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Uncle Sam funds rural projects

Oakley, Shoshone benefit

By William Brock
The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - In an effort to help rural communities prepare for the future, the Sawtooth National Forest is funding projects such as new bleachers at the Oakley rodeo arena and a train-viewing platform in Shoshone.

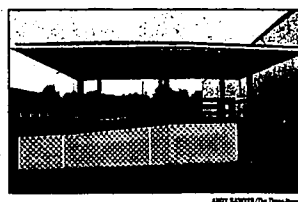
So far, a total of \$205,260 has been given to many south-central Idaho communities through the Rural Comm-

unity Assistance Program, said Julie Thomas, program coordinator for the Sawtooth Forest.

"I expect it to get bigger," Thomas said of the 3-year-old program. "I certainly don't see it going down, because this is important to these communities."

In Shoshone, for example, the program paid for \$11,000 worth of materials to build a train-viewing platform at the

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Uncle Sam provided the money and Shoshone residents did the work on this train-viewing platform near the Union Pacific main line through the town.

New train of thought: Pioneer may survive

By Pat Marcantonio
Times-News writer
and The Associated Press

SHOSHONE - Hold that train. Amtrak's Pioneer passenger train, which stops in Shoshone, Boise and Pocatello, could receive a six-month reprieve under a draft spending bill prepared by the Senate Appropriations Committee, Oregon Sen. Mark Hatfield said Wednesday.

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IN THE SWIM



A solitary light illuminates a misty section of the Twin Falls city pool as swimmers from the Twin Falls High School swim team practice their strokes. The dedicated swimmers have been braving cold, early-morning temperatures to improve their skills. Story, Page B1.

St. Louis visits hold focus on debates

Squabble persists over terms, times

The Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — In the city that was to have played host to the lead-off debate Wednesday, Bob Dole tweaked President Clinton for putting off their first faceoff and Ross Perot slammed party politics for keeping him out.

"This is a blatant display of power by the Democrats and Republicans," Perot said Wednesday night at his first campaign rally to an enthusiastic overflow crowd of more than 1,000 people. "They do not want the American people to hear the real issues in these debates."

His remarks were met with frequent



applause as audience members, many of them college students, roared approval and waved "Ross For Boss" signs.

The Reform Party presidential nominee vowed not to drop out of the race no matter what, but his speech revealed skepticism about his own chances. "The presidential debates are very important. We cannot win," he said, before stopping to amend his statement to, "One way or another we will. It's kind of hard to compete if you're not in the game."

Dole, during his stop here, said, "I'm ready, I was ready" to debate Clinton on Wednesday.

But his show of bravado was dimmed by the overhanging question shouted by hecklers in a St. Louis University gymnasium: "Why won't you debate Ross Perot?"

A Clinton spokesman joined in on the pre-debate politicking, calling Dole "the Titanic juggernaut of debaters."

Dole left town before Perot arrived, but it was not a clean getaway. Two clusters of students interrupted his morning rally with clucking toy chickens and taunts of "Don't be chicken. Debate Perot."

"Oh, we're not scared of Perot. Never, no," Dole answered.

The Clinton and Dole campaigns have agreed to presidential debates on Oct. 6 in Hartford, Conn., and Oct. 16 in San Diego, with a vice presidential

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Heat, sagging lines led to big blackout

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — A preliminary report on the Aug. 10 power failure that cut electricity to 7.5 million customers across the West says it would not have happened if contingency plans had been in place.

The Western Systems Coordination Council, an industry group of 88 western power companies and marketers, issued a press release on the investigation's preliminary findings Wednesday afternoon.

Contingency plans could have lessened the effects of the failure of a major power line in the Pacific Northwest, the 500,000-volt Keeler-Allston line.

The task force of industry experts and utility officials also found the loss of 13 hydroelectric units at McNary Dam in Washington was the big reason power to California was shut off.

Politicians rarely admit ills, especially to voters

Kennedy, FDR held secrets closely

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — John Kennedy was shown as a man of vigor despite health problems that led priests to give him last rites before he bid for the presidency.

Francis Mitterrand hid for years the cancer that killed him.

The discredited former denials about Russian President Boris Yeltsin's ailments may sound like something out of the Kremlin of old, when operatives insisted dropping leaders were robust until they dropped dead.

But deception about a leader's malady is also rooted in the democratic tradition — and not all are in the distant past.



John F. Kennedy



F. Mitterrand



Ronald Reagan



F. D. Roosevelt



Boris Yeltsin

Even open governments have been led by the secretly sick, men driven by political sensitivities or pride to hide disability, deny ailments and grin through pain.

In France, a court has banned a book by Mitterrand's doctor telling how the president had ordered his 1982 diagnosis of prostate cancer kept secret and kept it that way for 10 years.

"It's still the state lie that won," a

French publisher, fined for early sales of the book, said when the ban was upheld in July, seven months after Mitterrand's death.

Such secrecy is more often associated with totalitarian states.

The Soviet Union had a long history of covering up ailments at the top, starting with founder, Vladimir Lenin, who was incapacitated and quietly dying at a

country resort without the country knowing it.

These days, Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping, 92, who hasn't appeared in public for more than two years, is believed to be afflicted with Parkinson's disease.

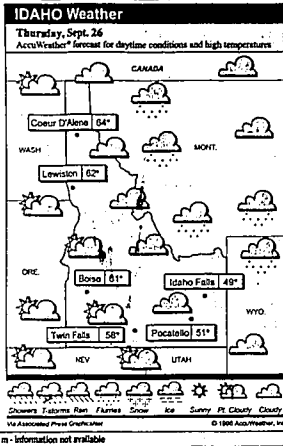
But even countries where leaders can't drop out of sight like that don't always get the full story.

Eighty years after President McKinley died from a bullet wound amid reports of his "excellent" recovery, buoyant accounts of Ronald Reagan's rebound disguised how close he had come to death after being shot in 1951.

Franklin Roosevelt concealed his paralysis from polio as long as he could, with the complicity of the press and his own conviction that spirit was more important than his wasted legs.

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WEATHER



FORECAST

Magic Valley

Mostly sunny and cool today. Highs 55 to 60. West wind 10 to 20 mph. Tonight clear and cold. Lows 25 to 30. Friday sunny. Highs near 60. The ultraviolet index forecast is 4, a low exposure level.

Extended regional forecast

Saturday through Monday mostly sunny. Lows in the 30s to lower 40s. Highs in the 60s to lower 70s.

Camas Prairie, Wood River Valley

Mostly sunny and cool today. Highs in the mid-50s. Tonight clear and cold. Lows in the mid-teens. Friday sunny. Highs in the mid-50s.

Treasure Valley

Sunny and cool today. Highs near 60. Northwest wind 5 to 15 mph. Tonight clear and cold. Lows near 20. Friday sunny. Highs in the lower 60s.

Northern Nevada

Mostly sunny today. High in the upper 50s to upper 60s east and central 70s elsewhere. Tonight clear. Low in the 30s to mid-40s except 20s east. Friday mostly sunny. High in the 60s east to 70s west.

Northern Utah

Partly cloudy and cold today. Isolated rain or snow showers mainly near the mountains. North winds 10 to 20 mph. Highs in the mid-50s. Tonight clearing and frosty. A slight chance of snow showers south of the great Salt Lake before midnight. Lows upper 20s to lower 30s. Friday mostly sunny and continued cool. Breezy north winds. Highs in the upper 50s. The ultraviolet index forecast is 4, a low exposure level.

IDAHO WEATHER SUMMARY

Nearly all of Idaho enjoyed a sunny or mostly sunny afternoon Wednesday, the result of weak high pressure at the surface and with dry air aloft. The southern third of Idaho had cloudy to mostly cloudy skies in the morning due to a weak disturbance. However, by the afternoon those clouds had moved south into Nevada and Utah. There was no precipitation across Idaho Wednesday afternoon. Midafternoon temperatures ranged from the lower 40s to the middle 60s. The coolest reading was at Mullan Pass with 43 degrees while Caldwell and Mountain Home had the warmest readings at 66 degrees. Most readings were in the lower 60s. Afternoon winds were generally in the 10 to 15 mph range for much of the state. The Treasure Valley and western Magic Valley had winds in the 15 to 25 miles per hour range. The central mountains had winds less than 10 miles per hour.

ACROSS THE NATION

The Associated Press

Light to moderate showers fell across the Plains and the West Wednesday, turning into snow in the higher elevations.

It was calm along the East Coast.

The snow was light in the higher elevations of Wyoming and northern Colorado, and the Black Hills of South Dakota, where morning temperatures got down to the 20s and 30s.

Winter storm watches were posted for the Black Hills and the central and northern Colorado Rockies. A stationary front across southern Wyoming, northern Utah and central Nevada was expected to develop into a strong cold front Thursday.

More rain was forecast for northern Texas, Oklahoma, into Kansas and Nebraska.

WEATHER FACTS

You've heard of fog, but have you heard of pogonip?

Pogonip is just a fancy term — from American Indian lingo — meaning "frozen fog."

It only occurs in higher latitudes and in the mountainous valleys of the western United States.

It typically occurs in the morning during the months from December through February.

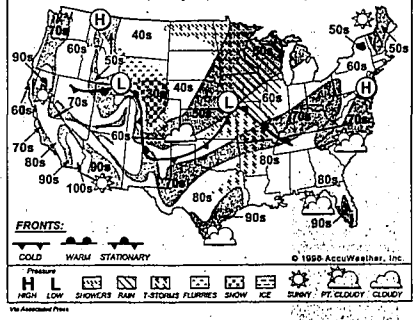
And because of that, sometimes the fog will actually freeze form ice spicules, which can be rather dangerous for some people and animals.

TEMPERATURES

Location	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	77	54	0.04
Atlanta	87	66	...
Boston	63	53	.41
Chicago	55	41	...
Dallas	87	69	...
Denver	64	44	...
Des Moines	57	34	...
Detroit	63	45	...
Honolulu	90	73	...
Houston	88	58	...
Indianapolis	68	45	...
Kansas City	63	54	.47
Las Vegas	63	48	...
Los Angeles	74	64	...
Memphis	84	41	...
Miami Beach	87	76	...
Minneapolis	68	66	...
Missneapolis	67	44	...
New Orleans	84	68	...
New York	67	52	...
Oklahoma City	72	62	.10
Omaha	67	37	.39
Phoenix	64	45	...
Pittsburgh	63	47	...
Portland, Me.	52	50	.09
Portland, Ore.	74	46	...
Reno	78	42	...
St. Louis	73	50	...
Salt Lake City	62	47	...
San Francisco	65	53	...
Seattle	67	44	...
Spokane	62	48	...
Washington	73	57	...

NATIONAL Weather

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Thursday, Sept. 26. Bands separate high temperature zones for the day.



HIGHS & LOWS

Idaho: High, 73 degrees at Fayette. Low, 23 degrees at Stanley. Nation: High, 102 degrees at Bullhead City, Ariz. Low, 23 degrees in Stanley.

FOR MORE 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.id.us/ftp/dt/mhp.htm>

FIRE DANGER

The fire danger index for southern Idaho today is 15. For forest lands not available. For range lands not available. Reports have been discontinued for the season.

ALMANAC

Location	Max	Min	Pcp	Yesterday	56	36	Normal	75	40	.02
Boise	67	42	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burley	63	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fairfield	63	36	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gooding	66	42	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hagerman	68	48	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Idaho Falls	66	36	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Maha	64	44	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lewiston	67	37	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mads	63	46	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Matts	64	46	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
McCall	55	34	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pocatello	61	45	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Salmon	57	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stanley	55	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sun Valley	57	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

SKYWATCH

Sunset today 7:29 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 7:30 a.m. Lunar phase: First quarter, Sept. 20; full, Sept. 26; last quarter, Oct. 4; new, Oct. 12. Visible planets: Morning: Saturn, Mars, Venus, Mercury; Evening: Jupiter.

Shoshone

Continued from A1. corner of Apple and Rail streets. Like all the other projects, Uncle Sam ponied up the cash and local folk rolled up their sleeves and did the rest.

"It was a nice way to beautify our community," said Mary Kay Bennett, Shoshone's city clerk and treasurer. "Every time I come to work, there's somebody sitting up there."

Shoshone City Hall blots out much of the view to the west, but the train-viewing platform commands a view stretching hundreds of feet to the east. It's a modest addition to Shoshone's charms, but it's a step in the right direction, Bennett said.

Secret

Continued from A1. He also hid grave heart disease in his 1944 campaign, scholars have since discovered, in what may be the latest American parallel to Yeltsin's debilitating election-year woes.

At the time, Roosevelt's medical adviser told the public he was in "splendid shape."

Doctors confirmed Wednesday that Yeltsin had another heart attack in June and they put off bypass surgery for six to 10 weeks to let his damaged heart heal. That heart attack had been covered up before he was re-elected to a second term in July.

In the United States, plenty of presidents until modern times misrepresented serious problems as James Garfield was described as "somewhat nervous" before being shot in July 1881 and as recovering nicely at the New Jersey shore that September. He died that month.

money they need," said Thomas, the program coordinator. "Volunteerism from the communities is what makes this go, because without it, these projects just wouldn't happen."

Federal money and local muscle are a perfect fit when it comes to rural revitalization, the fund. In Wendell, \$10,760 is going to fund a feasibility study for the town's sewer and water systems. In Camas County, \$30,000 has been provided for a Camas County medical center. In Oakland, the rodeo arena is getting \$12,000 worth of improvements.

Elsewhere, Congressionally appropriated money is being used to fund business-promotion brochures which, in a larger city,

would be underwritten by the local chamber of commerce.

Created by Congress in 1990, the federal program was designed to diversify the economies of rural communities that depend on national forest lands. A classic example is giving new direction to dying timber towns throughout the Pacific Northwest, but there are many other applications, Thomas said.

In a more general vein, the federal program aims to improve the social and environmental well-being of rural America, she said.

To qualify, communities must be located within 100 miles of a national forest; towns with fewer than 10,000 residents are eligible, as are counties with fewer than 22,500.

Debates

Continued from A1. forum on Oct. 9 in St. Petersburg, Fla.

The bipartisan Commission on Presidential Debates had proposed a Wednesday debate in St. Louis, but that was scrapped after President Clinton said it was too close to his speech Tuesday at the United Nations.

The commission voted to exclude Perot from the debates altogether, a decision cheered by Dole but opposed by Clinton. Perot filed suit Monday to overturn the decision.

On Wednesday, Jesse Jackson stood on the courthouse steps in Washington and announced his intention to join Perot's suit, saying the commission did not "have moral authority or the right to deny him access to be a factor in this debate."

Dole came to St. Louis to suggest Clinton was stalling. "I'm ready, I was ready. I'm here," he said.

"Before they get any federal money, candidate committees must produce a five-year forecast for economic development. In many cases, the Idaho Department of Commerce helps meet that requirement through its Gen. Com. Community Program, Thomas said.

Underfunded rural communities always have room for improvement, she said, particularly when they begin to attract big-brained refugees from urban America.

"Our communities are changing because we're being discovered," Thomas said. "We have more people coming in, but the infrastructures aren't always able to handle it."

"That's where this program can help."

Amtrak

Continued from A1.

The Pioneer was rolling toward extinction Nov. 9 in an effort to reduce an estimated \$258 million shortfall.

Reid Newby of Shoshone says the six-month extension would be great, but he is of two minds about the longer-term train.

"I don't like to see it subsidized all the time. Then again, I hate to see it go," said Newby, who worked 14 years for a railroad.

Other Shoshone residents have expressed disappointment the service would be eliminated, but said their town would not be hurt economically.

The committee intends to include \$22.5 million in a Senate spending bill, in order to keep four lines on the track until next spring, said Hatfield. They include the Pioneer, which runs south and east from Seattle to Denver and through eastern Oregon.

"The funding contained in this bill is a temporary fix for the Pioneer line, not a long-term solution," Hatfield said. "I am hopeful that this six-month extension will be used wisely by everyone involved in addressing the possibility of the loss of this rail line."

As Appropriations Committee chairman, Hatfield enjoys significant power over the shape of the final budget, and it is unlikely his Amtrak proposal would be derailed.

Since 1977, the Pioneer has carried passengers through Idaho. Between July 1995 and June 1996, 1,001 people either got off or on the train at Shoshone during its early morning steps in town.

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LOTTERY UPDATE

Lots of winning on!

Shauna Frayer from Pocatello won \$5,000 playing Mega Bingo. She purchased her winning ticket at K&B Kwik Stop. Don't forget to get your Mega Bingo ticket. You could be the next MEGA winner!

James Hudson of Pocatello won \$9,000 playing Lucky Horse Shoes. He tipped his \$3,000 prize by getting three rings!

A lucky player from Caldwell caught \$5,000 on Lucky Loot. He purchased his winning ticket from the Circle K in Eagle. Got a second, playing an Oregon Instant scratch ticket!

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New test may allow diagnosis in mad cow disease, related illness

BOSTON (AP) — Scientists have developed the first simple test for mad cow disease and its human equivalent, providing a possible new way of slowing the spread of this insidious killer.

Until now, the only way to diagnose these incurable, mind-robbing illnesses with certainty was to look at a sample of brain tissue, something doctors are understandably reluctant to do before the death of the victim.

The inexpensive new test should allow veterinarians to diagnose the illness in live cattle, sparing the slaughter of animals that look sick but are actually healthy.

And it should enable doctors to distinguish patients with the exceedingly rare human variety of the illness — Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease — from those with much more common Alzheimer's, which has some of the same symptoms.

"The single most difficult diagnosis is assuring yourself whether the patient has Alzheimer's disease or Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease," said one of the developers of the test, Dr. Clarence J. Gibbs Jr. of the National Institutes of Health. "If the patient has Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, you have to advise the family that the patient will die within a year. If

it's Alzheimer's, you tell them it will be a long, drawn-out affair."

The new test doesn't offer any way to treat the disease.

Practically any medical lab could offer the test now, using currently available equipment.

The test was created by researchers from NIH and the California Institute of Technology. A report on the discovery was published in Thursday's issue of the New England Journal of Medicine.

The human and cattle varieties of the disease emerged from Britain earlier this year in

Record-setting astronaut Lucid scheduled for homecoming today

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — She's traveled 75 million miles — equivalent to 157 trips to the moon and back — and watched the Earth transform itself from a glittering winter white to fertile spring brown to lush summer green.

After a record-long season of her own in space, astronaut Shannon Lucid finally is coming home. She is due back on Earth today, 4,512 hours, or 188 days, after she rocketed away to the Russian space station Mir.

"All adventures have to come to an end," Lucid said from space shuttle Atlantis on Wednesday. "You have to go home sometime, and I'm ready to come."

Good weather was forecast for the 6:13 a.m. MDT landing at Cape Canaveral. If Atlantis returns on time, Lucid will have circled Earth 3,008 times.

After a record-setting longer stretch in space than any other American and any other woman, left the planet in March, when lakes were frozen and snow covered the ground at the research facilities. "I was able to see that disappear and then the brown and then the green as all the crops started growing, so it was a very interesting thing to watch and to see these changes," she said from orbit Wednesday.

The 53-year-old biochemist said she had a better time on Mir than she expected, although she wished there were more science experiments to conduct.

Space effects

Weightlessness causes the flooding of body fluids in the upper body in space. The face and upper body is enlarged and legs may become very skinny.

Aside from fatigue and occasional, the body changes astronauts undergo:



Due to fluid shift, heart becomes smaller as blood and other fluids redistribute.

Back on Earth, body and other fluids move from the torso, head and upper body back to the legs and the lower body.

Muscle loss in hips, legs and lower spine.

Bones, along with muscles, weaken. About 25 percent of strength is lost.

Source: NASA

AP/Trace Two

"I really like to work and I like to keep real busy and, yeah, I could have done more," she said.

"Sort of like if you have a piece of chocolate cake and you enjoy it, why not go for two?" Lucid, a dessert lover, can have seconds and even thirds of chocolate cake and anything else she wants once she's back on Earth and her most pressing medical tests are completed.

Doctors have imposed no dietary restrictions, although they want her to record everything she eats and drinks during her monthlong recuperation.

The first American woman to live on Mir, Lucid should have

been home in early August but had to spend an extra seven weeks in orbit because Atlantis was delayed by equipment trouble and two hurricanes.

The shuttle finally lifted off on Sept. 16 and docked with Mir two days later. American John Blaha took Lucid's place aboard Mir, setting in for a four-month stay.

"It's always difficult to be away from your family," said Lucid, who is married and has three grown children, "but I must say that my family's been extremely supportive."

She added: "I expect life to go on just like it always has."

College fees squeeze parents, students alike

WASHINGTON (AP) — A steep upward spiral in college costs has slowed, but increases in tuition will outpace inflation again this year and students are borrowing more to get degrees.

"There have been times I've had two and three jobs at one time and still went to school," said Debbie Coleman, 24, a senior at Washington's private Trinity College. "I borrowed \$1,000 this semester, but I have \$25,000 in loans already."

Ms. Coleman, expecting her first child, said her husband wonders how they'll pay off the loans. "Yeah, it's a lot of money, but it's important," she said. "I plan on looking for a good job — \$30,000 or up."

A study released Wednesday by the College Board found that four-year public colleges and universities boosted undergraduate tuition this year an average 6 percent. Increases in the double digits occurred annually between 1991 and 1993.

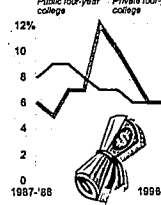
At four-year private schools, students are paying about 5 percent more in tuition and fees this year, compared with a year ago, the survey said. That's the smallest increase in a decade but remains higher than inflation, hovering at 3 percent.

Room and board also went up an average of 6 percent to \$4,152 at four-year public colleges and 4

The cost of college

College costs continue to rise, but the percentage increase has slowed in recent years.

Average percentage change in tuition and fees at colleges



AP/Wide World

percent to \$5,361 at private schools.

The College Board, an association of 2,800 colleges, found that in-state tuition and fees, not counting room and board, now average \$2,811 at public four-year colleges and \$12,823 at private colleges. The average annual cost at two-year schools was about half that amount.

FBI identifies body of missing major

VILLANUEVA, N.M. (AP) — The body of a British major, feared dead for nearly four months, has been found under a pile of rocks and branches in eastern New Mexico.

The body was decomposed, but the FBI said Wednesday it is believed that Maj. David James Graham Nichols was killed by two gunshots to the head. Nichols' body was found in "a very remote location" near Villanueva about 74 miles east of Albuquerque, FBI agent Doug Beldon said Tuesday.

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GOP says it finds gap in records

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Republicans investigating the FBI files controversy said Wednesday there was a six-month gap in White House records for mid-1994. That period came just after the gathering of sensitive background material on hundreds of Reagan and Bush-era presidential aides.

At a hearing, Senate Judiciary Committee chairman Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, revealed that the White House security office kept a log identifying each presidential aide who sought an FBI background file and the name of the person whose file was reviewed. The log entries stop on March 29, 1994, and resume the following Sept. 21.

From late 1993 to early 1994, civilian Army detailee Anthony Marceca collected FBI background files on hundreds of Republican staffers from earlier administrations. Four months of investigation by the House and Senate has failed to identify anyone else at the White House knew what Marceca was doing.

Raising the possibility that pages from the log are "missing," Hatch disclosed that Senate investigators have been unable to locate the ex-White House employee, Mari Anderson, who had custody of the log during that period.

Republicans said the gap raises the possibility the FBI background files were misused, but Democrats said such talk is unfounded speculation and that the lack of log entries is meaningless.

For White House security chief Craig Livingstone told the committee that "to the best of my knowledge" Anderson didn't keep the log during that six months.



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NATION

Clinton makes election-year offer of new government bond



President Clinton addresses a crowd during a campaign event at Robert Morris College in Conopolis, Penn., on Wednesday, where he unveiled a new type of government bond.

CORANAPOLIS, Pa. (AP) — Bob Dole offers Clinton for offering "a million little programs" in an election-year grab for votes. Make that 1,000,001.

In his latest appeal to the middle class, Clinton unveils a new type of government bond Wednesday that offers investors protection against inflation.

Calling it "a new way to save," the president told a subdued western Pennsylvania crowd that his initiative would provide "a solid rock upon which families build their futures and their dreams."

He said the Treasury Department will auction 10-year "inflation protection" notes starting in January and costing as little as \$1,000. The bonds' principal will be protected against inflation, as measured by the consumer price index.

In addition, the administration plans to offer inflation protection to purchasers of certain types of savings bonds beginning no later than 1998. The savings bonds will be available for as little as \$50; they will be tax-deferred until

they are cashed. Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin announced in May he would take the action, but details needed to be worked out. Announcing the particulars at a campaign rally is typical of Clinton's strategy to make the most of modest election-year initiatives.

Standing in the presidential spotlight, Clinton has again and again featured low-cost, low-impact proposals to portray himself as a can-do leader. His political team, armed with polls pin-pointing middle-class issues,

works in tandem with policy builders throughout the federal government to shape initiatives that help Clinton on the campaign trail.

He has proposed giving cellular telephones to neighborhood crime watch volunteers, creating alternate 911 numbers for non-emergency calls and financing local programs to combat teen truancy.

Clinton was attending two fund-raising events during his one-day visit to this battleground state, raising \$1 million for the Democratic Party. With Dole's campaign focused

on his proposed 15 percent tax cut, Clinton told a crowd at Robert Morris College crowd that huge tax reductions would increase interest rates. "We dare not go back to telling people we can give them something that cannot be paid for," the president said, without mentioning Dole by name.

The new bond proposal will begin modestly. The government offered \$55 billion worth of regular 10-year notes for sale last year, but the amount of securities sold with the inflation protection will be much smaller.

Criticizing Clinton economy, Dole swims against growing tide

ROYAL OAK, Mich. (AP) — Tim Martin wasn't selling many cars four years ago.

Unhappy with George Bush and worried that a Democrat would make things worse, he voted for Ross Perot, "just to protest, to shake things up."

This time around, Martin carries a photograph of his glistering new 39-foot boat, proving things are better, and he gives President Clinton some of the credit.

"I can't throw rocks at the guy," he says. "Things have been doggone good for my business the past 2½ years."



Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole speaks to the Economic Club of Detroit in Detroit, Mich., on Tuesday. He spoke at length about his economic plan. Similar tales are easy to come by along Main Street in Royal Oak, a predominantly blue-collar suburb north of Detroit. It is a

place where Republicans must hold support of GOP voters and win votes from conservative Democrats if they are to succeed statewide.

"I'm not getting rich, but I'm making a living," Dan Davis said as he arranged new fall selections on the racks of his clothing store. "Things have picked up a little bit lately."

This is the tide Republican Bob Dole must swim against as he tries to erase Clinton leads in the big industrial battleground state. Dole's strategy, promote his plan to cut taxes by 15 percent and assert that the economy

would be far stronger if Clinton were unemployed. "Business is fairly flat," said Nissa Nanna, a 22-year-old shoe store clerk. But even more people like her who thought things were still a little sluggish voiced little faith in Dole's ability to bring improvement — or opposed his candidacy for some other reason.

