New York Wednesday. The nation's No. 1 tobacco company said Wednesday it would back measures to cut tobacco use by minors if the government drops efforts to regulate cigarettes.

NEW YORK (AP) — Philip Morris USA, the nation's No. 1 tobacco company, offered to support a ban on cigarette vending machines and curbs on advertising Wednesday if the FDA backs off any attempt to regulate cigarettes.

The White House reacted coolly. The proposal "falls a little bit short" of President Clinton's demands, spokesman Mike McCurry said without elaborating. But he allowed Philip Morris "is clearly trying to become a good corporate citizen."

Philip Morris, the maker of Marlboros and other cigarettes, said it would support a ban on permanent brand-name advertising in virtually all sports stadiums and the use of corporate logos and characters on nontobacco items.

It also would seek to ban all outdoor advertising of tobacco products within 1,000 feet of a school or a playground.

"This federal legislative approach will make it impossible for anyone to legally obtain any tobacco product... without a face-to-face transaction where proof of age can be checked," said Steve Parrish, a Philip Morris USA spokesman.

**House OKs \$266.7 billion defense spending measure**

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House approved a defense spending bill Wednesday that provides \$12.4 billion more than President Clinton requested and includes conservative initiatives on gays in the military, AIDS, abortion and pornography. The White House has threatened a veto.

The \$266.7 billion defense measure, representing about one in every six taxpayer dollars, passed 272-153 with surprisingly little debate over the increased bottom line. Next week the Senate is expected to debate a bill making similar additions to the defense budget.

The House legislation also con-

tains several conservative initiatives on social issues. It reinstates the ban on gays serving in the military, requires the discharge of service members with the AIDS virus, retains a ban on abortions at overseas military hospitals and bars the sale of pornography at military bases.

The emphasis on social issues was somewhat surprising because identical or similar measures in last year's defense bill contributed to President Clinton's veto and to protracted negotiations that delayed final enactment for months. White House spokesman Mike McCurry has issued another veto threat this year.

**Clinton announces officer grants**

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Continuing to push his election-year campaign against crime, President Clinton Wednesday announced \$604 million in federal grants to hire nearly 9,000 police officers across the country.

Clinton made the announcement in a telephone conference call with a dozen big-city mayors from such politically important states as California, Florida, Ohio and New Jersey. "I know you'll do a lot with these additional officers to make the streets of America safer," the president told the mayors.

Later, Clinton addressed the annual memorial service on the West Front of the Capitol for the

174 local, state and federal law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty last year. The roll included eight federal officers killed in the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City.

The grants will be used to hire 8,646 full-time and 472 part-time officers in more than 2,500 communities in 46 states plus Puerto Rico and American Samoa. The officers primarily would be used in community policing programs, which Clinton said had helped reduce the nation's crime rate during his presidency.

The money comes from a program created by the crime bill that Clinton pushed and Congress

passed in 1994 to fulfill the president's campaign pledge to put 100,000 new police officers on the nation's streets.

Wednesday's grants bring to 43,000 the number of new officers hired under the program, the Justice Department said.

Last year, congressional Republicans sought the elimination of the program, which they said intruded on local crime-fighting efforts. Instead, they wanted to send money to communities for them to use as they saw fit to fight crime. Clinton prevailed, and the deal struck on the 1996 budget last month Congress included \$1.4 billion of the \$1.9 billion he had sought for the program.

**Congress urged to teach judges about violence**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Citing a New York case in which a woman was killed by her ex-boyfriend who was out on bail, the sister of Nicole Brown Simpson urged Congress on Wednesday to teach judges about domestic violence.

"The judges need to be educated on the complex dynamics involved in domestic violence," Denise Brown told a Senate Judiciary Committee hearing on the implementation of the Violence Against Women Act, part of the 1994 crime law.

"This could have avoided the all-too-common tragic death of a young woman in New York City, whose abuser was set free by Judge (Lorin) Duckman, only to stalk and kill her," she said.

Galina Komar, 32, was shot in the head and killed by Benito Oliver, 35, in February, two weeks after Duckman freed him on \$2,000 bail. He had been arrested for violating a protection order issued by another judge. Komar had complained that he had attacked her several times.

Duckman, then a Brooklyn Criminal Court judge, ignored Komar's pleas for protection and even lowered the bail for Oliver, who had been convicted previously of rape, drug and weapons charges. Oliver killed himself after shooting Komar.

The Violence Against Women portion of the 1994 crime law included authorization for spending \$1.6 billion over six years for shelters and numerous other services such as educating state and federal judges.

**Nebraska Catholics excommunicated**

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — As of Wednesday, a former priest and nun and perhaps hundreds of other Roman Catholics in the Lincoln Diocese can consider themselves excommunicated.

Bishop Fabian Bruskewitz ordered Catholics to quit 12 pro-

scribed groups, including Planned Parenthood, Call to Action and Catholics for a Free Choice, by Wednesday or face the spiritual equivalent of the death penalty.

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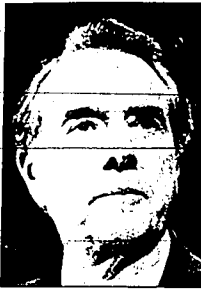
# Dole built reputation as man to make Senate work

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — In the Senate, Robert J. Dole was like a mechanic who knew his machine so well he could fix it in the dark without a flashlight. He could stop it. He could start it. His intimacy with the people and the process was such that in the last year alone, he maneuvered Democrats into line behind a Republican welfare plan, and Republicans behind President Clinton's mission to Bosnia.

Dole once observed that Washington's ultimate power trip lay in being Senate majority leader when the other party controlled the White House. In that role, a politician could stop almost anything. Wednesday, Dole walked away from that very role because the Democratic minority in the Senate had turned the tables on him: They were stopping everything — particularly Dole initiatives designed to put the White House on the defensive.

In the 27 years since he entered the Senate, Dole built a reputation among colleagues in both parties as a man who could make an increasingly fractured Senate



Sen. Bob Dole  
The 'mechanic' of the Senate

work. He made history there as its longest-serving Republican leader in an era when the Republican caucus splintered sharply along generational and ideological lines.

More than bold initiatives bearing his name, he became known for an unyielding ability to build majorities literally one vote at a time, inserting a clause here to sat-

isfy one senator, making a political concession there for another — an often messy and painstaking process by which he shaped literally thousands of bills.

His profile as a partisan Republican and much of his conservative campaign rhetoric are at odds with some of his most significant legislative work. His first major bill was a sweeping reform and expansion of the food-stamps program, co-authored with then-Sen. George S. McGovern, D-S.D., in 1975. He was given much of the credit for fashioning the 1982 Voting Rights Act into a potent enforcement measure that won the backing of both the civil-rights community and then-President Reagan.

"Many people are unaware that during the Reagan and Bush years, virtually every civil-rights law was strengthened, many times without the support of Reagan or Bush," said Ralph Nease, who then headed the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights. "Senator Dole played a constructive role in each of these efforts. In some, he played the pivotal role."

In the last year, however, as his party became increasingly conservative, Dole has championed legis-

lations that would effectively repeal affirmative action — which he rescued from Reagan's axe in the mid-1980s — and has pressed for major reductions in the food-stamps program he helped to fund.

Dole arrived in the Senate in 1969 as a narrowly partisan midwestern Republican, and was dubbed then-President Nixon's "hatchet man," even by some of his Republican colleagues. His razor-sharp attacks on Democrats as Nixon's Republican National Committee chairman in 1972 and as a vice-presidential nominee in 1976 — along with his 1988 warning to GOP presidential primary opponent George Bush to "stop lying about my record" — solidified his public image as mean-spirited and brooding.

But inside the Senate, Dole's colleagues in both parties came to know a much more complex man, a master legislator who rose to Finance Committee chairman in 1981 and Majority Leader in 1984. His first race was a difficult one, which he won only after several ballots. But he was never challenged again, reflecting how skillfully he ministered to the many

factions dividing the caucus. He became a prime force in fiscal policy, insisting in the face of a rising tide of support for supply-side economics that deficit reduction was more important than tax cuts.

He was an architect of a \$100-billion tax increase in 1982 that closed many corporate loopholes opened by President Reagan's 1981 tax cut, which Dole had supported. In foreign policy, he supported constitutional prerogatives of Democratic as well as Republican presidents — leading him to support Clinton's Bosnia mission.

The limits of Dole's talents as a lawmaker were exposed in the last year, however, when the major Republican initiatives he steered skillfully through the Senate — such as welfare and Medicare reform — died in the showdown with a suddenly emboldened White House. However, in the less-flashy arena of appropriations bills, Republicans achieved \$23 billion in spending cuts.

After the Republican congressional triumph of 1994, Dole had to accommodate a younger, more conservative and confrontational wing of the party, personified by

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., with whom Dole had a long-standing uneasy relationship.

But Gingrich, who derided Dole's support for tax increases in the 1980s, dubbing him "Tax Collector-for-the-Wealth-States," ended up praising Dole lavishly for his ability to get things done for the party.

Dole's prime disappointment as a senator came last year when, despite having a Republican majority, he failed by one vote to win passage of a balanced-budget amendment — a goal of his for almost 20 years.

Dole attempted to win that vote from Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., who was refusing on principle to support the amendment.

Hatfield recalled Dole visited him in his office and told him directly, "I really need you," both for Dole's standing as a presidential candidate and for the party's credibility. When Hatfield turned him down, "there was not a tone or even an impression of rudeness and disgust (from Dole). He just said, 'I'm not going to give up. I'm still going to hope you'll be with us.'" Hatfield did not support the amendment, ensuring its defeat.

## The big step: Brilliant move, desperate act, or both?

By Tom Rumm  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — For decades, Bob Dole has been the consummate Senate insider. Now, he's forsaking all that in a daring move to try to jolt his lagging campaign. It could be a clever stroke — or a desperate last hurrah.

Or maybe a touch of each. As Dole loyalists and critics alike were quick to point out, it gets people's attention.

"It's a smart bold move which is slightly desperate. Sometimes it's healthy and useful to be slightly 'desperate,'" said Bill Kristol, a conservative activist and magazine publisher who has been one of Dole's chief tormentors within the Republican party.

Kristol, like most Republicans, applauded Dole's step. Democrats ridiculed it. "I guess he found the choice was between campaigning and governing and he chose campaigning," said Ann Lewis, Clinton's deputy campaign manager.

The 72-year-old lawmaker's decision to quit his cherished Senate outright and focus on "things that are real" caught the Washington establishment from which he seeks to retreat — by surprise.

Analysis

"It was, frankly, a bolder move than I would have counseled," said Republican House Speaker Newt Gingrich.

Yet, politics is often driven by unexpected bold strokes. That is Dole's essential gamble: It buys him a fresh start and new look from Americans.

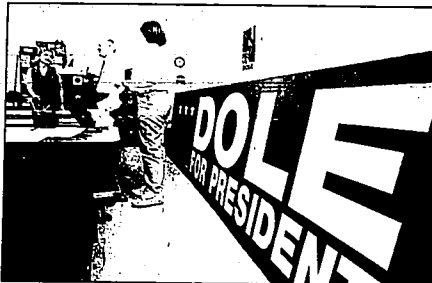
If he fails to capitalize on it, then the gamble may be lost.

"Bob Dole has shaken the groundless over-confidence of the Clinton White House," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., a key Dole adviser.

That enthusiasm reverberated as national and state party officials who had grown despondent over Dole's sinking poll figures cheered. "Clearly, now he's unleashed," said Connecticut state GOP chairman Christopher DePino.

The most immediate plus for Dole is that the decision — which takes effect on or before June 11 — disengages him from the day-to-day battles in the Senate that have tied him in knots since he clinched the GOP nomination nearly two months ago.

"Instead of it being 48 against one — Bill Clinton and 47



Workers at Kansas Republican headquarters in Topeka stand ready for Bob Dole's announcement that he's resigning from the Senate Wednesday.

Democrat senators fighting him every day — the focus will be on him versus Clinton," said veteran GOP strategist Charles Black. That he is now working without a safety net should play well with Americans, who like such gestures of personal courage, suggested, Republican pollster Neil Newhouse. "Voters are now going to ask themselves, 'Who is Bob

Dole?' And his campaign is going to have to answer that." But the risks for Dole are numerous — although when you're 20

points down, the long pass is sometimes worth the gamble.

Just as Republican speeches and press releases brimmed with the adjectives "bold" and "courageous," Democrats greeted Dole's decision with variations on the theme of "desperation."

"It's kind of a desperate move by a desperate man who realizes it's in serious difficulty," said Democratic consultant Frank Greer.

"It underscores the failure of yet another set of Dole strategies," said Democratic pollster Mark Mellman.

And Vice President Al Gore unkindly suggested it would lead to "a better chance at breaking the deadlock" in the Congress.

Another down side: Dole is all but out of campaign funds. He loses the free Senate platform from which to advance his campaign. The Republican National Committee is expected to try to take up the slack — but Democrats are sure to get election-law violations if the RNC exceeds

its proscribed party-building role in helping Dole.

Still, on balance, the move "helps him immensely," suggested political scientist James Thurber of American University. "He can get away from the budget battle, from controversial votes on issues like abortion that are going to come up in the Senate. It allows him to move away from the more extreme wing of the party ... and away from being in those photo ops with Newt Gingrich all the time."

That Gingrich loomed large, just over Dole's left shoulder at the resignation speech, shows how difficult complete disengagement may be.

In his emotional farewell, Dole said he was giving up the trappings of power and heading out to do battle against Clinton as "just a man."

But it'll be the same man," he added pugnantly. It's now up to Dole and his image doctors to show he can be a different politician.

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**Briefly**

**Bonner County to stop paying treasurer**

**SANDPOINT** — A Bonner County treasurer suspected of embezzling up to \$18,000 of taxpayer money will lose her salary by week's end.

Karen Weldon, 44, is under investigation by the state and was placed on 30 days' paid medical leave last month.

Her paid leave expires on Friday, and the county commissioners plan to grant her another leave of absence, but without pay.

**Department accused of water violation**

**LEWISTON** — Nez Perce County's road department violated the federal Clean Water Act by failing to obtain a permit for discharging dredged gravel and cobbles in a creek near Cuddezac in the wake of February flooding, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers contends.

But Nez Perce County commissioners said the road department acted appropriately under state and county disaster area declarations.

"We feel this notice is inappropriate and can only add further confusion and stress to an already difficult situation," the commissioners wrote in a letter Friday to Gov. Phil Batt, which was copied to Idaho's congressional delegation and northern Idaho legislators.

**Former BSU student VP charged**

**LEWISTON** — Former Boise State University student vice president Darryl L. Wright is charged with raping another student leader last fall when both were in Lewiston attending an intercollegiate conference.

Wright, 28, is accused of having sexual intercourse with the woman while she was passed out intoxicated. The charge, filed Tuesday in 2nd District Court in Lewiston, alleges Wright knew at the time the woman was unconscious. He was ordered to appear in court in Lewiston on May 29. If convicted, Wright faces one year to life in prison and a fine of up to \$50,000.

Wright was student body vice president during the 1995-96 academic year, and recently received a master's degree from Boise State. Last week he hired Boise lawyer Chuck Peterson to defend him.

**Smith's goes to court over store ruling**

**BOISE** — Sams's Food and Drug Centers Inc. has gone to court to win approval for a new supermarket across from Centennial High School.

The company asked 4th District Court on Tuesday to order the Boise City Council to rezone 6.3 acres across from Centennial.

The council in April rejected Smith's application to rezone the site for the 60,000-square foot store. The decision drew praise from Meridian School District officials, who argued that the store's proximity to Centennial High would create traffic, noise and safety hazards for students.

"We didn't think it was compatible with a large high school," school district spokeswoman Bev Stoddard said. "Traffic is a concern. And we were also concerned about kids congregating over there. We didn't want a major hangout across from the high school. It would cause a security problem."

Attorneys for Smith's did not return calls on Tuesday. In a four-page court appeal, Smith's said the council "misapplied" the city's comprehensive plan, which discourages uses that will draw students away from school.

Compiled from wire reports

**Police fear copycat suicides after hijacking**

**SALT LAKE CITY (AP)** — Law enforcement authorities are worried that other teens may copy the actions of 15-year-old Justin Allgood, who shot himself with his parents' gun after hijacking a school bus and wounding the driver.

"It worries me the more we talk about it, the more it fuels the fire," Salt Lake County Sheriff Aaron Kennard said Wednesday.

"There are signs. Are we listening?"

Just hours after Allgood died Tuesday, another boy — who is the same age and from the same Oquirrh neighborhood — took a .22-caliber rifle into the basement of his home and threatened to kill himself.

A younger brother eventually got the boy to turn over the gun, and the incident ended peacefully, but Kennard is concerned other tragedies will follow.

The proximity of the two events is worrisome, he said. "It's a very strange coincidence."

Allgood boarded his school bus Tuesday morning with a revolver and ordered the driver to get off.

The teen then took the wheel of the otherwise empty bus, leading police on a high speed chase through suburban Taylorsville.

The chase ended when the bus rammed into a house at the end of a dead-end street. Only later did

**Police probe rumors of hostage deaths**

**JAMMU, India (AP)** — Police are investigating a report that Kashmiri rebels have killed and buried a Washington state man and three other Western hostages they kidnapped last summer, an official said Wednesday.

A top state police official on Wednesday visited Pahalgam, a town 65 miles south of state capital Srinagar, where the tourists were kidnapped in July.

But it was not clear if his visit was to check the report in Srinagar, the seat of the Muslim campaign for independence of Jammu-Kashmir state.

A man who was the contact between the government and the Al-Faraj militants told authorities in Srinagar four days ago that the rebels claimed to have killed and buried the hostages, a police officer in Jammu said on condition of anonymity.



Richard Johnson, left, talks to a sheriff's deputy behind a hijacked school bus that crashed into his home Tuesday.

police learn that Allgood, distraught over the recent traffic deaths of three friends, had put the .357 Magnum revolver into his mouth and pulled the trigger.

Bingham Middle School Principal Al Zylstra said a crisis team was at the school Wednesday to talk to students and faculty and answer any questions.

"We've not had to deal with anything this traumatic," he said, referring to the loss of three stu-

dents in five months.

Kennard said the key to prevention may rest in controlling teens' access to guns.

"My real concern here now is how youngsters who have no legal right to a firearm, except to hunt, have access to guns," he said.

"Are parents securing their weapons?" Kennard admits most who want a gun will find a way to get one but added, "Let's take away

the obvious, at least." Counselors studying Utah's adolescent suicide rate, the fifth-highest in the country, cite access to guns as a main contributing factor to suicide.

Kennard cautioned parents not only to keep their weapons secure, but to pay attention to their children.

"Some of these kids are obviously screaming for help. We've got to listen."

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World

# Strange soldiers, bizarre tactics mark Liberian war

Los Angeles Times

MONROVIA, Liberia — Gen. Butt Naked, a youthful commander with a self-given nom de guerre, charges into battle each day stark nude except for a pair of boots. His men are allowed to wear underpants.

Not far away, Gen. George Bush and Gen. Saddam Hussein command fighters who sometimes attack with such weapons as butter knives, golf clubs, tennis rackets and soldering irons. One youth even uses a can of insecticide.

Often before the shooting starts, the two sides stand at opposite ends of the street and hurl crude taunts and curses at one another.

So goes the sad, strange war for the capital of this tortured West African nation. A vicious seven-year civil war exploded again last month, and the decrepit seaside city founded by freed American slaves and named for America's fifth president, James Monroe, has been convulsed ever since in a frenzy of looting, deadly firefights and brutal executions.

After a three-day lull, fierce fighting suddenly erupted again before dawn Tuesday with the crackle of automatic rifle and machine-gun fire, the whump of mortars and the sharp explosions of grenade launchers as hundreds of gunmen from opposing factions rampaged in the once-elegant Mamba Point diplomatic enclave.

By midday, at least 15 bodies of so-called soldiers, killed in the cross-fire or hacked to death while wounded, littered the dusty streets. Black smoke poured into the still, steamy



Krahn fighters sing and dance in Monrovia, Liberia, celebrating the success of their counterattack against forces of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia Tuesday.

air from fires in the now-devastated business district, where virtually every office and shop has been emptied of goods and burned-out and shrapnel cars are everywhere.

"It was the heaviest volume of shooting I've heard yet," said U.S. Marine Col. Wayne Forbush, commander of the 270 Marines now

guarding 18 diplomats and six other Americans still left at the beleaguered U.S. Embassy compound.

Except for its ferocity, Tuesday's battle was like many before. About two dozen ragtag fighters from the National Patriotic Front of Liberia, loyal to U.S.-educated warlord

Charles Taylor, gathered at 4 a.m. in the courtyard of the Mamba Point Hotel to gather courage and pass out ammunition.

Another group of about 40 fighters met at the intersection of streets now known as Crack Alley and Death Row, about 100 yards from the Embassy gate and down

the road from a dirt path nicknamed Highway to Hell.