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Gore woos swing voters down South

SHREVEPORT, La. (AP) — Campaigning in Southern states where Republicans have appeal, Vice President Al Gore bid for support among moderate voters Wednesday by pushing a proposal to expand the nation's family leave law.

With plans to hit four Southern states by week's end, Gore had a two-pronged mission to win over potential swing voters and fortify Democratic supporters.

In Shreveport, he stressed Clinton's proposal to expand the four-year-old Family and Medical Leave Act to cover short blocks of unpaid time off for situations such as doctors appointments and PTA meetings. At the Willis-Knighton Hospital, Gore listened to eight people recount painful and emotional experiences in which they used the law to take time off to care for family members.

Sheldon West, who took time off after a complicated pregnancy to care for her baby, said the provision made her "more loyal" to her employer.

The law allows workers to take up to 12 weeks of unpaid leave to care for a child or parent or deal with their own health problems. Gore shared his own story about balancing work and family, talking about the slow recovery of his son, Albert, after he was hit by a car in 1989 — well before the law took effect. He recalled meeting other families at the hospital, some of whom were "devastated economically" because they took time off work and were fired. One couple eventually divorced, he said.

In an indirect swipe at GOP presidential nominee Bob Dole, who opposed the family leave law, Gore said, "Again if we're going to say we value strong families ... then we've got to be willing to put our laws where our political rhetoric is."

Bill Bryan, spokesman for the Clinton-Gore campaign in Louisiana, said the area is home to "a lot of moderate women voters and therein lies a lot of the swing vote."

Kemp visits O'Connor, urges senate ban of abortion

NEW YORK (AP) — Keeping a political spotlight on abortion, Jack Kemp joined New York's Roman Catholic Cardinal John O'Connor Wednesday in urging the Senate to outlaw certain late-term abortions over President Clinton's objections.

The Senate is preparing to vote, perhaps on Thursday, in an effort to override Clinton's veto of a bill banning what some critics refer to as "partial-birth abortions."

Kemp, the Republican vice presidential candidate, said three of his grandchildren are adopted and suggested that women who are considering late-term abortions should have the babies and then give them up for adoption.

"Allow these children to be adopted," he said. "Let's provide the real compassion for the young woman or the person in trouble and allow these children to be adopted."

Kemp requested the meeting with O'Connor, who has been

helping lead a campaign by Catholic leaders against the abortion procedure.

Less than an hour after their private meeting, Kemp and O'Connor talked strategy with religious leaders and politicians from across the country during a telephone conference call that was open to the press.

"I applaud any effort to try to turn this back again without any political commentary whatsoever on my part," O'Connor said during the call. "This is a fundamental issue for our nation."

Kemp was accompanied by his wife, Joanne, and by William Bennett, who was education secretary in the Reagan administration, in the visit to O'Connor's Madison Avenue residence.

Kemp and O'Connor also discussed the cardinal's offer to let 1,000 underachieving city public school students attend parochial schools. "I've been a longtime advocate of school choice," Kemp said.

Louisiana congress count reversed; Republican out

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A check of voting machines apparently has cost the Republicans a chance at keeping a seat in the next Congress.

A corrected tally sets up a runoff between two Democrats in Louisiana's 7th District.

Republican David Thibodeaux thought he made the November runoff, based on counts poll workers had relayed to local courthouses Saturday on election night. When the voting machines were delivered and the votes tallied again Tuesday, court workers discovered that instead of beating Democrat Hunter Landy by 29 votes, Thibodeaux trailed him by eight votes. Democratic state Rep. Chris John remained the top vote-getter in the 7th District, which spans Cajun country in the south-

west part of Louisiana.

In Louisiana primaries, the two top vote-getters go on to the final election regardless of party affiliation. Thibodeaux, a college English teacher, said the revised results were still unofficial and he predicted the vote would swing back in his favor.

"We still feel confident," Thibodeaux said. "We're still putting our pieces in place for the runoff, because we think we're going to be here."

Totals are not official until certified by the state, which takes about a week. An error was made by polling station clerks who read counters on voting machines and relay the totals to courthouses. Sometimes the numbers are written down in the dark and telephoned incorrectly, officials said.

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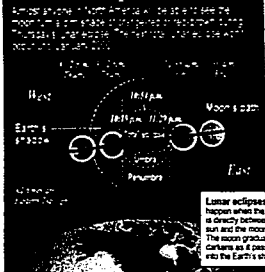
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Lunar eclipse



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 9:12 p.m.: The moon enters the darker portion of the Earth's shadow. The beginning of totality.
 9:25 p.m.: Totality begins.
 10:00 p.m.: Totality ends.
 10:30 p.m.: The moon enters the penumbra, developing a faint shading.
 11:00 p.m.: The moon leaves the Earth's shadow.

Sky watchers get triple treat tonight

MIAMI (AP) — Sky watchers throughout North America will get a triple treat tonight: a total eclipse of a harvest moon, with a bright Saturn in tow.

Most of North America won't see another total eclipse of the moon until the year 2000, and astronomers say these kinds of very public displays help reconnect a generation of children who have "lost contact with the sky."

"With the amount of electric lighting we're using, we're washing out the sky," said Bob Stencel, head of the physics department at the University of Denver. "When we illuminate the sky, we're depriving children of a chance to tap into the cosmic wellspring of creativity and imagination."

A total lunar eclipse occurs whenever the Earth moves directly between the sun and the full moon, casting its shadow across the moon. Even when the moon is completely in the Earth's shadow, it doesn't get entirely dark; it is often a faint reddish, illuminated by sunlight filtering around the Earth's edge.

This time, Earth's curved shadow will fall across the moon starting at 7:12 p.m. MDT, with the darkest part of the eclipse coming at 8:54 p.m.

This lunar eclipse comes at the same time as the harvest moon, which is the full moon closest to the first day of autumn. A harvest moon is not necessarily different from other full moons, but crisp, dry fall weather can make it seem brighter and more distinct.

Making things even more interesting this time, Saturn is positioned in the sky very close to the eclipsed moon. As the moonlight dims, stars will come out and Saturn will seem to shine more brightly.

"This is a wonderful dance between the Earth and the moon, sort of a cosmic ballet," said Jack Horkheimer, director of the Miami Planetarium.

Judge will allow top penalty

DENVER (AP) — The judge in the Oklahoma City bombing trial has given prosecutors the right to seek the death penalty, turning back several defense challenges.

U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch ruled Wednesday the federal death penalty was constitutional and that Justice Department procedures were properly followed when the decision was made to seek the death penalty against Timothy McVeigh and Terry L. Nichols.

The ruling in the criminal case came five months after Matsch threw out Nichols' civil challenge to the death penalty.

Nichols and McVeigh are charged with federal murder and conspiracy counts in the April 19, 1995, bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building, which killed 168 and injured more than 500 others.

No trial date has been set. A hearing on motions to separate the trial for the two men is scheduled for Oct. 2.

Defense attorneys had challenged the prosecution's intent to use the death penalty on several fronts, including an argument that it was flawed and unconstitutional.

Nichols' attorneys alleged Attorney General Janet Reno showed bias in announcing an intention to seek the death penalty before any charges were filed.

They also contended that the decision was made secretly, in violation of Justice Department guidelines.

Matsch rejected all the arguments, saying the law was constitutional and that Reno acted properly.

"Nothing has been submitted to show or suggest that the notices were filed because of any discriminatory motive, invidious classification or improper motivation as to either defendant," Matsch wrote.

Attorney Stephen Jones, who represents McVeigh, said he did not plan an immediate appeal of the decision.

"It's premature in our view," he said. "This only becomes relevant if there's a conviction."

Justice Department spokeswoman Leesa Brown said, "This is another important step in process toward the trial. It proves that the government is following the law and doing its job."

California law permits suits against dealers

GLENDALE, Calif. (AP) — A new state law prompted by the suicide of actor Carroll O'Connor's son allows suspected drug dealers to be sued for any deaths, injuries or damage they cause.

The law, which takes effect Jan. 1, holds dealers to the same liability standards as legitimate businesses. Even drug users themselves can sue.

"We're going to financially bankrupt these leeches," Gov. Pete Wilson said Tuesday in signing the legislation. If the dealers are believed to have caused damage or injury by selling drugs, they can be sued by the victims' family, employers, hospitals, insurers and others who suffer from drug users' reckless actions. The suspected dealer does not have to be convicted of a crime first.

Drug users could sue their dealers, but only to recover compensatory damages and lawyers' fees.

NATION IN BRIEF

Cost crunch reduces vaccination efforts

WASHINGTON — The cost of immunizing the world's children is going up, making it more difficult to protect the next generation from common killer diseases, according to a United Nations study.

The report by the World Health Organization and the United Nation's Children's fund said that making new, advanced-technology vaccines has become much more expensive while donations supporting an international vaccination campaign are slowing.

Those vaccines "are expected to be many times more expensive than those in use today. Vaccines are likely to cost not cents, but dollars a dose from now on," said the study, which was released Wednesday.

Senators confront Pentagon over toxins

WASHINGTON — A senior senator demanded a top-level shake-up in the Pentagon Wednesday following new revelations that American forces were exposed to nerve gas explosives during the Persian Gulf War.

"It's time to face the music," Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., the ranking Democrat in the Veterans' Affairs Committee. "I have decided to call upon the president to bring new health leadership to the Department of Defense."

At the same time Wednesday, Deputy Secretary of Defense John White wrote Senate Armed Services Chairman Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., to promise broadened efforts to study possible low-level exposure to toxic chemicals. He said \$5 million would be spent in this research.

Lawmakers accuse Air Force of stonewalling

WASHINGTON — Anti-Castro lawmakers are accusing the Air Force of being derelict in its duty by not scrambling U.S. interceptors against Cuban MiGs that shot down two Cuban-American pilots over the Florida Straits.

The Congress members complained of military stonewalling and threatened Wednesday to subpoena top administration officials if necessary to explain the Air Force's failure.

"What does it take to bring a proper reaction from the U.S. Air Force to Cuban MiGs heading for the Florida Coast?" asked Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind.

"We have a potentially serious breach of U.S. security which must be explained."

"At the very least it was a dereliction of duty," Rep. Lincoln Diaz-Balart, R-Fla., added at a Capitol news conference.

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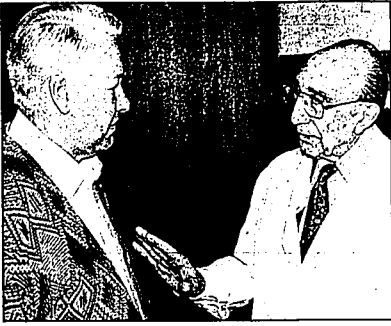
Yeltsin faces multiple coronary bypass within 2 months

Quadruple bypass might be necessary

MOSCOW (AP) — Doctors put off Boris Yeltsin's bypass surgery for six to 10 weeks to let his damaged heart heal and said Wednesday he will then need two months to recuperate, meaning Russia will likely be governed from a sickbed into the new year.

Yeltsin has been out of the public eye for two months. Doctors said he must stay in a hospital or health resort until he undergoes triple or quadruple bypass surgery, although he can do paperwork and see visitors.

"He's mentally as alert as he can be," said American specialist Michael DeBakey, who consulted with Yeltsin's Russian doctors for three hours Wednesday and will return for the operation. "There is no reason why he cannot function in his capacity as



Russian President Boris Yeltsin and American specialist Michael DeBakey discuss procedures during their meeting at the Central Clinic Hospital in Moscow on Wednesday. Yeltsin will undergo surgery in 6 to 10 weeks.

president," while awaiting surgery, DeBakey said at a news conference.

However, new details of Yeltsin's ill health, including recent internal bleeding, and the

length of his expected recovery are certain to bring on more demands for his resignation by the Communist-led opposition.

Hardliners have already called on Yeltsin — who was re-elected to a second five-year term in July — to step down.

"If there's a feeling that the presidential staff is ruling instead of him, the question might be raised" in parliament, said Communist Gennady Seleznyov, speaker of the Duma, the lower house.

Yeltsin's illness was also causing anxiety in Washington about the future of Russia's reform process and its ability to carry out a peaceful succession if Yeltsin dies.

"Democracy in Russia is doing fairly well, but it is hardly an absolute certainty that it will take deep root," Assistant Secretary of State Thomas McNamara said.

Dr. Renat Akhurin, head of Yeltsin's surgical team, said doc-

tors told Yeltsin the bypass operation had an 80 percent chance of success if it was done now, but an almost 100 percent chance if he waited.

The president, who had been eager to get the surgery over with, "reacted courageously and calmly," Akhurin said.

Yeltsin, 65, originally said he expected to undergo heart surgery by the end of September. The six-to-10-week delay makes the date early November or even December. Two months to recover means he wouldn't be back in his Kremlin offices until early 1997.

Doctors confirmed Wednesday that Yeltsin suffered another heart attack in June after campaigning furiously for re-election. The president and his aides covered up the heart attack until recently.

DeBakey said Yeltsin's heart was damaged, but that the muscle showed "considerable, significant improvement" over the past month.

Dr. Andrei Vorobyov, who presided at Wednesday's meeting, also described a recent series of episodes, each lasting for several minutes, that left scar tissue on the president's heart.

Vorobyov said there had been unspecified "complications" involving the president's lungs, liver and kidneys this summer, but the organs were now in good shape.

Yeltsin also lost blood during the past month because of internal bleeding, apparently from his intestines, after taking aspirin following the heart attack, DeBakey said.

"The operation is needed and it should provide excellent results," said DeBakey. "There is no reason why the president should not be restored to full normal activity."

A brief film clip released by the Kremlin showed a smiling Yeltsin greeting the 88-year-old DeBakey inside the hospital Wednesday.

Russian working for CIA arrested

MOSCOW (AP) — A Russian man accused of giving the CIA information on Russia's nuclear submarine program was arrested, news agencies said Wednesday.

The man was arrested a year ago in St. Petersburg, the news agencies said. It was not clear why the incident was being disclosed now. Both the ITAR-Tass and Interfax news agencies cited an anonymous source at the Federal Security Service, the KGB's main successor.

ITAR-Tass identified the man only as Finkel, and Interfax reported the name as Finklin. Both said he had been in prison since his arrest. They said he had been recruited by a CIA agent working under the cover of the U.S. consular service in Moscow. ITAR-Tass identified that man as

John Satter.

Richard Hoagland, a spokesman for the U.S. Embassy, refused to comment.

ITAR-Tass, echoing Cold War language, said Finklin or Finkel was promised political asylum in the United States, "which implies a U.S. visa, a residence permit and a generous allowance." It said he worked at a research institute in St. Petersburg.

Also Wednesday, the Federal Security Service accused a Swedish businessman of filming strategic facilities and barred him from re-entering Russia.

It was the second time in a month the Federal Security Service had accused a Swede of spying on Russia.

A high-ranking Swedish diplomat was expelled in early

September after his alleged courier was caught buying film of classified documents.

On Wednesday, the Federal Security Service said it had barred re-entry by Hans Engstroemer, who worked in northeastern Russia from the fall of 1993 to the spring of 1995 as a businessman looking for joint-venture partners to convert Russian defense industries to civilian uses.

Engstroemer asked to see factories in St. Petersburg and the neighboring industrial city of Pskov, where he secretly filmed defense production facilities. Nezavisimaya Gazeta said, citing the Swedish service, Engstroemer also traveled in northern Russia, filming railways, roads and bridges, it said.

NATO ponders Bosnia's future

BERGEN, Norway (AP) — Worried about Bosnia's future, NATO defense ministers directed their generals Wednesday to plan for options ranging from total withdrawal to maintaining a force comparable to the 52,000 peacekeepers now stationed in the former Yugoslav republic.

"There is a need to go from an implementation force to a stabilization force," Gen. George Joulwan, NATO military commander, was quoted as telling the ministers at a closed meeting at a newly gained hotel in this Norwegian coastal city.

Despite Joulwan's suggestion that a military force will be needed, Defense Secretary William Perry offered no comment on

U.S. participation.

German Defense Minister Volker Ruehe, an outspoken advocate of continued military presence in Bosnia, said after the session that "it's obvious that Perry shares our evaluation ... but he couldn't say anything that would bind his government."

In Washington, Deputy Secretary of Defense John White told a congressional panel that options under discussion at Bergen were withdrawal of the NATO-led force as scheduled; a continued "deterrence role," with forces based in or outside Bosnia; the "provision of general security," with a force that could prevent violent incidents; and extension of the current mission.

"As of today, we do not know whether there will be a follow-on force, and therefore we do not know what its mission would be," he told the House National Security Committee.

Once NATO determines whether a military presence will be needed, White said, the United States will decide whether to participate.

At Bergen, the ministers directed military officials to come up with plans for implementing each of the options.

The generals will give their findings to the NATO ambassadors who will act on them and pass their recommendations on to their capitals for a final decision.

Vintage plane crashes, kills all aboard

DEN HELDER, Netherlands (AP) — A vintage plane carrying aviation enthusiasts crashed Wednesday off the Dutch coast shortly after its pilot reported engine trouble. All 32 people aboard were killed.

A small flotilla of navy and fishing boats headed for the wreckage of the 55-year-old DC-3 Dakota from this fishing town soon after the 4:45 p.m. crash. But would-be rescuers were hampered by mist, fast-fading light and the tangled wreckage of the plane. The lone survivor of the crash was flown to a hospital, but later died.

The plane, which had been

bound for Amsterdam on a pleasure flight, went down in the Wadden Sea about 35 miles north of the Dutch capital, coast guard spokesman Peter Paap said. It was carrying six crew and 26 passengers — among them members of the Dutch Dakota Association that owned the plane.

The twin-engine prop plane was the only Dakota still flying in the Netherlands. It was used for pleasure flights and displayed at air shows.

Television footage showed the Dakota's tail jutting out of the water and the mangled remains of the rest of the plane just under the surface of the shallow sea. A

mass of boats surrounded the wreck and helicopters hovered overhead. The plane's pilot reported engine trouble shortly after taking off from the North Sea island of Texel on the 40-mile flight to Amsterdam, and was planning an emergency landing at this town's small airport, Dutch Navy spokesman Lt. Col. Jaap van der Waal said.

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EDITORIAL

Medicaid proposals move Idaho in right direction

Motorcycle accidents breed grim jokes. Some emergency-room workers talk about "donorcycles." Deaths of unhelmeted bikers are sometimes described as a form of natural selection: elimination of the foolhardy.

But the reality is far more grim than funny. Head injuries to unhelmeted riders are personally devastating and economically disastrous. Those who know say the typical bill for a garden-variety head injury runs to six figures. A disabling accident, leading to long-term care, can cost many times that.

Foes of mandatory helmet laws like to think of themselves as rugged individualists. They take their own risks, and they don't want a government nanny riding shotgun.

This sentiment ducks the real issue of personal responsibility. If a brain-damaged ex-motorcyclist no longer can care for himself and his dependents, society gets the bill.

So Gov. Phil Batt's Medicaid Reform Advisory Council, looking for ways to save money and to make individuals responsible for their choices, is proposing a helmet law for motorcycles. Bicycles, too.

The fight will be fierce. Conservative Idaho lawmakers are loath to limit personal freedom. The Medicaid group will have to make the case in hard dollars.

But the helmet debate shouldn't steal all attention from the rest of the council's excellent work, which is on display in a series of public hearings this month and next.

Medicaid (not to be confused with Medicare, which serves senior citizens) gives health-care assistance to

the poor and the disabled. The governor's group offers a tall stack of ideas for improving how Idaho handles this expensive chore.

Like the helmet proposal, many of these ideas promote self-reliance and accountability. They also aim to give Medicaid clients dignity, choice and independence.

Some sample suggestions from the council:

- Require co-payments and deductibles to discourage frivolous office calls. Most people on private health insurance plans already live under rules like this.
- Tighten rules on people giving away property to relatives in order to become eligible.
- Consider a voucher system to let clients (such as those receiving long-term home care) directly control their own care. At least theoretically, those receiving care have the strongest motive to demand value for the money.
- Eliminate some vision and hearing benefits. Private-sector health plans commonly don't cover these services; why should the state?
- Create incentives to move some long-term-care patients into non-traditional, potentially cost-saving care settings.

Changes such as these, which would significantly affect people's health and taxpayers' money, should not be undertaken lightly. They'll need careful review and broad discussion.

But the basic thrust - flexibility, cost-effectiveness and self-reliance - is the right one. The Legislature should give close attention to the advisory council's work.

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Despite polls, Clinton enjoys little true popularity

Dole's campaign would be investing inordinate amounts of money and hope in its "Sure, if I could" ad if the ad's point were really just about drugs. The ad features the MTV clip of candidate Clinton in 1992, grinning like a nervously ingratiating freshman during fraternity rush week. He is asked, "If you had it to do all over again, would you inhale?" and he responds, "Sure, if I could. I tried before."



GEORGE F. WILL

The ad is supposed to buttress Dole's contention that inadequate presidential "leadership" explains the surge in drug use among young people in the last four years. However, it is hard to convince this common-sensical country that presidents, by their rhetorical cues, have large consequences, particularly among young people, for many of whom the existence of a president is only a vague rumor.

sent no money out to congressional candidates before Oct. 15. Undecided or lightly committed voters, if asked by a poll taker to state a preference, are apt to do so, but they are apt to remain undecided or lightly committed.

This president, on another MTV appearance, unhesitatingly - not to mention invertebrately - answered an ill-mannered young woman's impertinent question about his preference, boxers or briefs, in underwear. (Characteristically, he semi-endorsed both by answering "usually briefs.")

Many Republican leaders also believe that the compression of the news cycle stimulates volatility in the electorate. Thirty years ago, it could take days, sometimes weeks, to turn public attention from one topic to another.

What both MTV appearances, particularly the one in the Dole drug ad, really illustrate is Clinton's (to borrow Jefferson's acid words about Lafayette) "canine appetite for popularity."

Today Clinton wants a similarly softened choice.

One of the few encouraging thoughts for Republicans is that Clinton, his standing in polls notwithstanding, enjoys little genuine popularity, partly because people who so ravenously drool for it rarely get it. Because there is such a small reservoir of real affection for him, Republicans can hope that a potentially election-swinging number of voters have not "come to closure" for Clinton.

While he warns against the "extremism" of the Republican-controlled Congress, Republicans are chewing their carpets in their anger over his acceptance speech at the Democratic convention, in which he essentially took credit for 13 actions of that Congress - seven of them from the Republican Contract.

Many Republican leaders believe that more and more voters are making up their minds later and later.

Republicans can take cold comfort from the fact that the blurriness Clinton wants will minimize his controls. President

ential landslides are more likely to pull along congressional candidates when the election involves clear differentials.

Peter Hart, a Democrat who does polling for The Wall Street Journal and NBC, finds that when people are asked if they would prefer Republicans or Democrats to control Congress, the result is a statistical dead heat.

However, when voters are asked to assume Clinton is re-elected and to choose between a Republican Congress to restrain him or a Democratic Congress to implement his agenda, they favor the Republicans, 53-39.

The caveat is that Dole's weakness could depress Republican turnout, thereby defeating some congressional candidates.

Which makes Republicans wish they had a Democratic version of the "Gingrich card" they could play - some frigid figure to emerge their base and lure wavering voters. They do.

In Kansas, two Senate seats are at stake because of two Republican retirements - Dole's and Nancy Kassebaum's. Republican Rep. Sam Brownback, running for Dole's seat, warns audiences that if Democrats control the Senate, the committee Kassebaum chaired - Labor and Human Resources - would be chaired by ... Ted Kennedy.

Audible gasps. Women with the vapors. Urgent calls to travel agents to book one-way tickets to Australia. Republicans may spend October playing the Kennedy card.

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LETTERS

Judge made wrong decision

"Let me see if I totally understand the situation ... Two contentious, loan-driven party monsters decide it would be a cool idea to pay \$30 each to take turns having intercourse with a passed out 14-year-old female who was supposedly 'pimped out' by her best friend."

"The circumstances by themselves are enough to turn the stomach of any normal father or parent."

"I try to put myself in the place of her parents and imagine the stomach churning that should be happening."

"Well, folks, that's not the way this one is going to pan out. Seems the 'pimps' cut a deal with someone and made bail."

"Does anyone out there want to lay odds on the possibility of either one of these 'brothers' showing up for their hearing?"

"Didn't think so ... way to go, 'a judge'!"

STEVE MAY
Jerome

Safeguarding public means tests

"With regard to the hepatitis outbreak in Twin Falls, perhaps we should go back to the '60s, when, in order to work in any place that served food, you had to have a blood test, chest X-ray and TB test (this was when tuberculosis was

rampant). If all tests proved negative, you were then issued a card from the Department of Health stating you were clear of any diseases and could work in a food establishment."

"I personally worked under these conditions and know what it was like to have physicals in order to go to work."

"Perhaps the Legislature should pass a bill making it mandatory for these tests because this kind of an outbreak frightens people and they hesitate to eat at any food establishment."

MARIANNE BLOOM
Jackpot, Nev.

Nuclear waste belongs on shelf

Nuclear energy. Would someone explain to me why we are producing it when we haven't figured out how to dispose of the radioactive waste?"

"No one wants the waste; it's a continuous battle as to where to store it. Truth is, there is no safe place to store it. A major earthquake or any other natural disaster could happen at any time, anywhere, and the ramifications would be widespread and deadly."

"It wouldn't matter if this hazardous material had been removed from Idaho to New Mexico or Nevada or wherever, it's still just as deadly."

"I feel we should learn how to do without nuclear energy until we have the knowledge of how to neutralize the waste. At the very least, minimize production."

We are told to have proper emission control on our cars, dispose of our batteries properly, we aren't allowed to handle fumes anymore, and yet we continue to produce enough nuclear waste to annihilate a nation. Why?"

G.M. "AYCE" ARMITAGE
Jerome

National defense is critical

To Mr. Peavey: After attending your meeting and reading the newspaper the next day, my thought was that if you are going to criticize another man's idea that you should have a better idea to offer.

"We have received the atomic waste for more than 40 years, and in my viewpoint, they have done a fine job of taking care of that waste. It is my understanding that waste is frozen to ice. I believe that we are better qualified to oversee the storage of this hazardous material than any of the foreign countries."

"We have no other place that is now ready to receive this material, which brings up the following questions: No. 1 - How safe is it to move to an alternate location? No. 2 - Just how will it be moved and how far and at what cost?"

Now nearly all of our aircraft carriers

and submarines are using atomic fuel for our national defense. This is ultimately more important than the location of a well-managed storage facility. Even our atomic power plants have become very necessary to the public at large. The one at San Clemente, Calif., has six large transmission lines leaving its plant to furnish most of San Diego county and other areas. This is just one of many plants now operating in the states."

HERMAN H. STAMMERJOHN
Jerome

Nuclear containers are top-notch

According to a report by the Study Committee on Radioactive Shipments, every year 38 million shipments of radioactive materials are shipped by rail, highway and sea. In more than 25 years, these materials have traveled more than 19 million miles.

To be certain that transporting all types of radioactive materials is safe, containers are designed to exceed standards and testing by the International Atomic Energy Agency.

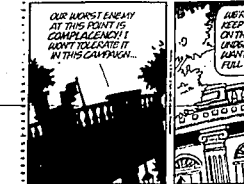
Tests are designed to impose far greater damage than the most severe accident possible. Tests here and abroad include ramming a locomotive into a shipping cask broadside at 80 mph. In England, a 154-ton train traveling at 100 miles per hour struck a cask, destroying the train.

In both tests, the casks easily survived the tests and would not have released any of their radioactive cargo.

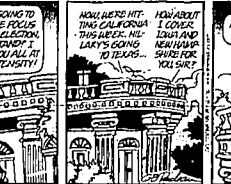
Both of these tests were far more severe than any railroad accident of record, according to Hal Rogers, co-chairman of the Study Committee.

ILLENA RENFROW
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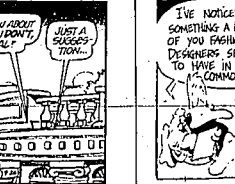
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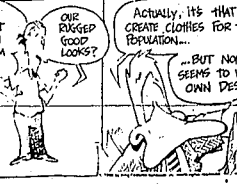
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OPINION

LETTERS

Democratic campaign filled with lies, misinformation

The Democratic campaign is based on lies, half-truths, distortion and false claims.

Lies: Cuts in Medicare, throw old people out in the streets, "government shutdown" - the Congress did more than its part over and over, as well as negotiating with President Clinton.

Half-truths and false claims: Missiles are no longer pointed at America's children.

Reagan deserves most of this credit for negotiating from strength (the United States was equal or ahead of the Soviets) along with just the "mention" of Star Wars (the Soviets just did not have the resources), the Soviets gave in. The "Evil Empire" became no more and the Berlin Wall came tumbling down.

And furthermore, the Russian general, Gen. Igor Sergeyev, said his ICBMs could be re-targeted in "a matter of minutes" (October Reader's Digest, Page 105, article must reading by all Americans).

"Reducing the deficit": Clinton would not sign a balanced budget, so Congress put him on a diet - continuing reductions. No wonder he could claim a reduced deficit, but it was not because of him.

As one smart guy said, "You could tell when President Clinton was lying - he opened his mouth."

To sell beach-front property in Montana, President Clinton could not be beat.

There are three articles in the October Reader's Digest that are must reading for all Americans: Pages 64, 89 and 102.

A map on Page 104 shows a major part of our national is vulnerable.

One missile with multiple warheads hitting Los Angeles would make Pearl Harbor seem like a Sunday school picnic.

Everyone, be sure and read these articles in October Reader's Digest.

CHARLES MCCARVER
Kimberly

Chisholm needs to study, absorb INEL facts

To Bill Chisholm:

I just returned from a tour of the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory facilities, and I want you to know that I'm even more reassured of the safety connected with all aspects of the operation, including the transportation of radioactive materials than I was before I went.

I was free to ask as many questions as I desired. I asked plenty, too.

You have been invited to go on a tour of the site and refused. So I presume that you are a typical liberal.

My mind is made up, don't confuse me with facts. "What is your agenda anyway?"

The people at the site drink the water from under the site. They have worked there for years and have no trouble producing healthy children.

Just go to a company picnic sometime and see for yourself. My son-in-law has worked out there for 10 years, and I got that information from him.

You worry about moving the materials across our state. I put 20 years in the Navy, starting in 1940. I would feel a lot safer riding one of those transporters than I did aboard ships in the South Pacific. I have five battle stars.

So I ask again, "What is your agenda?" Why do you continue to try to confuse people?

Incidentally, you scream about accepting spent fuel from foreign countries. When we sold or gave them the materials originally, there was a clause that they must return the spent fuel to us. We never lost ownership of that material.

LEE DAVIS
Gooding

Check candidates out before you vote for them

The mantra is voiced in many ways: Local control - no unfunded mandates - no big government.

It has been said enough now in this political season to become dogma. Any unthinking aspiring politician simply mouths the words and "is for the people."

The people in the form of Margie Valley farm owners (90 percent) voted for the federal government by signing with the farm-service agency for the latest giveaway.

For others of us who use federal funds for local highways, water systems, sewage lagoons, airports, city and county government, law enforcement, Head Start, schools, libraries, student loans, senior and low-cost housing and on and on and on.

I guess we also want entitlements: Social Security (on average, paid in full after three years), Medicare (never invested in) the Veteran Administration, INEL.

Idahoans receive many more dollars and benefits from Uncle Sam than we give. The only local

control will go to wealthy vested individuals or corporations.

Before you vote this year, see if your candidate just spouts the dogma or is really willing to sacrifice and do without the money!

BILL BAGGS
Buhl

Nephrologist needed to meet current demand

I feel compelled to write this letter to let you know I disagree with the hospital's plan to build office space to house doctors.

I know there is a need for more doctors in our community, but I also know there are office spaces available for these doctors.

I am a heart patient, and I know there was a need for another heart man, but I question the necessity of a catheterization lab for diagnostics only.

I trust the hospital board and the county commissioners have done the proper study on this. I myself would not feel comfortable without back-up surgeons.

I do want to call your attention to the real need this county has to attract a capable nephrologist and to give the backup he or she needs.

A visit to the dialysis center in Jerome will show you the increasing number of people from Twin Falls who must go there for treatment.

At the present time, anyone suffering from kidney failure is forced to go to Boise to be seen or treated by a nephrologist, as we have no one trained to help them.

Whether they go on home dialysis or a machine, they must be treated out of the area. The doctors who treat these patients cover southern Idaho and eastern Oregon, and although they are expanding, they are spread thin.

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WORLD

Palestinian clashes lead to deaths

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — Palestinian police and Israeli troops battled with automatic weapons Wednesday, casting Israel and the Palestinians into their biggest crisis in three years. Seven people were reported killed and more than 350 were wounded as Palestinians cheered over their police against the Israelis.



A Palestinian woman tries to stop an Israeli border police officer from arresting a Palestinian youth outside the Old City's Damascus Gate in Jerusalem on Wednesday. Palestinians protested the Israeli opening of a tunnel near an Islamic holy site.

The exchanges of fire in the West Bank towns of Ramallah and Bethlehem began during stone-throwing protests by thousands of Palestinians angered by Israel's decision to open an archaeological tunnel near Jerusalem's Al Aqsa Mosque compound, Islam's third-holiest site.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who personally ordered completion of the tunnel, said "the decision was good, but the timing was bad."

Palestinian protesters and Israeli forces also clashed in Arab east Jerusalem and the West Bank town of Hebron. Those scuffles did not involve gunfire and only minor injuries were reported.

The violence was reminiscent of the six-year Palestinian uprising against Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip that ended with the 1993 signing of a breakthrough peace agreement. Nearly 2,000 Palestinians were killed by Israelis during the revolt.

Wednesday's confrontations for the first time involved armed Palestinian forces — 30,000 armed Palestinian police were deployed in the West Bank and

Gaza Strip as part of the peace accords.

Palestinian demonstrators said they took to the streets with the encouragement of their leaders. "The Palestinian Authority is giving us the green light to demonstrate and throw stones and return to the uprising," said *Mohammed Khatay*.

Palestinians cheered on their police as the officers fired at the Israelis. The violence dealt another blow to Israeli-Palestinian relations, which have faltered since Netanyahu took office in June, and comes at a time when Israel's relations with much of the Arab world are troubled. Egypt has accused the new government of reneging on agreements and stalling the peace process, and the specter of war with Syria is in the air. King Hussein of Jordan,

Israel's closest ally in the region, denounced the tunnel Wednesday, calling it an infringement upon the rights of all Arabs and Muslims.

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat has warned that a new uprising could erupt if Netanyahu did not go forward with implementation of the peace accords signed by Israel's previous government.

Netanyahu also has angered the Palestinians by approving new housing construction in Jewish settlements in the West Bank, and delaying Israel's withdrawal from most of Hebron, the last West Bank city under Israeli control. The specter of a new Palestinian uprising could also undermine domestic support for Netanyahu who had narrowly won the elections with a promise of "peace with security."

Kurdish faction supported by Saddam now seeks U.S. support

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Kurdish faction that formed an alliance with Saddam Hussein now is seeking U.S. backing and consoli-

dating its hold on the region without help from the Iraqi military, a senior administration official said Wednesday. Barzani's Kurdistan

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Kuwait will build fence along border

KUWAIT (AP) — Kuwait plans to build an electric fence along its border with Iraq to stop crossings by smugglers and Iraqi agents, the emirate's defense minister said Wednesday.

The fence will run parallel to a trench that Kuwait dug in early 1994 to prevent vehicles from sneaking across the 130-mile frontier, Sheikh Ahmed al-Hamoud al-Sabah, told a news conference. But at 15 feet wide and nine feet deep, the trench likely could not stop an advancing army such as Iraq's, which invaded Kuwait in 1990 and triggered the Persian Gulf War.

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—Jason Stark of the Philadelphia Inquirer on Hideo Nomo's recent no-hitter against the Colorado Rockies

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

College volleyball

CSI at Valley of the Sun Tournament, Phoenix, Ariz., TBA

High school volleyball

Highland at Burley, 6 p.m.
Fier at Deck, 5:15 p.m.
Gooding at Glens Ferry, 5:15 p.m.
Kimberly at Valley, 5:15 p.m.
Minion at Blackfoot, 6:30 p.m.
Pucello and Wood River at Twin Falls, 6 p.m.
Wendell at Shoshone, 5 p.m.
Cassified at Murter, 6 p.m.
Buhl at Preston or American Falls, TBA
Shoshone at Carey, 6 p.m.
Camas County at Richfield, 6 p.m.
Demich (JV) at ISDB, 6 p.m.
Oakley at Hazelton, 6 p.m.
Rati River at Hazen, 6 p.m.

High school soccer

Buhl at TFCA, 4:30 p.m.
Bishop Kelly at Twin Falls, 3 p.m.
Kesham girls at Wood River, 4:30 p.m.
Kesham at Wood River, 7 p.m.
Bliss vs. Minion, 4:30 p.m.
Minion girls at Burley, 5 p.m.

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Philadelphia 5 Montreal 1
Cincinnati 4 Chicago 3
Houston 5 New York 4, (10)
Los Angeles 5 San Francisco 5, (6)
Colorado 5 San Diego 3, (9)

IN BRIEF

Jerome Country Club plans season-ender

JEROME — The Jerome Country Club Men's Association will hold its concluding activity Saturday, Sept. 28 with a shotgun start at 9 a.m.

Members must sign in by 8:30 a.m. and the event will cost \$10, which includes lunch after play.

A business meeting will be conducted right after lunch with election of new officers on the agenda. No host breakfast will be available in the clubhouse starting at 7:30 a.m.

Filer boosters plan potato bar at homecoming Friday

FILER — The Filer High School booster club is hosting a potato bar before Friday night's homecoming football game with Buhl.

The club will start serving spuds at 7 p.m. at the football field, with proceeds going toward trophy cases for the new school.

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Swimmers hit the pool during pre-dawn hours for their training.

High school swim teams ready for season openers

By Sara Young
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Steam rises from the water in the crisp dawn air as Twin Falls High School swimmers glide through their practice strokes.

Thirty-one devoted athletes brave the elements every weekday at the Twin Falls City Pool from 5:30-7 a.m.

"The early mornings are easy if you are dedicated," sophomore Diana Crumrine said.

While Twin Falls swimmers work to better their third-place finish at last year's state meet, fledgling teams in Jerome, Gooding and Burley also are jangling the waters.

All four teams will be among those at the Twin Falls City Pool at 1 p.m. Saturday for the first meet of the season. Meet organizers expect 187 swimmers from across the state.

Twin Falls coach J.C. Burdick said she is excited about the 21 girls and 10 boys out for the team this year.

"We are growing every year, but we always need more boys," she added.

By late October when it cools down, the swimmers stay warm in the heated pool but it is cold for the coaches, Burdick said.

Twin Falls has the biggest club in the valley, but the sport already has taken hold in eastern Idaho and the Boise area. Swimming is a club sport in Idaho, meaning the state activities association does not sanction teams or competitions.

Coaches usually are volunteers and swimmers must pay for their own equipment.

"We are at a disadvantage because we have no pools that stay open," Jerome coach Linda Humphrey said. Humphrey is preparing her 20 swimmers for Saturday's Twin Falls meet.

The Jerome swimmers are on their own when it comes to

Please see SWIMMERS, Page B2

Bruins, Bobcats hope to get back on track

By Brad Bowlin
Times-News sports editor

BURLEY — What a difference a week makes.

Six days ago, this Friday's high school football matchup between Twin Falls and Burley looked like it could be a clash between two unbeaten, state-ranked teams.

Now it's a chance for one team to pick itself off the floor after a tough loss.

The Bruins' three-game win streak came to an end when a fourth-quarter drive fell short in a 39-34 loss to Centennial. Burley likewise absorbed its first loss of the season at the hands of a playoff pod opponent (24-14 to Nampa).

The questions for the two teams are decidedly different. Burley must rediscover the offense that scored 76 points in the Bobcats' first two games but only mustered 14 against the Bulldogs.

"Twin Falls must rather the defense up a notch. The Bruins' 39 points allowed surpassed their total for the previous three games.

"The big thing for us is to con-

Bruin Bites

Twin Falls High School football statistics

	Last game (39-34 loss, Cent)	Season (3-1) (17-145, Opp. 74)
Offense		
Rushing, team	32-175	139-787 (5.7 avg.)
>Leader, G. Salinas	22-139	G. Salinas - 72-475 (6.6 avg.)
Passing, Kohring	14-26, 188 (3TD)	39-79, 491 (7 TD)
>S&S, G. Salinas	4-85	Klundt, 10-106 (4 TD)
		Ringenberg, 10-108
Defense		
Leading tacklers		Schroeder 31
Goodpaster	9	Goodpaster 26
McMullen	8	Duncan 25
Duncan	8	Seitz 23
Seitz	8	
S&S - none		
Fum. rec. - none		
Intercepts - Seitz, Kohring		

tain their running backs," Twin Falls coach Mark Schaal said after practice Wednesday. "We have to contain and not give up the big play."

Big plays, many coming from running back Brock Forsley, killed the Bruins against Centennial.

Schaal said Burley has two backs with speed to match Forsley in Scott Gerratt and Tyler Carson.

Gerratt has amassed more than 600 offensive yards rushing and receiving in three games.

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Yankees clinch AL East

NY leaves Brewers flat, 19-2, in 1st game, delays celebration until evening

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The AL East was finally theirs, yet the celebration was still on hold. The New York Yankees had another game to play.

New York clinched its first AL East title since 1981 with its highest-scoring game in 34 years, a 19-2 rout of the Milwaukee Brewers in the first game of a doubleheader Wednesday.

The Yankees won the nightcap, 6-2. After two weeks of gut-wrenching baseball, the Yankees could finally forget about the Baltimore Orioles, the Boston Red Sox and the rest of their division. But a second game with the Milwaukee Brewers would have to be played before any champagne was popped.

"It's a shame that it worked out this way," pitcher Andy Pettitte said.

New York's clubhouse was amazingly subdued — and dry. A few stories were turned up louder than usual and there were more TV crews around. But with a game left there was no time for partying. "Maybe we can make up for that later," New York manager Joe Torre said. "It was just like we won a ballgame, a regular win," reliever John Wetteland said.

The Yankees came in needing only one win to lock up the division title, and they got it with an awesome offensive display.

After scoring four runs in the first inning, the Yankees scored 10 more in the second to open a 14-1 lead. The most productive first two innings in the club's 94-year history, and its highest run total since 1962, finally allowed the Yankees to relax following two tense weeks.

The crowd, which trickled in during the first game, stood from the first pitch of the ninth inning to the last, a fly out by Fernando Vina to center fielder Bernie Williams.

After the catch, confetti poured out of the stadium's upper deck as the Yankees celebrated in the infield surrounded by ring-gear New York City police, who rioted the field to prevent any fans from joining in. "It's just a great feeling," Williams said during the festivities. "We batted hard all year."

The win gave David Cone (7-2) a chance to fine-tune his mechanics before the playoffs begin next week.

The right-hander, whose dramatic return after missing four months following surgery on an aneurysm in his right shoulder gave the team an emotional lift earlier this month, allowed two runs and four hits in six innings. He walked five and struck out six.

Tino Martinez's three-run homer off Tim Lincecum (3-5) helped New York take a 3-0 lead in the first before the Yankees sent 15 batters to the plate in the second to score 10 times — their largest offensive output in more than three years. "After two innings every-one was like, 'Let's get this over with,'" Pettitte said. "But this is great. Now we have a chance to set up our pitching just like we want to."

Shoshone, Rockland meet in key matchup

By Brad Bowlin
Times-News sports editor

TWIN FALLS — The Sawtooth Conference football race makes a whistle stop in Shoshone this week with the Rockland Bulldogs facing the unbeaten Indians.

This game tops Friday's full slate of key conference clashes as the playoff contenders separate themselves from the pretenders across the Magic Valley.

A loss for Rockland (3-1) will seriously damage the Bulldogs' chances for one of two available playoff spots. The Indians (4-0) still have a visit from highly-touted North Gem to worry about, so Friday's game is almost a must-win.

"It seems like every year, we play them close," Shoshone coach Tim Chapman said. Rockland won 18-12 last year on the strength of some big running plays.

Chapman said his defense will be on the lookout for misdirection plays the Bulldogs used in their 36-14 loss to North Gem last week.

Anchoring that defense are Scotty McClure and Pat O'Dell, who combine for 33 tackles per game.

Offensively, the Indians mix it up behind a stable offensive line that Chapman says has been executing very well.

O'Dell takes the snaps, with Josh Uhrig as his leading receiver. Four-year starter McClure is the top. Please see FOOTBALL, Page B2

SPORTS

Astros stop skid at 9; Reds win Olympians to meet with locals

HOUSTON (AP) — One day after Houston was eliminated from playoff contention, the Astros stopped their losing streak at nine by beating the New York Yankees 5-4 in 10 innings Wednesday night on Mike Simms' RBI single.

The pennant race hasn't stopped Hal Morris' hitting streak, but it has taken all of the fun out of it. Morris extended his hitting streak to 25 games, the third longest in the major leagues this season.

Playing against a starting lineup with six players who began the season in the minors, the Expos stumbled again in their bid for the NL wild card, losing for the fifth time in six games, 3-1.

Cardinals R, Pirates 7 PITTSBURGH — Jim Leyland lost his last home game as Pittsburgh's manager when the Pirates' fourth run led to the go-ahead run Wednesday night in an 8-7, 11-inning victory for the St. Louis Cardinals.

Terry Bradshaw went 4-for-6 with three RBIs — he had only three hits all season entering the game — as St. Louis won despite starting just one regular.

Detroit is 14th consecutive home loss. CLEVELAND — Charles Nagy pitched a five-hitter for his 17th victory and Cleveland moved within two wins of 100. The Indians improved to 58-53 in the last scheduled regular season game at Jacobs Field. The AL Central champions may have to play a makeup game at home against Seattle on Monday.

Royals R, White Sox 2 CHICAGO — Kevin Appier pitched six strong innings as Kansas City moved Chicago close to playoff elimination. The White Sox, who close the regular season with a three-game series at Minnesota, trail wild-card leader Baltimore by 2 1/2 games.

Blue Jays 13, Tigers 11 DETROIT — Rookie Julio Mosquera had four hits and drove in two runs as Toronto handed

escaped with a 38-31 win in Burley.

The mid-season departure from the playoff pod battles should aid both teams as they enter key games. Twin Falls, especially, will take advantage of the Burley game and the following bye week to heal some wounds and get the flu bug out of its system.

Burley hosts Caldwell next week before embarking on a three-game road trip.

By Sara Young Times-News writer

JACKPOT, Nev. — Seventy-five swimmers from Idaho and Utah will have the opportunity to meet Olympians.

Three Olympic swimmers will visit the Jackpot Recreation Stadium, Sept. 28. The Blackfoot Swim Team is hosting a Gold Medal Clinic. The clinic takes Olympians across the nation to offer workshops to young athletes.

Stroke demonstrations, nutrition, water safety and decision making will all be covered. Aspiring swimmers will also have a chance to see Olympic medals and receive autographs.

Nelson Diebel from Oakebrook, Ill., is a full-time student at Princeton.

1992 Olympic gold Medalist in 100 yard breast stroke

American record holder in 100 meter breast stroke

1991 Pan Am Games runner-up in 100 meter breast stroke

Swimming Continued from B1

training. If light weights and run to build their endurance, but rarely find time in a pool.

"I just have to trust that they are out there practicing," Humphrey said.

Humphrey said she was surprised and pleased with the number of swimmers who joined the team this year. With only eight returns, she has many new recruits.

Barrett Humphrey is the lone senior, and along with Timothy

Olympic record holder in 100 meter breast stroke

Barbara Bedford is currently working in Etna, N.H.

1994 World Championship Bronze Medalist in the 100 meter breast stroke

1993 and 1991 World University Games Gold Medalist in 100 meter breast stroke and 400 meter medley relay.

Hans Dersch is a free-lance writer from College Station, Texas.

Member of the 1992 U.S. Olympic team

10th in the 100 meter breast stroke in Barcelona

1991 Pan Am Champion in the 100 meter breast stroke

19th fastest American ever in the 100 meter breast stroke

"This is going to be a really educational event for the kids. To see Olympic caliber athletes is a rare opportunity," Ken Blake, Director of Recreation and Tourism said.

"It's like bringing in Michael Jordan," Ann Standlee, Assistant

Canis County travels to Hansen, where the Huskies scored 80 points last week, at 7 p.m.

The A-4, 11-man teams start their conference battles, with Oakley at state champ Bait River and Sherman at Mackay, both at 7:30 p.m. Murtaugh plays non-conference vs Independence, Nev., at 7:30 p.m.

The rest of the state begins at 7:30 p.m. Wendell travels to Declo in a matchup of Canyon

Director said.

Standlee and Blake are both very excited about the clinic.

There is a \$30 registration fee per swimmer and they each receive a 1996 Gold Medal Clinic patch.

Only a few of these clinics are offered for each area.

The Recreation Department had to put down a deposit to secure their date for the clinic. The third week of Sept. is now reserved for the Jackpot Recreation Department for the future.

Events of this type are encouraged by Blake. It increases the amount of tourism to the city.

Parents have the opportunity to bring their kids to the clinic and they can tour the city.

The families from beyond the Magic Valley usually spend the night rather than driving home, Blake said.

The Recreation Department receives a room tax from every hotel in the area which is the primary funding for their programs.

This year we are just going to see what it is like," business manager Cora Caldwell said.

Gooding has five swimmers with experience in a competitive atmosphere, and 10 that Caldwell said should be strong by the end of the season.

In Burley, the swimmers practice at a local fitness club.

Coach Lisa Hobson returns to her several years ago. With a small but dedicated group, Hobson said she is looking forward to a successful season.

Conference unbentens. Filer hosts Bait for homecoming while Valley faces a stiff road test at defending state champion Glenns Ferry. Kimberly also travels a tough road, trying to remain in playoff contention at Gooding, with the Sevens smarting from a tough loss to Declo last week.

Reds 4, Cubs 3 CINCINNATI — Dropping out of

Orioles down BoSox, remain in hunt

BOSTON (AP) — Their hopes for a division title gone, the Baltimore Orioles improved their wild-card chances by beating the Boston Red Sox.

The Orioles, eliminated from the AL East when New York won earlier in the day, led by only one run before Mark Parent hit a three-run homer off Tim Wakefield (14-13) in the ninth. Eddie Murray walked and B.J. Surhoff singled before Parent hit his ninth homer of the season.

Mariners 11, Angels 2 ANAHEIM, Calif. — Dave Hollins had four hits and four RBIs as

Phillies 3, Expos 1 PHILADELPHIA — If the Montreal Expos looked at the Philadelphia Phillies lineup Wednesday night and just assumed they'd win, they were wrong.

Seattle snapped a three-game losing streak and stayed in the playoff race.

Seattle pulled within 2 1/2 games of idle Texas, the AL West leader, and remained 14 games behind wild-card leader Baltimore.

Alex Rodriguez broke a 2-2 tie in the seventh with a two-run double, and Dan Wilson hit a three-run homer off Darrell May in a six-run ninth as the Mariners ended the skid that followed a team-record 10-game winning streak.

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Bruins

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Burley is strongest up the middle, and that is where the "Bobcats" offensive strength will have to come from. If the Bruins defensive line is able to get into the backfield and rattle quarterback Zack Jensen (three interceptions last week), it could be a long homecoming for Burley.

As for the Bruin offense, Burley will need a much more balanced attack than the one that started the season. Running back George Salinas continues to roll along at 100 yards per game, but the passing game has matured over the last month.

Quarterback Ben Kohring threw three touchdowns passes and no interceptions while completing 54 percent of his passes last week.

"Burley likes to come with a lot of eight- and nine-man fronts," Schaal said. "We're going to want to throw the ball and make them honor the wide receivers."

"We'll have a couple of new wrinkles this week," Schaal said. "I think we'll be able to score some points."

That would be nothing new. Twin Falls averages 36.25 points per game. These teams haven't met since 1990, when the Bruins

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AL BOX SCORES

Table with columns for Team, W, L, Pct, and Runs, Hits, Errors. Includes Yankees 13, Brewers 2; Mariners 11, Angels 2.

AL STANDINGS

Table with columns for Team, W, L, Pct, GB, and Home. Includes Yankees, Mariners, Orioles, Blue Jays, Tigers, Red Sox.

NL STANDINGS

Table with columns for Team, W, L, Pct, GB, and Home. Includes Cardinals, Pirates, Astros, Expos, Braves, Phillies.

Yankees 13, Brewers 2

Box score for Yankees vs Brewers. Includes pitching stats for Tim Lincecum and Jeff Suppan.

Blue Jays 13, Tigers 11

Box score for Blue Jays vs Tigers. Includes pitching stats for Alex Rodriguez and Dan Wilson.

Cardinals R, Pirates 7

Box score for Cardinals vs Pirates. Includes pitching stats for Terry Bradshaw and Steve Largent.

GOLF

U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur Championship RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. (AP) — Second round of the U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur Championship at the Rancho Mirage Country Club will finish Tuesday.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL TORONTO (AP) — Toronto's scheduled 10-11 p.m. affiliation season will begin Tuesday.

ON THE AIR TELEVISION

Table listing TV and radio broadcasts for various sports events, including baseball, basketball, and football.

PHILLES 3, Expos 1

Box score for Phillies vs Expos. Includes pitching stats for Tim Lincecum and Jeff Suppan.

Mariners 11, Angels 2

Box score for Mariners vs Angels. Includes pitching stats for Dave Hollins and other players.

Indians 6, Twins 3

Box score for Indians vs Twins. Includes pitching stats for Terry Bradshaw and Steve Largent.

Royals R, White Sox 2

Box score for Royals vs White Sox. Includes pitching stats for Kevin Appier and other players.

Cardinals R, Pirates 7

Box score for Cardinals vs Pirates. Includes pitching stats for Terry Bradshaw and Steve Largent.

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LATE NL BOX SCORES

Table listing late NL box scores for various teams including Cardinals, Pirates, Astros, Expos, Braves, Phillies.