With little apparent coordination or planning, they ran forward — often firing wildly from the hip — against roadblocks and positions manned by the better trained and better armed forces loyal to renegade government minister

Roosevelt Johnson and made up mostly of ethnic Krahn.

The Krahn quickly pushed the offensive back, chanting and singing as they advanced. As usual, both sides executed their captives along the way and looted the bodies.

Inside the embassy, the only Western diplomatic presence left in the city, Marines armed with 50-caliber machine guns peered out from eight sand-bagged positions in windows and rooftops. At post No. 8, atop the ambassador's house, Sgt. James Mingo looked up from his M-40 sniper rifle to describe how the NPFL troops had executed a prisoner shortly before outside a bamboo bar the Marines call Arby's.

"They killed him, they took his pants and boots, and took him to the beach and buried him," Mingo said.

The gray-sand beach, in front of the Mamba Point Hotel, is called "Body Beach" because corpses are dumped or buried by the surf nearly every day. On Monday, a man was dragged to the beach, shot in the head and left for the wild dogs and fat white birds who pick at the entrails and bones.

For journalists staying at the three-story Mamba Point Hotel, suddenly on the front line, the battle raging on the street outside threatened to come in when a dozen or so victorious Krahn fighters, armed with assault rifles and shoulder-fired grenade launchers, tried to bully their way upstairs.

As they had done before with the NPFL, however, the hotel's Lebanese-born owners quickly made a deal with the group and even managed to retrieve an ABC News bag that one of the fighters had grabbed from the entrance.



- 1 Sunday, May 6: The freighter Bulk Challenge leaves Monrovia.
- 2 Thursday, May 9: Offices in San Pedro, Ivory Coast, force ship back to sea after allowing it to dock for repair.
- 3 Sunday, May 12: Ship limps to Takoradi, Ghana, where it was allowed to dock briefly for supplies, then ran aground.
- 4 Monday, May 13: Ship docks to allow eight seriously ill people ashore then is ordered back to sea. 250 people jumped from the deck to medical barges.
- 5 Tuesday, May 14: Ship docks for the third time, refugees finally allowed to leave the ship. They will receive medical treatment at a temporary UNICEF camp.



Liberian refugees' belongings are searched on the dockside at Takoradi, Ghana, on Tuesday in this image from television.

## Captain calls experience 'hell'

TAKORADI, Ghana (AP) — He spent 10 days roaming the West African coast, trying to find a port for his rusty freighter and refuge for more than 1,500 Liberians he packed on board against his better judgment.

The Nigerian captain said it wasn't his fault if the trip was miserable, because African peacekeepers

"I have gone through hell," said

Roland Pudie. "The most uncomfortable and worst experience of the decade."

That experience aboard what one U.N. official dubbed the "voyage of the damned" came to an end Tuesday, when Ghana finally bowed to international pressure to let the refugees onto its shores.

On Wednesday, thousands more Liberians were jamming the port of Monrovia, though most appeared to be demanding food at the seaside warehouses of the U.N. World Food

Program. Food prices have skyrocketed, with staples such as rice and oil now three times more expensive than 10 days ago.

Peter Sebok, the owner of a shipping company at the port, said sea captains were not taking any more refugees from Liberia, torn by 6½ years of civil war that has killed about 150,000 people.

In Takoradi, western Ghana, the 1,849 refugees that packed the Bulk Challenge for its 10-day sojourn made ready for new lives.

## Shell draws fire over Nigeria oil

LONDON (AP) — Demonstrators beat African drums as they waved banners reading "Get the Shell out of Nigeria" to protest oil exploration in the West African nation during a meeting Wednesday of Royal Dutch Shell shareholders.

The protesters included ethnic Ogonis, who have long fought Shell on their tribal lands in Nigeria, and British labor unionists.

The Anglo-Dutch oil giant is enjoying higher oil prices but its image has been hurt by the dispute over its operations in Nigeria, where it is the biggest foreign oil operator.

Critics argue that Shell does not enforce the same environmental standards in Nigeria as are required in the United States and Europe.

"Why apply different standards to the Ogoni people?" said one protester, Barry Kumbe.

"Why have these double standards?"

The Ogonis managed to effectively kick Shell off their tribal lands in southeastern Nigeria three years ago by sabotaging oil wells and attacking Shell workers.

The shareholders' meeting Wednesday was the oil giant's first since the Nigerian military regime of Gen. Sani Abacha hanged playwright Ken Saro-Wiwa and eight other Ogoni activists in November.

## Survivor accounts: Burundi village was site of massacre

BUJUMBURA, Burundi (AP) — Addressed only to "Dear Friend," the handwritten account of horror in a rural village took several days to reach Burundi's capital.

In blue ink on unlined paper, the letter described the massacre of perhaps 400 people at Kivuyuka village market May 3. The killers, it said, were government soldiers angry over a recent rebel attack on local power line towers.

"All the population who were in the market were shot at, had hand grenades thrown at them and

under fire," it said.

"We are burying the dead in and around the market where they were killed," it said. The attack was on a Friday, and "by Monday, 375 had been buried, this was not counting those thrown into communal pit latrines."

Delivered by a survivor, the letter pleaded for international assistance.

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O.J. Simpson makes his way through a swarm of news people upon arriving at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport Wednesday.

## Smooth Simpson impresses Britain

OXFORD, England (AP) — Britain's verdict on O.J. Simpson: Guilty or innocent, he's smooth.

Simpson left Wednesday from a four-day British tour meant to polish his image internationally, pronouncing himself happy with his reception before an Oxford debating society.

"I'm happy with myself. I have a certain peace and things will work out. They always do," he told reporters at Heathrow Airport before boarding a flight that arrived in New York this afternoon.

In New York, Simpson was upbeat about the trip. "People were terrific there," he said. "They are better informed than most of the pundits in the United States as far as the facts of my case are concerned."

On Tuesday night, Simpson impressed an Oxford crowd with confident protestations of innocence in the slaying his ex-wife Nicole and her friend Ron Goldman. But his decision to ban network television crews from the event meant virtually no one else saw the show.

Speaking at the Oxford Union debating society, he talked racial injustice in America and calmly fielded questions from students crammed into the 120-year-old chamber lined with oak, stained glass and busts of English statesmen.

Mike Kelsen, a 27-year-old

Philadelphia native studying Middle Eastern history, said he previously had been certain that Simpson was guilty.

"Now I'm convinced he's either innocent or the devil, because that was an incredible performance," Kelsen said.

Simpson, who was acquitted of the murders in October, suggested blacks were more likely to be prosecuted for crimes than whites. And he blamed the American media for making the racial composition of his predominantly black jury an issue.

"Anyone who says I got off because a black jury wouldn't convict me. I think you're a racist," he added.

More than 1,000 excited, gossiping students lined up outside the Oxford debating forum. Tickets, distributed for free on Monday, were scalped for up to \$60.

American students sharing a house across the street draped their windows with slogans, among them, "Knock 'Em Dead, O.J."

Selected journalists were allowed to watch proceedings on a closed-circuit television, but none was allowed to record the sound or pictures.

Photographers scrambled as Simpson posed before the appearance in a black dinner jacket, gray vest and slacks.

Beyond the union gates, protesters chanted anti-Simpson

## Witness describes Serb prison thugs

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — A Bosnian Muslim testified Wednesday that freelance Serb thugs took sadistic pleasure in brutalizing prisoners, carving a cross into the forehead of one Muslim inmate.

Ishak Gasi was held at Luka prison camp after rebel Serbs took the nearby northeastern Bosnia town of Brcko in spring 1992. He was the fourth witness to testify in the war crimes trial of Bosnian Serb Dusan Tadic.

Tadic, a 40-year-old former bar owner accused of murdering and

torturing non-Serbs in northwest Bosnia in 1992, is not charged with crimes at Brcko or Luka.

But for his alleged offenses to be classified as crimes against humanity, prosecutors who are trying Tadic must prove that similar offenses were being committed across Bosnia at the same time.

The three-judge panel in the juryless trial is led by Judge Gabrielle Kirk McDonald of Texas.

Gasi's testimony appeared aimed at proving that thugs drawn from Serb paramilitary groups were brought into Serb-run camps to

murder and torture inmates.

He said that paramilitary troops led by Zeljko Raznatovic, better known as Arkan, were among the Serbs who visited Luka. Arkan's units have been blamed for some of the worst atrocities in Croatia and Bosnia.

One man in a camouflaged uniform "grabbed a man by the neck and incised a cross in his forehead with a knife," Gasi said.

Gasi, a former international rowing competitor, twirled a pen nervously in his right hand as he described seeing Serbs carrying

out summary executions in the streets of Brcko.

On his first day at Luka, Gasi said he was beaten and had a pistol forced into his mouth. A paramilitary soldier pulled the trigger, but the gun was not loaded.

Gasi said that during his imprisonment, he was ordered to toss bodies of inmates shot in the back of the head into the nearby Sava river.

The alleged commandant of the camp, Goran Jelusic, bragged to prisoners that he "had killed 97 people and he was going to kill another 97," Gasi said.

## Serb leader shows grip on reins of power

The Washington Post

ZAGREB, Croatia — The Bosnian Serb leader, Radovan Karadzic, said Wednesday that he has dismissed the moderate Serb prime minister of his government.

The sack, which brought into the open a simmering split among the Bosnian Serbs, marked a setback for the Dayton accord that ended Bosnia's 3 1/2-year war.

In announcing the dismissal of

Prime Minister Rajko Kasagic, Karadzic illustrated his enduring grip on the reins of power among the Serbs in their part of Bosnia. Western diplomats have praised Kasagic, who announced recently that he favored allowing Muslim and Croat refugees to return to their homes in Serb territory. That statement amounted to a repudiation of what Karadzic stands for — an "ethnically clean" Serb state in Bosnia.

Until now, Western officials said

that as long as Kasagic and other moderates had some influence, they believed the Dayton peace accord for Bosnia had a chance. But

if Kasagic is removed, and the ultranationalist hard-liners around Karadzic are restored to power, the plan will probably falter.

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## Scientists: Glacier sealed lake for a million years

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Drilling miles into Antarctica's icecap, scientists have discovered a lake they say may contain microbes millions of years old, kept alive under a glacial seal.

Russian researchers who cored the icecap presented a report in The Netherlands last week, declaring that Lake Vostok exists. According to their drilling project, the 140-by-30-mile lake sits in the heart of Australian Antarctic Territory, next to Russia's Vostok science base.

Seismic and echo soundings indicate the lake's surface is 2.3 to 2.6 miles beneath the ice, they said, and its waters are estimated to be 1,500 feet deep.

Scientists, though not exactly sure why there is water beneath the ice, speculate that the weight

of the glacier is forcing the lake down into a depression, liquefying it by pressure.

It also is possible that warmth from radioactive decay in the Earth keeps the lake from freezing — warmth that also may be keeping microbes alive.

At last week's 20th Antarctic Treaty conference in Utrecht, Netherlands, scientists urged the Russians to be cautious with their deep ice-drilling project to avoid polluting the pristine subglacial lake.

French scientists who analyzed the Russians' ice samples found them to be as old as 420,000 years, leading researchers at the Utrecht meeting to estimate the lake has been sealed under the icecap for between 500,000 and more than a million years.

## NATO approves task-force plan

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — NATO approved on Wednesday long-debated plans that will let European nations act more independently of the United States and let alliance forces react more quickly to crises.

Under the new strategy, allied nations can assemble multinational task forces tailored to respond quickly to regional conflicts within and outside Europe.

"This is the first major departure in the formal way that NATO conducts its operations in decades," Robert Hunter, U.S. ambassador to NATO, told The Associated Press.

The decision by ambassadors of

the 16 NATO nations ends three years of wrangling between the United States and France over an idea President Clinton proposed in 1993.

Until recently, France had balked at parts of the plan for fear of compromising its 30-year refusal to place its forces under NATO command.

Consensus was made possible by France's shift toward full cooperation in NATO operations after Jacques Chirac was elected president a year ago.

The plan will go to NATO foreign ministers for formal ratification at a meeting next month in Berlin.

## Assailants chop off publisher's arm

HONG KONG (AP) — Assailants with long knives chopped off the left arm of a prominent Hong Kong journalist at his office Wednesday, two days before his new magazine is scheduled to begin publication.

Leung Tin-wai, 53, was rushed to a hospital after the attack, a Hong

Kong television station reported. It was unclear whether doctors would be able to reattach his arm.

Police said the two men had requested a meeting with Leung and attacked him with 10-inch knives seconds after they entered a conference room.

# Opinion

## Editorial

### Roper for School Board: A determined voice for kids

One of the strengths of Idaho's system of public-school governance is that any ordinary citizen can stand up for what he believes - and have a pretty good chance of getting elected to the school board.

In fact, the job of school trustee may be the most populist elected office in the state.

Candidates don't need money, powerful connections, an affiliation with a political party or an elaborate organization, because even in a good-sized Idaho city, a couple of hundred votes is usually enough to get elected.

Fact it, most school board members will tell you that they got elected because they were moved by something that happened to their kids or their schools. That's the case in Twin Falls Zone 5 this year.

Theater manager Larry Roper, 36, decided to run because he was angry at last year's ham-fisted attempt by the foes of outcome-based education to discredit Morningside Elementary School, where his kids went to school.

That incident also irked Idaho Power Co. area mechanic Chad Hafer, who also had children at Morningside. But Hafer says he is running for the board because he's disturbed that so few parents are involved in the decisions about their kids' education.

Hafer, 42, has attended School Board meetings over the past five years when almost no one else did. He did so because he is passionate about the quality of his kids' education.

Hafer would probably make a good School Board member. But in this race, we think Roper is the better-qualified candidate.

Roper, president of the Morningside Parent-Teacher Organization, had a hand in helping that school

achieve the Blue Ribbon award, given to the nation's best schools. He also helped battle the anti-OBE-er's allegation that the school had faked test scores to get it.

To their credit, Morningside faculty, students and parents stood their ground and proved those allegations groundless, despite the ill-advised involvement of state Rep. Ron Black, R-Twin Falls, and state Superintendent of Public Instruction Anne Fox on the part of the school's critics.

Quality education, after all, is worth fighting for. If Roper will do as much as a member of the School Board, then the district will benefit.

Our support for Roper comes despite the fact that we disagree with him about the need to build a new alternative high school. He says he hasn't made up his mind whether it should be financed through the "lease-purchase" scheme that the district favors.

Hafer says the district needs more information before it makes a decision on the alternative school, and he vows not to be a "hostile" member of the board.

And yet a little hostility may be just what's needed right now.

The board, in our view, is headed in the wrong direction, and this lease-purchase scheme - a blatant attempt at subterfuge following the defeat of a bond issue to build an alternative school last year - is the clearest evidence that change is in order.

Roper has never been afraid to stand his ground and speak his mind. Maybe that's the right temperament for the times - even if we do disagree with him on this particular issue.

We urge a vote for Larry Roper in Zone 5 on Tuesday.

## Back on the campaign trail, the intelligent discussion of the issues continues...



### In U.S., who's dumb and who's dumber?

Ted Turner thinks you're dumb. The CEO of CNN and mogul of other communications empires said in a recent speech:

"The United States has got some of the dumbest people in the world. I want you to know that. We know that. It's a disgrace. I mean there are times when I have been so discouraged about my own country."

What could have gotten into Turner that he would say such things about those who consume his televised products? Turner spokesman Steve Hayworth offered some insight. Hayworth said his boss' remarks should not be taken out of their environmental context: "His point was that when you try to do programming to address the problems, nobody watches."

Three days after Turner's remarks, a news survey was released that shows a considerable drop in the public's view of the credibility of network anchors as well as a decline in viewership of the main evening news programs. The Pew Research Center for the People and the Press found that the believability of ABC's Peter Jennings and CBS' Dan Rather slipped 7 percentage points from February 1993. For NBC's Tom Brokaw, the decline in believability was 3 percentage points.

"Television news is in trouble with the American public," concludes the report. "Fewer people are watching these days." Asked why, a plurality (31 percent) of those over 50 said they were "critical of coverage." After years of complaining about liberally slanted and distorted news coverage only to have the networks deny such bias, the people are voting the only



Cal Thomas

way they know how. They are tuning out and turning off.

Other people, who use computers to access information on-line, aren't tuning in. Apparently they prefer to get their news directly and not through the filtration system of network news departments.

Americans aren't dumb, no matter what Ted Turner says. They are smart enough to recognize propaganda when they see it. Six years ago, Terry Ryan, senior producer for CNN's "Network Earth" series, said, "A 'balanced' report, in some cases, may no longer be the most effective or even the most informative. Indeed, it can be debilitating. Can we afford to wait for our audience to come to its conclusions? I think not."

The reaction of smart people to such an attitude is not to watch the program.

Barbara Pyle, Turner Broadcasting vice president for environmental policy and an environmental editor at CNN, said in 1990 that she "met a lot of resistance and was considered to be a real fringe lunatic for many, many years." But she continued, undaunted. "I feel," she said, "that I'm here on this planet to work in television, I've chosen television as my form of activism. I felt that if I was to infiltrate anything, I'd do my best to infiltrate television."

Last weekend, Newsweek's Washington bureau chief Evan Thomas made a startling statement (startling not for what he said but for what he admitted): "About Newt Gingrich's recent charge that the media is biased, Thomas said, 'This is true. There is a liberal bias. It's demonstrable. You look at some statistics... about 85 percent of the reporters who cover the White House vote Democratic. They have for a long time. Particularly at the networks, at the lower levels, among the editors and so-called infrastructure, there is a liberal bias. There is a liberal bias at Newsweek, the magazine I work for.'"

Incredibly, despite a continued slide in ratings and trust, virtually nothing changes. The networks and print publications blame each for taking away their customers. Ted Turner blames the public for being too dumb to believe in his one-sided environmental preachings. The big networks announce that their new cable operations will feature the same anchors and commentators, who are already seen and not believed by huge numbers of former viewers.

No other company functions like the media. If you own a fast food chain and the customers begin drifting away, you quickly find out what has turned them off and what will bring them back. Not with the big media. They would rather go out of business than offer fair, accurate and balanced reporting and viewpoints.

Who's dumb and who is dumber?

Cal Thomas is a Los Angeles Times columnist.

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## Letters

### Parents guilty of 'aiding, abetting'

"Police nab three boys." Now their parents are next. First, off with my hat to the police department's great job in the arrest of three boys for grand theft and burglary, but don't stop with just the boys' arrest. Let's get these parents for aiding and abetting, they are just as guilty as their rotten kids.

If a kid was to bring anything home that didn't belong to them, they should have found out where it came from and what brought it home. Any dumbbell would at least do that much!

This is a good example why there are so many juvenile delinquents in Twin Falls, because if the parents don't care why should anyone else give a hoot, only that's not the word that comes to mind.

So, police department, your job is not done until these parents are in jail also.

**GENE GAMET**  
Twin Falls

### Paper overlooked whole story

I am the mother and grandmother of victims of the media, your paper included. On Sept. 29, my daughter was charged with accessory to an attempted first-degree murder and first-degree kidnapping. She was led off to jail, her children uprooted from their home, and life became a chaos for this family for several weeks.

At the preliminary hearing, which I attended (did you?), there was no evidence presented to indicate she had any part in the battering of the "spousal" abuse victim. Her crime was in taking care of the person after the beating. The victim of the beating said at the preliminary, "She helped me, she saved my life." My daughter's most heinous crime was

in not notifying law enforcement or getting medical help for the battered woman, who insisted she did not want medical attention and did not want law enforcement informed.

Not many of us can honestly say what we would have done, put in the same circumstances. When threat to your life and your family become a part of the incident, survival and protection of your loved ones may dictate your actions.

I have been informed by my daughter that these charges were dropped due to lack of evidence. Neither family nor friends have seen this news in your paper or on the local television news. Was it perhaps hidden some place in the paper? The news of the arrest certainly was not. My prime concern is what this has done to the lives of two little boys, my grandchildren. They suffered through the news reports, questions and teasing of peers and the upheaval in their home life. Surely, the responsibility of the media must include undoing, to what extent possible, the damage done.

The police department may have erred, but they do not write the news. That is your responsibility. There are certainly two sides to every story. I really wonder if this isn't rather irresponsible journalism. I feel that the news media has made victims of those persons and their families who were accused but not prosecuted.

When charges are dropped, no declaration of innocence is made. Therefore, getting on with your life becomes difficult at best because the arrest remains a part of your record, even when not prosecuted. Where is the justice to any of those involved?

**HELEN MAGOFFIN**  
Nampa

### Little cowboy wants hat back

On Tuesday, May 7, my family went to the Snake River Grille in Hagerman for dinner. My son, Andy, who is 4 years old, took his cowboy hat off at the table as after any police cowboy would. When we left, he forgot to pick it up. I called the restaurant to confirm it was there but found that it was not.

We are asking that the person who took the cowboy hat and devastated our little cowboy return it to the restaurant or call us at 543-8859. I called the restaurant to confirm it was there but found that it was not.