WILD CARD RACE

Table listing wild card race standings for various teams including Mariners, Angels, Indians, Twins, Royals, White Sox, Red Sox, Yankees, Orioles, Blue Jays, Tigers, Red Sox.

Rookie runners take top honors at Declo Invitational

By Kevin Miller Times-News writer

ALBION It's only been two years since A-3 class schools have their own division of cross country, but the proliferating effect is already showing.

Runners who didn't even compete in cross country a year ago won the Declo Invitational at the Albion Campus on Wednesday, while schools with established programs took the team trophies.

Valley's Casey Crumrine, sporting a tri-color racing striping in his hair, won the boys' competition by 72 seconds, while Leah Moore of Buhl, a sophomore, cruised for a win in the girls' race.

Moore didn't have enough teammates to support an Indian bid for the girls' team title. That went to Gooding, which placed two runners in the top 10.

Running without their fastest man, Wood River still managed to place all its runners among the top 20 to win the boys' team title.

High School athletes from 12 schools including first-year programs in Kimberly and Oakley raced across the two lap course that ran a little long.

"It seemed long," said Moore, who is undefeated in four races this fall. "I kept trying to stay on my pace. That's when others usually slow down and I catch them."

Moore gave up volleyball in favor of cross country. "I got in shape for basketball," she said. In just her fourth race, she is learning racing strategy.

Moore trailed Gooding's Jenni Nelson for the first mile, then overtook Nelson halfway through the second mile.

"The second mile is always the hardest for me. The first and last are the easiest," said Moore, who finished the race in 21 minutes, 49 seconds.

Crumrine made the entire race look easy. In the first mile, the Viking senior opened a 60-meter lead over second place finisher Nathaniel Castle of Gooding, and never slowed.

He crossed the finish line in a dead sprint, stopping the clock at 18:04.

"I like to keep the same pace, but it's hard without anyone to push me," Crumrine said.

Crumrine, a state placer in cross country, started Wednesday's season this year. A second Viking representative debuted with Crumrine at the Declo race.

More teams and athletes from



Buhl's Leah Moore, front, ran a steady pace to win the Declo Invitational on Tuesday, her fourth win in as many races this season.

smaller Magic Valley schools are making an entrance into cross country, Wood River coach Bill Martrell said. Breaking the long-standing policy that lumped all non-A-3 schools into one massive division has opened the sport up to more schools, he said.

"It's great to see this district develop, particularly the A-3," Martrell said. "There's a lot of kids who don't have a place in traditional skill sports. Here, you can be one of the last, but you can be improved and tried your

best, you're a success."

Declo Invitational
Boys team results: Wood River 33, Gooding 41, Declo 52, Oakley 104, Huff 113, Kimberly 172, Woodford 176.

Individual results: 1. Casey Crumrine, Valley, 18:04. 2. Nathaniel Castle, Gooding, 18:16. 3. Sam Wood, Declo, 19:24. 4. Mike Lloyd, Wood River, 19:48. 5. Jonathan Dief, Fair, 20:11. 6. Jackson Eastman, Wood River, 20:50. 7. Janet Jensen, Gooding, 20:14. 8. Justin Perkins, Declo, 20:22. 9. Adam Helms, Wood River, 20:24. 10. Kurt Smith, Wood River, 20:25.

Girls team results: Gooding 23, Woodford 37, Oakley 50, Kimberly 64, Declo 78, Huff 92, Fair 106, Valley 120, Twin Falls 134, Kimberly 148, Wood River 162, Declo 176, Gooding 190, Huff 204, Fair 218, Valley 232, Twin Falls 246, Wood River 260.

Carey takes Ketchum in volleyball

The Times-News

CAREY - The Carey Panthers remained unbeaten in Northside Conference volleyball Wednesday night, dominating the Ketchum-Sun Valley Community School, 15-7, 15-7.

Lacie Peterson had several kills and was perfect in nine serve attempts. Taylor and coach Barb Carey said. Marcella Payne also had a good night serving and added 11 assists from her setter position. Carey (6-0 league) hosts defending conference champion Shoshone tonight at 7 p.m. Carey will defend its junior varsity contest, 15-9, 8-15, 15-7.

Local sports

Declo at Malad No report

Soccer Highland 2, Burley 1

POCATELLO - Burley's soccer team rolled into Pocatello looking for an upset over Highland and almost got it before losing to the Class A-1 Rams, 2-1, Wednesday.

"I was really pleased with the kids. We played them straight

up, and that's a good team over there," Burley coach Wes Nyblade said.

Goalie Kyle Egbert had a couple of spectacular saves, Nyblade added.

Burley drew first blood when Oliver Schumacher sailed a throw-in past the Highland defense and past the goalie. Left forward Tom Tellez sneaked in and put the ball in the net.

The Rams evened the score on a penalty kick in the 34th minute, and took the lead midway through the second half on a shot from 35 yards out.

Burley hosts American Falls at 10 a.m. Saturday.

Man who caught Ripken's ball enjoys rewards other than money

BALTIMORE (AP) - When the bills need to be paid, Bryan Johnson thinks about what might have happened if he had sold the ball.

He could have paid off his college loans, or helped his girlfriend build her house. He could have realized the dream of quitting his government job and starting his own business.

But Johnson didn't sell the home run ball that Cal Ripken Jr. hit into his hands on the night he broke Lou Gehrig's consecutive games streak.

More than a year later, Johnson is convinced he made the right decision. "I don't care that Ripken is a millionaire, or a multimillionaire," Johnson said. "I'm satisfied I thought having this would mean more to him, and more to his kids, than anything I could have gotten out of it."

It was the right decision, Johnson said, even if another man sold Eddie Murray's home run ball for \$500,000 Tuesday.

Instead, Johnson said he has repaid benefits money can't buy.



Bryan Johnson

There are letters from strangers, thanking him for doing the right thing. There are the photographs people have sent him of the fateful moment. His mechanic gave him a discount and a podiumist even offered him free foot care.

"It gives you a high you can ride for years," he said. The questions started the

minute Johnson caught the ball Sept. 6, 1995, in the fourth inning of Ripken's 21st game. "Don't give it back!" the crowd shouted. A man appearing waving bills of cash, asking "How much do you want?"

But Johnson held fast, and somewhere around 2 a.m. the next morning he handed the ball to Ripken. In return, Johnson got a Louisville Slugger bat signed with this hand-drafted message from Ripken: "Thank you very much for the ball. We both share the same memory."

Johnson said there are other things he now finds more valuable than that bat, which sits in a plastic case on his wall.

Memories of his father, William Johnson of Franklin Fork, Pa., saying he was proud. Or the letter he got from his girlfriend on the anniversary of the catch: "Life provides us with defining moments now and then," she wrote. "Times when we're tested to see if what we say we are is who we really are. Well, in this defining moment - you truly shined."

Husker QB says loss was frustrating - more than once

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) - What could be more frustrating for quarterback Scott Frost than presiding over Nebraska's 19-0 loss to Arizona State last week?

Watching the game on film this week.

"The pictorial record showed 'a lot of guys were taking a lot of things for granted,'" Frost said. "Everyone was looking to someone else to try and make a great play."

The junior quarterback, predictably the target of a lot of radio talk show criticism, said the Cornhuskers learned from the defeat that ended a 26-game winning streak and left them with a 1-1 record.

After falling from No. 1 to No. 8 in the national rankings following the defeat, Frost said the Huskers have had their best offensive practices of the season.

"Honestly, I don't want time off," he said. "I wish we could play today and get the next game under our belt."

The next game won't come until Saturday when Nebraska enters the Colorado State game.

He said the Huskers knew they were not indestructible but they also knew they were better than their performance in Tempe.

"We were a little more frustrated after watching the game

'Everyone was looking to someone else to try and make a great play.'

- Scott Frost, Nebraska quarterback

film than we were even during the game," he said. "Watching the game film, honestly, there were six or seven plays where one more little thing happens ... one little thing happens, and the play goes the distance."

The little things that didn't happen included blocks, timely pitches and communication on audibles, he said.

When asked if Nebraska still has a shot at a national title, Frost points to his team's miserable performance against ASU.

"If we don't play better than that we won't have to worry about it," he said.

The nature of the defeat was troubling, Frost said.

"If a team just would have flat out beat us, I don't think it would have been as hard to swallow," he said. "But we did not play well as a team and especially as an offense."

He said he made "four or five" costly mistakes.

Frost, who on Tuesday skipped coach Tom Osborne's weekly meeting with reporters for the first time this year, said he could deal with criticism and disappointment of fans even though it sometimes seems overdone.

"Some of the guys were telling me they heard on the news that there's a hotline for people to call if they were feeling overly depressed, or if they were beating their wives or had a drinking problem because of this," Frost said. "That seems a little ridiculous to me."

"Some of the things they're saying about me, I'm sure, are a little ridiculous. I take some credit for the loss ... but at the same time nobody on the offense was there picking up the other people who weren't playing well. Usually when things go wrong for Nebraska ... there are a few people that will make great plays and it will pick everybody up and that didn't happen."

"We couldn't get the enthusiasm rolling, we couldn't get the fire going," he said.

Will those things be there Saturday?

"Well, it better be," he said. "I'll be disappointed in a lot of people if it isn't."

Dodgers in command on road to 2nd straight NL West title

LOS ANGELES (AP) - The Dodgers caught some breaks in Los Angeles and San Diego, moving closer to their second straight NL West championship.

Now they might have to beat San Diego just once in three games at Dodger Stadium this weekend to tie the Padres away.

The Dodgers won for the 23rd time in 31 games Tuesday night, beating San Francisco 6-2 thanks in part to a three-run sixth inning in which they were aided by good luck and shoddy defense.

"We got some breaks tonight, which helped," said Dodgers reliever Todd Worrell, who pitched a perfect ninth with two strikeouts. "Usually, they go against the team in the race."

One big one did in San Diego, where the Padres lost to Colorado 5-4 in 11 innings.

The game ended when Rockies scout bossman Eric Young left his feet to spear a soft liner hit by pinch-hitter Chris Gwynn and then doubled Steve Finley off second.

The Padres had loaded the bases with one out after Dante Bichette hit a solo homer in the top of the 11th off ace San Diego reliever Trevor Hoffman (9-5) to put the Rockies ahead.

A couple inches higher, or to the right or left, and Gwynn's hit would have been a game-winner. But it wasn't.

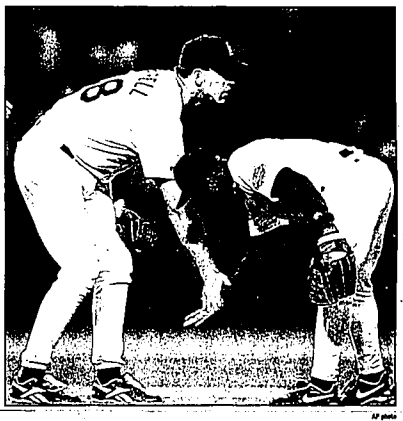
"Tough loss, definitely," said San Diego's Ken Caminiti, who hit a two-run homer in the seventh on any continuation of "But you have to come back and forget about it."

Entering Wednesday night, the Dodgers led the Padres by 1 1/2 games and had a major number of four - any continuation of four Dodger wins or Padre losses and Los Angeles clinches the division.

Los Angeles had five games remaining - two with the Giants and three with the Padres. San Diego had four left - one with the Rockies Wednesday night and the trio at Dodger Stadium.

The Padres, though, held a 112-game lead over Montreal in the NL wild-card race.

The Giants, who swept a four-game series from Colorado over the weekend, started four Rockies against the Dodgers, includ-



Los Angeles Dodgers relief pitcher Todd Worrell, left, and Chad Fonville exchange low-fives after Worrell struck out the last San Francisco batter in Tuesday night's 6-2 win in Los Angeles.

ing shortstop Wilson Delgado, who was pitching in his first big-league game.

"You don't know what to expect when you play teams like this," Dodgers manager Bill Russell said. "There's no pressure on them. They've got everything to win and nothing to lose. It went our way."

A rookie mistake by Delgado helped. The Dodgers led 2-0 in the second with one out and Greg Gagne on second when winning pitcher Ramon Martinez (15-6) hit a grounder to short.

Delgado tried to throw Gagne out at third, but the ball hit the runner and bounced into foul territory. Gagne came home to score on the play.

Martinez pitched seven strong innings. The Giants got their only two hits and runs in the fifth.

It was 3-2 when Allen Watson (8-11) walked Mike Piazza to start the sixth. Eric Karros followed with a sharp grounder up the middle. It appeared the ball would go into center field for a

single, but it hit second base umpire Paul Runge instead and rolled into short left field. Karros managed to leg it into a double.

That put runners at second and third rather than first and second. Raul Mondesi then struck out, but the pitch was in the dirt and bounced away from catcher Rick Wilkins, allowing Mondesi to reach and loading the bases.

Tim Wallace followed with a fly to short left-center that was caught by man left fielder Barry Bonds and center fielder Marvin Benard for an RBI single. It appeared either player could have made the catch. "It fell," Bonds said when asked what happened. "We just miscommunicated, that's all. That happens."

Pinch-hitter Billy Ashley's infield hit made it 5-2, and Mondesi scored as Gagne grounded out.

"Six outs in that inning; the whole season wrapped up in an inning," Watson said. "But you can't blame anyone. That was the weirdest inning of my career."

Woods slows, steps out of Buick Challenge

The Associated Press

A frantic five-week run in which Tiger Woods won the U.S. Amateur, turned pro with golf's richest endorsement deal and played 408 holes at 63-under-par ended Wednesday when he withdrew from the Buick Challenge, citing exhaustion.

"The past five weeks have been the most challenging of my life and at the same time the most physically and emotionally draining," the 20-year-old Woods said in a statement released by his agent.

He came here fully intending to play in the Buick Challenge. I realized last night that I was actually mentally exhausted and that if I played I would be doing a dis-

service to myself and to those who came to watch me play."

Woods, who had a chance to win the past two weeks, said "being in contention resulted in more strain than I anticipated."

The Buick Challenge, which begins Thursday in Pine Mountain, Ga., about 70 miles southwest of Atlanta, has the strongest field of any of the events since Woods turned pro. Among those entered were Fred Couples, John Daly, Steve Elkington, Mark Brooks, Lee Janzen, Davis Love III and Vijay Singh.

Sandelin - who won \$2,500 in 14 events this year and was 35th on the money list - replaced Woods in the field. Billy Andrade took Woods' place in

the pro-am event.

Woods' grand entry to the Buick and six other tournaments by accepting the seven sponsor exemptions non-tour members are allowed under PGA Tour rules. He needed those events to earn enough money to get his PGA Tour card and avoid going to qualifying school.

"I am going to rest for the remainder of this week and I hope and plan to be back next week in Las Vegas," Woods said.

Woods had committed to play in the Las Vegas Invitational next week and the Texas Open the week after. By moving into the top 150 on the money list, Woods also became eligible to play in the season-ending Disney Classic Oct. 17-20.

AROUND THE VALLEY

Irrigators can leave pumps connected

BOISE - From now on, southern Idaho irrigation customers of Idaho Power Co. can leave their pumps connected year-round. The Public Utilities Commission said Wednesday the new policy is part of a successful pilot project in the Blackfoot area. It is available only to irrigation customers in the company's Idaho service territory. Traditionally, irrigation customers have disconnected pumps to pump at the end of the irrigating season. At the beginning of the next season, they often had to wait to have pumps reconnected because of seasonal demands on Idaho Power service staff. The new program will allow irrigators to use their pumps any time during the year. Changes under the new program include a customer service charge of \$2.50 per month during the out-of-season months October through May. Previously, the customer service charge was \$10 during any month a pump was connected. Idaho Power said it has prepared a brochure explaining the changes, and it will be mailed to all irrigation customers this week.

Computer instruction available to public

WENDELL - An annual training seminar on how to use computers, traditionally offered to teachers, will be offered free of charge to Magic Valley residents. At Wendell High School on Oct. 3, Canadian educator Jan Jukes will teach participants how to use the Internet to gather information, especially for students, with a focus on curriculums, according to a news release. The seminar is sponsored by the Local Consortium of Southern Idaho, the Idaho Department of Education. Jukes is the associate director of the Thornburg Center for Professional Development in Kelowna, British Columbia. He also will discuss how teachers can plan curriculums for every grade. Participants must register from 9:30 to 10 a.m., and a workshop will be held from 1 to 3:30 p.m. For more information, call Christy Pyles of the Local Consortium of Southern Idaho at 536-2100, Wendell High School.

Public input revises bomb drop site alternatives

MOUNTAIN HOME - The public scoping period of the Enhanced Training in Idaho project resulted in addition of a new alternative to be analyzed as a bomb-drop site, according to Mountain Home Air Force Base officials. The Air Force and the Bureau of Land Management talked to many individuals and groups, and comments led the BLM to recommend that the Air Force look for a possible site for the 12,000-acre drop zone further east of the Brunson-Jarbridge canyon area. The proposed new area is east of Three Creek Road and the Clover Butte site (Alternative B) and is referred to as the Juniper Butte area. The Air Force determined this location could meet the operational requirements of the 366th Wing. The proposal would require about a 2.5-mile extension of the eastern boundary of existing airspace to the Twin Falls County line. The Juniper Butte site (Alternative D) will be included and analyzed in the environmental impact statement. Data collection and analysis of the information is under way for all alternatives. A draft environmental impact statement should be published and made available for review by spring of 1997, and a series of public meetings will follow.

Rights commission rules in favor of plaintiff

BURLEY - The Idaho Human Rights Commission ruled Tuesday that a former Cassia County School District employee has "just cause" for filing a discrimination lawsuit against the school board and former Superintendent Everett Howard. However, the human rights commission will not join Sharon Harrison, formerly the school's business manager, as a plaintiff in the lawsuit. Harrison's suit claims the district discriminated against her by hiring a man to a newly created position with the same duties of her own, then firing her on April 11, 1995. Carole Sletten, Harrison's Twin Falls attorney, said the commission's ruling adds support to their case. "Now we just have to wait for the school district to answer our summons," Sletten said. "Afterward, we will engage in substantial discovery procedures with them and take it from there." Sletten said the lawsuit was formally served to the school district on Aug. 23. The district agreed to accept service of the summons voluntarily, which gives it 60 days - instead of 20 - to answer the summons, he said. School district attorney Doug Whipple said Tuesday that an attorney in Boise is representing the school district in the lawsuit and that the district's insurance carrier is looking into the matter. The suit seeks in excess of \$40,000 in damages, as well as unspecified punitive damages and attorney fees.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Kimberly schools raise teachers' pay

By Liz Wright
Times-News writer

KIMBERLY - Kimberly School Board members Wednesday gave a 1.7 percent cost-of-living increase to 11 tenured teachers whose salaries were frozen to comply with a 2-year-old state law. The board will negotiate the issue of compensation for the frozen salaries with the local teachers' union in years to come, board member Beverly Shewmaker said. Earlier this month, the School Board froze the pay of anyone who decided to

become a teacher later in life and received extra pay for years spent in college taking a major other than education. Teacher George McAdams said the cost-of-living increase probably means several hundred dollars more this year on his paycheck, rather than roughly \$2,000 more he would have received under the old salary schedule. Despite the difference, McAdams said he is pleased to hear of future negotiations. "To me, that is a step in the right direction," McAdams said.

Teachers primarily were upset that school officials didn't warn them about the freeze ahead of time so they could start making up the credits to receive raises again, he said. Shewmaker said board members didn't freeze the salaries two years ago when the new salary law was enacted because they were uncertain about its effects. The new law increases pay for most teachers, and those who meet new credit requirements will receive higher credits eventually, Shewmaker said. Board members said they couldn't

negotiate with teachers this year because no one represented the local teachers' union until recently. The cost-of-living increase is equal to what school administrators received this year and will amount to roughly \$7,000 out of the district's general fund, Shewmaker said. Other expenses in the district, such as school supplies, probably won't be affected, she said. The board also decided that it hadn't violated any labor agreement with the teachers' union, the Kimberly Education Association.

BOYS WILL BE ...



The girls took the field Wednesday evening and left the cheerleading to the boys during the annual Burley High School powder puff football game. The game is part of the school's homecoming celebration.

Columbia is carcinogen leader

Report also notes Potlatch is Snake River's biggest polluter

WASHINGTON - More than 1 million pounds of toxic chemicals were legally dumped into three Idaho rivers from 1990 to 1994, according to a report released Tuesday. Heading the list of polluters in Idaho is Potlatch Corp.'s Lewiston mill, pouring 379,000 pounds of toxic chemicals into the Snake River, the Washington, D.C.-based Environmental Working Group and the U.S. Public Interest Research Group said. Numbers two and three were the Ore-Ida Foods processing plant in Burley, with 270,962 pounds; and the J.R. Simplot Co. plant in Heyburn, with 200,487 pounds. The bulk of the two

plants' discharge to the Snake River is ammonia. These discharges are within the limits of federal discharge permits, Simplot spokesman Fred Zerza said. The ammonia comes from treating potato processing waste. The concentration of ammonia is less than the federal limit set to protect fish, he said. The Ore-Ida discharge also is well below the federal limit, company spokesman Grant Jones said. Both plants treat their waste water before discharging it to the Snake River. Simplot is always looking for ways to decrease the amount and takes advantage of any technology improvements that come along, Zerza said. Three Idaho waterways - the Snake and Boise rivers and Indian Creek -

received 1,020,000 pounds of toxic pollution during the period. The report is based on an Environmental Protection Agency study, including data supplied by industries responsible for the discharges. But industries are required to report only 340 of 73,000 potentially toxic chemicals generated by manufacturing and industrial processes. "Unfortunately, it only represents the tip of the iceberg, because nearly 95 percent of our river polluters are not currently required to report their discharges to the (EPA)," said Tom Keefe of the Environmental Information Center office in Kamiah. Meanwhile in Washington, industries

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Best deregulation advice: Empower yourself

TWIN FALLS - The best advice for those concerned about the effects of electric utility deregulation on power bills: become active in professional organizations, stay informed and hold elected officials accountable. That was the advice from state Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly, at a public discussion Wednesday evening on the issue of opening electric utilities to competition. Some say deregulation is inevitable, but deregulation already is here as a

result of congressional action. A 1992 law got the ball rolling by opening the industry to competition. "If you open things to competition, you're going to see winners and losers," said Dennis Hansen of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission. In Boise, residential power rates are 5.5 cents per kilowatt hour. In Sacramento, Calif., residential rates are 13.1 cents per kilowatt hour, according to a chart he presented. But when competition is introduced, prices are supposed to come down, and service and quality are supposed to go up, said Dan Olmstead of Idaho Power Co. Competition gives customers a

chance to look for lower prices, he said. But deregulations may have some more serious implications. When large customers shop for low prices, who picks up the cost - the small customer or the shareholder in the utility? It costs the power company a certain amount to bring electricity to a user. In order to serve everyone equally within a service area, those costs are averaged out over customer classes, such as irrigators or residential or business customers. In Idaho Power's service area the cost

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Agency takes shot at outbreak

Health district hopes it has hepatitis in hand

TWIN FALLS - After more than 500 immunizations, no new cases of hepatitis A have appeared from a cook at a Twin Falls restaurant or from a group of Jerome residents. Due to the four-week incubation period of the illness, new cases could still be traced back to the restaurant worker, said Maggi Machala with the South Central District Health Department. On Sept. 18, the health district said a cook at the S o b b u s t e r Restaurant and Bakery had contracted hepatitis A. Customers who ate at the restaurant from Sept. 6 to 8 and Sept. 13 were asked to come in for an immune-globulin shot and more than 400 responded, Machala said. "We've had hundreds of calls per day and we've handled it," she said. "I hope this is it." Immune globulin helps prevent the illness within 14 days of possible exposure. Early hepatitis symptoms include loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain and aching. Later symptoms include jaundice, or yellowing of the skin and eyes, dark-colored urine or light-colored stool. Starting Sept. 13, nine people have turned up with hepatitis A at the Casa Del Prado housing complex in Jerome. The health district provided 150 shots of immune globulin. "I feel we've done a good job of getting on top of it immediately," Machala said. Hepatitis A is an infection of the liver caused by a virus in the intestines of an infected person. If a person doesn't wash his or her hands after a bowel movement, the virus may be spread to others by direct contact or consuming food or drink handled by an infected person. The illness can be mild, or it can require hospitalization. A person is infectious two weeks before symptoms begin until two weeks after. The best way to prevent the illness is to wash your hands after going to the toilet or changing diapers.

More info
Call the South Central District Health Department at 734-2900.

Batt's press secretary joins anti-waste initiative fight

BOISE - Gov. Phil Batt's press secretary, Amy Kleiner, has quit her job to work to defeat the initiative that would rescind Batt's nuclear waste agreement. Kleiner no longer is on the public payroll. She will be paid by the Get the Waste Out campaign, the industry-labor coalition opposing Proposition Three, a ballot measure that would overturn Batt's nuclear waste agreement with the federal government. Kleiner said she volunteered for the job as deputy to campaign director Trent Clark. Batt also asked her to take the post. "I want to help the governor," Kleiner said. "And having a 3-year-old, I really feel it is important the agreement stays in place." Batt said accepting 1,133 new shipments of highly radioactive waste at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory, in exchange for promises to treat and remove most of the waste by 2035, is the

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MAGIC VALLEY

Jerome commissioners eye county-wide sign ordinance

By Dede Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - Jerome County may get its first all-purpose sign ordinance, if county commissioners approve a planning and zoning proposal.

In the past, whenever a new business came into Jerome County, the planning and zoning commission had to issue a variance for signs. But in a public hearing before commissioners Monday, county Planning and Zoning Administrator Art Brown presented a sign ordinance proposal.

The proposed ordinance will set guidelines for signs in the county and will limit signs in the agricultural areas. Guidelines include:

- A sign can come out eight feet above the right of way if it is up above and does not block pedestrian flow.
- Public-owned signs or traffic-control signs - such as entrance or exit signs - can be in the public right of way.
- Free-standing signs - for example, "for sale" or "con-

- structed by" signs - are limited in size to 128 square feet in a commercial zone, 32 square feet in an agricultural zone and six square feet in a residential zone.
- Electron signs can be put up 60 days prior to an election and must be taken down 60 days after the election. They cannot be placed in the public right of way. When a person goes into the courthouse to sign up to run for public office, he or she will receive the 60-day sign rules as part of the sign-up process.
- Billboards are limited to one per property owner and to 800 square feet. They are not to extend more than 35 feet above the level of the road and can be no closer than 10 feet to the right of way.
- In a commercial/manufacturing district, one free-standing sign will be allowed per building and can't be more than 30 feet high or exceed 200 square feet. The sign can be no closer than 10 feet to the right of way or 30 feet to the adjoining lot line. If a group of businesses wants a combined sign,

it can be up to 400 square feet and can go up 85 feet. A building permit will be required for all signs.

Special permit signs in agricultural and agricultural/residential areas can be no higher than 30 feet, no larger than 32 square feet in display space and no closer than 10 feet to the right of way.

Businesses are allowed one free-standing sign off their premises to be up to 35 feet high and 150 square feet if it is on a state or federal highway.

- There are to be no flashing lights or search lights on any signs.

Already-existing signs can remain in place. If an existing sign is taken down, the owner has two years to replace the sign; after that, it is as if the sign never existed.

In the case of a violation, the county will notify the offending property owner. If the owner doesn't take the sign down, the county will remove the sign and bill the property owner for the removal.

Housing officials plan survey of Ketchum incomes, homes

Aim is to attract affordable housing to Blaine County

By Julie Casey Lynn
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM - The Ketchum Housing Authority Commission is getting its ducks in a row to attract developers of affordable housing in Ketchum and Blaine County by using federal tax credits and other incentives.

In a commission meeting Tuesday night, Ketchum's Housing Coordinator Karl Fulmer presented a draft mission statement and guidelines detailing how the commission might set up funding for development and maintenance of rent- and deed-restricted housing.

The housing guidelines are in an early stage of development, waiting for an extensive survey of income levels of workers and an assessment of available housing stocks in Ketchum and Blaine County.

The survey would assess the housing needs, market conditions and the income levels of Ketchum workers. The commission will like rent-restricted housing to serve individuals and families who are members of the Ketchum and Blaine County communities, according to Fulmer's report. Some of the target groups would be firefighters, public safety officers, municipal employees, teachers, nurses, medical technicians, full-time Ketchum business employees and employees; long-term, low-income residents; retired and senior residents; and the physically challenged.

Fulmer hopes to hire a firm to conduct the survey by the end of September. The survey would be completed by the end of the year.

"For the members of the press, we need to explain why we are doing the survey. People are going to read about this and say, 'Not another survey,'" said Ed Simon, a housing commissioner.

Fulmer explained that the data

is needed so that a potential developer can qualify for federal-ly assisted development programs.

The survey will provide data for the commission to complete guidelines for income categories, rents and mortgage rates which need to be established for any federal programs. The commission has to establish standards

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-Hal D. McNeec,
housing commissioner

that follow federally-assisted housing standards.

The first project on the commission's work table is to establish affordability guidelines for the Community Housing Program, according to Fulmer.

The commission is working to create the framework for affordable housing. Projects possible in Ketchum and Blaine County, Fulmer said.

"We need to be responsive (to community members) so that they can understand we're not reinventing the wheel and developing something that is already here. Do we have any sense or probability that this is doable - that we can build affordable housing in this range in this community?" said Hal D. McNeec, a housing commissioner and land developer.

Fulmer said that he hoped the survey would answer some of McNeec's concerns and that a construction costs feasibility study will be part of his work program.

The guidelines have two parts - one for federally assisted projects

and a second for projects funded by "municipal grant money" and traditional funding sources with no federal money. After the survey, the commission can ping in values for projects funded by municipal grants and traditional funding sources.

A potential developer who plans to qualify for federal tax credits would have to follow federal guidelines. For example, a person earning that more than \$17,532 has a very low income level. The low income level for a single person is \$28,000; moderate is \$35,053; and middle is \$42,078. People in the very low to moderate income categories would be allocated certain portions of housing in a community housing project.

"All of the rents and mortgage rates are linked to income levels so that rents do not exceed more than 30 percent of the gross household income," Fulmer said. Gross rent is defined as base rent plus utility payments. For example, the gross rent for one person renting a studio apartment and earning not more than \$17,532 could not exceed \$438 per month.

When asked about sources for potential funding, Fulmer said, "Idaho doesn't have many enabling laws that allow municipalities taxing authority," but he said that he was looking for funding strategies such as a real estate transfer sales tax and funding from municipal grants.

Simon added, "One potential for funding is to increase the city's operating budget."

"If local people are going to subsidize employers who hire individuals that provide for the community's infrastructure, the funding will have to be balanced and beneficial to the general taxpayer," McNeec said. "We're going to have to look at alternative funding."

DEATH NOTICES

Ted R. Worthington
BURLEY - Ted R. Worthington, 26, of Burley, died Monday, Sept. 23, 1996, as the result of an accidental electrocution.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St. in Burley. Burial will follow at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today and one hour before the funeral on Friday at the funeral chapel.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorials to help defray funeral expenses be left at the Payne Mortuary.

Ernest R. Mullins
MOUNTAIN HOME - Ernest R. Mullins, 84, of Mountain Home, died Tuesday, Sept. 24, 1996, in a Mountain Home hospital.

The funeral will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the Hagerman LDS Church. Burial will follow at the Hagerman Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Summers Funeral Homes, McMurry Chapel in Mountain Home.

Ira L. Hopper
FAIRFIELD - Ira Lyle Hopper, 69, of Fairfield, died Tuesday, Sept. 24, 1996, in a Boise hospital.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demary's Gooding Chapel.

George Murdock
RUPERT - George Murdock, 77, of Pocatello and formerly of Rupert, died Wednesday, Sept. 25, 1996, at the Minidoka Memorial Hospital Extended Care in Rupert.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

John Simpson
RUPERT - John Simpson, 77, of Rupert, died Tuesday, Sept. 24, 1996, at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Virginia E. Power
TWIN FALLS - Virginia E. Power, 83, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Sept. 24, 1996, at her home.

Steve Groves, of Star, Idaho, and formerly of Twin Falls, noon today, Cloverdale Funeral Home, Boise. Memorial service, 11 a.m. Friday, White Mortuary, Twin Falls.

Wilma Nelson Parikh, of Burley, noon today, Burley LDS 7th Ward Chapel. Viewing, one hour before the funeral at the church, (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).

Everett Kenneth Pool, of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. Saturday, White Mortuary, Twin Falls. Viewing, 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral chapel.

Emma R. Hanson, of Twin Falls, 1:30 p.m. Saturday, White Mortuary, Twin Falls. Viewing, 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral chapel.

SERVICES

Ketchum delays subdivision action

By Julie Casey Lynn
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM - The Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission made fast work of its agenda Monday evening but postponed one of its items.

The public hearing on Carl Curtis' application to subdivide Lot 1 of the Esmeralda Subdivision into two lots - and on his two waiver requests to a street standards ordinance - was postponed and will be left off the agenda until Curtis applies for a rezoning.

In other business:

- The commission gave final approval to the Westwood Townhomes Phase Subdivision located on 205 Bird Drive in west Ketchum.
- In the design review session, the commission approved application for a garage on Lynn Lucere's property at 403 Huffman Drive - provided that she bury existing power to the street and her adjoining home.

Power lines must be buried because the property is within the mountain overlay district.

The commission approved Durance Cycleworks' plans to change the facade of an existing commercial building at 131 Second St. The commission also approved an application to amend the design of the Praggas office building at 500 Second Ave. N. to make some changes in a window and exterior lighting.

In a pre-application design review hearing, Richard Shaefer proposed eight new residences at 475 Wood River Drive. The project would involve four three-story duplexes with two-car garages.

Commissioner Mark Gasenica expressed a consensus among planning commissioners that the project was attractive and well-designed but had problems with the lack of

guest parking and snow removal. Traffic circulation was a real problem, and Gasenica stressed that a turnaround would be needed.

The pre-application hearing process allows applicants to have projects reviewed before they go to great expense and time, according to Kathy Grotto, Ketchum city planner. The commission never makes any findings in these pre-application hearings - it just recommends, Grotto said.

A mixed-use building was proposed at the corner of First Avenue and Eighth Street. The proposed Locust Building would have underground parking, two floors of office space and a third-floor penthouse apartment.

The council recommended changing access to the underground parking to the adjacent alley rather than having egress onto Eighth Street. There also was consensus that the project was attractive and well-designed but had problems with the lack of

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Virginia Kelley, Maxine A. Moll, Stacy L. Davis and Richard W. Brown, all of Twin Falls.

Released
Hetty Christensen, Wesley Dory, Fredrick Johnson and Rosa Macias, all of Burley; Jeanne Mangum and Alice Peterson, both of Paul; Rachel Pringle of Heyburn; Andy Rippy and Mildred Rippy, both of Oakley; and Richard Schow and Anna Walker, both of Rupert.

CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
Admitted
Margaret Clayville, Joe Gonzalez and Kathy Knight, all of Burley; Daryl Hudson of Heyburn; and Lino Varela and Cleo Moxon, both of Paul.

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

Admitted
Barbara Hale, George Jurek and Lily Hobbs, all of Rupert.

Released
Nikolas Lopez of Rupert.

Gooding commissioners to ask public what it wants from ambulance service

By Steve Koehler
Times-News correspondent

WENDELL - Gooding County commissioners need a whopping budget increase to finance the present level of the county's ambulance service, and they'll hold a public hearing to find out what the public wants them to do.

The financial problem began when commissioners sought to bring the wages of ambulance crewmen into compliance with the federal Fair Labor Standards Act. The crewmen had been working for far below minimum wage, commissioners said.

The upcoming budget shortfall is worse than last year's. An additional \$141,000 over the \$279,000 budget would be needed to provide the present ambulance service for the 1997 fiscal year, according to County Clerk Helen Eads. The fiscal year begins Tuesday.

Commissioner Win Henslee said the additional money would pay for the existing ambulance crews in Wendell and Gooding.

Each crew is manned by two people, 24 hours per day. The ambulance service already has

When and where

Gooding County commissioners will hold a public meeting on Gooding Tuesday, Sept. 26, at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the Wendell High School auditorium, 750 E. Main.

been running over budget for the 1996 fiscal year.

Commissioner Mitch Arkoosh said the purpose of the public meeting is to find out if residents want to maintain the present level of ambulance service, if so, commissioners want ideas on how to finance it.

Arkoosh offered some options for overcoming the budget crisis: Form a taxing district to raise the cash; have the hospital take over the ambulance service; assign operation of the ambulance service to a private company; or restructure crew schedules to include more quick-response units and less ambulance service.

"Shutting down the ambulance is not one of the options," Arkoosh said. "There's a lot of smart people around who might know how to save money."

Other problems loom over the ambulance service.

Ambulance housing is needed in Wendell. And should a taxing district be formed, the residents of Hagerman and Bliss, who have only volunteer quick-response units, might object to paying for full ambulance services elsewhere in the county.

"I do not want, and what are they willing to pay for it?" Henslee said. "This is something we can get public input on and tailor to the community."

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William 'Bill' Lewis Johnson
William "Bill" Lewis Johnson, 56,

of Blackfoot and formerly of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Sept. 24, 1996, at the Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center in Pocatello.

Bill was born Nov. 1, 1939, in Bonan, Mont., the son of Irving Lewis and Lydia Harlan. Robert Johnson. He grew up and attended school in Bonan and graduated from Bonan High School. Bill entered the U.S. Army in December of 1959, and was honorably discharged in 1964. He went to work for International Harvester in Fort Wayne, Ind., and for Navistar in Ohio for over 17 years. Bill retired from Navistar in 1991, and came to Twin Falls where he worked conducting. He moved to Blackfoot in 1993, where he tended bar for a few years.

Bill loved to fish and golf. However, his true love was his kids and grandkids. Bill had a kind and

giving spirit and those whose lives he touched will never forget him. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Bill is survived by one son, Michael (Karen) Johnson of Twin Falls; two daughters, Kim Johnson of Las Vegas, Nev., and Kris (Jon) Oelke of Denver, Colo.; two sisters, Peggy (Terry) Veis and Patty Pelletier, both of Twin Falls; and three grandchildren, Andy, Chad, and Nicholas. He was preceded in death by his parents.

A memorial service will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 26, 1996, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls, with Fr. Robb Keller officiating.

No viewing will take place. Inurnment will take place on Friday in Bonan. Local arrangements are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

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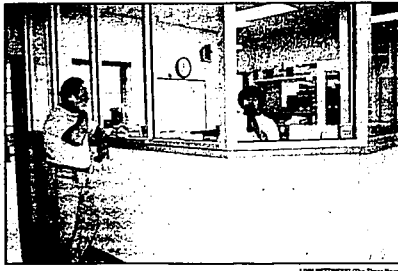
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Juvenile detention center steels itself

— FOR THE RECORD —

Facility's upgrades makes it safer than ever, director says

By Lori Bettinsack
Times-News Staff



Don Garner, director of the Mini-Cassia Juvenile Detention Center, talks on the phone outside the center's new control room Wednesday, while Detention Officer Cynthia Wren talks to an inmate by radio. By building an enclosed glass wall around the control room and making other improvements, Garner said, the center is safer for employees.

RUPERT — When Don Garner was hired as director at the Mini-Cassia Juvenile Detention Center two years ago, tightening security and improving safety for employees were his top priorities.

Unlocked doors, unsafe work areas and other safety concerns called for changes that Garner says have not only improved the facility, but made it one of the safest detention centers in southern Idaho.

A fully enclosed control room, a new sound system, electronically-monitored ankle bracelets and cover locks have been added over the past two years.

"This is what the Mini-Cassia Jail Committee wanted when they hired me, and now we've got it to where we're safer and more secure than ever," Garner said.

In March, the center's control area was fully enclosed in glass to protect employees. Before that, Garner said inmates could jump over a five-foot counter and possibly hurt someone or even escape.

The new sound system was needed to monitor activity in the holding cells, because the glass control booth made it harder for the officers to hear, he said. A system is being installed that allows officers to hear what is

happening in each cell at all times.

"This is a big improvement over the old system that only allowed us to hear in one room at a time and for a limited amount of time," Garner said. "We're also improving the outside speakers so we can hear people better when they are waiting at the exterior doors."

The center has also begun using ankle bracelets as monitoring devices for juveniles on probation. A federal grant last summer paid for the bracelets.

If the bracelets are removed or tampered with, an alarm alerts a contractor, who calls the juvenile's probation officer.

"This is a great option for us because it allows the kids to go to school or work, which they can do in detention," Garner said. "It's also given us more space in the center for other kids who need closer supervision."

Since the center opened in 1992, Garner said daily capacity has increased on average from eight inmates a day to 14. Recently, this number has jumped to nearly 16 a day, the most the center can handle.

Cassia County
RUPERT — Recent activity in the Cassia County 5th District Courthouse included:

Felony sentences
Philip Jason Lara, 16, 1220 E. 16th St. #34, Burley: crime against nature. Sentenced to 180 days in jail, four years probation, and \$5,436.22 due victims, \$76.50 court costs, and \$500 defender fees.

Candace K. Doten, 40, 1981 Hillcrest Space B-7, Burley: fraudulently obtained welfare, public assistance, etc. Sentenced to five years probation, total restitution of \$5,436.22 due victims, \$76.50 court costs, and \$500 defender fees.

Bobby E. Doten, 45, 1981 Hillcrest Space B-7, Burley: public assistance, etc. Sentenced to five years probation, total restitution of \$5,436.21 due victims, \$76.50 court costs, and \$500 defender fees.

James Ronnie Timmons, 24, 1225 S. Southwest Salmon, Portland, Ore.: burglary. Sentenced to seven days in jail, three years probation, total restitution of \$500 due victims, \$76.50 court costs, and \$500 defender fees.

Felony dismissal
James Ronnie Timmons, 24, 1236 Southwest Salmon, Portland, Ore., grand theft.

Bobby E. Doten, 45, 1981 Hillcrest Space B-7, Burley, two counts of fraudulently obtaining welfare, public assistance, etc.

Candace K. Doten, 40, 1981 Hillcrest Space B-7, Burley, two counts of fraudulently obtaining welfare, public assistance, etc.

Drunk-driving sentences
Adam Sapien, 29, 1821 Heyburn: sentenced to 18 to 42 months in prison, one year suspended driver's license, and \$91.50 court costs.

Minidoka County
RUPERT — Recent activity in the Minidoka County 5th District Courthouse included:

Felony dismissals
Cesar C. Cabrera, 21, P.O. Box 122 Route 1, Rupert, attempt to flee or elude a police officer.

Norberto Graciano-Valdez, 28, Rupert, possession of a controlled substance.

Robert Wayne Thornton, 34, 27 N 1050 East, Declo, possession of a controlled substance.

Water-on-the-road ordinance hits end of road

By Jennifer Branch
Times-News Staff

RUPERT — A Cassia County law that slaps stiffer fines on farmers who irrigate public roads conflicts with state law and is not enforceable, a judge ruled Wednesday.

Cassia County attempted to crack down on its water-on-the-road problem in April, passing an ordinance that set first-time fines at \$100 and subsequent fines at \$300.

Oakley rancher and attorney Don Pickett challenged the county, saying state law limits first-time fines to \$50 and sets a \$100 fine for a second offense.

In this case, state law clearly

sets fines and doesn't leave room for counties to improvise. 5th District Judge Daniel Mehl of Twin Falls wrote in his decision.

"Cassia County is attempting to authorize a penalty that the Legislature has forbidden, which is a penalty above the statutory limit of \$50," Mehl wrote.

County highway districts should seek to have the state law changed if they don't think the current fines are enough of a deterrent, Mehl said.

Pickett, a rancher with the Pickett Ranch and Sheep Co. in Oakley, practices law part time. He challenged the county's ordinance after he had been cited for spreading irrigation water on the

roadway. The charge was dismissed.

"I feel the commissioners need to recognize the county needs to honor the state law, just as much as the people do," Pickett said.

Neal Thomas, Burley Highway District director, said he is disappointed the county law didn't hold up.

"I'd like to see the law stricter, with a little more teeth in it. I think that's an old, outdated law," Thomas said of the state law, adopted in 1885.

However, the highway district has made progress this season, getting farmers to cooperate in order to help remedy the problem, Thomas said.

Meanwhile, the district has

been enforcing the state law since Pickett sued the county in June.

Deelo area farmer Brent Stoker said he was glad Pickett challenged the issue and that it has been settled.

Cassia County Commissioner Lyle Woodbury said commissioners had to set the ordinance in court.

"We weren't sure whether we could do it or not," Woodbury said.

Commission members had been concerned about how a ruling against the county would affect other county laws, he said.

County Prosecutor Stephen Bywater was out of town and could not be reached for comment.

5 added to potato Hall of Fame

BLACKFOOT (AP) — There will be five new names in the Hall of Fame roster at the Idaho Potato Exposition, honoring leaders of an industry that produces the state's most famous crop.

Mini-Cassia native J.R. Simplot, Lloyd Searle, M.L. "Gus" Gustavson, Merthen Miles and the late Carl E. Johnson will be honored at a Jan. 22 ceremony at the Pocatello Quality Inn.

The Expo scarred the Hall of Fame year to honor those who have made contributions to the potato industry. Inaugural inductees included Twin Falls grower John Hansen, Ashton seed grower Preston Ashley, Nonpareil president Hal Abend, spud machinery inventor Carl Hobbs and researcher Walter Sparks.

Simplot, of Boise, has been involved in all aspects of potato growing, processing, packing and shipping. He is credited with the

development of the first commercial frozen French-fried potatoes and built that into one of the largest private fortunes in the United States.

Simplot is one of the state's largest employers in a conglomerate that includes fertilizer plants, processing plants and livestock operations.

Searle, of Shelley, is a potato grower and one of the first in the industry to use chemical fumigation techniques to improve crop yield. Gustavson, of Blackfoot, was an early sales representative for Sun Spud Potatoes and later president of Basic American Foods.



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Deregulation

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to bring power to an irrigator is about 41 cents per kilowatt hour, said Lynn Tominga of the Idaho Water Users Association. The irrigator is charged about 3.6 cents per kilowatt hour. In eastern Idaho the cost is 6.1 cents and irrigators pay about 3 cents, he said.

Under deregulation the price charged would be at least the same as the cost — "that goes along with competition," Tominga said. Such an increase could affect a large part of irrigated agricultural lands in southern Idaho, he said.

Deregulation in the past typically has meant better service to

large customers, Hansen said, citing railroad deregulation. The railroad concentrated on large customers, moved more freight and made more money. But many small rural communities were left with abandoned tracks.

Hansen questioned the fate of small, remote rural communities under deregulation.

Federal legislation proposed this year would have required states to open electric utilities to competition, or else federal regulators would impose competition. That bill is dead and must be reintroduced next year.

U.S. Rep. Mike Crapo sits on the subcommittee that would oversee such legislation.

Batt

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best way to ensure Idaho does not become a permanent dump.

Opponents say the agreement is unenforceable and only brings in more waste because there is as yet no place to send the waste

that has been collecting at INEL since the 1950s.

Julie Pipal, Batt's assistant press secretary, has been preceded to press secretary. Kleiner, however, hopes to return to her old job after the election.

Columbia

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legally discharged more cancer-causing chemicals into that state's waters than in any other state from 1990 to 1994, the report said. The Columbia River headed the list of 50 U.S. water bodies receiving the most carcinogens during the five years.

Pulp and paper mills were among the leading contributors that pushed Washington state to the top with an estimated 1.76 million pounds of carcinogens, much of it in the form of chloroform, the report said.

Next were Connecticut, 1.7 million; New York, 1.14 million and Louisiana, 670,381 pounds.

Nationwide, more than 1 billion pounds of toxic chemicals were discharged directly to America's waters during the five years, the report said. That includes about 10 million pounds of carcinogens, toxics affecting reproduction, and toxic metals.

The groups released the figures while urging tighter reporting requirements at the EPA. They estimate current requirements cover only about 5 percent of the total toxic chemicals discharged.

"Most Americans have no idea who's dumping how much of what pollutants into their favorite river, lake or bay," said Kenneth A. Cook, president of the Environmental Working Group, a nonprofit conservation organization.

The groups issued the rankings of states, corporate polluters and water bodies based on the figures companies have been required to report through the EPA's Toxics Release Inventory since 1988.

The numbers themselves are not new, but group leaders said it marked the first time anyone had categorized the discharges for individual bodies of water.

In many cases, the polluters in Washington state have dramatically cleaned up their act since the beginning of the period examined, the report shows.

Pulp and paper mills account for about half of all toxic releases in Washington state, said Jerry Gilliland, a spokesman for the Washington State Department of Ecology. The chemicals include sulfuric acid, ammonia, chlorine and methanol.

"It is important to understand that what they are reporting is stuff they are, normally speaking, legally allowed to release. They are big companies and have very large processes," Gilliland said.

"It sounds like a huge quantity, but they are all within the permitted parameters, and they are not violating their permits. It's not like this is being done under cover of darkness," he said.

Total releases of toxic chemi-

cals in Washington state has declined 10.5 percent from 1991 through 1994, he said.

Kate Tate, environmental communications manager for Weyerhaeuser in Federal Way, Wash., said the pulp and paper industry "is one of the most heavily regulated in terms of permits" and therefore ends up reporting more emissions than most industries.

"It requires continuous and daily monitoring," she said.

The company has made a lot of

improvements during the time period of the report, Tate said.

"We anticipate the next time we report for this number of

years, they should be considerably lower in terms of emissions. We have a very modern mill system operating now," she said.

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Idaho seniors group defends its activities

LEWISTON (AP) — An official of an Arlington, Va., seniors' group is defending the organization in the wake of U.S. Senate Democratic candidate Walt Minnick branding it a scam.

The 60 Plus Association gave Republican U.S. Sen. Larry Craig the group's Guardian of Senior Rights Award for his work to lower the tax burden of senior citizens.

Minnick pointed to a news report that conservative activist Richard Viguierie founded the group and received \$1.2 million of the \$1.3 million it raised two years ago, and that the 60 Plus was investigated by the U.S. Postal Service for defrauding seniors.



Walt Minnick



Sen. Larry Craig

Matt Waters, association executive director, on Tuesday said James Martin founded the group four years ago and it paid Viguierie only \$74,112 two years ago. About \$366,000 of the association's bud-

get was paid to the Postal Service to mail millions of letters, newsletters and postcards two years ago, he said.

About 400,000 purchased 10 million envelopes and printing, mail house and computer charges, he said, and none were to firms owned or controlled by Viguierie.

Waters said it is "an absolute lie" the Postal Service investigated the 60 Plus for defrauding seniors. The agency always looks over mailers by non-profit groups, he said.

He said the association is one of the largest lobbying groups in the nation, citing a published report that it spent \$1.9 million on lobby-

ing expenses during the first half of this year. The group has 475,000 members, including 2,500 in Idaho, he said. Minnick has charged that Craig's connection shows his dedication to seniors is a complete fabrication.

Legitimate groups like the National Council of Senior Citizens have unmasked Viguierie's stunts in the past, he said in a prepared statement.

"I think it's outrageous that Sen. Craig would align himself with a phony like Viguierie, who makes his living by deceiving America's seniors, and then take credit for trying to save Medicare and Social Security."

Democratic hopeful seeks Hispanic votes in Idaho

NAMPA (AP) — Eyla Rosales is exactly the kind of voter Democratic congressional challenger Dan Williams hopes to win over, and he may have.

The candidate met the Caldwell woman Tuesday outside the Armour Meat plant, where she and other workers had finished their shifts. With just 42 days until the election, Williams plans other such factory visits to meet working-class voters in Idaho's 1st Congressional District.

His chance of unseating Republican Rep. Helen

Clumworth rests with voters much like Rosales. She is Hispanic, as are the majority of employees Williams greeted. And like many of the others, Rosales is hoping her citizenship papers will be approved in time for the Nov. 5 election. She then would join an estimated 12,000 eligible Hispanic voters in Canyon County.

They are the state's largest and fastest-growing minority and may turn out in record numbers this election because they feel they have been unfairly targeted by social reforms and budget cuts.

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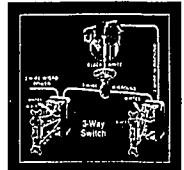
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Department of Correction tightens hiring policies

BOISE (AP) — The Department of Correction is going to know a lot more about the people it hires.

The board Wednesday adopted a new hiring policy, about four times as long as the previous policy, which will require people applying for jobs to provide detailed information about their backgrounds.

They will be fingerprinted if they are in a job that requires daily or regular contact with offenders and must submit to a thorough criminal background check. Anyone with a felony conviction or a crime of violence can be hired only if Director James Spalding personally approves it.

Spalding told the Board of Correction that will only happen rarely.

Even so, Board Chairman John Hayden said it's possible people with criminal records could get a job.

"There always is an opportunity for someone to slip through," he said. "Whether or not some individual tells the truth ... there's always a situation come up where you can't determine that."

BOISE (AP) — The number of people held in Idaho's prison system has grown by more than 800 in the last 24 months, and officials say they're scrambling to find places to put them.

"We are scouring the country right now looking for beds," Eileen Tremblay, administrator of institutional services, told the Board of Correction on Wednesday.


The space squeeze could lead to the state's first privately operated detention facilities.

The Department of Correction and the board are looking at ways

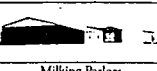
to house the growing number of inmates without the need to construct expensive new prisons.

That could mean contracting with private companies to run state prisons, having private companies build a prison and run it or granting a management contract to a private company for prison facilities built by others.


Director James Spalding said the system as of Wednesday had 3,406 inmates, including 155 housed out of state, 225 in community work centers and 209 in county jails.




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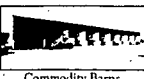
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Wife shot while undressing husband

WORLEY — A northern Idaho woman was treated at a local hospital after being accidentally shot while trying to help her husband undress.