**DENNIS KNAPP**  
Buhl

### Copeland would serve well

We are supporting Greer Copeland for the Minidoka County School Board in District 5.

We have known Mr. Copeland and his family for many years. He is an honest, law-abiding, solid citizen of the community, and we feel he would be a positive influence on all with whom he works. He is especially interested in the children's welfare and after all, that is what our schools are all about.

Be sure to get out and vote on May 21, and give your vote to Greer Copeland.

**ALEENE AND EUGENE HUMPHRIES**  
Rupert

### Candidate has students in mind

I am writing in support of Greer Copeland for Minidoka County

### Last day for letters

**W**ant to speak your mind about next week's school board elections in the Magic Valley? We'd be happy to print your letter, but time is running out. Letters about Magic Valley school board races must be received in our office by 5 p.m. today.

**You can:**  
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□ Fax it to (208) 734-5538.  
□ E-mail it to [twinesnews@cybertighway.net](mailto:twinesnews@cybertighway.net)

### Copeland is for district's future

I am writing to voice my opinion on the Minidoka County School Board election for the seat in Zone 5. I am strongly supporting Greer Copeland for that position.

I have known Greer for a number of years, both personally and as a customer of his business. I feel that he has the qualifications to be an outstanding School Board member. He is a person of utmost integrity, honesty and dedication. He will sacrifice his time and effort to do the best possible job for the patrons and children of the Minidoka County School District. Greer has a genuine concern for the education of our children and will work to to make the Minidoka County School District the best it can be.

For a positive future for our school district, please support him on May 21.

**MICHAEL PECK**  
Rupert

### Candidate will do great job

With the upcoming school board elections in Minidoka County, I know that Greer Copeland will do a great job at leaving past School Board problems behind and moving forward in a positive manner: to provide the students in our county with the education they deserve. He is very positive and works well with others. We need Greer as our new School Board member, so we will have a board that will work as a unified body.

**SHERRILL HANSEN**  
Rupert

## Doonesbury Flashbacks



## Mallard Fillmore



## By Bruce Tinsley





Letters

Cowboy-hat wearing citizens: Boycott fair

Excuse me, Mr. Rob Lundgren - in your bid to become fair board manager in Jerome County, you have succeeded in insulting most of Jerome County and, indeed, most of the state of Idaho.

In case anyone didn't catch last Friday's paper, Mr. Lundgren stated: "The fair board is not looking for someone with a cowboy hat but someone with some business savvy." Wake up and smell the manure, Mr. Lundgren. Do you not realize that most of the most prominent, respected people in Jerome County, and in the state of Idaho (including J.R. Simplot himself), wear cowboy hats? You have just managed to call all of them idiots.

In your quest for the almighty dollar, you and people like you have turned our country fairs into what they are today - hotbeds for gang activity where the sheriff has to use all of his men 24 hours a day just to keep the violence down, where it is unsafe to let your children go to the fair unsupervised. Whatever happened to pie-eating contests, greased-pig contests - things old fashioned, family-oriented county fairs were all about - oh, I know, people wearing cowboy hats do those types of things.

Let me also speculate about who you will woo to the high-priced concert - will it be a country western band as it has been in the past? Do they wear cowboy hats? Do they have more money than you, me and the state of Idaho? Mr. Lundgren, you are the epitome of what this state and the world have become.

I, for one, am a proud, cowboy hat-wearing citizen of the county of Jerome and, as such, will boycott your fancy fair in search of more down-to-earth, countrified, Idaho-type activities. I would hope that all proud, cowboy hat-wearing citizens will do the same, and I would certainly hope that the fair board has more sense than to actually hire you to the permanent position (even though most of them wear cowboy hats).

BONNIE STACY  
Jerome

Rural carriers perform valued community role

"...it will help settle the uninhabited portions of the land and promote the contentment of all who by means of the post will come in closer touch with kith and kin on the activities of life," stated the postmaster general about the rural routes in 1896.

Today's carriers not only deliver letters and packages, but they serve in other ways. They have reported fires and accidents, called 911 for citizens who had fallen or were sick, as well as providing a local post office on wheels.

Rural carriers have joined forces with postal management to form a work team called QWL/EI (Quality Work Life/Employee Involvement). Active members from Fairfield, Hagerman, Hansen, Hazelton, Kimberly, Richfield and Wendell have united to form one of these teams.

This year, some of the projects that this team has worked on has been collecting telephone books for the Ronald McDonald House. To show support for the men and women in Bosnia, the team put together care packages containing a variety of newspapers, magazines, games, puzzles and a lot of goodies. The QWL team hoped that these packages would help keep the troops' spirits high.

This summer, the QWL team will be working with the local Boy Scouts and or Eagle Scouts in repairing damaged rural route boxes. The scouts will be able to earn their merit badges as well as improve the security of the mail.

To celebrate the "100-year anniversary," the team will be looking for the oldest living retired or active rural carrier to ride on a float that will be presented in a variety of local parades. If you are aware of anyone interested, please contact any of the offices mentioned above.

In the past, to help increase the efficiency of the mail, the QWL team went to various luncheons and explained the importance of proper addressing and packaging. This, along with all the other projects, has shown the dedication and caring of these employees that has helped make this "100-year

anniversary" possible. Thank you for helping us have a rural free delivery!

JACKIE JOHNSON  
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Odyssey of the Mind challenges students

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# 'Death zone' exacts heavy toll

## Treachery of high Himalayas claims 8 climbers in recent days

Los Angeles Times

**KATMANDU, Nepal** — Mountaineers call it the "death zone," a high-altitude, oxygen-starved environment where the weather is lethally fickle and the dry air and bitter cold quickly leech life from the human body.

As no fewer than 25 expeditions clawed their way up the icy flanks of Mount Everest, the treacherous ways of the high Himalayas have

**Outdoors editor William Brock remembers Rob Hall — D1**

claimed eight climbers in recent days, including two Americans, after a freak blizzard pummeled the 29,028-foot mountain on the Nepal-Tibet border with shrieking winds and blinding snows.

One of the dead was a guide who sacrificed his life in a vain attempt to save an American customer a heroic effort that contrasted with unconfirmed reports that a team on the other side of Everest ignored the plight of three struggling Indians and continued instead toward the summit.

The loss of life was one of the greatest on Everest since it was first scaled in May 1953 — a toll some mountaineers said was the predictable, if sorrowful, outcome of pushing the human body to its limits in an extraordinarily hostile environment.

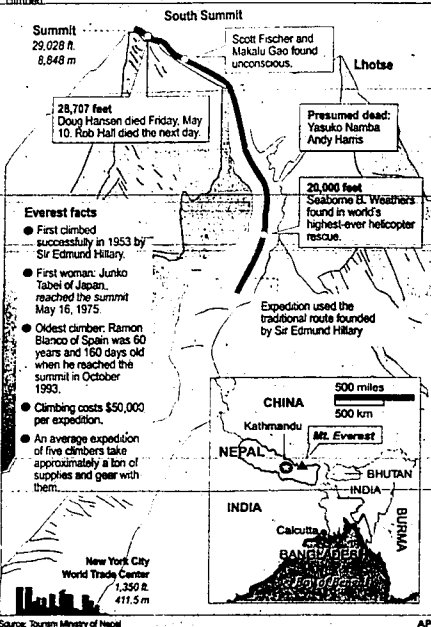
Other Everest veterans said the marketing of the world's highest mountain, and the growing popularity of companies assembling expeditions of paying customers, are the reasons so many people were on the peak at one time and the loss of life was so great.

"The sad thing is, ... a lot of commercialization has come into it," Capt. M.S. Kohli, adviser to the Indo-Tibetan Border Police and leader of a nine-member team to Everest in 1965, said in New Delhi.

Seven years ago, Edmund Hillary of New Zealand, who first

### Everest's latest casualties

Friday's blizzard was one of the worst disasters since Mount Everest was successfully climbed.



conquered Everest with his Nepalese partner, Tenzing Norgay, and was then New Zealand's high commissioner to India and Nepal, sounded a warning and a lament about what was happening to his beloved mountain.

"Mount Everest has become a junk heap overloaded with multi-

tudes of expeditions and their refuse," Hillary said. "Some of us believe that it should be closed down for five years and left alone to regenerate."

"These days, mountaineers say, there are sometimes so many groups waiting in base camps for a break in the weather that when it



Taiwanese Mt. Everest climber Gau Ming-Ho, 46, of Taipei, who spent more than 20 hours in a bivouac at 8,000 meters, receives treatment for his frostbitten hands in Katmandu Tuesday.

comes, a traffic jam can result in the climb to the summit and back.

Friday's storm shattered a two-week window, known as the pre-monsoon lull, when climbing conditions are supposed to be at their best.

On the north face, the struggling Indian group — members of a climbing team from the Indo-Tibetan Border Police — reported winds of 75 mph. Temperatures were minus 30-40 degrees, said Bikram Pandey of Annapurna Mountaineering & Trekking, a Katmandu wilderness outfitter. The three are presumed dead.

On the south side of Everest, three different expeditions were simultaneously trying to reach the summit. The blizzard caught them at their most vulnerable — stripped of most equipment to make the final push, and in the debilitating "death zone" above 26,400 feet.

"When you're summiting between base camp and the summit, you're committed," Kohli said. On Tuesday, communication

with the base camps was still slow and information reaching Katmandu sketchy, but Dawa Norbu Sherpa, president of the Nepal Mountaineering Association, said the climbers may not have given themselves enough time to return to base camp. They appeared to have set off for the summit late and reached it in midafternoon, Sherpa said.

Among the victims were, some remarkably savvy and fit mountain climbers, including Rob Hall, 36, of New Zealand, an Everest veteran said by many mountaineers to be the most experienced non-Nepalese on Everest.

After reaching the peak for the fifth time on Friday, Hall trailed others in the expedition he was chaperoning in a futile attempt to help an American client.

The New Zealander was traveling light because he had just made a dash to Everest's summit, which entails a hard slog up a 40-degree incline and a rope climb up a 30-foot-high sheer rock wall known as the "Hillary Step."

## Copters rescue climbers

**KATMANDU, Nepal (AP)** — Army helicopters plucked an American and an Australian from Mount Everest Wednesday, ending an ordeal that claimed the lives of eight other climbers.

The helicopters carried Charlotte Fox of Aspen, Colo., and Michael Groom of Australia to Katmandu's airport. They left with representatives from their embassies, without commenting publicly.

No more evacuations were planned for Wednesday, although climbers still are struggling down the mountain after a blizzard killed eight of them. The storm struck Friday on the 29,028-foot-high summit, freezing experienced climbers and newcomers alike with waist-high snow and 70-mph winds.

The dead included a three-man team from India, and an Indian mountaineering expert claimed today that two of them might have survived had a Japanese team stopped its climb to save them.

The Japanese base camp said its climbers did not see any Indians on the way up, a reporter for the Japanese newspaper Nihonjippun said.

Two Japanese and their three Nepalese Sherpa guides passed the two Indians, who were near death from exposure, and continued the 1,000 feet to the summit, said M.S. Kohli, the mountaineering adviser to the Indo-Tibetan border police.

"It is puzzling that the Japanese team ... did not call off their summit attempt and render help," Kohli said.

One of the men was lying on the route when the Japanese team passed, Kohli said.

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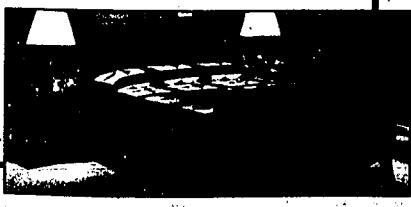
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### Briefly

#### Football players seek financial help for trip



**TWIN FALLS** — A pair of Twin Falls High School senior football players were selected to play for Team Idaho in the 1996 Down Under Bowl in Australia this summer.  
Ben Barborka and Jared Goodpaster were selected based on their gridiron performance last season. They will play in front of Australian fans, sign autographs, appear on T.V. and radio and generally act as ambassadors for America and Twin Falls.

Goodpaster

The two are seeking sponsors to help defray the \$2,500 per-person cost of the trip. Donations can be made to the Down Under Bowl VIII and mailed to P.O. Box 705, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

For more information about the event and how you can help, call Goodpaster at 734-8343 or Barborka at 733-6492.

#### Gooding golf tournament still has room for 15 teams

**GOODING** — The Wood River Inn/Farmers National Bank 2-man best ball golf tournament has room for 15 more teams.  
The tournament is Saturday and Sunday.  
The entry fee is \$80 and spots are available for men's and couples' teams. For more information, call the Gooding Golf Course pro shop at 934-9977.

Compiled from staff reports

### Sportslate

**Today**  
High school baseball  
Class A-1 state tournament, at Borah and Meridian

- Minico vs. Meridian, 5 p.m.
- Twin Falls vs. Lewiston, 5 p.m.
- Class A-2 state tournament, Nampa
- Buhl vs. Preston, 2 p.m.
- Class A-3 state tournament, Lewiston
- Wendell vs. Wallace, 9 a.m.

High school softball  
Class A-1 state tournament, Coeur d'Alene  
• Twin Falls vs. Centennial, 3 p.m.  
Class A-2 tournament, Pocatello  
• Buhl vs. Preston, 10:30 a.m.  
(winner plays at 12:15 p.m.)  
Class A-3 state tournament, Orofino  
• Filer vs. Orofino, 12:30 p.m.  
• Wendell vs. Grangeville, 2:15 p.m.

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### Inside

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State track D3

# Indians continue to surprise in A-2 softball

## Jerome bows out of southeast Idaho state tournament

By Kevin Miller  
Times-News writer

**POCATELLO** — Buhl's softball team becomes a different sort of beast in the post season.

After posting an 5-15 regular-season record, the Indians are still alive in the southeast Idaho A-2 state softball tournament. Buhl recovered from an opening-round loss to beat Shelley 14-6 in the losers' bracket Wednesday.

The Indians take the field again at 10:30 a.m. today at N.O.P. Park against Preston with a chance of winning the championship if they can win five straight games. Includ-

ing regional playoffs, Buhl is 4-1 in the post season.

Meanwhile, Jerome found hits hard to come by, losing its first two games in the double-elimination tournament. The Tigers managed only four hits in both losses.

For Buhl, the pounding it inflicted on the Russets helped preserve some tall expectations.

"We didn't have a great season, but the kids wanted to win this thing after taking second last year," Coach Mike Gemar said.

For most of their opening-round contest with Bear Lake, the Indians' played the kind of defense it will take to win the title. While Angie Schroeder kept Bear Lake hitters off balance with her unorthodox fast pitch style, Buhl slipped out to a 1-0 lead.

Melissa Kippes doubled to lead off the second inning for Buhl. After Schroeder reached first with a bunt base hit, Kippes scored on a Marci Jensen ground-out.

But Buhl left two runners in scoring position, just as it had in the first and third in-

nings. Those missed opportunities returned to haunt the Indians in the 2-1 loss.

"Our kids just couldn't adjust to (Bear Lake pitcher Angie Saxton's) change," Gemar said. "She's the best pitcher we've seen in some time."

Against Shelley, Buhl wore out two pitchers with a 10-run fourth-inning rally. Jera Kriekland's two-run single put the Indians up 6-5 and sparked the big inning for Buhl.

The Indians recorded only three hits in the inning, but with the aide of three Russset errors, they were able to send 14 batters to the plate.

"We put some pressure on their defense and things happened for us. We tell our kids to put the ball in play and make them do something with it," Gemar said.

Jerome was able to put the ball in play, but it always seemed to go right at someone. In a 3-1 opening-round loss to Preston, the Tigers never managed more than one hit in any inning, recording only four total.

Against South Fremont in a loser-out game, Jerome rallied for four hits during a six-run second-inning rally, after the Indians allowed South Fremont to jump out to a 10-0 lead.

Tonia Burk singled home two runs after Amber Olsen doubled to get the rally started.

But Jerome didn't notch another hit in the game, ending the season with a 10-7 loss.

The Indians finished their first fast-pitch softball season with a 11-14 record.

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South Fremont  
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## Hawks complete disappearing act by falling to Magic

The Associated Press

**ORLANDO, Fla.** — Now that the Atlanta Hawks are out of the way, the Orlando Magic can finally turn their attention to the Chicago Bulls.

The matchup most everyone has been waiting for, featuring the top teams in the Eastern Conference, begins Sunday afternoon in Chicago.

"I think, and I hope, it will be a great series," coach Brian Hill said after the Magic ended their second-round meeting with the Hawks with a 96-88 victory Wednesday night.

"But I think it would be disrespectful of me to the teams in the Western Conference to say it's like an NBA Finals. I think Seattle and the winner of Utah-San Antonio wouldn't be too happy about that, and rightfully so."

Shaquille O'Neal made sure the Magic didn't squander another opportunity to close out the Hawks, who extended the series by winning Game 4 on Monday night.

The all-star center bounced back from a subpar performance that may have been related to chest pains, scoring 27 points and grabbing 16 rebounds in 42 minutes.

"The other day I had some funny heartbeats," O'Neal said. "So the only thing I could think about was falling out or something."

The Magic revealed that O'Neal, who missed 10 of 17 shots from the field and 12 of 17 free throws Monday night, complained of feeling tightness in his chest at halftime of Game 4.

A team physician examined the 7-foot-1, 325-pound center before he played in the second half of the 104-99 loss, but O'Neal visited a cardiologist on Tuesday. All tests were negative, Magic spokesman Joel Glass said.

"I went to the doctor yesterday and he said it was only stress," O'Neal said.

The Magic will be plenty of stress on the Magic to repeat their feat of last year, when they eliminated the Bulls and an ineffective Michael Jordan in six games in the conference semifinals. They went on to their first appearance in the NBA Finals, losing to Houston.

But most of the tension probably will be felt by the Bulls.

"They're a great team, won 72 games and set all kinds of records," Orlando's Nick Anderson said. "There's no pressure on us. It's just another challenge we've got to try to meet."



Atlanta Hawk Mookie Blaylock strips the ball out of Orlando Magic center Shaquille O'Neal's hands during the fourth quarter of their game Wednesday night.

# Jazz don't want to remember The Alamodome

The Associated Press

**SALT LAKE CITY** — The next time Karl Malone hits the road with the Utah Jazz, he wants to be Seattle bound. Actually, anywhere but San Antonio's raucous Alamodome.

Immersed in the din of 34,000 Spurs fans Tuesday, the Jazz lost 98-87, making tonight's Game 6 in the Delta Center perhaps their best, if not last, real chance to gain a matchup with Seattle.

Another loss would send the best-of-7 Western Conference semifinal back to San Antonio for the finale. The Jazz don't relish a return to the Alamodome.

"I'm ready to play. We're 3-2 and they're at our house," Malone said Wednesday. "I know they'll come ready to play, and I guarantee we are."

"I love to play in these pressure situations," he added. "We're at home. That's why we won that first game in San Antonio, to get home-court advantage. So there are no excuses, at all."

Malone won't rehash his 24-point, 8-of-21 shooting night in Game 5. It's history, and he makes it clear he doesn't care for



On Tuesday, Robinson had 24 points and 15 rebounds, a resurgence he hopes to continue in Salt Lake.

"Our backs were against the wall and we had to respond," he said. "The team played unselfish. We're not nervous going back to Utah. We have to stay alive — we have no room to be nervous."

For the series, Utah is outshooting San Antonio (48 percent to 44 percent). The Jazz also hold a small rebounding advantage (39 to 36) and are hitting 52 percent of their 3-pointers to the Spurs' 40 percent.

However, San Antonio enjoys nearly a 2-to-1 free throw advantage, making 109-of-157 foul shots to Utah's 85-of-84.

San Antonio coach Bob Hill, however, prefers to look at one game — the last when accounting for his optimism about the Spurs' chances Thursday night.

"We played Spurs basketball for the first time in this series," he said. "It's going to be a war in Utah."

Vinnie Del Negro, who scored 21 points Tuesday, says the Spurs are determined to keep alive their shot at becoming only the sixth team in NBA history to rebound from a 3-1 playoff deficit.

# Zeile's homer in 10th lifts Phillies over Giants, 7-6

The Associated Press

**PHILADELPHIA** — Todd Zeile did something different against Rod Beck on Wednesday and it paid off for the Philadelphia Phillies.

"I usually don't swing at the first pitch but Beck is the type of pitcher who likes to get ahead of you. I was looking for a fastball and that's what he threw," said Zeile.

### National League

Zeile led off the bottom of the 10th with his second home run of the game to give the Philadelphia Phillies a come-from-behind 7-6 victory over the San Francisco Giants.

"I wasn't thinking home run," Zeile said. "When I do that my mechanics get messed up. I didn't think either one of them was going out. It was a great feeling when I saw (right fielder Glenn) Hill looking up."

The Phillies had tied the score at 6-6 on Kevin Stocker's two-run triple in the eighth inning against Beck (0-1), who previously had nine saves in nine opportunities.

"The home run pitch wasn't a strike," Beck said. "It wasn't where I wanted it to be. The law of averages is going to catch up to you sooner or later. They beat me and I have to live with it. I

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New York Met Roy Ordonez leaps over San Diego Padres' Jody Reed while relaying to first to complete a double play in their game.