Barbara L. Hill, 38, was wounded in the left arm and left side of her chest by pellets from a .410-gauge shotgun shell that was loaded in a .45-caliber handgun, Kootenai County's deputies reported.

The gun was in the rear pocket of jeans worn by her husband, Reuben Hill, 44.

The gun fired as Mrs. Hill pulled the pants off by the cuffs. She said she did not know the gun was in the pocket.

Waldholtz used heroin, wrote bad checks

WASHINGTON — Joseph Waldholtz, ex-husband of Rep. Endre Greene, R-Utah, continued to write worthless checks and used heroin after pleading guilty to a \$3 million check-kiting scheme in June, prosecutors said Wednesday.

Waldholtz, awaiting sentencing on his guilty pleas, was ordered to appear every day before a federal judge to show cause why his bail should not be revoked.

Prosecutors obtained the order from U.S. District Judge Norma Johnson Holloway after alleging that an FBI investigation uncovered evidence that Waldholtz wrote tens of thousands of dollars in bad checks, used heroin, stole checks from his grandmother and stole credit cards, the U.S. attorney's office said in a press release.

The alleged activities do not involve Waldholtz' former wife, the prosecutor's office said.

New ramp meters may ease Utah traffic

SALT LAKE CITY — Motorists driving onto southbound Interstate 15 at three Davis County onramps are encountering traffic lights intended to smooth out the morning rush hour.

The signals, known as ramp meters, are common in major metropolitan centers throughout the United States. They are to be added to northbound ramps at 2600 South in Bountiful and at North Salt Lake's Beck Street entrance later this year.

Utah Department of Transportation officials monitoring traffic flow report average speedway speed during morning rush hour was 20 to 25 miles per hour faster through areas equipped with signals.

Currently, the ramp meters benefit only morning rush-hour traffic in these locations. The equipment cost an average of \$150,000 at each of the three sites.

MK Corp. may design Boise flood control

BOISE — Morrison Knudsen Corp. and Boise are negotiating a contract to design earthen dams and other flood control measures for the fire-scorched Foothills.

MK and the city discussed details Tuesday of a proposal for permanent earthen dams in three gulches. They will catch runoff from rainstorms to prevent the flooding of homes and businesses.

"It's going to make some places safe that aren't now," said Joe Hilton, MK's chief engineer in its environmental group.

If approved, the contract will be part of \$6 million the city and the federal government plan to spend on flood control improvements below the area burned in the Eighth Street Fire.

Forest Service, Potlatch Co. close deal

LEWISTON — The U.S. Forest Service and Potlatch Corp. have finalized the exchange of nearly 40,000 acres in north-central Idaho.

The agency traded 14,232 acres on the Clearwater National Forest north of Headquarters along Beaver Creek for 23,490 acres of Potlatch land on the upper North Fork of the Clearwater.

The company also threw in 1,369 acres along Elk Creek near Elk River and 216 acres of scattered recreational property and patented mining claims within the Palouse Ranger District.

The consolidation will allow better management by both parties, said Clearwater Forest Supervisor Jim Caswell.

Utah senator's inn raided for immigrants

SALT LAKE CITY — A roundup last month of undocumented Mexican nationals working at Jackson, Wis. included a raid at a luxury bed-and-breakfast inn owned by Sen. Bob Bennett, R-Utah, according to a newspaper report.

However, Bennett and employees at the Inn on the Creek said no immigration agents ever came to the business. And the only worker who is not an American citizen at the Inn has proper documents, was not picked up by immigration officials and continues to work at the Inn.

Bennett — an outspoken critic of lax immigration policies — initially had said the situation was "embarrassing," based on a representation of the incident to him by The Salt Lake Tribune. On Wednesday, the senator and his trustee disputed the newspaper's version of events.

Compiled from wire reports

17-year-old Idaho girl dies from meningitis infection

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A 17-year-old girl died Tuesday, a day after being diagnosed with bacterial meningitis, Panhandle Health District officials said.

The Coeur d'Alene High School student, whose name was not disclosed, died at Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane, Wash., officials said.

The form of meningococcus bacteria that infected the girl's bloodstream can be contagious, the health district's Marie Rau said.

The girl's family and close friends were given preventive antibiotics, Rau said.

The risk to the girl's classmates and school staff was considered minimal because the infection is not spread through casual contact, she said.

Persons cannot be infected by the airborne bacteria unless they

share an enclosed space such as a room with an infected person for about four hours, Rau said.

However, letters were being sent to the girl's classmates to inform them and their parents.

Meningitis infections also killed a 15-year-old Weippe boy earlier this year and forced a University of Idaho student to have her legs amputated.

Several other people diagnosed with meningitis in northern Idaho this year have recovered. None of the cases has been linked.

Meningitis is an inflammation of the meninges, the lining of the brain and spinal cord.

Symptoms include fever, chills, intense headache, confusion, mental dullness, nausea, sometimes vomiting, a stiff neck and sometimes severe joint pain.

Governor lauds new panel

BOISE (AP) — Gov. Phil Batt was enthusiastic about the tone and direction of a progress report from the leaders of his campaign to boost the economic and social status of Idaho Hispanics.

"This is exactly what I had hoped would take place," the governor told members of his Hispanic Initiative committee and its supporters. "It's a regular fountain of ideas coming from Hispanics themselves."

The group led by Jesse Berain, a former state legislator and long-time friend of Batt's, was formed in July. On Wednesday it outlined goals and presented preliminary findings and recommendations on issues ranging from promoting business opportunities for Hispanics to ensuring their access to state programs and services.

Janie Aguilar of the state Department of Health and Welfare said one immediate concern is the impact federal welfare reform will have on Idaho's largest minority group. The measure turning much of the responsibility for welfare back to states also will bar even legal immigrants from receiving food stamps.

With Idaho's \$3 billion agriculture industry so dependent on often poorly paid immigrant labor, much of it Hispanic, Aguilar said cutting off access to such programs is "an issue of humanitarianism and an issue of economic well-being."

Batt said about 1,000 people in Idaho would be affected by the change. And while he agrees with the concept that people should not immigrate to the United States with the intention of going on welfare, "to deny the very human care that we all want to give is not the intention of any of us."

The governor offered no answer and said the state clearly cannot make up for the loss of food stamps. However, he said, "we will not let this question go unanswered."

On other issues, Batt applauded the committee for suggesting a number of self-help actions aimed at providing opportunities within the Hispanic community rather than programs requiring a lot of state spending.

"The big question right now is, from here, where?" Berain said. "There's a lot of enthusiasm for making this thing work."

Batt said he and Berain would meet to decide what steps to take next, but many of the initiatives discussed Wednesday require little or no state funding. Initial recommendations include:

- Uniting the Hispanic Business Association with support groups to reach out to the Hispanic community, and teaching young Hispanics about the free-enterprise system.
- Using technology to help Hispanics overcome barriers to employment through education and training.
- Taking advantage of existing programs to increase the high school graduation, post-secondary admission and vocational-technical training participation rates for Hispanics.
- Fostering development of skills in Hispanic youths and families that will enable them to avoid gang involvement and substance abuse.

Tourist benefit: Free bikes may crop up in San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The concept emerged on the streets of Amsterdam 40 years ago: free bicycles for commuters.

Now some bicycle enthusiasts in city government think the program is worth trying in San Francisco. There would be no memberships or security deposits, just yellow bicycles at racks, fresh air and a community sharing an environmentally friendly way to get around.

"I saw the yellow bikes in Portland on TV and I thought to myself, 'If it worked there, it sure can work here,'" said Sharon Bretz, vice president of the San Francisco Transit Commission, who is pushing the idea. "If someone needs a bike, they just have to grab one and ride it to another bike rack and drop it off."

Portland, Ore., Fresno and Tucson are among 25 cities across the country where free bikes are available to any commuter who wants one.

In San Francisco, a Yellow Bike Program would be part of Mayor Brown's car pool plan to reduce commuter traffic, Bretz said. Once under way, she expects that the first bike racks "would be located near motor pool parkings and then in front of museums, libraries and factories." But the proposal is only in the talking stage.



Sharon Bretz, vice president of the San Francisco Transit Commission, hopes San Francisco will adopt a "Free Bikes" Program.

"We are contacting other cities to find out how they have managed their programs," said Peter Tannen, bicycle program manager

for The City's Department of Public Transportation.

Free bikes might be introduced to city employees first as a pilot project, he said, while other details are worked out.

The free bike program in Portland has been a well-publicized success with more than 700 bikes on the streets. That city, like others, has experienced some thefts, but doesn't seem to mind. "We recycle bikes from scrap yards and don't claim ownership — they are for the community," said Tom O'Keefe, founder of Portland's Yellow Bike Program. "It's true that some are stolen, but they are put out there to be used." O'Keefe has 300 more bikes in a warehouse and gets 60 a month from scrap yards.

"Our bikes are low budget ones reduced to one speed," he said. "Everyone uses them, from students riding to school to businessmen for lunch. I even have people calling us to keep the bike for a few months, and that's what they are for." In Tucson, though, most of the bikes were stolen or vandalized within a few months. "We put about 100 bikes out and they all disappeared," said Kim Young of Bicycle Intercommunity Action and Salvage (BIAS), a Tucson organization that made the bikes available to the public.

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Wildler man arraigned in tavern shooting

CALDWELL (AP) — A Wildler man has been bound over to district court for arraignment on a charge he killed the owner of a local bar.

Antonio Sayas Meza, 33, is accused — of — gunning — down — Antico Betancourt, 64, on Sept. 8.

Police suspect an ongoing argument between the two men

flared, leading to the shooting in Cheto's Bar.

Meza will enter a plea to a first-degree murder charge on Friday.

Witnesses told investigators Meza argued with Betancourt, left the bar and returned minutes later with a gun. They said Meza shot the bar owner in front of Betancourt's son.

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Dibert By Scott Adams

THE TEAM-BUILDING EXERCISE
UH-OH... I'M A MILE FROM SHORE AND TOO EXHAUSTED TO SWIM BACK!
MY ONLY HOPE IS THAT AN INTELLIGENT DOLPHIN WILL SEE MY PLIGHT AND RESCUE ME.
I'M IN LUCK!
TWO WORDS: TUNA... NET.

B.C. By Johnny Hart

HAVE YOU EVER SOUGHT DIVINE GUIDANCE FOR YOUR TEAM?
I DID CONSULT WITH GOD ONCE.
WHAT DID HE SAY?
HE SAID, IF YOU THINK THIS IS BAD, WAIT TILL FOOTBALL SEASON.

Garfield By Jim Davis

PET INTELLIGENCE...
CATS DO NOT SCORE WELL ON INTELLIGENCE TESTS.
I'M SURPRISED WE REFUSE TO READ THE DIRECTIONS.

Hi and Lois By Chance Brown

CHIP CAN YOU HELP ME WITH THIS MATH?
ASK MOM.
ASK YOUR DAD.
YES!

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

I SEE LOTS OF DOUGH COMING YOUR WAY!
I HEAR SONG IS IN THE HOSPITAL?
YEAH, HE GOT FUN JER BY A BREAD TRUCK.

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

DON'T TAKE IT PERSONALLY, SNEET...
SOME PEOPLE JUST DON'T LIKE DOGS!
YEAH, HE GOT FUN JER BY A BREAD TRUCK.

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

WHAT'S WITH THE OUTFIT FLAP? THIS IS JUST A PICKUP GAME.
LOOK LIKE A SUPERSTAR, PLAY LIKE A SUPERSTAR!
NEVERTHELESS, I THINK THE CAPE IS OVERPOING IT.

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

SO HELP ME, IF I HEAR ONE MORE "PARTY OF TWO" WISECRACK.....!

The Born Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

I HAVE GOOD NEWS AND BAD NEWS FOR YOU, THOKNAPPLE...
THE GOOD NEWS IS YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORK ON NOVEMBER 31...
GOLLY, CHIEF, THAT IS GOOD NEWS!
WANT A MINUTE... THERE IS NO NOVEMBER 31!

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

HAPPY UP! WE'RE GOING TO MISS IT!
HOW COME YOU TOOK SO LONG TO GET UP THIS MORNING?
ONCE IN A WHILE, I'M OBLIVIOUS TO HAVE A BED WIND UP!
LOOK, "LIZABETH" WAS FORGIVING ME A CHANCE TO GET ON THE BUS.
AN' SHE'S HAVING A TROUBLE WITH HER DRY!

Bonnie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

BUMSTEAD, EITHER YOU HAVE IT OR YOU DON'T HAVE IT... I DON'T THINK YOU HAVE IT.
WHAT IS IT?
ACTUALLY, I DON'T KNOW.
HAI! THEN YOU DON'T HAVE IT EITHER!!

Pickles By Brian Crane

HOW'S THE LIGHT OF MY LIFE?
DID I SAY?
DON'T KNOW, WHY DON'T YOU OPEN UP THE REFRIGERATOR AND CHECK ON IT?

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketchum

I WOULD'VE WASHED THE WINDOWS WHEN I WASHED MY CAR...
...BUT THEY WERE ALL ROLLED DOWN!
"HOW I Spent My Summer" by Billy... oops! Funny thing happened to me on my way here tonight...

The Family Circus By Bil Keane

More of his father's speaking adventure in Toledo.

Here, Max! Here, Lady!

If you want to find out what people are naming their dogs, ask the makers of pet tags. Researchers did. Best sellers of late are reported to be: Max, Lady, Jake, Molly, Sam, Shadow, Buddy, Ginger, Casey, Suki, Maggie and Buster.

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A Moslem general called Tarik crossed the straits to invade Spain about 700 A.D. He named the rock on which he arrived in his own honor - "Gebel-Tarik" meaning "Rock of Tarik." That in time evolved into Gibraltar.

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Not many are as gifted as was Louis XIV. He became King of France at age 5, liked the job, and reigned for the last 72 years of his life.

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L.M. Boyd

Forests migrate, too. But none too swiftly. Maybe 13 miles per century. In Australian waters swims a little fish called the fusilier. It's bright red when active. But when commotion, it goes gray. If disturbed, it instantly turns red again.

The wind is erratic and fierce over the islands along the coast of Finland. So fishermen put doors on all four sides of the houses they build out there. That way they can always come and go on the leeward side.

"Knuckle" used to mean "knee joint." And falling to one's knees in subservience was the origin of that expression "knuckle under."

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): You'll be tested on precision of fame and fortune. Emphasis on discretion, learning more than you care to know. Private lives featured, you're trusted with privileged information. Pices involved.

TAUROS (April 20-May 20): You could be on precision of fame and fortune. Know it, be confident, refuse to be coerced into weakening principles. Romance requires discretion. Beware! Gemini (May 21-June 20): Wish fulfilled in sudden, dramatic manner. Individual in position of authority taps you for promotion. Dealings with Aries increase from harmony to dissension. Keep faith!

CANCER (June 21-July 23): Now is the time. Impetuous style, emphasizing independence of thought, action. Information received from distant city verifies views. You're vindicated! Aquarian and another Cancer native featured.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Attention revolves around costs of building, buying and selling. Agent or third party represents you, should be watched. Interest rates could be subject of controversy.

VERGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Diversity, reach beyond the immediate, check source material, arrange entertainment for visiting licenses. Turn on charm without being obnoxious. You'll be questioned concerning fashion.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): Settlement - remain alert, be observant. Member of opposite sex declares, "You're passionate!"

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Get it in lifestyle, residence, marital status. Agreement subject to revisions - remain alert, be observant. Member of opposite sex declares, "You're passionate!"

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Attention revolves around style, panache, music. Check plumbing, maintain safety measures. Turn on charm without being obnoxious. You'll be questioned concerning exercise, nutrition.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You discover hidden pleasures. Focus on clandestine arrangement, psychic impressions, ability to locate lost articles. Sibling rivalry persists. Be cautious, not serious. Pisces represented.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Prestige! Focus on decision relating to be blessing in disguise. Ultimate victory gained over one who is sardonic, clumsy. Focus on payments, collections, resumption of cash flow. Illumin!

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Gay lives, like straight lives, come in various shapes and sizes

DEAR ABBY: I am hoping that you will be able to answer a question that has been bothering me for years. What is a "gay lifestyle"?



DEAR ABBY
Abby Cadabby

I am a 40-year-old gay male and don't have a clue as to what a gay lifestyle is. My life partner, David, and I have been together 15 years and have jointly adopted three special-needs children. We live in the suburbs in a middle-class neighborhood, at the end of a cul-de-sac. Like most of us gay and lesbian friends, we don't smoke, drink alcohol or go to bars. Our children go to public school with the rest of the children in the neighborhood.

Once a friend told me what he thought was a gay lifestyle, but by the sound of it, he was describing a single's lifestyle, gay or straight. Is that what some people mean, that is a gay lifestyle is synonymous with a single lifestyle?

If there is such a thing as a gay lifestyle, doesn't that automatically mean that there is a "heterosexual lifestyle"? And if this is true, what is a heterosexual lifestyle? I have sincerely been asking people and no one has been able to give me an answer.

—MICHAEL SERKIN.
POOLE, BELLEVUE, WASH.
DEAR MICHAEL: Fair questions. In Eric Marcus' informative

book "Is It a Choice?" (HarperSanFrancisco), he answers this way: "After watching countless news reports and occasional documentaries over the years about gay people, I am mostly — the most popular image of gay life that has been seared into the minds of most Americans is the urban, single nighttime life by some gay men — and plenty of straight people as well — during the 1970s."

"As hard as it might be to believe, there is no such thing as a 'gay lifestyle,' just as there is no such thing as a heterosexual lifestyle. Gay and lesbian people, like heterosexual people, live in a variety of ways, from poor to middle-class to nouveau riche, from urban to rural."

DEAR ABBY: I am writing in response to the opinion of "Ex-Waitress," who apparently has a problem when a good server approaches her on a personal level.

When someone (anyone, any-

where), even the "person who has been hired to serve her," tells her that her "hair is pretty" or "that's a beautiful blouse," offense should be the last thing that crosses her mind. Helloooo!! She has just been given a compliment on her great taste — not a conversation, just a compliment that's it.

I have been a waitress for 12 years and I love my job. It's the most enjoyable work I have ever done. The money's good, too, thanks to the many customers who don't penalize their server when they receive a compliment. Should I take offense when a customer likes my hair? No, I shouldn't.

My tip to "Ex-Waitress": Either stay home and eat, or try a vending machine. Then there will be no conversation that may offend her. With such an unpleasant attitude, it's no wonder she's an ex-waitress.

A HAPPY AND FRIENDLY WAITRESS, LAKELAND, FLA.
DEAR HAPPY WAITRESS: Your "tip" to "Ex-Waitress" is probably one of the most valuable tips she'll ever receive. Let's hope she takes it.

DEAR ABBY: I call my sister in another state very often because of an illness in her family. When things are particularly bad, I call her every night.

These calls are quite expensive for me, and my sister has no consideration about the length of time she talks. She will gab on and on about her neighbors and incidents that I really don't care about when it's on my dime. It would be boring to me even if I lived around the corner from her. If I remind her that this is long distance and I'm hearing a lot about nothing instead of what's going on with the sick relative, she gets highly insulted and calls me "cheap."

I care about the ailing family member and will continue to call, but how can I reduce the expense and aggravation and get my sis-

ter to be more considerate?
—PALM SPRINGS SISTER
DEAR PALM SPRINGS: Tell your sister at the beginning of

the call that you have only a couple of minutes to find out how her relative is doing, and that you'll talk longer another time.

Many young bullies later become troubled adults

Knight-Ridder News Service

Bullies. Most people who survived school remember them.

They are the kids who tripped you in the cafeteria, ran off with your lunch money or made you the butt of their not-so-funny jokes.

Or you may have been a bully yourself — one of those kids who inspired fear, hostility and a grudging respect from your oppressed peers.

If you are now reading this at the Southern Ohio Correctional Facility in Lucasville, well, you'll pardon us for not feeling too sorry.

And because many schoolyard bullies grow up to be violent adults, that fast scenario is not just wishful thinking on our part.

In a study by Dan Olweus, a psychologist at the University of Bergen in Norway and a worldwide authority on bullies, 65 percent of boys identified as bullies in the second grade had felony convictions by the time they were 24.

Many young bullies grow up to have trouble keeping jobs or forming deep relationships, says Merrill Orlando, a psychologist at Summit Psychology Associates Inc. in Ravenna, Ohio.

So why do some kids turn into bullies, reveling in tormenting other kids?

The popular belief is that kids who bully suffer from suppressed rage, may have been abused themselves or have low self-esteem.

"It could be that they are victimized themselves," said Dan Greaser, a psychiatric social worker at the Akron Child Guidance Center. "There is an inordinate amount of anger because of their family life."

This was the case with Joe, 8, of Alliance, Ohio. Joe is not his real name.

Before he went to live with his father and stepmother, Joe was badly beaten by his biological mother's boyfriend.

The boy was angry, violent and verbally abusive.

"In school he was hitting his classmates. When he was one-on-one with a child, he would hit them and treat them badly. He would tease them and be very bossy," says Mary, his stepmother. She did not want her real name to be used.

After Joe moved in with Mary and her husband in 1994, she noticed that Joe was never invited to a birthday party. He would never talk about his friends.

"That gave me a pretty good clue that kids didn't like him."

Clearly, children who turn into violent bullies are troubled kids.

"Kids who bully are not happy kids. They are not well-adjusted," says Orlando.

However, a recent study appears to contradict the conventional wisdom that children who bully generally have very low self-esteem.

The joint study, done by Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland and the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, found that those who indulge in violent

"There is an inordinate amount of anger because of their family life."

—Dan Greaser, psychiatric social worker

behavior — including bullies — generally have a heightened sense of self and strong self-esteem. When this favored self-image is threatened by some person or incident, the person turns violent.

Joe fits this description. The boy is very bright and is in a gifted program.

"Sometimes he has a hard time when you tell him he's wrong," says Mary. "He used to get very angry."

"In general, violent people have inflated self-esteem," says Roy Baumeister, professor of psychology at Case Western Reserve and one of the three authors of the study. "So the idea of parents boosting the self-esteem of the bully is counter-productive."

But Orlando says that among the children that she treats, family abuse seems more of an indicator of violence and bullying than inflated self-esteem. Most of the children she treats have low self-

esteem. Ironically, Joe fits this profile too. "Sometimes I felt like he felt like he didn't deserve to be treated better," says Mary.

"Bullying is a red flag that something is not right," Greaser says. "If our emotional needs are not met at home, we will try and meet them wherever we can."

Parents have a role to play in teaching their children not to bully others.

Greaser says parents should take repeated complaints from school officials or neighbors seriously.

And instead of merely controlling the child's behavior, "I'd try to understand what the underlying hurt is," Greaser adds.

It is also essential for parents to handle their own anger in appropriate ways. "You are the models for their behavior," says Orlando.

Orlando recommends talking to a child about his bad behavior in a way that allows the child to save face.

Also, she suggests rewarding good behavior, not just punishing bad behavior. If the child is older than 11, the parent can even have him write and sign a contract promising specific good behaviors.

In therapy, Orlando teaches the children reality. "They are not thinking how they're making people hurt. I ask questions like, 'How would you feel if someone called you mean names?'"

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Teachers request reports to be returned

JEROME - Teachers at Jerome High School have sent home mid-term progress reports on students they feel need to work to improve academic effort.

Super Sitter registration underway in Jerome

JEROME - Registration is under way for a Super Sitter baby-sitting class planned for 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Oct. 3 at the Jerome Recreation Center, 244 S. Lincoln.

Fund-raiser features food and entertainment

EDEN - The Silver and Gold Senior Center has planned its third annual Chuckwagon Dinner for 5 to 8 p.m. Friday.

artists and other entertainers giving diners a lively and homespun treat as they devour a menu of oven-fried chicken, potato salad, barbecue beef, baked beans, tossed green salad, biscuits and the traditional cowboy pie.

Star Party to observe harvest eclipse planned

TWIN FALLS - The Faulkner Planetarium/Herrett Center and Magic Valley Astronomical Society have planned a joint Star Party featuring an eclipse of the rising moon for today at the planetarium, located on the College of Southern Idaho campus.

Those who are unable to attend the Star Party may view the eclipse looking to an open eastern horizon. Binoculars or a telescope are required; the eclipse will not be visible with a naked eye.

appear as if the moon is suspended in front of the stars. Admission is free. For more information, call Forest Ray at 736-6878 or Rick Greenwalt at 733-9554, Ext. 2655.

Workshop addresses carpal tunnel syndrome

RUPERT - A workshop dealing with the prevention of carpal tunnel syndrome will be presented by Dr. Troy W. Crane at 7 p.m. today at his office, 702 G St. Crane will explain carpal tunnel syndrome, how to treat it, how to prevent it, the choice of treatment he recommends as an alternative to surgery for most carpal tunnel-related problems and why conservative chiropractic care is the recommended treatment of choice for carpal tunnel syndrome. Admission is free, and the public is welcome.

Rennaissance program holds benefit yard sale

RUPERT - Students in the East Minico Junior High School Renaissance program are holding a fund-raiser yard sale beginning at 8 a.m. Saturday at the school. Freewill donations to the fund will also be accepted from those who would like to support the program.

Rewards are based on current grade-point averages - the better the grade point, the better the benefits. All students are eligible to participate in the program. The only requirements for participation are to sign a student agreement and to maintain or achieve a 3.75 or higher GPA for a gold sticker, 3.25 or higher for a silver sticker and a 2.0 or higher GPA or .5 GPA improvement for a white sticker.

CLUB CALENDAR

Club Calendar listing various organizations and their activities. Includes sections for Civic, Musical, Hobbies, and Weight loss.

CSI offers classes that weave tradition

HAILEY - The College of Southern Idaho Blaine County Center is offering a class entitled "Sharing Your Heritage Through Stories" from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Fox Building.

Get listed

This public service column is designed to publicize Magic Valley clubs and organizations. To have your meeting listed, or to update your meeting information, send notice with name of the organization, day and week(s), time of the meeting, your telephone number and name of a contact person to Bobbi-Jo Hall at The Times-News, P.O. Box 848, Twin Falls 83403, attention Club Calendar. The deadline is noon Tuesday.

Advertisement for 'We want your news' featuring a photo of a woman and contact information for the newspaper.

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Large advertisement for 'Feast of Tabernacles' featuring a Star of David and text about winepress Christian Fellowship.

Advertisement for GMC trucks, highlighting features like the V-8 engine and air conditioning, with a price of \$25,999.



Something to eat:
Problems with aggressive wildlife usually start with man.

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OUTDOORS

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Outdoor briefs D2

Outdoors Editor: William Brock — 733-0931, Ext. 264

The Times-News

Section D

Porcupine only the beginning

"Katie got a porcupine," I yelled to Field. He heard me and started running up from the bottom of the draw.

We were working Katie between us when she jumped the spine-hog. I'd taken the hillside and Field was at the bottom. My yell brought him around, and up the hillside he came.

Katie had quills in her nose, in her jaws, in her gums, between her teeth, in her tongue, and in the roof of her mouth.

She never howled. She never whimpered. She just tried to spit her tongue out and pull the quills off her face with her paws. I had been too far away to stop it, but truth be told, I couldn't have stopped it anyway.