# Mariners forget about no-hitter, blast Yanks

The Associated Press

**NEW YORK** — A day after being no-hit by Dwight Gooden, the Seattle Mariners matched a season high with 19 hits and roughed up Jimmy Key in beating the New York Yankees 10-5 Wednesday night.

### American League

Edgar Martinez doubled twice and drove in four runs. Jay Buhner homered and Ken Griffey Jr. had two hits.

Seattle trailed 4-0 after two innings. Martinez hit an RBI double during a five-run fourth inning that put the Mariners ahead 6-4 and added a two-run double in the sixth.

Key (1-5) allowed six runs on nine hits and three walks. He left in the fourth with the bases loaded and no outs.

Key, who missed most of last season because of shoulder problems, has a 7.14 ERA after eight starts. Ed Hurtado (2-3),

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# Idaho Track and Field Championships

## Magic Valley boys qualifiers

**Sprints**  
 < 110-meter hurdles  
 A-1 Nick Davis, TF, 18.1  
 Record 18.00  
 A-2 Darrin Hansen, CO, 19.0  
 Record 18.50

**Distance**  
 < 500-meter run  
 A-1 B.J. Christensen, MO, 10:10  
 Record 10:00  
 A-2 Ryan Williams, HI, 10:10  
 Record 10:00

**Relays**  
 A-1 1995 winner: Ryan Williams, CO, 14:16  
 A-2 Scott Heckard, JR, 15:20  
 BUN 10:30  
 1995 winner: Kyle Schneider, Salmon, 15:41

**Field events**  
 < Long jump  
 A-1 Cole Ward, TF, 21-0  
 Record 20-6 — Jim Wells, Meridian (1995)  
 1995 winner: Steve Williams, Highland, 22-2.75

## Magic Valley girls qualifiers

**Sprints**  
 < 110-meter dash  
 A-1 Amy Fuller, TF, 14.9  
 Record 14.5 — Cate Jacoby, Borah (1995)  
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## Sprinters ones to watch at state track meet

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**11:00 AM** — The Idaho high school equivalent of the summer Olympics kicks up at Bronco Stadium this weekend. More than 8,000 people passed through the turnstiles for last year's state track and field championships, and it's expected that the same number will be at the meet this year.

**12:00 PM** — Locally, attention is in the neighborhood of 1,000 Magic Valley boys and students. Classen Park's Ryan Williams is the reigning A-1 sprint king. He won the 100, 200 and 400-meter dashes last year, and he's back for more in 1996. But Mai has been the fastest in several events this year. Stay tuned for his performance at the meet.

**1:00 PM** — Field Ismail can make his claim to the state's greatest sprinter of all time. Ismail has run the 100 meters in 10.6 seconds twice this year, with 10.64 and 10.77 clockings for good measure. A report of Ismail's time was a new state record, and Ismail is close to the mark in the 200 as well.

**2:00 PM** — Will Declo's Kathy Osterhout win another A-3 girls' shot put title and achieve her goal of 40 feet? Will the Jerome boys add to their record 14 state titles? Will the falls triple jumper Annie Christensen repeat her surprise victory of last year? All those questions will be answered by Saturday evening.

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## Relays

**< 400-meter relay**  
 A-1 None  
 Record 3:31.05 — Hyattville (1995)  
 A-2 None  
 Record 3:31.05 — Hyattville (1995)  
 A-3 None  
 Record 3:31.05 — Hyattville (1995)

**< 800-meter relay**  
 A-1 None  
 Record 7:27.85 — Borah (1995)  
 A-2 None  
 Record 7:27.85 — Borah (1995)  
 A-3 None  
 Record 7:27.85 — Borah (1995)

**< 1,600-meter relay**  
 A-1 None  
 Record 15:15.00 — Borah (1995)  
 A-2 None  
 Record 15:15.00 — Borah (1995)  
 A-3 None  
 Record 15:15.00 — Borah (1995)

**< 3,200-meter relay**  
 A-1 None  
 Record 31:00.00 — Borah (1995)  
 A-2 None  
 Record 31:00.00 — Borah (1995)  
 A-3 None  
 Record 31:00.00 — Borah (1995)

## 300-meter hurdles

**< 300-meter hurdles**  
 A-1 None  
 Record 4:08.00 — Valluab (1995)  
 A-2 None  
 Record 4:08.00 — Valluab (1995)  
 A-3 None  
 Record 4:08.00 — Valluab (1995)

**< 400-meter dash**  
 A-1 None  
 Record 1:07.20 — Ryan Williams, HI (1995)  
 A-2 None  
 Record 1:07.20 — Ryan Williams, HI (1995)  
 A-3 None  
 Record 1:07.20 — Ryan Williams, HI (1995)

## 500-meter run

**< 500-meter run**  
 A-1 B.J. Christensen, MO, 10:10  
 Record 10:00  
 A-2 Ryan Williams, HI, 10:10  
 Record 10:00  
 A-3 None  
 Record 10:10 — Ryan Williams, HI (1995)

## 100-meter dash

**< 100-meter dash**  
 A-1 Ryan Williams, HI, 10.6  
 Record 10.6  
 A-2 None  
 Record 10.6 — Ryan Williams, HI (1995)  
 A-3 None  
 Record 10.6 — Ryan Williams, HI (1995)

## Magic Valley girls qualifiers

**Sprints**  
 < 110-meter hurdles  
 A-1 Kelly French, BUN, 15:10.5  
 Record 15:10.5  
 A-2 Kelly French, BUN, 15:10.5  
 Record 15:10.5

**Distance**  
 < 100-meter hurdles  
 A-1 Kelly French, BUN, 15:10.5  
 Record 15:10.5  
 A-2 Kelly French, BUN, 15:10.5  
 Record 15:10.5

## 300-meter hurdles

**< 300-meter hurdles**  
 A-1 None  
 Record 4:08.00 — Valluab (1995)  
 A-2 None  
 Record 4:08.00 — Valluab (1995)  
 A-3 None  
 Record 4:08.00 — Valluab (1995)

## 400-meter dash

**< 400-meter dash**  
 A-1 Ryan Williams, HI, 10.6  
 Record 10.6  
 A-2 None  
 Record 10.6 — Ryan Williams, HI (1995)  
 A-3 None  
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## 500-meter run

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 Record 10:00  
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## Idaho's best

This list contains the names of the state champions in each event. The names of the runners-up are listed in parentheses. The names of the runners-up are listed in parentheses. The names of the runners-up are listed in parentheses.

### A note to our readers

Due to the amount of space required for our state track and field preview, the weekly Youth Sports section is not in today's paper. Youth Sports, along with Thelma Tucker's bowling column and the weekly bowling scores, will appear in tomorrow's Times-News.

## Seahawks' likely buyer has no site preference

SEATTLE (AP) — The likely buyer of the Seattle Seahawks has no specific site he wants for a new stadium, but Husky Stadium is "way down the list," a top aide said Wednesday.



Bob Whitsitt, representing billiard maker Paul Allen and Football Northwest Inc., told a Rotary luncheon his boss wanted to see the results of some studies before deciding where the Seahawks should play.

Aside from a report recommending a \$197 million Kingdome overhaul, currently under review by a King County task force, even the studies to be done remain undetermined, Whitsitt told reporters after his speech.

"We have to get a lot of information before we can be very intelligent about what we are going to do," he said. "We're not coming in with an agenda. We're coming in because the community asked Paul to come in on this, and Paul agreed."

Allen, co-founder of Microsoft Corp., purchased an exclusive option last month to buy the Seahawks from developer Ken Behring, whose attempt to move the franchise to the Los Angeles area was foundering.

"The option expires in 1997. It's the only time line we have in 14 months. Paul has to make a decision, and I think that will be a very easy decision for him to make," Whitsitt said in his speech.

One questioner asked about playing at the University of Washington's open-air stadium more than five miles from the Kingdome.

"I think, ultimately, we're going to talk about every possibility," Whitsitt said, adding, "it's way down the list."

Allen, who said he would prefer a new, open-air stadium with natural turf in or near the downtown area, has visited no potential sites outside the city, Whitsitt told reporters.

"I think the starting point is the Kingdome, seeing what we can do there," he said.

Whitsitt, president of the Allen-owned NBA Portland Trail Blazers, said his boss wanted to make a move for the Seahawks until he was sure no other local interests would do so.

"When you already own a team and it's the sport you support the most, and you've just been a part of a \$262 million project in Portland to get a new Rose Garden, there's a lot of good things going on down there," he said. "To own a second team is never as exciting as a first team, and owning a team in your back yard has pluses and minuses."

Allen lives in the Seattle suburb of Mercer Island. Even now, Whitsitt said, "I don't want to lose focus. My focus, my primary focus, is trying to make the Blazers a better basketball team."

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# Magic says career definitely, positively over, but...

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Hearing that Magic Johnson was retiring for a third time, Michael Jordan said he wouldn't be surprised if Johnson made still another comeback.

"I wouldn't either," Johnson said. "A few minutes later, Johnson added, 'Just kidding.'"

As of Wednesday, Johnson planned to never play another NBA game. But since he has come out of retirement twice before, and as recently as two weeks ago said there was no way he could end his career now, the question remains whether Johnson will change his mind again.

"I know people are going to be saying, 'That Magic has never going to retire.' I believe it when I see it," Johnson said at still another jammed news conference for him at the Forum.

"It's over," he said. "It's off my back, the door is closed. I'm not kidding about that. It's over. Definitely for sure, and I'm happy that it's over. Let's move on. I've made my run."



Johnson

And if Pat Riley, the Miami coach who formerly coached the Lakers, should call him about playing for the Heat? Johnson smiled; was uncharacteristically silent for a few moments, then said, "I knew all these hypotheticals were going to come up... It's over."

And if the Lakers were somehow to sign Shaquille O'Neal?

"Then I could come back and high-lob him," Johnson said, his eyes lighting up.

The news conference was delayed about 20 minutes because Johnson was on the Forum floor, scrumming with his touring team, yelling and joking.

Asked why he changed his mind after saying, following the Lakers' final loss to Houston in the playoffs two weeks earlier, that he "couldn't go out this way," Johnson replied:

"Twelve days is a long time to think I've been playing every day. I came out here with the guys (the touring team) and I was having fun."

Johnson said he wants to limit his basketball to his touring team and devote more time to his rapidly growing business ventures. He also said he wanted to be fair to the Lakers and not prolong a decision.

"They needed to know so they could move on, with the salary cap and all," he said. "I would have to be somewhere else and I'm a Laker."

"I did what I started out to do. My son got to see me play. It's been great. This is not a sad or a bad day. God blessed me and allowed me to come back and he will continue to bless me."

The Lakers were a team in disarray by season's end, and Johnson, 36, said there is a generation gap.

"There's a big difference," he said. "Maybe they couldn't adjust to me and I to them. Maybe it just wasn't right."

Johnson had complained at one point in the

series against the Houston Rockets that he wasn't being used properly, wasn't able to handle the ball enough. He denied, however, there were hard feelings between him and point guard Nick Van Exel, or with Coach Denny Harris.

"In what may have been his last NBA game, Johnson scored just eight points in 30 minutes and sat out most of the fourth quarter as the Lakers lost to the Rockets 102-94 on May 2.

Johnson, who turns 37 in August and would have been a free agent July 1, first retired just before the start of the 1991-92 season after learning he had tested positive for the AIDS virus.

"It was sad Nov. 7 a long time ago," Johnson said. "Aid it was happy when I was 19 years old and got drafted by the Lakers. And it's happy now that I'm finishing here."

He made a brief comeback before the 1992-93 season, but quit again during the exhibition season after several players worried about possible health dangers of playing against him.

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# Magic Valley

## N. Locust could be home to retirees

By Virginia S. Garber  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS**—Vacant land behind the Weston Plaza could be home to a two-story retirement center, if the City Council approves a Ketchum developer's proposal.

Sawtooth Construction of Ketchum has applied to build a two-phase retirement home for New Crossings International Inc. on the west side of Locust Street North, between Lawndale and Evergreen drives.

The city's planning and zoning board agreed Tuesday to recommend the plan to councilmen, Planning and Zoning Administrator LaMar Orton said. Neighbors testified at Tuesday's public hearing, "which kind of surprised us," Orton said.

The center's first phase would be a 70-unit assisted-living facility, and the second would provide 50 more units for "congregate care."

That's too many housing units for the area's current residential zoning, so

developers have requested a rezoning on 7.5 acres.

The planning board recommended that the parcel revert to its current zoning if the center isn't built within a specified period, Orton said.

Site plans for the planned-unit development show a large buffer of landscaping between the center and its neighbors to the north; a parking lot is planned to the south of the retirement home.

In an effort to make the development conform to the area's residential look,

the planning and zoning board recommended the Sawtooth Construction be required to landscape to a depth of 25.5 feet behind the sidewalk along Locust, Orton said.

The applicants bill their retirement-center plan as "the perfect residential complement to an existing neighborhood."

Nearby residents can speak for themselves at a public hearing before the council on June 17, the first of possibly three hearings.

### Corrected polling places

**TWIN FALLS**—Wednesday's *Times-News* contained incorrect information about voting locations for the upcoming School Board election. Voting will be held in the following locations:

**Tuesday, Voters in Zone 5** (north of Locust Avenue East and North Avenue East and east of Locust Street South). Polling in Zone 5 occurs at Morningstar Elementary School. The two candidates are Greg Hauer and Larry Roper, whose positions of issue were reported in Wednesday's newspaper.

**Voters in Zone 2** (west of U.S. Highway 93, Caswell Avenue East and west of Jefferson Street, Main Street and Rock Creek). Polling will occur at Lincoln Elementary School.

**Facing off in that race** are Robert Magnusson and Calvin Lamborn, whose positions on issues were reported Tuesday.

Maps are available at the Twin Falls School District. Call 733-6900 for more information.

## Around the valley

### Victory Bridge closes for maintenance work

**TWIN FALLS**—The 4-year-old Victory Bridge is expected to close today for maintenance work, and traffic will be rerouted to South Park Avenue and Shoshone Street.

Victory Bridge probably will reopen May 24.

Crews will replace the "expansion joints" — which accommodate traffic-caused movements — at the bridge's ends. Workers also will seal the driving surface to keep water out of the aging concrete.

### Farm Bureau plans political forum in Jerome tonight

**JEROME**—The Jerome County Farm Bureau will sponsor the third and final political forum of candidates prior to the May 28 primary election.

The event begins at 7:30 p.m. tonight at China Village, 123 So. Alder in Jerome.

Candidates for two commissioner seats, sheriff and attorney will be joined by District 24A state House candidates Bert Stevenson, Harold Mohlman and Michael Peck. Of the 14 candidates expected to speak, Peck is the only Democrat. He will face the winner of the Stevenson-Mohlman race.

Each candidate will be allowed three to four minutes to speak, followed by questions taken from the audience.

Dessert and beverages will be served. Due to the political forum, the Jerome County Republican Central Committee meeting scheduled for this evening has been canceled. The committee's next meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. June 5 in the Jerome County Courthouse.

### Twin Falls chamber honors small businesses of the year

**TWIN FALLS**—The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce and the Business Week Committee recognized outstanding Twin Falls small businesses in an award ceremony at the Turf Club Wednesday night.

Byron and Terry McCurdy of Aspen Consulting Group Inc. received the Small Business of the Year Award.

The Small Business Exporter of the Year Award went to Sam and Kelly Yost of Channel Productions.

Janice Degner of B&B Broadcasting, Inc. received the Small Business Media Advocate of the Year Award.

The Entrepreneurial Success Award went to Bill and Kathy Nichols of Blip Printing Co.

Each winner received a plaque, and may choose to participate in the national competition.

### State waives entrance fees to Walcott Park temporarily

**ACQUILA**—The Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation will waive entrance fees to Walcott Park for the remainder of this year, a department official announced Tuesday.

"In working with Sen. Dean Cameron, we have agreed to waive the entrance fees until Jan. 1, just to get people accustomed to the fact that we now control the park," said parks department spokesman Rick Just.

State officials reached an agreement with the federal Bureau of Reclamation in early March that turned management of Walcott Park over to the state.

Just said fees to camp will be charged for the rest of the year.

Compiled from staff reports

### Selling the school



Twin Falls Economic Development Director Dave McAllindin, left, defends a plan to pursue building an alternative school through the Urban Renewal Agency during a Rotary Club meeting Wednesday in Twin Falls. At the right of the lecturer, Rotary Club President Dick McMahon waits to intercede in the debate.

## Rotarians hear school pitch

By Liz Wright  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS**—A local businessman questioned the legality of a proposed financing scheme for an alternative school during a Rotary Club lunch presentation Wednesday.

"I can understand a swimming pool, tennis courts and other projects, but I don't see a schoolhouse," said T.W. Stivers, chairman of Title Fact Inc., whose activism in 1993 helped shrink plans to build a juvenile detention center.

Dave McAllindin, Twin Falls' economic development director, countered by asking Stivers whether a school is "a public facility."

"We will go to the courts and find out whether they agree or disagree," McAllindin said.

Under the proposal, the Twin Falls School District would take a year-to-year, \$100,000 annual lease on a new school building constructed with bonds issued by the Urban Renewal Agency, which spends property tax revenues in



Former state House Speaker T.W. Stivers questions the legality of the plan.

Valley High School, is housed in the Presbyterian Church and provides an alternative education for pregnant teens, teen parents and students who cannot cope with the regular school system.

Terrell Donicht, superintendent of the Twin Falls School District, started the Rotary presentation by responding to allegations about his district "pushing the plan." A survey showed that voters were mixed on why they rejected a supplemental levy last year, and it was not simply because they didn't want to build an alternative school, he said.

Sixty-six percent of voters rejected the levy, while 57 percent of survey respondents said they supported the idea of an alternative school. Thirty-two percent rejected the levy because they didn't want to fund a new building, while 23 percent didn't want more taxes. Some 14 percent favored purchasing and remodeling an old building, while 11 percent favored continuing to lease the existing building.

Please see ALTERNATIVE/C3

## ConAgra layoffs miss Lamb-Weston

**TWIN FALLS**—Twin Falls' largest employer, the Lamb-Weston french-fry factory, will not be affected by a massive restructuring at other ConAgra Inc. companies, Lamb-Weston President Rich Porter said Wednesday.

ConAgra announced Tuesday that it will eliminate about 6,500 jobs and close or reconfigure 29 plants in a restructuring designed to make the huge food company more efficient.

Omaha, Neb.-based ConAgra said the restructuring will bring pretax charges of \$505 million in the fiscal quarter ending May 26. That will reduce its fiscal fourth-quarter profit by about \$350 million.

"For our shareholders and employees this is the right step to make ConAgra more competitive, more secure, more profitable, chairman and chief executive officer Philip R. Fletcher said in a statement. "But the decision was difficult. Please see CONAGRA/C3

## Muchow, Faulkner challenge Gough for Gooding County commission seat

By Steve Koehler  
Times-News correspondent

**GOODING**—Two candidates are challenging the incumbent for the District 2 seat on the Gooding County commission in the May 28 primary election.

Craig Muchow (rhymes with stucco) would like to organize committees to do land use planning, cultural and tax-base studies "so that we can move onto strong county government."

"County government has to be the watchdog of state and federal agencies," he said. "We the county don't realize how we can make them adhere to the law."

Once a land use plan is in place, the county becomes a partner with the state and federal governments, Muchow said. Then the county has the ability to control the Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, and Environmental Protection Agency.

"I support a strong planning and zoning policy that allows for wilderness enjoyment and economic benefit from one's property, so long as it doesn't adversely affect others' property, either environmentally or

**Tom Faulkner**  
Age: 37  
Residence: Bliss  
Education: Graduate of Gooding High School  
Business degrees from the University of Idaho  
Experience: Certified public accountant

economically," Tom Faulkner said.

County finances are another important issue, said Faulkner, who supports zero-based budgeting—a practice under which each expenditure has to be justified annually.

"Criminals should be fined more and forced to pay the cost of their incarceration," he said. "Incarceration should be punishment, not room and board with a medical and dental plan."

Muchow, whose son recently defeated a rare form of cancer, is concerned about drinking water quality.

"No one had someone tested my well 100 years ago they would not have found 32 pesticides and herbicides," he said. "When I can't drink my own well water,

**Craig Muchow**  
Age: 53  
Residence: Gooding  
Education: Bachelor's degree in business education and a botany degree from Fullerton University, Fullerton, CA  
Graduate studies in soil science at California Polytechnic State University, San Diego, Calif.  
Experience: Served on Gooding County Board since 1990

something's wrong."

Even though the chemicals in his water were said to be within safe limits, Muchow questions the cumulative effect of all the chemicals, and wonders if the contaminants are related to what he says is a high rate of bone cancer in Gooding County.

"I can't say (our water) caused my son's cancer, but perhaps it was a contributing factor," Muchow said.

Incumbent Commissioner Jack Gough of Bliss declined to be interviewed for this story.

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## National organization suspends Moscow house for infractions

MOSCOW (AP) — The Alpha Tau Omega fraternity on the University of Idaho campus has been suspended for 45 days by its national president and school officials say it is about time the national organization got involved.

The ATOs are suspended from activities including intramural, Greek Week activities, intramural activities and all chapter functions.

The act was taken by ATO National President W. Brian Ruyle in a letter addressed to house president Gregory Patch Jr.

"I have directed the Board of Trustees and the National Headquarters staff to fully investi-

gate this matter and make recommendations to me," Ruyle wrote.

Patch was cited Thursday on one count of serving or procuring alcohol for minors during the fraternity's "Tin Canner" party on May 4. Four others were slapped with minor-infringement charges.

Deputy City Attorney Kelly Mallard dropped all charges against Patch. The city could still charge this week against the house.

Dean of Students Bruce Pitman said while a suspension is rare for a fraternity at Idaho, it was long overdue in this case.

Since May 1995, the ATOs have received 13 citations.

"We look to local board and national organizations to demand that leadership be exerted in the houses," said Harold Godwin, vice president of student affairs.

"It is not necessary for us to (withdraw recognition of the fraternity) because it is severe that their parent body is threatening to remove their recognition."

This suspension may hurt ATO's rush activities to attract freshmen, Pitman said.

"It appears they will not be participating in the initial phases of rush," he said. "They do a lot of recruiting in the summer so this action from ATO does have substance."

University basketball game that night.

It was the second killing in eight months at the Lost Dog Bar on the Coeur d'Alene Reservation.

Both men are members of the Coeur d'Alene tribe.

## Plummer man pleads guilty to murder

BOISE (AP) — A Plummer man has pleaded guilty to second-degree murder in the February slaying of his cousin during a bar fight.

Michael Anthony Samuels, 37, entered the plea in bargain with

prosecutors for dismissal of a first-degree murder charge in the stabbing death of Frankie Sjolun, 25.

Sjolun was stabbed numerous times with a filet knife during an argument over his failure to take Samuels to a Washington State

University basketball game that night.

It was the second killing in eight months at the Lost Dog Bar on the Coeur d'Alene Reservation.

Both men are members of the Coeur d'Alene tribe.

## Death notices

**James Turner Sr.**  
JEROME — James Turner Sr., 72, of Jerome, died Wednesday, May 15, 1996, at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Hoverson-Christerson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

**Nancy P. Dayley**  
BURLEY — Nancy Pauline Dayley, 69, of Burley, died Wednesday, May 15, 1996, at her home.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Pella LDS Ward Chapel, 400 S. 160 W. of

Burley, with Bishop Mike Chesley officiating. Burial will be at the Pella Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday

## Services

**Fred C. Humphreys**, of Boise and Payette, memorial service, 2 p.m. today, St. Michael's Episcopal Cathedral, Boise; followed by a reception, (Summers Funeral Homes, Boise Chapel).

**Lois Louise Payne**, of Twin Falls, 2 p.m. today, White Mortuary, Twin Falls.

**Hertha LaVern Leavitt**, of

Jerome and formerly of Las Vegas, Nev., viewing, 11 a.m. Friday, followed by funeral service at noon, LDS Church, Mesquite, Nev.

**Lois "Louisa" Adele Allen**, graveside service, 2 p.m. Friday, Sunset Memorial Park, Twin Falls, (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

## Hospitals

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

Admitted  
Candice Knudsen of Twin Falls.

**CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER**

Admitted  
Eva Briggs, Les Durham, Helen Johnson, Betsy Pickett, Angela Ramirez and Merle Sager, all of Burley; Amie Sjolholm of Heyburn; and Helen Goodman of Albion.

Released  
JUDY Pfahl of Burley; Robert Giraud and Herman Vilhauer, both of Rupert; Anne Sparks of

Paul; and Thern Ward of Almo.

Birth  
A baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Scott Sjolholm of Heyburn.

**MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  
Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Admitted  
Denton Scow, Hilda Zemke and Ida Gummerson, all of Rupert; Osvaldo Miguel Rodriguez of Hagerman; and Carol Kitt of Paul.

Released  
Andrea Ramirez Artega of Rupert.

## Obituaries

### Twin Falls



**Ken Roundy**  
Ken Roundy, 85, of Twin Falls, died Monday, May 13, 1996, at the Woodstone Retirement Center in Twin Falls.

Ken was born April 14, 1911, in Salt Lake City, Utah, the son of Hiram Chase and Minnie Pearl Taylor Roundy. In 1928, Ken began flying lessons. He became a commercial pilot and taught flight, single, and multi-engine instrument instruction for private and commercial flying licenses. He also operated an aerial spraying service for many years and flew chartered flights in the Idaho back-country.

He started flying in 1935, with Eastern Idaho Air Service. He worked for Zimery Airlines in Idaho Falls. He purchased the Burley airport in 1946. In 1955, he and two others purchased McCall's Ranch at Thomas Creek. In 1958, he purchased a ranch in Richfield and then in 1962, he bought the Deluxe Motor Lodge and the Alpine Villa in Ketchum. Ken retired in the spring of 1991.

His memberships included the Benovolent Projected Order of Elks

Lodge No. 1384, in Burley, the Masonic Lodge No. 77 AF and AM in Paul, Scotland, Rite of Freemasonry in Boise, and the El Korah Shrine Temple in Boise. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather.

Ken married Hope Estella Rice on June 24, 1938, in Twin Falls. She preceded him in death on June 2, 1995. He was also preceded in death by a sister.

Ken is survived by his son, Joe Roundy of Caldwell, three granddaughters, and two great-grandsons.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 18, 1996, at the Blay Colonial Funeral Home and Crematory, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, with the Rev. Dale Metzger officiating. Inurnment will take place at F. Elding Memorial Cemetery in Idaho Falls at a later date.

The family suggests that memorials be made to Shiner's Hospital for Crippled Children, Fairfax Avenue and Virginia Street, Salt Lake City UT 84103.



**Craig T. Kvale**  
Craig T. Kvale, 43, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, May 14, 1996, at his home.

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

Craig was born Oct. 29, 1952, in LaCrosse, Wis. He received his undergraduate degree in wildlife biology from the University of Minnesota and received a master's degree in wildlife management from the University of Idaho in Moscow. His entire professional career has been dedicated to working for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game as a research biologist and most recently, the Regional Wildlife Manager.

Craig will always be remembered by family, friends and colleagues for his kind, gentle personality and his love of wildlife. He will be sorely missed by his family including his wife and best friend, Kim, and his two children, Heather and Erik. He is survived by his dad and mom, Fred and Betty Kvale of Prescott, Ariz., and his sister, Pam Paulson of Ogden, Utah.

The family requests no flowers. Family, friends and colleagues of Craig, desiring to honor his love and years of commitment to wildlife in Idaho, have established an endowed scholarship with the University of Idaho Foundation, in his honor. The Craig T. Kvale Scholarship Endowment shall provide scholarships to students pursuing advanced degrees in Wildlife Resources. Contributions may be sent to: The University of Idaho Foundation Gift Receiving Office, University of Idaho, Moscow ID 83844-3147. A college fund for Craig's children has been established at the Idaho Central Credit Union in Twin Falls. Contributions for the children's trust fund may be mailed to: Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls ID 83403.

A private mountainside memorial gathering to honor and celebrate the life of Craig will be planned for later this spring. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

## Home schooling appears to be on the rise in Utah

KEARNS, Utah (AP) — Stacie Parker doesn't play on the swings with the other fifth graders, but she can hear them. Their laughter drifts over the fence that separates the Parker back yard from Beehive Elementary.

Stacie, who is schooled by her parents, waits until the laughter dies and classes are out before climbing an old wooden sawhorse and going over the fence with her sisters, Christie, 9, and Kellie, 12.

They are headed for the school's basketball court where the girls round up whoever they can find and make teams. Sometimes there isn't anyone.

Stacie likes being home with her parents, but acknowledges that meeting anyone outside her neighborhood or church is difficult.

"I have a few friends," she said.

The number of parents in Utah like the Parkers who choose to home school their children appears to be growing, although the state keeps no figures. And dissatisfaction with the public school system and concern about declining moral and religious values are among the chief catalysts.

The Utah Home Education Association has about 6,300 people on its mailing list, and yearly additions to the database have swelled by 20 to 30 percent over the last couple of years, says board member Coke Newell.

There also are a number of other support organizations like You Teach and the LDS Home Educators Association.

The National Home Education Research Center puts the number of Utah's home-schooled kids at between 3,500 and 4,500, but president Brian Ray admits even those rough numbers aren't firm.

But if the exact numbers of home-schooling in Utah are fuzzy, the reasons for its growth are not: Unhappiness with the mainstream alternative is widespread.

"The number one reason, I suppose, is people's dissatisfaction with the government or the public education system," said Newell.

Stacie's father, Ken Parker, a former UHEA president, believes his kids get a better education with more personal attention and opportunities to progress at their own rate. He also wants to ensure his children are taught values.

"To love the Lord is the most important one," Parker said. "To be a good friend. Things like that. Basic Christian values."

It's important to learn curriculum and religion. They go together," said Parker's wife, Laurie.

The idea that there is no difference between religion and academics is common among home schoolers, said Colleen McDannell, an associate professor of history at the University of Utah who studied 20 to 30 home schools in Texas.

"They don't hate the world," she said. "They are trying to teach their children how to be good Christians. It's all integrated together."

McDannell's research subjects often used the Bible as a textbook to teach everything from grammar to science. But she noted that even public school curriculums are influenced by someone's religion, and she believes conservative Christian home schoolers are justified in



Kellie Parker, 12, shares the kitchen table with her 2-year-old sister, Natalie, while working on her spelling in their Kearns, Utah, home.

wanting to control their children's environment.

The Parkers, who are Mormons, read scripture together every morning, but for school have math textbooks and other books from the library. One of them, "The Children's Atlas of Civilizations," has a section on human evolution.

"We got a good laugh out of it," said Laurie Parker, who went ahead and read the section to her children. "I think it's important for them to know what people think, and about evolution."

She doesn't feel she is trying to isolate her children, but simply does not trust anyone else to instruct them on sensitive matters like evolution. Or, apparently, American history.

"There is a lot of debunking of the Founding Fathers," she said. "So and so had a mistress. I don't believe they did."

Gayle Ruizicka, president of the conservative Eagle Forum, schools her children at home and isn't happy with trends in public education.

"Sex education, Goals 2000, outcome-based education, character education — they're the type of classes that discuss values without setting the ground rules," Ruizicka said. "They must teach them to read and write and geography and history and they don't have time for that."

Like the Parkers and most other home schoolers, Ruizicka also favors phonics, a system of learning to read by letter combinations. Newer methods are based on learning words by context and association.

"The home schoolers I know use phonics because it works," said Ruizicka. Christians in general may be attracted to the technique because texts like the Bible have so many unfamiliar words, she added.

McDannell has another theory. "Christians see in the world that there is a pattern and an order because God made it a certain way," she said. "Phonics basically say there is a pattern."

A common criticism of home schooling is that the children miss many socialization opportunities. But the National Home Education Research Center's Ray disputes that, saying socialization occurs both at home and at public schools.

The difference, he said, citing numerous studies, is that students at public schools pick up the habits of their peers, while home-schooled kids pattern themselves after their parents.

"Some people believe that home schoolers want to isolate their children, period. They want to provide them with good social contacts, guided social interactions," Ray said.

The image of home schoolers as isolationists, hiding their children from the world, originally made Laurie Parker skeptical about home schooling.

That was in 1977, shortly after Utah lawmakers gunned down John Singer, a home schooler who had defied a judge's contempt order. Singer had ignored other court orders to bring his kids to public school after educators determined the education provided his children at home was inadequate.

In the aftermath of the Singer shooting, the state of Utah abolished mandatory monitoring of home schools, a decision that bothered Nancy Valdez, supervisor of pupil services for the Salt Lake City School District.

## Breakdown doesn't stop candidate

NAMPA (AP) — Republican 1st District congressional hopeful William Levinger of Nampa has returned to the campaign trail after suffering a mental breakdown at a Boise television station.

Levinger, 40, has not made any public appearances since the April 16 raping of "Viewpoint" on KTVB-TV.

He was released from St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center Saturday and plans to continue the

race against incumbent Republican Helen Chenoweth.

"I plan to run to keep the issues of responsibility in Washington in the minds of voters," he said, adding that he did not want to discuss his breakdown or his hospital stay. "And I will begin traveling the state to get a sense of my district."

Levinger said he also planned to contact state legislators to arrange a debate with Chenoweth

in Moscow or Canyon County. Levinger said he decided at the last minute to challenge Chenoweth, because no one else did.

Levinger moved to Idaho about two years ago with his wife, Karen, and their three children.

Prior to the breakdown, Levinger was an anesthesiologist at Nampa's Mercy Medical Center. His medical privileges were suspended and he has not practiced medicine since that day.

## Jail site could delay building

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A new site for a temporary 200-bed jail could cause additional construction delays and cost taxpayers \$1 million — double the amount estimated in the past week.

Salt Lake County Sheriff Aaron Kennard also says the temporary jail could be located outside the capital city and may not be available until August. He would not disclose the location before he can discuss it with Mayor Deedee Corradini and the site's city council.

Last week, Salt Lake City offered Kennard three five-acre plots for the 10 to 15 portable cells

to be used for the temporary jail.

But County Commissioner Brent Overson said he would raise stip inmates to Utah County's new 500-bed jail in Spanish Fork rather than spend \$1 million for the temporary site.

The sheriff dislikes Overson's suggestion, especially after the Kennard and the city nearly settled on a temporary jail in the Salt Lake Valley.

Overson, who was out of town last week when Kennard, Ortega and Corradini signed off on the idea, said he's frustrated the commission is taking the heat for the jail problem.

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Magic Valley

Buhl voters to decide fate of \$9.5 million bond issue

The Times-News.

BUHL - School District voters will go to the polls today to vote on a \$9.5 million bond issue to build a new high school and relieve crowding in the middle and elementary schools.

The bond issue would be paid off over 15 years at an estimated interest rate of 5.5 percent. By repaying the bond in 15 years instead of 20 years, the district would avoid \$1.6 million in interest charges. The debt would cost

property owners about 26 1/2 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value per month - that translates to \$9.27 per month for the owner of a home assessed at \$35,000 after the homeowner's exemption, or \$38.16 per month for a farm assessed at \$144,000.

The new high school is designed to be a community center, say Michael Harland Felton and Jerry VanElderden, who headed a committee that recommended the bond issue proposal. Plans include a 1,500-seat compe-

dition gymnasium and a 500-seat auditorium and computer rooms, which would be available to the public for community functions.

The school district has been debt free for the past three years. Polling times and locations are from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Moose Hall, the Clear Springs General Office, the Brown residence, for Gooding County residents only, and from 6:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church.

Inmates to help in national forest

New 'McWork' program will let offenders work off sentences

By Jennifer Bunch Times-News writer

BURLEY - Some Mini-Cassia inmates soon may be paying to work off their jail sentences, rather than serve time behind bars.

The "McWork" program - short for Mini-Cassia Inmate Labor Detail - is scheduled to begin next month. The local office of the U.S. Forest Service will be first to use nonviolent inmates to help maintain recreation areas in the Sawtooth National Forest. Other local government agencies also have been offered the labor services.

Work in other agencies, such as the county weed boards and school districts, will be lined up for

inmates by the time the program begins. Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center Administrator Dennis Dexter said.

First time offenders convicted of misdemeanor and nonviolent felonies will be eligible for the program, he said. Inmates must pass a medical exam to participate, he said.

Adult offenders will be charged \$13 a day to work and juveniles will be charged \$8.50, Dexter said. The fee will pay for administrative costs such as workers' compensation, gas and lunch, he said.

Fifth District Magistrate Nathan Higer said judges will meet today to decide what types of cases would use the McWork program as

a sentence. The program will give judges the option to put people to work for taxpayers, rather than sending them to sit idle in jail, Higer said.

"Both myself and Judge (Roy) Holloway have decided it's a good idea to put people to work," he said.

The jail will be hiring two detention officers to replace two employees who will be overseeing McWork crews, Dexter said. The jail has purchased a used van to transport inmates, he said.

People sentenced to the program will not be in jail. They will report to work every morning. If they don't show up, they will answer to the judge.

Jerome jail passes inspection

By Rob Lundgren Times-News correspondent

JEROME - The county jail has recently faced a court order, periodic overcrowding and talk of a regional facility, but still passed its annual inspection.

"The building is limited, but Jerome is doing an awfully good job with what they have," said Bill Lynn of William Lynn Diversified of Pocatello.

While the Jerome jail has been subject to recent overcrowding, the two on-site inspections encompassing this review showed the jail at 28 and 32 inmates, short of the 34 bed capacity.

"I think the reason you're not at capacity is that everyone is working hard to keep the numbers down because of the consent decree," Lynn said.

A court order has been lifted.

Lawyers representing the county and the inmate agreed in the order to mutually solve the problem rather than going to federal court.

"Chances are very good the lawyers will go elsewhere to pick on another jail," Lynn said.

'... Jerome is doing an awfully good job with what they have.'

— Bill Lynn of Pocatello

The only deficiencies found by Lynn were poor air circulation, a water leak in the basement and less space than recommended per inmate.

Jerome County came in with Idaho's lowest cost per meal served at 57 cents.

"It's a very good meal," Lynn said.

Lynn said that while the jail was not overcrowded on either of his inspections, and the county fared well in the review, the county still needs a new jail.

"With your population, you need to sit down and talk with other counties about a regional jail," he said.

The Mini-Cassia jail is an excellent example of a regional, cooperative jail, he said. Small counties like Jerome, Gooding, Lincoln and Blaine can benefit by working together.

"It went about as I thought it would," Sheriff George W. Silver III said. "As long as we continue to follow the guidelines set down by the federal consent decree, we'll be okay. For an older jail, we're keeping it together the best we can."

Silver was quick to praise Lt. Jim Kimball and his jail staff for the positive review.

through the Urban Renewal Agency, Donicht said.

They examined alternative night schools in Pocatello, Jerome and Moscow, but "none of those are particularly successful," Donicht said.

McAlindin echoed Donicht by saying that the proposal is not a done deal, adding that he saw no problem with building a school through the Urban Renewal Agency.

"Why not? It is intended to make projects happen and to do it without raising property taxes," McAlindin said.

Stivers contended that the district should hold bond elections until the voters agree to build a school. Passage of the One Percent initiative property-tax ballot mea-

sure next November could mean less state funding, forcing the district to pay for the school with money from its own general fund, Stivers said.

"You are going to be confronted with property taxes either way," Stivers said, adding that proponents have hailed the proposal as a "no-tax plan."

"We never said this was a no-tax plan, that was a headline in The Times-News," McAlindin said. "We said we would not increase your taxes because of this."

McAlindin has recommended pushing ahead with the alternative school effort, but stopping short of actual construction. Then, the project could be started if voters reject the statewide One Percent initiative in November.

businesses across the food chain. They are a strong performer with good, stable operating cash flows," said Doris Nakamura, an analyst with Duff & Phelps in Chicago. "I would say they are taking steps to be more efficient and profitable."

ConAgra said it would not identify the production plants to be closed until it can notify employees. Most will be notified in the next few days, with all informed by May 24.

Workers at the company's headquarters in Omaha heard of the restructuring late Tuesday through company e-mail.

"I was shocked. We all were shocked," said Sandy Ledger, who has worked for three years in

ConAgra's finance department of its frozen foods division.

The overall restructuring is expected to produce pretax savings of about \$50 million in fiscal 1997, \$100 million the next year and \$125 million the year after that, ConAgra said. It expects the savings to boost profits as well as provide funds to be reinvested in the company.

The company announced the restructuring after the close of financial market trading. Its shares had closed unchanged Tuesday at \$39 each on the New York Stock Exchange.

In its fiscal third quarter, ConAgra's earnings rose 8 percent to \$128.4 million, or 55 cents a share, on sales of \$5.77 billion.

GOP seeks new Minidoka County treasurer after retirement

The Times-News

RUPERT - Minidoka County Treasurer Elaine White announced her retirement this week and coun-

ty Republicans are looking for a replacement.

County GOP Chairman Paul May said party officials plan to submit three names to the county commis-

sioners in the next ten days.

The only qualifications for the position are the person has to be 21 years old and be a county resident for at least one year.