The trouble was that Katie wouldn't hold point. She was impatient. She'd let Field or me get 15 or 20 feet from her, then she always busted in. Usually, the frustration was ours, but this time it was hers.



DOG-EARED TALES

Bill Stutebaker

When the porcupine stopped and bristled, Katie froze up. Her point was firm and absolute. But as soon as I started toward her, she whined — I mean wide-open — and grabbed the porcupine above the tail.

He swung his tail and hit her upside the head. I moved quickly toward her, hollering "Whoa!"

But before I could get to her, she hit the porcupine again. If the first bite maddened her, the second bite stopped her cold, and she began spitting and pawing. I grabbed her by the collar and pulled her back to a small clearing among the wild roses.

The porcupine hustled off, still bristled, but confident.

"How bad did she get it?" Field asked.

"I don't know yet, but I think we can get most of them out," I said.

"You've got to be stupid to bite a porcupine on the behind, that's all I can say," said Field.

I wanted to give some advice, because I didn't exactly agree. Dogs were dogs, and a half-trained dog did things a wild dog wouldn't consider and a trained dog wouldn't dare. But I kept my mouth shut. All of Field's dogs were half-trained, so it was impossible to say what they'd do. No sermon of mine would give the porcupine back its quills.

We got the quills out, except a couple near her right eye. They didn't seem to bother her much as the ones on her tongue. We decided to leave the eye alone until we were closer to a vet's office. We looked her over a second time and found a few in her front feet. We pulled them and let her go hunt.

"I bet she won't do that again," said Field.

"Probably not," I said. We walked along together, talking, speculating on dogs and common sense. The Field stopped abruptly.

"Where's Katie?"

We looked around. Down the hill 50 yards behind us, we saw her rear-end sticking out of a rose bush. We moved quickly toward her.

"Look, look," said Field. "She's pointing."

"Yeah," I said, "but watch out. It might be another porcupine."

We got within 10 feet of her and stopped. Field looked pleased. I knew what he was thinking. "Katie hasn't busted point — yet."

Field walked around her, saying, "Whoa, Katie, whoa." He kicked the bush. Nothing happened. Katie stood firm.

Field kicked again. Nothing. He looked at her. Her eyes were flashing between him and the bush. He kicked again; I heard a faint rustle.

"It might be a porcupine," I said.

"Don't think so," said Field. "This bush is too small. It wouldn't hide a porcupine. It sounds like a grouse."

Field kicked the bush again. It was too much for Katie. She busted point and bolted into the rose bush.

"No! No! No!" screamed Field. "No! No! No!"

He grabbed Katie from the rose bush. As he reached out, I saw what was happening. I moved quickly away, trying to put some distance between me and the skunk. Field got sprayed in the crotch. Katie got hit in the chest and face.

"Can you believe it?" he said. "First a porcupine, then a skunk. You've got to be really stupid to bite a skunk on the behind."

When he isn't writing fictitious stories about Field, Bill Stutebaker can be found teaching English at the College of Southern Idaho.

SAWTOOTH REC REPORT
Seasonal information on activities in the Sawtooth National Forest.
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GROUSE OPENER



This is what sage grouse hunting is all about. Here, former Jerome resident Eric Murell and a four-footed friend return with a few birds for the pot.

Population improves, but still below normal

Sage grouse struggle with habitat loss; small birds doing better

By William Brock
Times-News writer

JEROME — The long-term trend still looks bleak, but sage grouse hunters enjoyed much better success on opening weekend this year than they did in 1995.

Across the Magic Valley region, hunters spent an average of 6.5 hours for each sage grouse — a dramatic improvement over last year's figure of 11.1 hours per bird, according to the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

Hunter numbers were down on both sides of the Snake River, probably because of reduced bag limits, but the number of birds killed north of the river was 43 percent greater than it was on last year's opening weekend.

That's good news over the short haul, but "we're still running about one-third the number of birds now as we were over the long-term," said Carl Nellis, Jerome-based regional supervisor for Fish and Game. Specifically, sage grouse harvest in the Magic Valley has fallen 67 percent in the past 15 years.

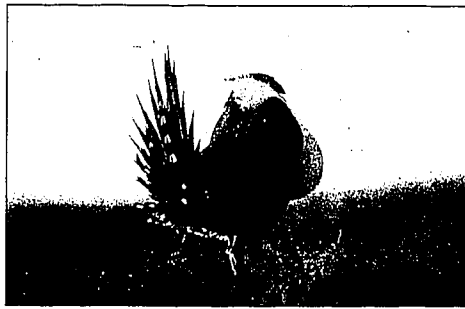
Sage grouse and pheasants are widely regarded as the Magic Valley's premier upland game birds. Like sage grouse, pheasant numbers have declined dramatically over the long term — but both species appear to have made modest gains from last year's numbers.

"There seems to have been reasonably good production this year," Nellis said, "but it's only a little blip on the downward trend."

Simply put, this year's gains cannot reverse decades of habitat loss across southern Idaho.

To help sage grouse numbers take off, Fish and Game dramatically shortened the season and reduced bag limits south of the Snake River. The season was

Flre kill - D2



What female could resist this puffed-up male sage grouse? Though long-term numbers are down, local sage populations appear to have made modest gains over last year.

trimmed to one week, with a bag limit of one and no more than two birds in possession.

The lower bag limit produced less hunting pressure south of the river, where hunter numbers fell 58 percent from last year. The number of birds killed by hunters over the opening weekend fell 56 percent from last year.

North of the river, the season will run through Oct. 13 with a bag limit of two and no more than four birds in possession. Hunter numbers were down about 12 percent on the north side, prompting Nellis to suggest the decrease was caused by less-determined hunters dropping out.

That explanation could account for the 43 percent increase in harvest on the north side.

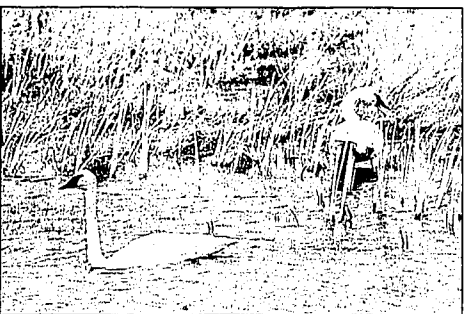
Last year, the sage grouse season

across the Magic Valley ran for one month, with a limit of three birds in the daily bag and no more than six in possession.

Historically, about 60 percent of the total sage grouse harvest has occurred on the opening weekend of the season, Nellis said. With shorter seasons now in effect, the opening weekend could account for as much as 75 percent of the total harvest, he said.

In other bird hunting news, Nellis reported that hunters brought plenty of chukars through the check station on the Bliss-Hill City Road. Quail hunters enjoyed good success in the Hagerman Valley and other areas along the Snake River, he said.

"The number of smaller birds — quail, huns and chukars — appears to be up," Nellis said.



Trumpeter swans are shown this spring in the Upper Green River corridor near Green River, Wyo. The birds, once hunted to near-extinction, are making a comeback, officials say.

Afternoon jog turns terrifying

By Eric Sharp
Knight-Ridder News Service

CADILLAC, Mich. — Sometimes, when she jogs alone, Pollyanna Torres has a moment of panic and imagines she hears the bear again, the growling and grunting, the sound of its feet pounding behind her, even its powerful stink.

And for a month after the black bear chased her as she jogged on the Cadillac Pathway in this city of 10,000, Torres would wake in the night crying and sweating, thinking she was still in a tree with the bear shaking it while she hurled broken branches down at it.

"I could see how long his claws were," said Torres, 35, sales manager at the Pine Grove Athletic Club. "I could hear him grunting and growling, that awful, awful sound. It screwed me up for a month."

"Some of the so-called experts tried to tell me I wasn't in any danger, that I shouldn't have run. They say I should have put my hand out and said, 'Stop, bear!' and it would have gone away. But I'm the one who saw that stupid bear's teeth and claws."

The reason she is reluctant to accept such reassurances is that she has since learned about other bear incidents, including an attack in British Columbia where rancher Svend Satre was knocked off his horse, killed and eaten by a black bear four days after Torres' encounter.

Her encounter has drawn unusual interest because of a proposal on the Nov. 5 ballot to ban bear hunting with dogs or over bait, a proposal that opponents say would virtually end all bear hunting in Michigan.

It comes when the Department of Natural Resources has received some 300 nuisance bear complaints since May. DNR biologists say that the state bear population is increasing and expanding its range, with bears appearing within the city limits of Grayling, Traverse City, Midland and Mt. Pleasant, and being sighted as far south as the Lansing area.

Torres was jogging from work to classes at Baker College on June 10 as she often does. She was wearing a Walkman radio and didn't notice the bear until a movement caught her eye. She looked up and saw it digging its nose into the ground about 15 feet away, perhaps trying to root out a ground squirrel or other small animal.

She says the bear saw her at the same time and immediately started toward her. She panicked and took off running, and the bear gave chase. Torres, 5-foot-2, says the bear appeared to be about "chest high to me when it was on all fours, but it could have been smaller. One biologist said it might have been a cub, but I looked up, too big for that. And the stink! I didn't realize they smelled so awful."

Torres said she thinks she ran 100 yards before she saw the pine branches overhead, "but they tell me it couldn't have been anywhere near that far or it would have caught me," she says. "I know I just grabbed those branches and pulled myself up into that tree as fast as I could. My clothes were torn, and I was all scraped and bleeding, mostly from the rough bark on the trunk. I was staking and crying. I was petrified."

The bear stood on its hind legs and grabbed the tree with its front paws.

"He stood and shook the tree, and I climbed higher until I was about 20 feet up," she said.

She threw her Walkman at the bear and broke off branches to throw down, hoping that would discourage it from climbing after her.

She says it stayed at the tree for 30 to 35 minutes, "making that awful grumbling and growling," then disappeared into the woods.

Officials trumpet return of rare swans to Wyoming

The Associated Press

CHEYENNE, Wyo. — Cancel that swan song for trumpeter swans once hunted to near extinction in western North America.

The birds, affectionately called "big, white ducks" by one expert, are making a comeback thanks to joint efforts like one seen in the Upper Green River corridor.

From only 30 known trumpeter swans in 1930 and 1,200 in the early 1980s, the Rocky Mountain flyway now contains an estimated 3,000 trumpeters, although most are based in Canada. Meanwhile, the Pacific Coast population grew fivefold from the 1970s to 15,000 today, officials said.

Birds head south - D3

"It's an overnight success that's been taking several years to get there," said Barry Egan, regional director for Ducks Unlimited in Wyoming.

Perhaps more impressive is that unlike the return of wolves to Yellowstone National Park, the swans' recovery has come without the help of the federal Endangered Species Act.

"We were just looking to their future ... so we wouldn't have to list them as a threatened or endangered species," said Dave Lockman, who wrote "the continent's first trumpeter swan manage-

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OUTDOORS

OUTDOORS IN BRIEF

Fire may have wiped out 4,000 grouse

ATOMIC CITY — Last month's 209,000-acre range fire in eastern Idaho could have devastated the area's sage grouse population, a game bird biologist says.

A check of the area covered by the Aug. 27-Sept. 1 Cox's Well fire shows at least 400 grouse and 4,000 birds, said Jack Connelly.

The destruction of habitat could be very harmful to the game birds he's been studying for the last 20 years in the Big Desert area of eastern Idaho, Connelly said.

Connelly was returning from an international group conference when he learned of the damage. At the conference, he told colleagues the sage grouse population in southern Idaho is declining precipitously due to habitat loss and drought. Sage grouse breeding populations have declined 70-90 percent in his study area and 30-80 percent throughout the West.

After driving the area last week, Connelly said the damage could be extensive.

"It could be considerably higher than that," Connelly said. "We don't know where all the birds are."

In October, sage grouse will begin returning to the desert from summer ranges as far north as Copper Basin and as far south as the Snake River Plain near Minidoka. They won't find sagebrush to eat.

Sage grouse that survive winter still face difficulties.

"The biggest problem will be in spring when they try to nest," Connelly said, because they don't reproduce well.

From a nest of seven eggs, only three to four chicks might survive to adulthood in a good year. In the last 10 years, the average has been closer to one or two.

The birds need sagebrush, which provides cover for successful nesting and helps support insects that grouse chicks eat.

Despite the grouse's decline, Connelly doesn't believe they should be listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act. Biologists are aware of the problems and are taking steps to develop conservation plans for the sage grouse, he said.

Set your sights at Jerome gun club

JEROME — The Jerome County Rod and Gun Club will host its annual "Sight-In Days" on Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

All shooters are welcome to come sight-in their rifles for the upcoming hunting seasons. The price is right because admission is free; trained personnel will be on hand to help.

The range is located five miles north of the junction of highways 93 and 25, one-half mile east of mile post 64.

Fishing couple hook walleye tourney honors

TWIN FALLS — Local anglers Dewey and Margaret Watson recently took second place at the Columbia River Walleye Circuit Tournament of Champions.

It was a familiar feeling for the Watsons, who took second place in 1994. Only the top 25 teams qualify for the season-ending tournament.

"It's almost a *deja vu*," Dewey Watson said in a telephone interview. "It's the first day on the first day and we also had the big fish of the day."

Specifically, the couple ended the first day of the tournament with 25.91 pounds of fish, but they "had a lot of company" on the second day and wound up with a combined total of 29.69 pounds.

The winning team weighed-in with 35 pounds of walleye.

Though they didn't win, the Watsons paid for their trip by collecting nearly \$2,000 in prize money.

Another local team, of Larry Adams and Ed Cullinan, was in third place at the end of the first day, but finished out of the money when the tournament ended.

Police shoot elk in 4th-floor apartment

VILNIUS, Lithuania — A wounded elk staggered into an empty fourth-floor apartment, terrifying neighboring residents before it was shot to death by police.

The elk trout refuge in the apartment after being wounded by hunters in a forest near this Baltic capital, the ITR-Start News agency said Wednesday.

Police tried to drag the huge beast out of the apartment, and when that failed, they tried to find a wildlife specialist to tranquilize the elk. Unable to find one, they put the animal out of its misery, the report said.

Swans

ment plan in the early 1980s.

Flores said that projects have been kept low-key so people don't harass or shoot the large, loud birds. Still, swans have been killed in recent years near Livingston in Montana, and near Helena in Montana's National Wildlife Refuge and Natrona County in Wyoming.

State game warden Bill Long said those shootings likely happened by drunks out target practicing. The swan population peaked during diving in the late 1800s because their white plumage fetched premium prices for hunters.

Conservation efforts like the creation of the Red Rock Lakes National Wildlife Refuge in Montana near Yellowstone National Park helped bolster their numbers. But it wasn't until concerted efforts began in the 1980s that their population began soaring, said Lockman, a former state waterfowl biologist who is now education supervisor for the Wyoming Game and Fish Department.

One such effort has taken hold in the Upper Green River corridor, where six more swans were released over Labor Day weekend by the Game and Fish Department, U.S. Bureau of Land Management and private groups like the Wyoming Wetlands Society.

The release was the fourth in three years and brings the estimated number of trumpeters living in the area to 18. The 10-week-old cygnets will be held in a fenced, quarter-acre enclosure with a trumpeter swan "foster mother" to help condition them to the area so they return each summer.

The main thrust is to get more breeding pairs in historically occupied breeding areas like the Green River drainage," Lockman said.

The cygnets should be able to fly in about six weeks. Officials believe they will remain until mid-December.

The goal is to establish five nesting pairs of trumpeters in the area by spring 1998. Officials want at least five of the Green River swans released in the past have returned after wintering in Utah.

Along with trying to establish more breeding grounds, officials in the West were trying to entice the birds into new wintering areas such as Utah and along Idaho's Snake River.

The idea is to expand the options for trumpeters "so that we don't have all of our eggs in one basket, so to speak, in one region," Lockman said.

That basket is the Yellowstone area, where about 500 of the Rocky Mountain population lives mostly year-round and the rest descend from Canada to vacation for the winter.

"They're a vulnerable bird. If hit by real cold years, the birds will need migratory strategies," Lockman said.

Long said Yellowstone-based swans are more vulnerable than their Pacific or Canadian counterparts.

He noted that the Red Rock Lakes population historically produced 60 cygnets a year. This year, it had none because of stress from the increased Canadian competition.

"They're just barely holding its own," he said. "The Canadian populations have more options. The (Yellowstone-area) population is sedentary."

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Colorado's Arkansas River demands respect

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — It can thrill you. It can chill you. And it can kill you.

The Arkansas River is precariously unpredictable. For most of the 250,000 who run the river each year, it's just another adrenaline-rousing ride in Mother Nature's amusement park; for others, it's a harrowing excursion through hazardous white water.

Four people have died while boating on the 102-mile stretch of the Arkansas between Granite and Canon City. All of this year's deaths have been on private trips.

Because these deaths occurred within the first three weeks of the three-month busy season, and unlike last year, the water levels were not abnormally high because of heavy runoff, a few questions have been raised: How dangerous is the Arkansas?

How safe is the Arkansas? Those who know the river best say the answer to both questions is the same: Very.

Very dangerous if you're an inexperienced, out-of-shape person, with improper equipment, a glorified inner tube for a craft, questionable swimming skills, no knowledge of the river and an inflated opinion of your skill level.

Very safe if you're an experienced, physically fit person with proper equipment, a self-bailing vessel, excellent swimming skills, knowledge of and respect for the river, and a calm understanding of your ability level.

Very dangerous, very safe — depending on a multitude of variables, not the least of which is the Arkansas' water level, which



River rafters make their way through whitewater at 'Five Points' on the Arkansas River west of Canon City, Co.

changes daily. "In some cases, the river is going to forgive in some cases it's going to take," says Chris Campion, a recreational lawyer and head boatman for Buffalo Joe River Trips in Buena Vista.

"Usually, it forgives. But you can't ever say a river is always going to be safe — there's always going to be an element of danger."

The element of risk swirls like a whirlpool at the center of debates about whether the river's recreational use regulations need to be changed. For now, the state has no plans to make it more difficult for private boaters to pilot their rafts in the Arkansas and head merrily downstream.

Their need permits to run the river, and all they need is a Coast Guard-approved life jacket and a craft with the boater's name and address on it somewhere. No other restrictions apply.

However, commercial outfitters — who are licensed by the state and have to meet basic safety requirements (white-water life jackets, first-aid and repair equipment, CPR training, and a minimum of 50 hours of on-river training for guides) — are prohibited from running certain sections of the river when the water level demands unsafe.

The Pine Creek/Numbers section north of Buena Vista is closed to commercial outfitters if the river reaches 4 feet on the Scott's Bridge gauge; the Royal Gorge section near Canon City is closed when it reaches 3,200 cubic feet per second (a cfs is a certain foot of water passing by a certain point every second).

The state's message remains the same: Raft at your own risk. But officials are concerned by this season's deaths.

"Historically, the Arkansas has not been so bad that we would say it's a place where we expect

fatalities," says Dennis George, the state's boating safety coordinator.

"But what's happened this year is disconcerting. I wish it was something where we could point at something and say, OK, if we stop doing this, we won't have a problem anymore. But it's not that simple. There's no one particular thing you can try to correct."

There are no guarantees on the Arkansas, the state's busiest rafting river and the one closest to Colorado Springs. Like skiing black-diamond runs or climbing up sheer rock faces, white-water boating is accompanied by inevitable risks.

"You can't breathe if you're trapped underwater — just like you can't breathe if you're buried in an avalanche and you can't fly if you fall off a rock wall," says Casey Swanson, senior ranger at the Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area in Salida.

Out here, 7-pounder is sush for larger brethren

Knight-Ridder News Service

SELWYN LAKE, Saskatchewan — There is nothing pricier about the cannibalistic appetite of the huge lake trout that dwell in the deep trenches of Selwyn Lake.

After pulling a 7-pound laker over a gunwale on a recent day, one's eyes fell on three gashes raking its flank. The teeth marks were fresh, the wound open and still bleeding slightly.

"There, that's the first one we've seen that size to date," murmured Dick Sternberg of Deephaven, Minn. "It's a good sign. The big boys must be feeding."

Most anywhere in North America, a 7-pound lake trout is fine specimen, a fish worth talking about. In some waters, maybe it's even a trophy. There are remote, pristine lakes in northern Minnesota where catching such a trout would be the highlight of a trip.

But in Selwyn Lake — one of northern Canada's last fishing frontiers — a 7-pounder is sush for its larger brethren. It takes a fish of that size to satiate the appetites of the 50-pound behemoths. "I think the big ones stick around schools of lake trout just to feed," said Sternberg, a Selwyn habitue and director of the "Hunting & Fishing Library" book series. "The bigger fish probably just hang back and pick off smaller ones."

For anglers accustomed to "smallish" lake trout, Selwyn Lake is like being thrust into a whole new food chain. Sternberg embarked upon an adventure to Selwyn, which straddles the 60th parallel and the Saskatchewan-Northwest Territories border, with the single-minded intent to catch big, lake trout.

So when he unveiled the contents of his tackle box at Selwyn

Lake Lodge the first afternoon, one realized the views on freshwater fishing were about to take a weird Darwinian detour.

"Salifish skirts," Sternberg grinned, holding aloft a foot-long rubber lure used for pursuing those almighty of saltwater fish. He had them rigged behind 16-inch-long "herring daddies," or flashers. "I figured it ought to get their attention."

Sternberg didn't come to Selwyn to be outgunned. In eight previous trips to the nearby virgin fishing waters, he had landed trout larger than 30 pounds and one 45-pounder — more trophies than he can accurately remember. He ranks Selwyn among Canada's great lake-trout waters, up there with the Athabasca, Great Slave and Great Bear lakes. The reason?

Selwyn Lake was largely untouched by anglers until Pilot Camp, a ex-float plane pilot from Saskatoon, built a lodge on one of its islands in 1939.

Selwyn Lake lies 800 miles north of Winnipeg and 70 miles south of Canada's treeless tundra.

The lake has 136,000 acres of water measuring 45 miles long and 18 miles wide. Its reefs, trenches and holes have yet to be charted by mappers. Most of the fishing spots have been discovered by Sternberg and Wallace's guidebook series.

For most of his flying career, Wallace, 54, shuttled anglers to other lodges, gradually building his fleet of floatplanes and his company, AirSask. Eventually he turned to a few fishing outposts himself.

But in the late 1980s, he and his wife, Mary, decided to find one remaining lake without a lodge and start a business. Gord Wallace found Selwyn Lake.

"It was the last large lake in Saskatchewan that didn't have a lodge," he said. "It was so private

that we had to invest in it."

He started with several tent camps, then built a modest lodge with running water and electricity generated from diesel generators. Guests fly from Minneapolis via jet either to Stony Rapids or Kasba Lake, then take a 45-minute float-plane trip to Selwyn Lake.

With the exception of one other small outpost, Wallace's lodge is the only camp on the lake. The lodge's catch-and-release policy ensures future trophy fishing.

Large northern pike (up to 30 pounds) also inhabit Selwyn's bays, and grayling up to 4 pounds are found in rivers. But it is monstrous lake trout that swell anglers' imaginations.

Because the lake bottom is unmapped, Sternberg relies on a depth finder to find schools of lake trout. (Guides are also outfitted with electronic locators). In late summer, the lakers take refuge in Selwyn's deep holes, mostly from 60 to 100 feet.

One starts by tracking down Sternberg's favorite holes, fishing directly over the schools of trout. The technique was something Sternberg calls "vertical casting."

"Just drop the spoon over the side," he explained with a smile, "and let it sink to the bottom. Then reel up."

That's it? That's it.

About half the time, the lake trout would snatch the spoon before it touched the bottom. Those not caught on the descent were caught on the ascent. Each day we caught 80 to 100 lake trout — 5 to 25 pounds — using this technique.

The 25-pounder caught with the vertical-spoon technique was an anomaly, Sternberg explained. To catch the truly big fish, he had to plumb the depths with downriggers, big spoons, salifish skirts and flashers tipped with the belly meat of another lake trout.

Even so, the big trout are so aggressive, sometimes they attack smaller fish being played by anglers.

Sternberg has videotape of a 40-pounder repeatedly lunging at a 5-pound trout at the end of his line. He free-spooled the small trout, much like you'd feed a hermit crab. "It took it to the bottom," he recalled. "I could feel its jaws moving around my fish."

When Sternberg reeled the bigger trout to the surface, "it threw the small trout, but his gills slipped the net under it and landed the big fish." After several days, we landed several fish that broke the 20-pound barrier and one that pushed 28. But not until the afternoon of catching the checked 7-pounder did we stumble across a spot where the "big boys" were feeding.

Sternberg's flasher rig suddenly stopped when this big boy appeared. He set the hook, then the laker headed for Saskatoon.

A minute passed, and the fish hadn't stopped running. Sternberg, manning the outboard, wrestled with the tiller, trying to point the boat in the direction of the fish, which clearly had the upper hand.

"He's spooling me," Sternberg cried. "Then everything stopped, froze in time, like the split second before a car accident. The line went limp. Sternberg's shoulders sank. His 30-pound-test braided line had split, unraveling like common twine."

The big one? He gulped. After the fight with the trout, they fished long into the evening, finding a hole filled with insatiable trout as big as one's arms.

As the sun sank, the lake appeared calm and smooth, its surface belying the unmetted wildness around — and below — the anglers.

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OUTDOORS

Fall flight: Waterfowl start their way south

Annual migration from Arctic begins earlier than normal; whitefront geese, sandhill cranes usually 1st to leave

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — Talk about a long commute: Waterfowl are beginning to make their annual journey from the arctic to wintering grounds thousands of miles to the south.

Some species pulled out of Alaska in late August. Their early exit was prompted by shorter periods of daylight and the first hints of chill, northerly winds.

"Our ponds aren't anywhere near freezing up, but that's what starts birds moving out," Rod King, a pilot-aviator with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Fairbanks, said Tuesday. "Diminishing daylight. Cooling weather."

"Lots of times, the birds will take off with the right weather and ride some good tail winds south," King said.

Waterfowl that summer in Alaska, the Canadian arctic and northern Russia feed North America's four major migration corridors: the Pacific, Central, Mississippi and Atlantic flyways, King said.

"The birds tend to migrate in different directions and in different time periods," he said.

Generally first to go are white-front geese and sandhill cranes, King said. Teal also are early movers as are pintails, mallards, greater and lesser snow geese and smaller species of Canada geese.

"The birds generally follow river valleys and (mountain) spurs," he said. "We have records of birds migrating at night."

"They literally go with the flow if the weather's right. They navigate by the stars and the moon. If they have clear weather, there's enough light that they can recognize landmarks to navigate by. The adult birds lead the young birds."

And some of the birds fly high. "Cranes and swans often go over 10,000 feet," King said. "We've heard of jetliner crews seeing flocks of tundra swans in the central U.S. at over 20,000 feet. But for the most part, waterfowl don't go that high."

The marathon flyers in this Olympic event are lesser snow geese and the Pacific or black brant.

The brant, a small black-necked marine goose about the size of a mallard, makes the longest uninterrupted trip of any waterfowl species.