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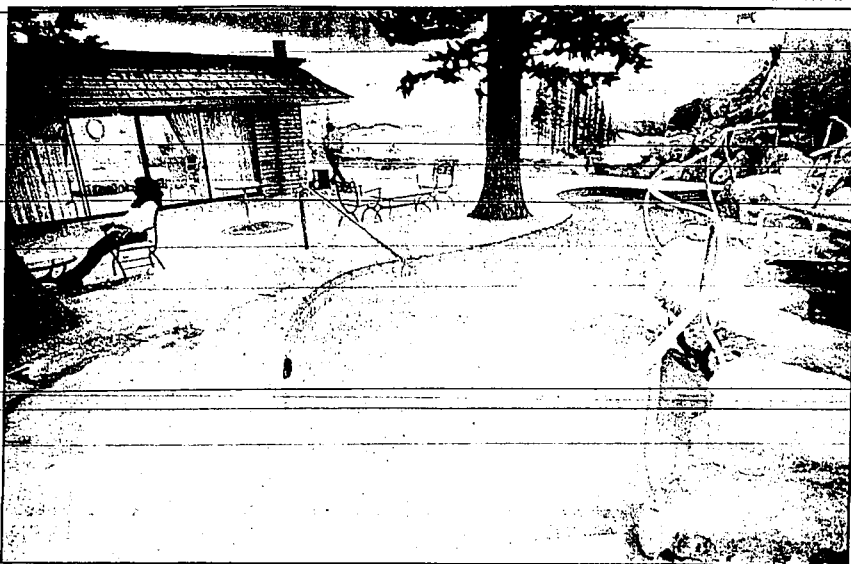
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The master bedroom overlooks the pool, hot tub and hand-painted murals of outdoor scenery in the underground home located a few miles from the Las Vegas Strip. The home was built by Avon founder Gerry Henderson during the '60s to protect from nuclear fallout.

# The land down under

## Avon founder's underground home is fortress of security

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Avon founder Gerry Henderson was like many Americans in the 1960s who went underground. But unlike those who built cramped nuclear fallout shelters in their back yards, the multimillionaire moved 30 feet down, into a 16,500-square-foot luxury space designed to withstand virtually any disaster and protect against almost any intruder.

Henderson and his wife Mary, who are both dead now, lacked no amenity.

The home remains in impeccable condition just a few miles east of the Las Vegas Strip on the edge of a residential neighborhood. Because it was built beneath a caretaker's house on gated property, few people know where it is.

Retired businessman Tex Edmundson, who owns the home now and was related to Mrs. Henderson, put it on the market for \$8 million. It was recently profiled in the Robb Report, a magazine for the affluent.

The biggest advantage of the home now is not protection from nuclear fallout, but protection, period, said Chris Henderson, a friend of Edmundson's who is helping market the home but is not related to the original owners.

As an example, Henderson mentioned Bill Gates, the immensely wealthy founder and chairman of Microsoft. "Just think of the security that he has to have," Henderson said. "If he had this, once he was downstairs he could send everybody home."

Several ornate underground homes were built around the country during the Cold War, although the location of many of them remains a secret.

The Las Vegas home has its own underground generator and fuel tank and is designed to sustain life for about a year — assuming the pantry is fully stocked.

The home remains as it looked when the Hendersons built it. Mrs. Henderson had an all-pink bedroom and there are crystal and gold fixtures in the bathrooms. There is a swimming pool, a hot tub and hand-painted murals of outdoor scenery on the perimeter of the home.

The main two-bedroom struc-

ture spreads over 5,200 square feet and is surrounded by an AstroTurf lawn, fake trees and an "outdoor" grill designed to send smoke and fumes up a fake tree trunk. A guest cabana is located next to the pool.

There once was a tunnel connecting Henderson's bedroom with his office across the street, but it has been filled in.

Because the interior has not been exposed to sunlight or outside air, there is no dust or sun damage on the furniture and wallpaper.

A computerized lighting system simulates night and day, and a protective shell — the ship-in-a-bottle concept — encases the entire structure keeping it dry and at a constant 74 degrees.

All of the utilities work and look just like they do in traditional homes. The street address for mail delivery is the same as the caretaker's home.

Gene Kilroy, boxer Muhamed

Ali's ex-trainer, lives in the three-bedroom, two-story caretaker's home above ground. That home is nothing like the underground house — its layout or its modern Southwest decor.

Kilroy looks after the property for Edmundson and occasionally gives tours. An elevator in the caretaker's home leads to the underground house.

The house was modeled after others built by the late Jay Swayze, a Plainview, Texas, building contractor who developed the ship-in-a-bottle concept after being commissioned by Plainview officials to build a demonstration fallout shelter.

Henderson, who had long wanted an underground home, contacted Swayze when he read about the Plainview home. Kenneth Swayze said recently from his home in Wylie, Texas, where he lives in an above-ground house.

Kenneth Swayze and his brother Jay built an underground home in Colorado for Henderson and went into business with the wealthy businessman.

Swayze was convinced the surface of the Earth would one day be uninhabitable and proposed everything from underground homes to underground schools and shopping malls.

**'If (Bill Gates) had this, once he was downstairs he could send everybody home.'**

— Chris Henderson, who is helping to market the underground home

## 2 confirmed dead in Utah plane crash

PROVO, Utah (AP) — A small plane crashed into Utah Lake on Wednesday, killing two people, Utah County sheriff's authorities confirmed.

Search and rescue divers responded to the crash about a mile-north-of-the-Provo-Boat-Harbor where the single-engine Cessna 320 went down about 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, said Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Mitch Barker.

Sheriff's Lt. Dick Casto said two people died in the crash. The identity and sex of the victims was not immediately known.

Rescuers were searching the lake for their remains and wreckage from the plane, but had called off the water search by afternoon because of strong winds.

Barker did not know the plane's destination, but said it had departed from Salt Lake City.

"It was doing some pilot train-

ing," when a may day broadcast was heard over a radio frequency, he said. The details of that broadcast were unavailable.

About five minutes later, Provo police dispatchers got a call from fishermen at the Provo Boat Harbor that they had seen a plane go down into the lake.

Searchers with boats and small watercraft reached the plane about 9 a.m., about a mile north of the boat harbor. They found two oil slicks and several pieces of the plane.

Barker said witnesses reported seeing smoke when the plane crashed into the lake.

FAA and National Transportation Safety Board investigators were expected to go to the scene.

Sheriff's Lt. Craig Turner said apparently no-flight-plan was filed. Searchers also did not know how many people were aboard the plane.

## Coroner denies comments on sodomy, homosexuality

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — Questions about victims' sexual behavior were appropriate in some of the death investigations he has performed, Spokane County Coroner Dexter Amend said in defending himself against charges of unprofessional conduct.

In a four-page document made public Tuesday, however, Amend denied some of the claims against him. He said, for example, he never discussed sodomy with a woman whose teenage daughter was murdered. He also denied asking relatives of an 11-year-old boy who died in a shed fire if the boy was gay.

The denials were included in the coroner's formal response to charges of unprofessional conduct filed March 14 by the state Medical Quality Assurance Commission.

The commission, an arm of the state Health Department, accuses Amend of "moral turpitude" for causing bereaved families "great anguish" and making decisions in death investigations that contradicted autopsy findings.

If found guilty of the charges in an October hearing, the 76-year-old retired urologist could lose his medical license but not his elected position.

Critics of Amend, a Presbyterian deacon, say he has overstepped the

bounds of professionalism by mixing his religious beliefs with his public duties.

Amend has not spoken publicly about the allegations. Reached at home Tuesday night, he declined to comment.

In his written response to the state investigation, Amend wrote: "In regard to moral turpitude, dishonesty or corruption relating to the practice of my profession, I strongly deny the charges."

"I have a strong commitment to monitor the results in Spokane County and feel my medical knowledge, though not required to be coroner, enhances my capacity as coroner."

Amend said an investigator took the word of people with "a history of drug use and who were socially disadvantaged."

Mabel Grantham, who talked with Amend after her 16-year-old daughter, Kendra, was fatally shot in the head in August, disputed the coroner's version of their meeting.

"It's not true, not one bit of it," said Grantham.

"I think he's lying through his teeth."

Grantham told a state investigator Amend asked if her daughter had ever been sodomized by gangsters.

## Escape caught in Blackfoot

BLACKFOOT (AP) — Blackfoot police have apprehended the man who escaped from a Bingham County courtroom last week.

Michael William Parks, 19, was arrested in town Tuesday morning by Blackfoot Police Officer Buddy Fowler.

Parks escaped from the courthouse after a May 6 hearing. He ran off before sheriff's deputies had a chance to shackles him and return him to jail. Parks has been hiding out in empty railroad cars since his escape, police said.

As a result of the escape, officials have decided to keep leg shackles on prisoners at all times unless a judge requests they be removed.

Parks escaped after pleading guilty to grand theft by possession of stolen property. He admitted trying to pawn stolen compact discs and a player to a friend.

Eleven other burglary charges are pending against Parks. Prosecutors expected to file a felony escape charge against him.

## GOP budget proposal could derail rail plans

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A House Republican budget resolution expected to pass Thursday could threaten to derail Salt Lake County's proposed light-rail system.

Under the resolution, federal grants would no longer be available for new mass transit rail projects and states would be required to equally share the costs of finishing such projects with the federal government.

That worries Utah Transit Authority officials, who have said the only way they can afford to build light-rail without raising local taxes is if the federal government funds at least 80 percent of the project.

"There is no evidence from anywhere in the world that building new urban rail systems reduces traffic congestion," according to the House resolution. "Yet by subsidizing 80 percent of transit construction projects, the federal government has encouraged expansion of economically unjustifiable mass transit rail systems."

The budget resolution is not legally binding, but Congress usually follows it and adopts specific appropriations bills. A Senate version does not propose the same restrictions, meaning the House and Senate must work out any differences.

Republican Reps. Enid Greene and Jim Hansen have warned for nearly a year that they did not believe a generous 80-20 split was possible in the House.

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# One more time, 'Hail to the Chief'

WASHINGTON (AP) — One day, John Bourgeois was at work at his regular job site, playing the French horn with the United States Marine Band for the visiting crown prince of Japan.

Thirty-four years later, Bourgeois was back in the White House — as he had been hundreds and hundreds of times in the interlude — this time directing the band. He looked up and saw the same guest, who by now was Japan's emperor.

Bandmaster Bourgeois had gone full circle.

Now the band leader, who can't count the times he has led "Hail to the Chief," is preparing to retire in July as the 25th leader of the oldest professional musical organization in America. It's the United States Marine Band, whose chief military mission is making music for presidents and their guests.

Or, as one of the band members put it: "The White House is our marching ground."

Bourgeois, 61, who rose from private to colonel, has led his musicians through joyful and solemn times. He took them by boat to Liberty Island for the rededication of the Statue of Liberty — the band had also played at its original dedication in 1886 — and he led them on a tour of the old Soviet Union, playing the tunes of John Philip Sousa under the portrait of Vladimir Lenin.



Marine Corps Band Director Col. John Bourgeois, here at Sousa Band Hall in Washington, is preparing to retire in July as the 25th leader of the U.S. Marine Band.

And under his baton the band put sound to a nation's sorrow when it played at the funeral of John F. Kennedy at the request of his widow.

Bourgeois, pronounced boor-ZWHA, repeats with pride what he heard President Bush tell his successor, Bill Clinton: "The best thing

about being president is the Marine Band." Every president has loved the band; Thomas Jefferson gave it its title, "The President's Own."

Hundreds of times a year, often on short notice, the band plays at the White House, welcoming a potentate, accompanying a soloist

from Las Vegas or a star of ballet, or playing music to dance by.

Sometimes its tunes accompany history, as when Yasser Arafat and Yitzhak Rabin made peace on the White House lawn and the band played on.

It is more of a concert band than a marching unit, even though John Philip Sousa, its 17th and most famous conductor, composed the spirited marches that still give a rush to high school football teams across America.

Bourgeois has led the 147 musicians, including 40 women, for 17 years. Son of an Louisiana oilman, he is the progeny of two famous Cajun names — a Bourgeois married to a Boudreau. He is also a gourmet Cajun cook, famous for his wicked jambalaya.

In an interview in the Marine Barracks on Capitol Hill, where a battlefield-sized desk bears his collection of toy soldier bandsmen (some of whose directors are modeled after him), Bourgeois recalled making music under nine presidents.

Once Leonard Bernstein, dressed in a cape, was in the White House audience. Bourgeois spotted him, summoned him, handed him the baton with a single word — "maestro" — and stood by while the premier musician of his day conducted the band in the ballet music from "Aida."

# Study: Neanderthals may have traded with successors

NEW YORK (AP) — Neanderthals in France may have engaged in trade with the modern people who eventually replaced them, a study suggests.

Researchers confirmed prior indications that Neanderthals living in central France some 34,000 years ago had more sophisticated stone tools than Neanderthals had before, maybe because they learned from early modern people, called Cro-Magnons.

The tools were found at a site that also contained jewelry-like bone ornaments.

The ornaments are so similar to ones previously associated with

Cro-Magnons that the French Neanderthals may have gotten them by trade with Cro-Magnons rather than learning to make the ornaments themselves, researchers said.

"Is this imitation or is this trade? We don't know," said researcher Fred Spoor of University College London.

The study focused on a site some 42 miles southeast of Auxerre, where fossils and the artifacts had been found long ago.

Scientists had suspected the fossils were from Neanderthals but hadn't been able to make a definitive identification.

# Study argues against classical animal theory

NEW YORK (AP) — Challenging the classical theory about the development of the animal kingdom, a new study says major categories of mammals and birds appeared long before the dinosaurs died out.

The dinosaurs vanished about 65 million years ago. By examining animal genes to compute how long certain creatures have been around, researchers estimated that the major orders of birds and mammals evolved 100 million years ago.

An order is a category of animals. Rodents, for example, represent an order.

The work argues against the classical idea that the disappearance of the dinosaurs opened the door for the diversification of mammals and birds. Instead, the breaking up of ancient continents may have been the cause, the researchers suggested in Thursday's issue of the journal Nature.

The early date for the emergence of the major orders was a surprise because there's virtually no trace of such diversification in the fossil record until about 40 million years later, said lead author S. Blair Hedges of Pennsylvania State University.

# FDA approves new cancer drug

WASHINGTON (AP) — Taxotere, a new drug that showed strong action against breast cancer in patients who failed to respond to standard treatment, was approved Wednesday by the Food and Drug Administration.

The agency said Taxotere can be used by breast cancer patients whose disease has progressed despite treatment with doxorubicin, currently the standard first-line chemotherapy.

Taxotere is in the same class of drugs as Taxol.

Both act by disrupting the internal structure of forming cancer cells and are based on extracts from the yew tree. However, researchers said clinical trials have shown Taxotere is more active against breast cancers that resist other treatments.

# House panel passes mutual-funds bill

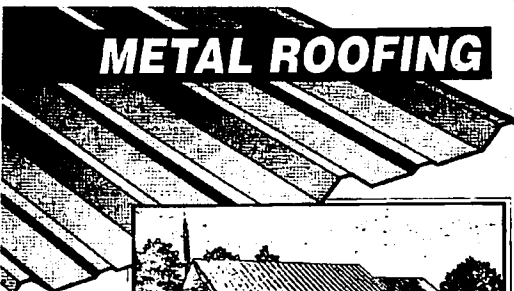
WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Commerce Committee Wednesday unanimously passed a bill to modernize rules governing mutual funds and streamline the role of state securities regulators.

The measure is expected to be the most significant bill in Congress this year to affect Wall Street and the financial markets.

"It is designed to help small business find the money it needs to create new jobs, and increase the returns to pension funds, mutual funds and other savings vehicles in which our citizens are saving for retirement," said Commerce Committee Chairman Thomas J. Bliley Jr., R-Va.

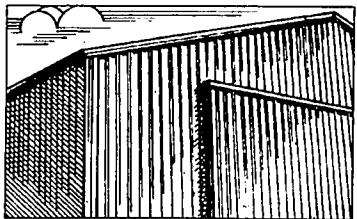
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## Spy agency accumulates \$4 billion surplus

WASHINGTON (AP) — A spy satellite agency already under scrutiny for financial problems now acknowledges it accumulated nearly \$4 billion in unspent funds because of poor management, according to published report Wednesday.

The National Reconnaissance Office, a super-secret agency that buys, launches and manages a multibillion-dollar system of spy satellites, ran up the surplus due to a chaotic and poorly organized financial management system, the publication Defense Week said.

The NRO's chief financial officer, John Nelson, told the defense publication that auditors found at least 15 different accounting systems used by the agency and its vari-

ous components at the Pentagon, CIA and the military services.

"Everybody did it a little different, and it was a mess," Nelson said. "This was literally a house on fire in many ways. No one has ever had any quarrel with mission performance, but we got to a point where we had a fundamental financial meltdown."

The NRO has been embroiled in a series of politically charged controversies in recent years. Perhaps the most damaging was the disclosure last year that the agency had lost track of more than \$2 billion in classified money — more than the annual operating budget of the State Department.

According to the Defense Week report, NRO officials now believe the figure was

nearly double that amount. Each time officials examined the problem, the surplus figure grew, Nelson said.

CIA spokesman Mark Mansfield said today that strengthening financial management at the NRO is a top priority among U.S. intelligence leaders.

"The fact that such a large amount of funds was allowed to accumulate in NRO accounts is unacceptable," Mansfield said. "Corrective action is being taken to assure that NRO funding balances are fully justified, monitored regularly and accurately, and that the appropriate congressional and executive branch officials are kept informed of any significant difference between anticipated and actual balances."

## Satellites will help Air Force planes navigate

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Air Force plans to buy 237 satellite-aided navigation systems for use in its passenger planes as an interim response to the crash of an Air Force plane in Croatia on April 3 that killed all 35 people aboard.

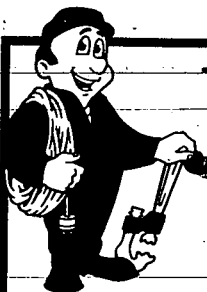
Air Force Col. Mike Dugitt said Wednesday the equipment is expected to cost \$4 million.

The purpose is to enhance a pilot's ability to tell when he is deviating from his intended course, as happened when the Air Force 7-43 plane carrying 35 people, including Commerce Secretary Ron Brown,

inexplicably strayed from its approach to the Dubrovnik airport, slammed into a mountain peak and exploded.

Eventually the Air Force intends to build advanced navigation systems into the cockpits of the planes, but as a shorter-term solution they will be made available as portable kits that air crews can take with them on a mission.

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HE COULD USE A BETTER HOME, COULDN'T HE? SURE, HE COULD. SO HERE'S MY IDEA.  
DID I HEAR SOMEONE SAY "SUPPERTIME"?

**For Better or For Worse**  
By Lynn Johnston

HOW DOES BEAKY FEEL ABOUT SHE? DON'T SHE CLEAR OFF? TONIGHT, HONEY.  
PLEASE, MOM?  
APRIL BEAKY STAYED HERE LAST WEEK—END YOU STAYED AT HER HOUSE ON MONDAY, AND THEN SHE WAS HERE FOR SUPPER YESTERDAY AND TODAY!  
YOU'RE JUST LIKE A COUPLE OF SISTERS!  
WE ARE NOT!  
I'M NOT TIRED OF HER!  
YET!

**Mother Goose & Grimm**  
By Mike Peters

HERE, GRIMM! THIS IS A PILL FOR FLEAS.  
WELL, YOU TRY TO GIVE IT TO THEM, THEY HATE ME!

**Blonde**  
By Dean Young & Stan Drake

HO, HO, HO HA, HA, HA, HA  
HO, HO, HO! I WAS JUST THINKING ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF MAKING YOU A VICE PRESIDENT.  
HA, HA, HA  
HO, HO, HO HA, HA, HA, HA  
IF YOU KEEP MAKING ME LAUGH LIKE THAT, SOMEBODY'S GONNA MAKE YOU A VICE PRESIDENT!

**B.C.**  
By Johnny Hart

MY UNCLE WALLY PLAYED FIRST BUFFOON IN A FAMOUS ORCHESTRA.  
YOU MEAN BASSOON, DON'T YOU?  
NO, HE PLAYED FOR SPIKE JONES.

**Pickles**  
By Brian Crane

DO YOU KNOW HOW I ROSECOPE'S BARS USED TO MAKE PLANTAIN HIS FOOD DISH AND GET ALL MESSY?  
YEAH!  
WELL, I SOLVED THE PROBLEM.  
REALLY? HOW?  
EFFECTIVE, YES, BUT HUMILIATING.

**Garfield**  
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WHY SHOULD I BE THE ONLY ONE TO SUFFER?  
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SO, YOU THINK YOU'RE READY TO START DRIVING?  
I SURE AM...  
WHERE'S THE CLUTCH?  
THIS CAR IS AN AUTOMATIC, IT DOESN'T HAVE A CLUTCH.  
CAN WE ADD ONE?  
I WANT TO DOWNSHIFT, POP THE CLUTCH, BURN THE RUBBER, AND ALL THAT STUFF!

**The Wizard of Id**  
By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

IT WON'T BE LONG AND I'LL BE IN MANAGEMENT!  
HOW DO YOU QUALIFY?  
I KNOW THIS JOB FROM ONE END TO THE OTHER.

**Hagar the Horrible**  
By Chris Browne

THAT WAS A GREAT SONY, SON!  
READ ME THE VIOLENT PARTS AGAIN!

**Beetle Bailey**  
By Mort Walker

I WANT TO GO TO OFFICERS' SCHOOL.  
WHAT MAKES YOU THINK THEY'D ACCEPT A STUPID JERK LIKE YOU?

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YOUR KNUCKLES ARE TURNING WHITE...  
WHAT DID THE PRESIDENT DO NOW!

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By Art Samson & Chip

SAY, BUDDY, I'LL LET YA IN ON A LITTLE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION...  
I'M THE REAL BATMAN!  
THAT'S THE MOST ABSURD THING I EVER HEARD!  
OH, YEAH? THEN TELL ME, DID YA EVER SEE ME AND BRUCE WAYNE IN A ROOM AT THE SAME TIME?

## Mummies once used as fuel

Nobody knows how many real mummies are left in Egypt. As few as a thousand, one expert says. Alchemists and their ilk ground up a bunch to make medicine. Also mummies once were stacked like cordwood on train tenders to fuel locomotives. Mummies burned hot.

I heard a man say: "An economist is just an accountant without the personality."

"Set your water heater's temperature at 130 degrees F.," advises an expert. "A lower setting won't kill all the bacteria."

Q. To what do you attribute the fact that lions never attack head on?  
A. Genetic memory. Most beasts they're attack have snoring horns and slashing front hooves.

Microsoft's Word speller does not list the word "internet."

Q. To make loose leftovers from a restaurant meal once was an embarrassing sign of poverty. When did "doggy bag" come into the language?  
A. Not until 1963 did it first appear.

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- 53 Moccasin
- 54 Cut
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### Sydney Osborn Horoscope

IF MAY 16 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are psychic despite denials — when you become friends with a scientist, you verify, when you bury intuitive intellect failure results. You are idealistic, often your own most severe critic. You are sensitive, romantic and even when you know better you give others benefit of doubt. Phases, Virgo persons play significant roles in your life. Current cycle coincides with fresh start in new direction, independence, intense love relationship. July completion.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Project you thought was finished might just be getting started. Money involved, be aware of interest Road, written arrangement close to you, makes dramatic return. Gourmet dining!

**TALIES (April 20-May 20):** This initiative, cycle high, action will be where you designate. You'll be complimented on approach, but you'll be disappointed an member of opposite sex confides. "Your touch thrills me!"

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Review, rebuild, recommit, rewrite. Mainly, imprint your own style, don't be persuaded to "change for sake of convenience" (June 23-July 23). Embrace comes to light. Revelation!

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Those who cannot love, love in dramatic surprise. You'll gain important allies, utilize powers of persuasion, know inwardly you are winner! Read, write, disseminate information.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Attention revolves around luxury items, art objects, music, courtship. Unlikely love be stowed by community — be gracious, not overly modest. Taurus individual insists on taking "family oath."

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** What was missing makes mysterious reappearance. Don't rule out deception, dalliance or otherwise. Protect self in seasonal climates. Whichever sweet nothings are worth that — nothing!

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Remarkable comeback! Funding becomes available, persons who previously ignored you will be "come aboard!" Financial status of one who knows price of everything, value of nothing is exposed.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Escape from drags of insidiousity, give full expression to passion. Stress universal appeal, contact persons in foreign lands, becomes involved in important projects. It's legal!

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Show of lecherous imprint style, might independence despite those who might claim you are arrogant. Emphasis on more light, more space during working hours. Aquarius plays role.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Apparent setbacks become triumphs in your favor. You'll exude personal magnetism, physical attraction, sex appeal. Focus on "renewal" — not "renewal" — financial curiosity, different modes of treatment, style, penance, wardrobe. Fashion designer takes you into confidence — contact research!

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Intellectual information, check sources, program news (not manipulation!) — clarification of views necessary — relative involved, could be source of misinformation. Scorpio represented.



# Community

Your Sunday and Thursday source for local happenings

## Community events

**Good Sam campout planned**  
TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Travelers Chapter of Good Sam has planned a campout for today through Saturday at the Vineyard RV Park in Clats Ferry.  
Vineyard Park is on the golf course across from Carmella Winery. Newcomers are welcome. All interested people are encouraged to call Eldora Walker at 423-5038 or Carl Kruse at 733-7113.

**Friday, Saturday are Poppy Days**  
TWIN FALLS - Mayor Jeff Gooding has proclaimed Friday and Saturday as American Legion Poppy Days.

Members of American Legion Post 7 and Auxiliary Unit 7 and the Girl's State delegates for 1996 will be distributing poppies, which have been made by hospitalized veterans at veterans hospitals nationwide. All donations go to Idaho veterans projects.

The American Legion Auxiliary has sponsored poppy days for more than 70 years to remind America that millions have sacrificed their lives and health to keep the nation strong and free.

**Lodge schedules bake sale**  
FILER - Miriam Rebekah Lodge No. 86 is having an indoor sale and baked food sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Filer Independent Order of Odd Fellows Hall, corner of Main and Yakima streets.

**Open house celebrates seniors**  
TWIN FALLS - An open house to celebrate Older Americans Month during May is planned for 2 to 4 p.m. Friday at the Senior Annex, 998 Washington St. N.  
The public, as well as anyone associated with the Office on Aging and its programs either as a participant or at a work site, is invited. The local office provides opportunities for older adults restricted by the compounded effect of general economic conditions, individual physical limitations and age and gender discrimination.  
Idaho's aging network was developed under the program of the Older Americans Act. It advocates on behalf of older people at the state, area and local level. Idaho ranked first in the nation with placement of older workers from its program for 1995, and Idaho has been No. 1 in the nation four of the last five years.

**Bliss School District sets auction**  
BLISS - Bliss School District No. 234 is having an auction to sell items no longer needed by the school and other items donated by members of the community.  
The auction begins at 5 p.m. on the school grounds. Anyone who would like to donate items to be sold is encouraged to call 352-4445. Proceeds will be used to purchase sprinkler irrigation pipe for the grassy areas at the school.

**Health fair planned Saturday**  
GOODING - Gooding County Memorial Hospital and Associates is Family Practice are co-sponsoring a health fair from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday at the hospital.  
Free screenings, exhibits and specials are featured. For more information, call 934-4433, 934-4800 or 837-6161.

**4-H's set clinic Saturday**  
JEROME - A 4-H Showmanship and Horsemanship Clinic is planned for Saturday at the Jerome County Fairgrounds on West Main Street.  
Entries begin at 7:30 a.m. at the Blue Building, and the clinic starts at 8 a.m. Cost is \$7 per child. Parents are welcome and encouraged to participate. Those attending should bring a lunch and their horses. For more information, call Pam Smith at 324-5985 or

## Petunia planters



Known mostly as being some pretty tough wrestlers, Jori Tate, left, and Jason Heatwole prove their petunia planting prowess Tuesday afternoon in Twin Falls. Working for the Twin Falls Downtown Business Improvement District, the Team Idaho wrestlers were earning money to help with the costs of wrestling camp and traveling to nationals this summer. According to Steve Garner of the BID, it is the first time in several years that flowers have been planted in the medians along Shoshone Street near Main Avenue.

Stacey Storer at 324-6464.

## Hospital offers fair Saturday

GOODING - The Gooding County Memorial Hospital is hosting an Emergency Medical Services fair in honor of National EMS Week from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday.  
Several EMS agencies will be represented, a picnic lunch will be available and the Idaho Army National Guard Medivac Helicopter will arrive at 1 p.m. The fair is designed to encourage awareness and understanding of our nation's emergency services system. For more information, call 934-4433.

## Fossil Beds plan nature walk

HAGERMAN - People who would like to learn how plants and animals have adapted to the desert are invited to join a ranger for a walk Saturday at the Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument.  
Participants should meet at 9 a.m. at the National Park Service Visitor Center, across from Hagerman High School on Highway 30. Bring water and sunscreen, wear sturdy footwear for light hiking and be prepared for variable weather and possible windy conditions. For more information, call 837-4793.

## Chess tournament scheduled

KETCHUM - The Sun Valley Cutthroat Classic Chess Tournament, sponsored by the Community School Cutthroat Chess Club and the nexStage Theater, is planned for this weekend at the nexStage Theater, 120 S. Main.  
The tournament is divided into three sections, Cutthroat (Open), Steelhead (under 2,000 rating) and Rainbow (under 1,600 rating and unrated). First, second and third prizes are \$500, \$300 and \$200 in the Open Cutthroat division and \$250, \$150 and \$100 in the Steelhead and Rainbow divisions. The prize fund has been provided by Andy Hixon of nexStage Theater. Players will play only against others in their own section. New tournament players are welcome.  
Rounds in the five-round Swiss-style tournament begin at 9 a.m., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Sunday. Advance entry fees are \$50 for Cutthroat, \$40 each for Steelhead and Rainbow, and \$25 for juniors (under age 19). At the door registration is \$60, \$50 each and \$30. Hotel accommodations are available at the Tamarack Lodge on Sun Valley Road. For more information about the tournament and entering, call 622-3955, Ext. 101.

## Gooding center plans carnival

GOODING - Gooding Rehabilitation and Living Center has planned a carnival for 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday to celebrate National Nursing Home Week.  
Nursing home by name, games and food will be available. For more information, call 934-5601.

## Wyatt earns Eagle Scout Award



HAZELTON - Bert Wyatt has earned the Eagle Scout Award through the Boy Scouts of America. The award will be presented to Bert at a court of honor planned for 5 p.m. Sunday at the Hazelton LDS Church.  
To earn the award, Bert completed 26 merit badges, which qualifies him for a bronze palm to be awarded at a later date, and an Eagle project. For his project, he landscaped around the new edition at the Valley School.  
Bert, 16, is the son of Roy and Brenda Wyatt of Eden, and a junior at Valley High School, where he is active in athletics, Student Council, Future Farmers of America and National Honor Society. He is a member of the Hazelton LDS 1st Ward and Troop 183, sponsored by his ward. He has served as deacon's and teacher's quorum president at church. Bert's father, Roy, and his brothers, Jed and Don, also have received Eagle awards.

## Jerome Rec sets youth camps

JEROME - The Jerome Recreation District is sponsoring its annual youth camps for children in first through sixth grades this summer.  
Activities include arts and crafts, roller skating, organized games, field trips, swimming, sports and special events. Sessions are from Monday through Thursday, and children may enroll for all day, morning or afternoon sessions. Fees are \$50 for all day and \$30 for the half day, and include all activities, field trip transportation, craft supplies and swimming.  
Pre-registration is required. For more information, call 324-3389 or stop by the recreation district office at 2444 S. Lincoln.

## CSI center sets orientation

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho Center for New Directions has planned an orientation for young parents who wish to explore career and educational options.  
"Changes: Teen Parents in Transition" will be led by Carol Vanhooser, M.Ed., at 2:30 p.m. May 28. Participants must be under age 22 and parents or about to be parents. For more information or to make an appointment, call 733-9554, Ext. 2680, or 736-0070.

## Passes available for swim season

JEROME - The 1996 swim season at the Jerome Recreation Center begins soon, and season passes are available at a reduced rate if purchased before May 31.  
Family passes are \$50 now and \$60 on June 1 or after. Adult season passes are \$35; for ages 13-17, the cost is \$30; ages 12 and under are \$25; and senior citizens age 65 and above are \$20. Passes are available at the Jerome Recreation District office, 2444 S. Lincoln.

## Sons of Norway plan celebration

TWIN FALLS - The Sons of Norway Magic Valley Lodge will celebrate Syndeide Mai from 7 to 10 p.m. Saturday in the community room at Valley Vista Village, 653 Ross St. N.  
The Sons of Knute will be performing, and a traditionally decorated cake will be served. Those planning to attend need not

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## Focus on people

**Jerome juniors go to Boy's State**  
JEROME - Jerome American Legion Post 46 has selected the junior boys from Jerome High School to serve as delegates to Boy's State, to be held in June in Boise.  
• Brian James Williams is the 16-year-old son of Rob and Susan Williams of Jerome. He has served in student government and been a peer counselor and is involved in the Boy Scouts of America. He has taken piano lessons for 11 years, participated in the Jerome Seminary Choir, served as Seminary counselor and is a member of the National Honor Society. His sports career includes freshman basketball and football and varsity basketball track and cross country.  
• Kent Matthew Amo, 16, is the son of Greg Amo of Jerome. He is involved in advanced speech team, choir, competitive swimming, high school ski team, scuba diving, soccer, marching band, pep band, concert band and the Bible Baptist Church youth group.  
• Barrett Humphrey is the 17-year-old son of Bob Humphrey of Jerome. He has been involved in the Ski, TREE and Octagon clubs, swim team, competitive swimming, Business Professionals of America, yearbook staff, National Honor Society and as student body assistant manager.  
Editor's note: The Jerome Boy's State delegates published May 9 were not the current delegates. The Times-News regrets any confusion this may have caused.

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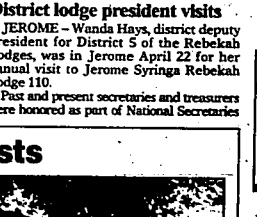
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## Spartan journalists

MINICO HIGH SCHOOL'S newspaper, "The Spartan Chronicle," has won a first-place award from The American Scholastic Press Association for the third consecutive year in the division for high schools with 1,000 to 7,000 students. Divisions in the judging process are content coverage, page design, general plan, art, advertising and illustrations, editing, and creativity. The Chronicle earned first place with 878 out of a possible 1,000 points. Staff members pictured left to right in the top row are Becky Ramirez, Denise Barnes, Paula Ferenc, Bryan Jensen, Ann Miller, Spencer Bradshaw and Jodie Lanson; in the third row, Cory Lujan, Kalissa Copeland, Katie Young, Cindy Ferguson, Lacie Robbins, Elena McBride and Advisor Tamara Carls; in the second row, Lynette Wilson, Ryan Tracy, Co-Editor/Editor-in-Chief Jodi Erling, Gena Hansen, Sara Tata, Courtney Erwin and John Johnson; and in the front row, Co-Editor in Chief Blake Aalcraat, Tom Lee and Nick Nielsen.



**Community connections**  
If it's news to you, we want to hear about it. Write this space each Sunday and Thursday for:  
Community meetings.  
Celebrations.  
Social events.  
Business.  
Individual achievements.  
News about your kids.  
Please send your news to:  
Community News  
The Times-News  
P.O. Box 540  
Twin Falls, Idaho 83301  
In the Mini-Cassia area, you can use this address:  
Community News  
The Times-News  
325 E. 5th St.  
Borley, Idaho 83318  
You can also reach us by fax at 734-5538 or 677-4543.  
Deadline for the Sunday page is Wednesday at 8 p.m. Deadline for the Thursday page is noon Monday.

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# Outdoors

## In fond memory of a friend

Mountains give and mountains take, and last week they took another friend of mine.

Rob Hall, a 36-year-old New Zealander, died in a bitter storm on the upper reaches of Mount Everest. Characteristically, he died trying to help someone else — in this case, Doug Hansen of Renton, Wash.

News accounts said Hall reached the summit Friday, then lagged behind others in his party to help Hansen. Hall was leading a commercial expedition and Hansen, his client, was ill and disabled.

Rob — with five Everest ascents under his belt — was one of the best Himalayan climbers alive and I'll bet he could have gotten away if he'd been alone. Abandoning a lesser climber under bad circumstances simply wasn't in his code of ethics.



**Force of nature**  
William Brock



The weather turned foul and a blizzard pinned them down in a snow cave only 500 feet below the summit. Neither man had a sleeping bag.

On Saturday, with Hansen's corpse beside him, Hall hailed Base Camp on his scratchy radio. Other members of the expedition patched him through on a satellite phone for a final call to his pregnant wife in Christchurch.

Six years ago, I was at Base Camp and patched him through on excited calls to New Zealand after he'd climbed Everest for the first time. It was the first successful Kiwi expedition on the world's highest mountain.

It was a heady time, full of laughs, camaraderie and triumph. It didn't take much to shine under those circumstances, but I also saw Rob Hall under the hard glare of crisis.

There were a lot of people coming and going through Base Camp on that expedition and one of them, a Nepalese guy that nobody knew very well, woke up in a bad way at about 2 a.m. one night.

At first, the expedition's doctors thought it was a malarial relapse. Then the climbers began to suspect altitude sickness, which was a reasonable concern at 17,700 feet.

One thing was certain: The man needed help. Bathed in the light of our headlamps, he writhed at our feet like someone fixing to die.

It was time for action and the Kivis — Rob, Gary Ball and Peter Hillary — wasted no time. They laced up their boots and walked the man out that night, scrubbing off a thousand or so feet of elevation.

They returned the next afternoon, effectively pushing their summit timetable back an entire day. Rob, Gary and Peter were big-league alpinists, but they didn't hesitate to put their own plans on hold to help a guy they barely knew.

It was the finest display of mountain courtesy I've ever witnessed.

For the record, I met Rob Hall in Christchurch in January, 1990. He was getting up for that Everest expedition and I was in the early stages of a long, slow trip around the world. A mutual friend from Bozeman, Mont. was among the expedition's climbers and she encouraged us to meet.

I called Rob from a phone booth and he swung by in his car to pick me up. He was an unassuming bloke with a biting wit and we were thick as thieves in no time.

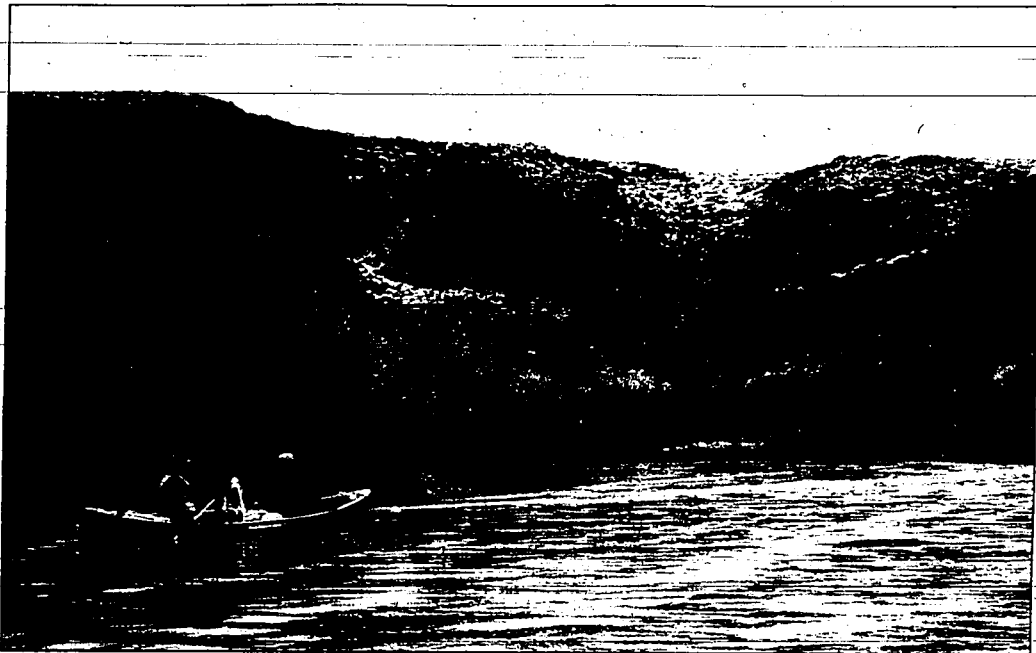
We inventoried gear together and I listened, in awe, as he phoned around the world to line up crucial equipment. He haggled with an equipment merchant in Kathmandu for two dozen top-quality tents, then called the "States" to order the oxygen — in Kevlar-wrapped carbon-fiber bottles, if you please.

Rob Hall never went to college, but, to use his expression, he was a graduate of the University of Life. He could wheel and deal in the high-stakes world of Himalayan alpinism, yet went out of his way to help little people like me.

I've still got one of his business cards from that 1990 adventure and it sums him up perfectly: Rob Hall — Expedition Leader.

If we meet again, we'll smile indeed. If not, our parting was well made.

William Brock is outdoors editor of The Times-News. For more on the Everest tragedy, please see page A-10.



Dan Cassell, Debra Kronenberg and 'Buster,' all of Halley, enjoy a tranquil outing on Salmon Falls Creek.

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# Canyon calm

## Boaters find slice of solitude in northern Nevada

By William Brock  
Times-News writer

**JACKPOT, Nev.** — Not far south of this gambling oasis, a winding desert canyon beckons those who prefer solitude over slot machines.

It's a grueling hike, but Salmon Falls Creek offers an easy float for voyagers with modest boat-handling skills.

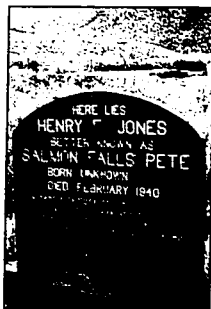
Crooked as a dying snake, the creek sweeps through a narrow red canyon with a close, intimate atmosphere. The

walls, pocked with clefts and fissures, are hemmed by a wild collection of free-standing pinnacles.

The canyon is a bird watcher's paradise, where kingfishers flit through willows and dogwood at waters' edge. Elsewhere, mallards, mergansers and geese scuttle for safety when bigger, more ominous birds of prey soar overhead.

Now and then, leaping fish break free of the water to take flying insects.

After a few miles of flowing through Nevada, the creek drops



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### Getting there

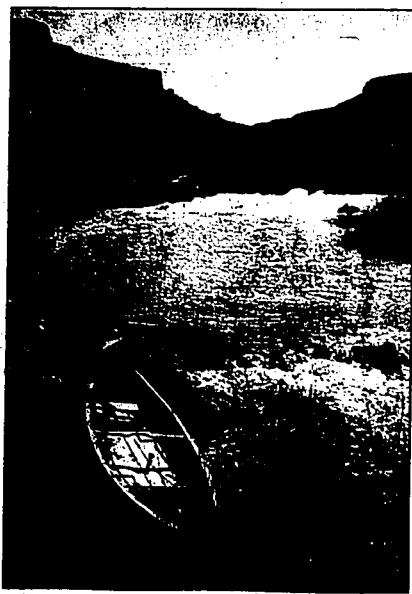
A trip down Salmon Falls Creek is easy to pull off.

From the Magic Valley, drive south on U.S. 93, then turn west (right) at a sign for the "backwaters" area of Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir. The junction lies immediately south of high-voltage power lines that cross the highway.

After about three miles, an obvious dirt road forks away to the left. The junction is marked by a slender steel post.

Follow the fork about 2.7 miles to the creek. Drop your shuttle vehicle there and pray for dry conditions when you return because the road is a gooey free-for-all when wet.

Retrace your path to U.S. 93, then turn south again. The launch area is at a rest stop less than three miles south of Jackpot.



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Cassell loads his canoe after portaging around the fish weir.



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It's easy to feel humble in Salmon Falls Creek Canyon.

over a fish weir that requires boaters to stop and portage. The weir, with its incessant roar of falling water, is audible long before it's visible.

When the portage is complete, it's worth a few moments to stroll to the grave of "Salmon Falls Pete" — and ponder the life of a man who was drawn by the area's wild charms.

Beyond the weir, the creek enters Idaho and the canyon begins to widen. The cliffs become taller and the creek's meanders more expansive.

Adequate campsites are abundant, but exceptional ones are rare — so overnight visitors should investigate promising sites before pressing on. Many sites downstream of the weir are littered with cow feces.

There are other, more pleasant surprises on the banks, including wild currants, plox and Indian paintbrush. Sagebrush, with its earthy aroma, covers slopes leading away from the creek.

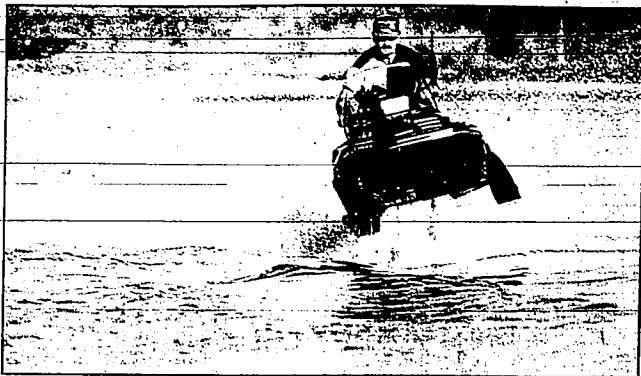
For those spending the night, evening's chill comes quickly when darkness falls in the canyon — but the abiding sound of the creek never wavers.

If you want to get away from Jackpot and experience nature on its own terms, Salmon Falls Creek is a sure bet.

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## A path less traveled



AP photo

Dwight Gardner of Blackfoot pops over the wake of another snow machine as he streaks across a small lake in the city park in Blackfoot Monday. Gardner and other snow machine riders have organized a race day in June and were practicing for the event. 'You have to keep your speed up,' Gardner said. 'If your drive belts get wet, you're sunk.'

## Snowmobiles brave new territory

BLACKFOOT (AP) — At 12, Garrett Turpin is poised as he throws a leg over the seat of his snowmobile and revs the throttle before streaking across the beach and hitting the lake. That's right. The lake. Turpin and a dozen others spent the weekend ripping the calm waters of Jensen's Grove Lake in an effort to stir interest in the snowmobile drag races being organized for Blackfoot Pride Days, June 21-24. "You're definitely more scared because you know you can sink," the waterlogged Turpin said. "But it's a little more exciting than snow."

Wade Virgin to hold the drag races next month. Running snowmobiles across water is a growing sport, said Garth Turpin. He and his 17-year-old son, Weston, first tried it two winters ago at Island Park, after watching others do it. "At first you think they're just bunch of idiots, because it looks dangerous and you could sink your machine," Weston said. "But it's really not that hard, you just have to hold the throttle open and never let go. To hit the water right, racers need about 30 feet of sand and speeds of about 50 mph. Machines drop about 10 miles an hour once they hit the water. Racers tape up all openings in their machines to keep as much

water away from the engine as possible. A roll of duct tape will do the trick, Garth Turpin said. It also is a good idea to tape an empty plastic bottle with a long rope to the back of the snowmobile, he said. "That way, if you go down, you just rip that tape off and the bottle floats to the top so you'll know where to rescue your machine from the bottom of the lake." Drag races in June will square off on a quarter-mile stretch across the lake. In each race, they will sprint north across the lake, turn on the opposite shore and head back across. If one racer does not clearly win each leg, a second race will settle the tie, Virgin said.

## Mountain sanctuary, educational center is haven for cast-off wolves, hybrids

WESTCLIFFE, Colo. (AP) — It's hard to miss the loud howl of 50 wolves. The howls are the first thing most visitors to the Mission Wolf compound notice. Some say the howls all sound the same, but not Kent Weber, the retreat's founder and driving force. Ten years of living among wolves at the group's retreat in the rolling hills of the Wet Mountains has given Weber an intimate knowledge of wolf behavior. "Howling may indicate jealousy, affection, or simply there's a coyote in the area," he said. "They also have a certain howl when our bus is about 5 miles away coming in. And another when it arrives." Mission Wolf is a home of last retreat for unwanted wolves and wolf-dog hybrids. Weber and his companion Tracy Brooks use the captive wolves to educate people about the wolves' wild counterparts. They also serve as a tragic reminder that only one in 10 wolf adoptions lasts three years, and that most of the animals that "fail" are put to death. Weber has turned down requests to adopt 1,500 wolf-hybrids in the last six years. Most of them were killed. "We have more animals now than we'd like," Weber said. "And we get dozens of calls a month from people who no longer can handle their animal and want a place to dump their guilt."

chitecture and engineering from Colorado State University, became interested in wolves when he took care of one several years ago in Leadville. Within three years, he had obtained state and federal licenses and opened his first shelter in Eagle. With the help of donors, he bought the property near Westcliffe in 1986 and quit his job to work full-time as a wolf advocate. The work is never-ending, he said. There are about 2,000 pure wolves in Colorado, and only four facilities licensed to care for them, Weber said. There are about 50,000 wolf-hybrids in the state, and up to half of them will eventually be euthanized, he said. There is no easy solution to the problem, Weber said. "The solution we often hear is simply to ban people from breeding hybrids," he said. "There are a number of problems with that, including the fact there's no way to test an animal and prove it's a pure wolf or a percentage hybrid." One partial solution would be to enact a state law requiring wolf breeders and wolf-hybrid owners to be licensed, he said. Perhaps the most common problem Weber encounters is naivete. "If people just realized wolves need 10,000 acres of territory, they'd understand what a bad idea it is to try to confine one to an urban yard," Weber said. Mission Wolf is funded by pri-

mate donations and staffed by 20 volunteers. The wolves are kept in pens ranging in size from three-quarters of an acre to 3.5 acres. The center relies heavily on ranchers, who bring dead sheep and cattle to feed the wolves — at least 2,000 pounds of meat a week. Interacting with the wolves is a big part of Weber's job. On a recent afternoon, he entered a double-fenced pen where two wolves, Sila and Guinness, bounded toward him. The proper way to greet wolves, he explained, is for people to allow the animals to jump up and lick them in the face, especially on the mouth and teeth. That's the traditional greeting among wolves in the wild. "If you react with disgust or fear, the animal will wonder what it did to upset you," he said. "If you push them down like a dog, their pride will be wounded because you rejected their friendship." Weber conducts three national tours with Sila and Guinness a year, educating about 50,000 students and adults from coast to coast. About 7,000 people visit the Mission Wolf compound each year. "My prime objective is to present education programs illustrating the tragedy of keeping these animals in captivity so some day, hopefully, we will be put out of business," he said.

## Briefly

### Regatta set for Magic Reservoir

SHOSHONE — If you enjoy sailing, chances are good you'll enjoy the George Kyle Memorial Regatta on Magic Reservoir. The regatta will be held May 25-26 at the East Magic Resort. A skippers' meeting will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 26. The entry fee is \$10 and boat registration, life vests and appropriate horns or whistles are required. Camp sites are available at Lava Point on the East Magic Resort. The regatta is sponsored by the Wood River Sailing Association. For more information, call Janie Davidson at 788-1566.

### River-banks cleanup scheduled

TWIN FALLS — Anyone who wants to clean up the banks of the Snake River is invited to Centennial Waterfront Park at 1 p.m. Saturday. Volunteers are needed to rid the river's banks of junk and trash — ranging from shopping carts, to old tires, to aluminum cans and fast-food wrappers. Volunteers with boats are essential, but people who don't have boats also can lend a hand. Workers should bring gloves and trash-removal tools, such as poles with a hook at the end, said Rich Allen, of the Canyon Cruisers Canoe Club. The local canoe club is organizing the event as part of National River Cleanup Week. Jim Nicol, of the Twin Falls County parks department, will provide a truck to haul off rubbish. Refreshments will be provided by several local businesses. For more information, call Rich Allen at 324-8784.

### Test drive canoes, kayaks Sunday

TWIN FALLS — Anyone wishing to "test drive" a variety of canoes and kayaks can find what they're looking for this Sunday at Centennial Waterfront Park. A variety of Dagger, Current Designs and We-Nah boats will be available for people to paddle from noon to 4 p.m. Kurt Renter, a former Olympic paddler, will be on hand to answer questions. A Dutch oven cooking demonstration also will be held, so anyone with an appetite can stop by for a nibble. For more information, call 736-8714.

### Fly fishers plan meeting tonight

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Fly Fishers will meet at 7 p.m. tonight at the Rock Creek Restaurant, 200 Addison Ave. W. Warren Schob, of the Riverborn Fly Co. in Wendell, will cast light on the murky subject of knot strength and effective knot tying. Anyone who wants to attend is welcome.

### Bikes limited to 1-way travel on trail

KETCHUM — Starting this summer, the Sawtooth National Forest will limit mountain bikes on the Fox Creek Loop to one-way travel. Restricting cyclists to counter-clockwise travel is necessary to prevent further erosion, according to Sawtooth Forest officials. "Many of our trails close to town are really showing signs of over-use, particularly from improper riding techniques such as locking brakes or riding at speeds above the rider's ability," said David Gordon, Ketchum-based recreational specialist with the Sawtooth Forest. "The results are eroding, V-notched trails, wider trails, broken-down switchbacks and trails sloughing on their outside edges," Gordon said in a prepared statement.

Compiled from staff reports

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# Conservation spies watch for anything harmful

By John Huser  
Chicago Tribune

A rusty pickup jounces toward the boat landing. The driver, a young man in his mid-60s, pulls into an empty space, and a newspaper, bites into a sandwich.

In half an hour he is replaced by a young homemaker on a bicycle. She pulls binoculars and bird book from her pouch and spends 20 minutes watching the antics of shorebirds. She tosses out some bird seed, waves to a pair of tourists and leaves.

The tourists are a frumpy couple in their 70s, killing time on a sunny day. He naps on a bench, she sits in the car and knits before the final prods him into driving away.

surably when a game warden later fished up a hoop net, illegally loaded with crappie.

And just before the four teens put out their bonfire, they noticed a truck slip into the back of the parking lot and someone pitch out five bags of garbage. They got the license number and a good look at the driver.

That night, all had made written reports to their district officer, identified only by their per-

**"When one of our cars comes into an area, the illegal activity stops. They know who we are, and they're watching for us."**

— Larry Closson, chief of the DNR Enforcement Division

Closson said. "When one of our cars comes into an area, the illegal activity stops. They know who we are, and they're watching for us."

But lawbreakers won't know all or any of the DNR's "secret spy" volunteers. While some may choose to flaunt a program bumper sticker that will be issued — "Just because it might be good for some people to know they're being watched," Closson said — most will remain anonymous.

"We're hoping for a good cross-section," Closson said. "We want men and women of all ages. Kids too, but they have to be accompanied by someone who's 18 or older. It's a matter of getting as many people as possible involved in protecting our resources."

Closson stressed no volunteers will have any kind of police power or any authority to stop suspects or make arrests.

"Their job is just to make their patrols, turn in reports and know that they're helping us a lot," he said. "Anyone who gets out of line or tries to exceed his authority will be dismissed immediately."

Closson said some reports may consist of nothing but roadkills. Yet one volunteer may find a garbage pile or animal carcass the day after another noted a suspicious truck parked in that spot the day before.

"You never know how this might help," Closson said.

More elaborate patrols involving several network members — such as the fanciful descriptions stop this story — might be needed.

"It all depends on the local officer and how creative he wants to get," Closson said. "Some people will do very routine things. Others will let their imaginations soar."

He gave a dry laugh. "It's like that TV series, 'An Angel Among Us.' What we're going to have is 'A Game Warden Among Us.'"

If that sounds like the pilot for a future TV series, don't be surprised. If Closson and his fellow wardens reach the full potential of this project, I'll wager it becomes a movie within three years.

Would-be volunteers can contact their local conservation police officer.

sonal numbers. No names, no addresses, no telephone numbers in court. Just a written report that gives an officer a head start on an investigation.

This is how it might work before long in 25 conservation police districts around Illinois where a "Resource Watch" pilot program is now in the recruitment phase.

"We are interested in hearing from anyone who cares deeply about the environment," said Larry Closson, chief of the Department of Natural Resources enforcement Division. "While we can't promise that every assignment will be as dramatic as something out of a spy novel, I can assure you we will be grateful for all the help we can get."

Illinois currently struggles to maintain at least one conservation officer per county, which means a huge area of responsibility for each officer.

"It's impossible for one officer to patrol his or her entire area in a single day," Closson said. "We're hoping we'll have enough volunteers to make the job easier, to see some things that the officer might miss."

Volunteers will be assigned to patrol a certain route at least once a month, reporting any significant observations.

"We'll teach them what to look for, for helpful and necessary details," Closson said.

Most will be assigned to areas near their homes, such as local parks, rivers or wetlands. Some will prefer to watch a favorite area. Others will be asked to watch areas that need watching, perhaps where bad guys use lookouts for official police vehicles.

"This is why some of our investigations have taken so long,"

## Turkey hunt



The light of dawn brings turkeys out of their roost, and hunter John Saily is there to lure them to him near Myrtle Creek, Ore., last week.

## Jarbridge campsites open for early season

The Jarbridge, Pine Creek, Sawmill, Bonanza Gulch, Pavlak and Bluster campgrounds are open for early season camping in the Humboldt National Forest.

However, water won't be available at the Jarbridge campground until the Memorial Day weekend. At Pine Creek, water won't be available all summer.

Pine Creek Campground is accessible by four-wheel-drive only. The road from Bluster to Pine Creek is wet in places, so vehicles could get stuck. Campgrounds beyond Pine Creek and the road to Snowslide Gulch Trail still are closed to motor vehicles.

The road near Bonanza Gulch was damaged by last year's floods and travel trailers are not recommended past the Jarbridge Campground.

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Fifteen minutes later, a young dad arrives with two boys and they play catch near the picnic area. In an hour or so, after a walk through the woods, they are gone.

Four teens appear with a blaring radio, make a fire in a grill and cook hot dogs. They laugh and sing and play cards. Just when a tall, stringy fellow arrives with his puppy, tossing sticks for the dog to chase into the water.

A typical day at a small-town state or suburban park? Not if you know the players and the game of "conservation spy" they have been recruited to play.

Each person theoretically belongs to a network of selected volunteer eyes and ears who report to the local conservation police officer as part of a new "Resource Watch" program.

Illinois Gov. Jim Edgar announced last week. They are part of a cadre of closely screened volunteers whose mission is to protect all types of natural resources, from wildlife and fisheries to woods and wetlands.

They watch for illegal dumping, hunting, cutting fences, off-road intrusions — anything that could harm an area.

In this case, the carefully choreographed volunteers might be watching a threatened wood refuge across the bay, where someone has been stealing black walnut trees. They were there to report signs of activity, to alert police if necessary.

While no tree poachers came on this day, the watchers had a pair of unexpected scores.

The birder with her binoculars spotted a jon boat loaded with commercial fishing gear along the far end of the bay. She caught the number on the boat and a good description of its occupants. This helped immea-

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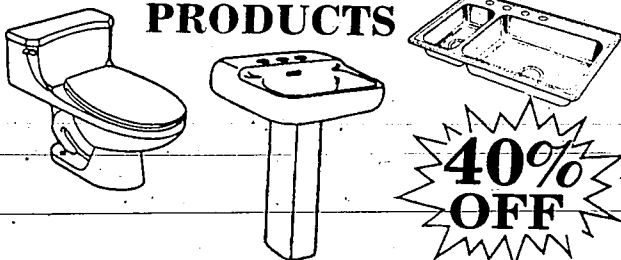
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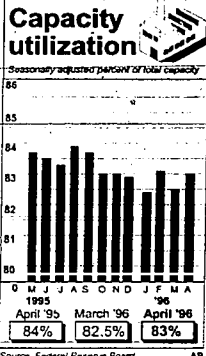




Money

Aside from auto plants, factory output flat

WASHINGTON (AP) — Factory output jumped in April but only because of the reopening of auto plants that had been shut down by a strike.



Source: Federal Reserve Board

Securities Corp. in New York. David Orr, an economist at First Union Corp. in Charlotte, N.C., agreed.

increase in orders now will help the production side. In the report, the Fed said factory output jumped 1.3 percent in April, more than erasing the 0.8 percent loss a month earlier.

Around the watercooler

TEERING OFF, TRIPPING UP: Spring is the time for rebirth and renewal—and for baby boomers to risk themselves up on the golf course.

SO MUCH FOR THAT IDEA: The popular wisdom is that Americans are unhappy at work. But two recent surveys say the opposite is true.

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ON A ROLL: Roller hockey is the fastest growing sport in the country, according to the National Sporting Goods Association.

Investors urged to buy banks stocks

Knight-Ridder Financial News NEW YORK — Lehman banking analyst Michael Mayo Wednesday urged investors to buy bank stocks, saying he expects investment interest to lift prices substantially higher in the next two months.

over-year improvement. Mayo estimated the banking industry will have \$100 billion in excess capital which will need to be redeployed.

He also said large banks will have to wait until six months after a merger or acquisition under current pooling accounting methods before they can buyback stock.

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Charges

Continued from E1 eled last week, were unavailable. But their existence was disclosed at a Senate Agriculture Committee hearing into market strains caused by huge price swings and high volumes of grain trading.

exchanges and is doing its own investigation. Board chairman Patrick H. Arbor, another witness, confirmed that the charges were issued last week but declined to give details other than that fewer than 10 people were involved.

Washington man says he wasn't spying in Russia

Seattle Times SEATTLE — In his attempt to build a successful export company, Bellevue businessman Dann Oppfelt has traded just about everything with the Russian city of Petrovskok — from crabs and crab to building supplies and cars.

tures — one into a fish-processing plant and another into a hunting lodge for tourists. "My thought is everything is connected," said the 39-year-old Bellevue native, who has an apartment in Petrovskok and traveled back and forth.

he obtained computer diskettes containing denied information on the submarine base and how he attempted, over glasses of vodka, to convince Russian officials that he'd done nothing wrong.

Oppfelt said the business taught him what not to do. Last year, he started Seattle Medical Export, Inc. with a doctor, a dentist and a nurse. The eventual goal of the company was to export medical supplies.

The volatile markets have been brought about by high demand for grain, low supplies from the old harvests and an uncertain 1996 harvest, as well as a new farm bill that encourages planting for the market rather than the government.

The charges revolve around trading on March 20, when traders had to liquidate their March contracts. But rather than March or two minutes after noon, as allowed for expiring contracts, trading extended to within 10 seconds of 12:03 p.m. that day.

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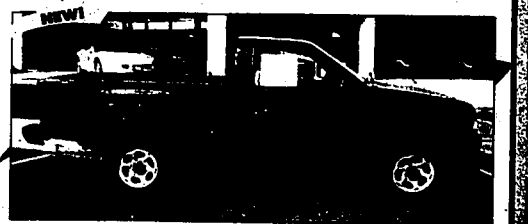


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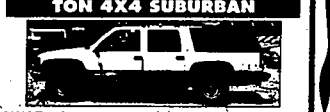
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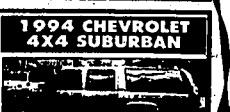
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