"It's (brant migration) unique because it occurs over such a short duration," said Chris Dau, a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service pilot-biologist at the Izembek National Wildlife Refuge near Cold Bay. "When they depart here, they're in their winter areas about 55 hours later."

"Energetically, that's a very demanding flight."

Upwards of 140,000 of the birds have begun staging at Izembek Lagoon. They're building up enough body fat from the



Geese fly over Creamer's Field Wildlife Refuge in Fairbanks, Alaska, last month on their way to wintering grounds thousands of miles to the south.

lagoon's large stores of eelgrass beds to make the 3,400-mile non-stop flight to Mexico's Baja Peninsula, Dau said.

"They'll fatten up for a month to six weeks before they take off again," he said. "They'll lose about 30 percent of their body weight on the trip."

When the geese finally rise up en masse from Izembek — probably some time in November — they'll ride the winds south, attaining ground speeds of 80- to 90 mph as they sweep across the Pacific toward the Lower 48, Dau said.

"They go farther offshore as they go farther south," he said. "The winds are more moderate there. Their normal flight speed is about 50 miles an hour."

Biologists still don't have a great deal of information about bird migration.

New banding studies are being done that might provide them with knowledge critical to the survival of certain varieties, King said.

"Many other species, like song birds, are smaller, harder to see and go thousands of miles," he said. "They have to put up with the same kinds of things that humans do in coastal areas — hurricanes and storms."

"The smaller you are, the worse it can be. If you're a brant, you can last at sea a day because you can float."

"If you're a yellow rump warbler, you're out of luck."

"Birds have such high energy demands that they have to get there quickly so they can feed."

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3006 is an efficient caliber," Van Daele said. "If you were shooting them from 100 yards, it might be different."

"I can assure you they (Natives) want to do it in a clean and effective manner even more than Friends of Animals do. They don't want to wound any animals."

Round Island, about 40 miles southwest of Topiak in Bristol Bay, is part of the Walrus Islands State Game Sanctuary. Thousands of male walrus haul out on its beaches each summer and fall.

Since becoming a sanctuary in 1960, the remote, rainy and wind-whipped island has attracted walrus hunters and photographers from around the world.

But Yupik villagers complained that they had become outsiders in their own back yard. They pressed the government to lift the 35-year-old walrus hunting ban.

The state Game Board finally authorized the hunts in March 1995. The panel allowed up to 10 walrus to be taken after Oct. 1.

Biologists raise rare fish in captivity

VERNAL, Utah (AP) — Biologists say they have captured and successfully raised 27 wild razorback suckers to the fingerling stage, a crucial point in the effort to save the rare fish.

Biologists at the Ouray National Fish Hatchery near here identified the 4-inch fish Tuesday after removing them from a man-made hatchery pond. A news release announced the development Friday evening.

In the wild, researchers typically find razorbacks that are 25 or more years old or are recently hatched. Those at the adolescent stage, as the fish identified this week, are rare.

"The fingerling size has been the 'missing link' for these fish," said U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service hatchery manager Tom Pruitt.

There are only about 500 adult razorbacks left in the Green River. But based on recent findings, biologists estimate there may be millions of larval razorbacks there. They hope to help some of the young fish survive by raising them to adulthood in ponds or wetlands.

The fish were collected as half-inch larvae two months ago in the Green River near Jensen, Utah.

The biologists placed the larvae in water-filled petri dishes and examined them under a microscope. From the thousands of sucker larvae, the biologists sorted out 92 they thought were razorbacks and placed them in the hatchery pond, the news release said.

Since the 27 that survived were hatched in the river, they have the same genetic makeup and possibly the same behavior as their wild parents, making them ideal to produce young fish for stocking, researchers said.

"We can use these fish to develop future brood stock that have the same genes as wild fish, which is key to the fishes' survival, growth and reproduction," said U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service biologist Bruce Haines.

The fish should have produced offspring in about five years, at which time the adults will be returned to the river.

Because the fish were captured near the primary known razorback spawning site, they may be imprinted to the area and more likely to return and spawn.

Razorback suckers evolved in the Colorado River Basin more than four million years ago. They exist nowhere else on earth.

Eskimos prepare for 2nd hunt on walrus sanctuary

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — Eskimos will be staging a second subsistence walrus hunt on the Round Island sanctuary in October, and it appears at least one change will be made based on last year's inaugural experience.

The Yupik hunters will be carrying higher-caliber rifles in efforts to ensure humane kills when approaching the bulky, 1-ton males on their land-out beaches.

Eleven walrus were killed a year ago. That included the 10 set aside for village hunters and another — an injured and emaciated bull — put down at the request of a state and federal monitoring crew.

Yupik hunters said that the government team described as "profound wounds" and were not seen again after making their way into the water.

"A variety of calibers were used ranging from .223 to .3006, with both soft and jacketed bullets," said U.S. Fish and Wildlife biologist Larry Van Daele, in his March 8 report to the Alaska Board of Game.

"Virtually all of the wounding that occurred was due to bullets passing through the intended animals into adjacent ones."

"In most cases, only the captain, or a designated shooter, from each crew had weapons on the beach. All shots were taken from Main Beach and were at walrus that were on the beach," Van Daele wrote.

"Hunters usually waited to take animals from the back of the herd, and there were no incidents of wounding herd shooting."

Decisions about bullet size and type along with several other recommendations are to be made at a Sept. 20 meeting in Topiak. "I don't think there will be any changes at all except the use of the calibers for the shooters," said Frank Logasak, chairman of the Qayassig Walrus Commission, which helps manage the hunt.

But boosting bullet size won't lessen at least one environmental organization's opposition to the sanctuary hunt.

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Minnesota catches state's biggest muskie in 23 years - weighing in at 50 pounds, 14 ounces

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The muskie is the most celebrated fish in Minnesota history, a toothy critter steeped in legend and mystique.

So don't blame Karl Dobmeier if he is still a little jittery about catching the state's biggest muskie in 23 years and nearly knocking off the state record.

On Sept. 14, the 25-year-old construction worker from the tiny town of Hines, Minn., landed a 50-pound, 14-ounce muskie while fishing Lake Bemidji.

Records indicate the muskie is the state's biggest since 1973, when a 51-pound, 1-ounce was caught in Leech Lake by a wall-eye angler. "It's legit," said Bob Strand, a muskie expert and regional fisheries manager for the Department of Natural Resources. "It's really an outstanding catch."

The fish was 55 inches long. Its girth was measured at 22 inches, but Strand believes the girth was

not accurately recorded. After examining the fish, he concluded it had extraordinary heft.

"We reweighed the fish on our scales two days after it was frozen and it was 50 pounds and six-tenths ounces," he said. "She is a very wide fish."

The state record is 54 pounds, caught in 1957 by Art Lyons of Bemis. His catch came from Lake Winnibigoshish.

Dobmeier said he caught the fish at 2:10 p.m. CT while fishing near a patch of bulrushes with Bob Hanson, a friend who introduced him to muskie fishing just three years ago.

The fish put up a five-minute fight. Once it was landed and measured, the anglers slipped the fish into the livewell, not

realizing that it was one the biggest ever caught in state history.

"We kept fishing until 4 o'clock," Dobmeier said. "We ended up catching another muskie."

"It wasn't until they weighed it on a state-certified scale at nearby Kobilka's North County Sporting Goods that the anglers realized what they had."

"It was just phenomenal," Dobmeier said. "I was so daunted excited it wasn't even funny."

The fish is destined to become the civic pride of Bemidji. Not only was it caught in a lake that lies inside the city limits, but it was caught on a bucktail manufactured by local company, Northland Tackle.

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OUTDOORS

Problems with aggressive wildlife usually start with people

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — A teenage angler was cleaning a fish at a marina on Yellowstone Lake about 10 one recent night. Then a pair of coyotes trotted out of the fresh darkness and kept coming.

The boy dropped his fish, and one coyote grabbed it. Then the other one bit him on the thigh, tearing his pants and scratching him a little.

Rangers tried for a week to capture and kill the coyotes, but they were too wary, said Dan Reinhart, a management biologist.

"Habituated" animals have been a problem in the park for years. Animals that become too comfortable around people can become annoying or dangerous for tourists, and often bring harm to themselves as well.

Another coyote was causing problems in the Mammoth Hot Springs area recently, following small children and small dogs. That animal got off easy. Biologist Kerry Gunther, who helps manage habituated animals in the park, darted it, put an ear tag on it and shipped it to the backcountry.

As Gunther told the story in his office in Mammoth, a couple of families sat at a shady picnic table across from the dining hall. Children as young as 2 years old were feeding pretzels to chubby ground squirrels.

Could the coyote and squirrel incidents be related? Perhaps.

Before he darted the coyote, Gunther had spent two days following the animal around Mammoth, a place bustling with tourists. "It was spending most of its time around the ground squirrels, where people are feeding them," Gunther said.

When people feed ground squirrels and chipmunks, it leads to artificially high populations, which draw in predators, which get accustomed to people and sometimes become dangerously aggressive, biologists say.

"It starts out with habituation, and they get bolder and bolder," Gunther said, adding that coyotes must be killed every year because they get too aggressive, sometimes biting people or jumping up on children.



Yellowstone Park elk forage around a Mammoth, Wyo., home last year about this time. Elk can be aggressive toward people in the fall mating season when bulls are competing for cows.

Aggressive coyotes have been an increasingly common problem in recent years, Gunther said, and most of them got that way after eating human food.

"It appears that feeding not only creates beggars but removes the fear that coyotes have towards humans, which can predispose these individuals to aggressive encounters in the future," wrote Bob Crabtree, a

Bozeman, Mont., biologist who has been studying coyotes in Yellowstone for years. "There is absolutely no evidence to suggest that coyotes are naturally beggars."

The problems are not limited to coyotes. Along the Madison River, where rare trumpeter swans nest, people often feed the magnificent birds, according to Park

Service bird biologist Terry McEneaney. "People come in and think they're in a city park," McEneaney said. "They have this need to feed wildlife."

The handouts themselves may not hurt the swans, he said, but "when they lose their fear of people they lose their fear of predators." Plus, the bread and other snacks lure the birds out of the water and onto highways where

they risk becoming roadkill. Ravens have also learned that people are a source of food.

Snowmobilers, bundled in thick suits and heavy gloves, often drop food scraps without realizing it, McEneaney said. Ravens then associate snowmobilers with food, and that can mean serious damage from the curious and aggressive birds.

Other birds cache scraps around picnic areas, and larger wildlife sometimes is endangered by human food, often in ways that people don't imagine.

Bighorn sheep like bread, for instance. Gunther has heard of bighorns using their teeth to scrape mashed sandwiches from park roadways. That puts them in danger from traffic, and "it can't be good for their teeth," he added.

Colorado authorities brace for break-ins by hungry bears

DENVER (AP) — Thanks to plentiful wild-food supplies, hungry bears may go easier on Colorado cabins, mountain homes and campsites as they begin their annual pre-hibernation eating binge.

But the Colorado Division of Wildlife is still bracing for late-summer and autumn break-ins, and encounters with humans who carelessly — or deliberately — leave food within sniffing distance of the state's 8,000 to 12,000 black bears.

"All it takes is one guy in a suit in one of 50 hours, and that bear can be hitting every house in the neighborhood," division spokesman Todd Malmbsbury said Tuesday.

Dozens of people in Larimer County's Red Feather Lakes area northwest of Fort Collins got a hard lesson after bears did \$50,000 in damage to trailers and camper trucks. Earlier this summer, and again this week, wildlife rangers trapped bears suspected in the break-ins and relocated them to the backcountry. "People have been feeding bears in that area," Malmbsbury said.

The wildlife division has spent more than \$300,000 in the last two years trying to raise public awareness — with pamphlets, ad campaigns and the like — about coexisting with bears. "But just knowing about it doesn't mean people will follow the recommendations," Malmbsbury said.

Human encounters with bears have risen along the Front Range

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— Todd Malmbsbury, on problems created by people who leave food within sniffing distance of bears

as suburban growth spreads deeper into the Colorado forests and foothills. Although complaints of "garbage bears" are down statewide compared with last year, bear sightings are still on the rise.

Bumper crops of wild acorns and berries in much of Colorado may keep more bears from seeking out human food as they spend up to 20 hours a day fattening for winter's big sleep.

But not every region is free of conflict. Malmbsbury said the Fairplay area in Park County has reported many run-ins this year. "The only thing we can pin it to is, there has been rapid growth there," he said.

Yet, in southern Colorado's Spanish Peaks region, west of Trinidad — an area Malmbsbury

called "bear central" for its large population of bruins — trappings and relocations have dropped dramatically. Only seven bears had to be moved as of the end of July, compared with 23 at the same time last year. "We're pretty much breathing a sigh of relief," said Al Trujillo, the division's area manager there.

Last year, the region was the scene of numerous encounters. Four years ago, one man's run-in was nearly fatal.

In a July 1992 case at Monument Lake Resort, a mauling black bear mauled a camper, dragged him from his tent and threw him 25 feet before ceasing amid the man's screams.

The camper survived. A cinnamon-colored black bear trapped a week later was destroyed.

Such attacks on humans are extremely rare. Wild bears seldom attack humans unless they feel threatened or provoked. Coming between a female and her cubs also can be dangerous.

In encounters with humans, it is people's food — in untidy campsites, untended garbage cans and backcountry homes with pet food on the porch, barbecue grills on the deck and bird feeders within easy reach — that bears want.

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MONEY-IN BRIEF

New bank opening slows

BOISE — Syringa Bank organizers cleared a major hurdle by raising \$3.5 million to open the new bank, but now they have to wait for another round of state and federal approval.

Earlier plans called for the bank to open for business by early August. Now the opening is set for the end of the year or early 1997.

Syringa President M.E. "Bud" Wood said the delay is the result of him joining the organizers in mid-April. "Basically, I came in late in the process," Wood said. "I wanted to review the entire application," which includes a 6-inch-thick stack of documents.

Wood has more than 35 years of banking experience, including seven years as president of several California banks, and has served in senior management positions the last 12 years.

Syringa organizers have completed some major preliminary requirements that allow them to get closer to opening for business. They have received regulatory approval for their management team and business plan

and have raised \$3.5 million to capitalize the bank.

Local bank mergers and reorganizations have created the opportunity for people to open new banks such as Syringa, said Gavin Coe, director of the Idaho Department of Finance.

Stocks edge toward new high

NEW YORK — Stocks edged higher Wednesday as investors, freed at least temporarily of interest rate worries, struggled to find incentives to push stocks further into record territory.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 3.33 to 5,877.36 after slipping from an early 21-point gain and trading in a narrow, indecisive range through the session.

Broader measures also finished higher, led by the Nasdaq market, which extended its recent rally after an encouraging earnings report from the technology sector.

Stocks drew support from the bond market,

where interest rates fell to their lowest level in a month amid continuing enthusiasm for the Federal Reserve's decision Tuesday to leave interest rates unchanged. As bond prices rose, the yield on the 30-year Treasury bond — a key determinant of borrowing costs — fell to 6.92 percent from last Tuesday's 6.98 percent.

U.S. Bancorp to buy Utah firm

PORTLAND, Ore. — In another in a series of expansion moves, U.S. Bancorp agreed Wednesday to acquire Sun Capital Bancorp of St. George, Utah, for \$15.5 million.

Sun Capital's subsidiary, Sun Capital Bank, operates three branches. The company is based in the second fastest-growing county and the fastest-growing region of U.S. Bancorp's territory. Under terms of the agreement, subject to regulatory approval, Sun Capital stockholders will be paid with 400,000 shares of U.S. Bancorp stock in the open market and reissued in the transaction.

Compiled from wire reports

Superinvestor Buffett urges common sense to students

The Associated Press

OGDEN, Utah — Warren Buffett, the second richest man in America, offered Weber State University students some secret formula for success.

Instead, Buffett gave students some common sense advice: don't get into debt, surround yourself with good people, do what you love, save your pennies and give back to the community.

Buffett was invited to campus by Bill Child, chief executive of Utah furniture chain R.C. Willey, which was acquired by Buffett's Berkshire Hathaway Inc. last year. The one-day visit included a tour of R.C. Willey's new Riverside Road store and a West Valley facility.

Buffett, of Omaha, Neb., was ranked by Forbes magazine in July as the second richest man in America, with a fortune of \$15.29 billion. "Warren is fun to be with. He's humble, he's unassuming and he appears to be totally unimpressed with his fame and fortune," Child said.

Aside from his marathon annual shareholder meetings, Buffett gives talks only to student groups. This was his fourth visit to the state.

For more than an hour, Buffett fielded students' questions about economic theory, investment strategy, risk management and the impact of the November elections on the economy.

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Table listing top active stocks such as Intel, Microsoft, and other major tech and financial companies.

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MONEY

Buffett, Mutual fund spotlight seldom falls on sector funds

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"It amazes me, frankly, what has been taught over the last 30 years or so. I sort of regard it as nonsense."

Buffett said he has never dabbled in commodities — they're too unpredictable — and pays little attention to the stock market, noting, "I own parts of businesses, I don't own stocks."

"I stick to things that a 5-year-old can understand, I sort of peaked out at that point," he joked. "And the funny thing is, it came to you very early."

Striding to what he knows has paid off. Buffett's assets are full of tangible products: See's Candies, Dexter shoes, The Gillette Co. razors, Coca-Cola, The Washington Post, Wells Fargo Co. banks, two furniture companies. "I can understand Gillette. When I go to bed I can see a few more hairs growing," he said of the company that now controls 65 percent of the razor blade market.

Buffett applies the same standards to the people he works with, and stressed that it's never a good idea to work with, or for, someone you don't respect.

Planet Hollywood opens in Moscow

MOSCOW (AP) — In Russian, the word "Hollywood" is pronounced "Gollywood," and the opening of a Planet Hollywood restaurant Tuesday gave even the most jaded of Russia's newly rich something to say "golly."

On hand for the gala first night were Patrick Swazey, Gerard Depardieu and muscular superstar Arnold Schwarzenegger, who promised his restaurant would be "bringing Hollywood to Moscow."

"I know that you're here at a very sad time in a way because your president is ill," he told a crowd of thousands gathered for an inaugural concert. "But I and Planet Hollywood want to wish President (Boris) Yeltsin good health and hope that he pulls through this crisis."

NEW YORK (AP) — Here's a trivia quiz for mutual fund mavens: Without looking them up in any reference book, name three famous managers of sector funds.

If the question stump you, don't be dismayed. Compared to their counterparts at many of the big-name diversified stock mutual funds, managers of sector funds specializing in single industries or areas of the economy usually labor in deep obscurity.

But the job needn't be considered unglamorous. Just ask Mark Greenberg, who invests in such fast-action businesses as casino gambling, movies and broadcasting — yes, even newspaper publishing — as manager of the Invesco Strategic Leisure Fund.

The fund, with about \$280 million in assets, is one of seven sector funds in the Denver-based Invesco Funds Group. About the only bigger operator of sector funds is Fidelity Investments, the industry giant in Boston, which runs three dozen of them under the Fidelity Select banner.

At first glance, managing a sector fund might look pretty simple: Just spread your shareholders' money among the strongest



OF MUTUAL INTEREST

"I'm not interested in owning stocks just because they're in the leisure industry," he said on a recent visit to New York. "I want to own stocks that are going to go up."

"In a sense, being a sector fund manager is the closest thing to being an analyst. I spent a lot of time on the road seeing companies, and I spend a lot of time looking at relative valuations."

As it happens, Greenberg is cool right on most movie and TV stocks, and on shares of casino operators, which he notes, have lately shown the adverse effects of intensifying competition in the gambling business.

companies in the field in question, and then leverage that portfolio pretty much alone.

But Greenberg, a 16-year veteran of the investment business, says that isn't the way it works at all.

"He's bullish, by contrast, on advertising, which he says often gets a bum rap. 'The advertising business is just absolutely a terrific business,'" he observes. "It has a reputation as a flaky industry, but that's not really accurate."

Advertising operates in a climate of relatively steady growth in the 12 percent to 14 percent annual range, he says, and stock prices in the industry don't fully reflect that.

On the other hand, cable TV stocks mostly look overpriced to Greenberg, reflecting growth expectations that may not be fulfilled.

Spotting new trends can be a tough assignment in fields as fickle as entertainment, he acknowledges.

But he adds, "identifying what's going to be the next hit movie or the next hot toy is not really as important as it might seem."

As the movie companies are part of big, diversified companies these days, and no movie doesn't make that much of a difference. "You try to develop a picture of what things are going to look like two to five years down the road. I think one of the most important things I can do is identify

resource departments — yet. A professional who has been downsized out of three companies in the last three years makes this comparison:

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Phone interviews can be costly, so don't write them off

By Carol Kleinman

Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — More and more firms are conducting preliminary job interviews over the phone in an attempt to screen out the multitudes of job candidates.

These interviews are initial probes, but unless you handle them properly, they will be the final one.

Most job seekers don't understand that the brief, investigative phone call is important and that it's not something to brush aside.

A reader says he doesn't like being questioned by telephone in response to the resume he's sent in. He prefers a face-to-face interview.

"I'm not much for this," he says. "Are there any rules to follow?" One rule is to be happy you've been called: Getting a response to a resume is good.

My feeling about these calls is that employers use them to test the waters. They call because you

have most of the qualifications and skills they require; now they want a little insight about your personality and other abilities.

This is where good communication skills come into play: confidence, energy and enthusiasm.

And don't forget to ask when you can come in for an in-person interview.

Speaking of good communication skills, just a properly used phrase here or there can make a difference, according to CommCorp, a communication Strategies in White Plains, N.Y.

For instance, the consulting group suggests you "carry a ready phrase for impromptu elevator and hallway meetings with executives.

Instead of, 'Nice weather,' why not try, 'The report will be ready Friday.'"

My advice: When you bump into your supervisor or other company whizzes on the elevator on the last

work day of the week, it is not the time to say, "Thank goodness, it's Friday!"

How do human resource professionals feel about mass firings?

Well, like the rest of us, they're not thrilled. In fact, 52.2 percent of the 5,000 members of the Society of Human Resource Management, queried by International Survey Research Corp. replied that downsizing of work forces in American industry "has gone too far."

A survey 11 percent opined it "has not gone far enough."

Another significant question asked by John R. Stanek, president of the research company, and his troops was the overall effect on companies using re-engineering: Deeming it negative were 44.6 percent of the respondents.

Another 33.4 percent felt it was having a positive effect. Probably this is due to work for firms that haven't downsized their human

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THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS Case No. SP-96-054 NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate of BRYAN H. HENNING, Deceased. CHRISTIAN ASA MILDRED

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has produced and filed with the court the following information:

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE On Tuesday, the 10th day of December, 1996, at the hour of 2:00 p.m. of said day, at Tillec, Falls, Twin Falls, County of Twin Falls, Idaho: Title-Fact, Inc., an Idaho Corporation, as Trustee, will sell the real property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

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ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS: For assistance on technical questions, contact Mark Shumar or Michael McIntyre at (208) 373-0502. The Board will accept written and oral comments regarding the stream segments listed above on or before November 6, 1996. Dated this 28th day of September, 1996. Paula June Salvo, Environmental Quality Section, Attorney General's Office, 1410 N. Hillon, Boise, ID 83706-1255. Photo No. 2083-2418 Fax No. (208) 373-0481 PUBLISHED: September 28, 1996

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
On Friday, the 10th day of January, 1997, at the hour of 10:00 A.M. All of the day, the title of said DEED OF TRUST & ESCROW CORP., LOCATED AT 311 2ND STREET NORTH, TWIN FALLS, IDAHO...

YOUNG & YOUNG PARTNERSHIP, 300-A S. 200 N. STREET, IDAHO 83402 has filed a transfer application pursuant to Section 42-221 of IDAHO CODE...

LEGAL NOTICE
ALL-STATE Storage under provisions of Idaho Code 26-7-210 will sell at Public Auction, 105 East 1st, Twin Falls, Idaho on October 5, 1996 stored items of Jack Schaepp...

LEGAL NOTICE
MARGARET MARSHALL KRISTINA BOWDIT CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS GREG METCALF GARRY & LAURA HARRIS

ORDINANCE NO. 2535
All benefits provided by law of the City of Twin Falls shall be provided to all employees...

LEGAL NOTICE
101 LOST & FOUND
FOUND - Male black Lab. Call 423-4548
FOUND - Golden Cocker Spaniel, 6-yr old, black & white. Anderson's Auto, has been stolen...

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104 PERSONALS
SINGLE! Meet someone special! 18-90 yrs. Free brochure! 1-800-999-0111

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT
Notice is hereby given that the City of Twin Falls, Idaho is proposing to change its water right...

106 SPECIAL NOTICES
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
COME HEAR THE SILENT MESSAGE
The quality of our life is determined by the state of our mind...

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FAX YOUR AD
TIMES CLASSIFIED DEPARTMENT
208-734-5538
REMEMBER
If you have a classified ad that needs some time ago in the Times-Herald, how is the time to come up to you...

107 ABORTION ALTERNATIVES
PREGNANCY CROSS
Free literature 208-734-7472 or 1-800-331-7472

108 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
BANKRUPTCY
Debtors' Rights
Call 227-9596

FOR QUALITY BUILDING CALL CENT CONSTRUCTION
Now or remodeling service. Over 20 years experience. Call 1-888-754-7628

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GREAT PHOTOGRAPHY
At the lowest prices in the Magic Valley. Call 227-7777 or 677-7777

110 HOME/HEALTH CARE SERVICES
FOSTER CARE HOME
We are seeking qualified Foster Care Home in Twin Falls for a 2-year-old child...

113 CHILD CARE SERVICES
COLLEEN'S CLUBHOUSE
Preschool/Daycare. Ages 2 to 6. Call 734-9548

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CLERICAL
FT., Collector Position
available for immediate hire. Experience in medical billing, collections, insurance billing & computer software. Salary \$10.00. If interested, apply at or send resume to: Canyon View Medical Center, 223 E. Main, W. Twin Falls, ID. 83301 or fax 734-6784. Deadline for applications 9/30/96

CLERICAL
Temporary part-time, call work into full time for drift store. Apply at 233 E. Main St. or call 734-9548

CONSTRUCTION
Bridle yard needed in Elk area, wages DOE. Call 702-738-7353

CONSTRUCTION
Need laborers, carpenters & concrete workers. Apply at Westec, 53 N 200 W, Jerome, ID. 324-3247

COORDINATOR
Requirements: High school diploma or equivalent, ability to read and organize, demonstrated performance in effective relationships with volunteer work force...

DELIVERY DRIVER
Must be 22 yrs. old, valid driver's license, driving record, day & evening shifts, wages & tips. Twin Falls & Jerome. 24-hr. Call 227-4225

DRIVER
Class A CDL required. Experience required. Call 324-7487 or 736-6381

DRIVER
Wanted truck driver in Jerome for 10 wheel call 227-352-6692

DRIVERS
Dependable and reliable, needed for the potato and beef harvest. 10 wheel diesel trucks, no CDL required. Experience preferred. Reservoir Ranch in Jerome.

DRIVERS
Need drivers with CDL/A and good driving record. 40 hours, home regularly. New equipment and good benefits. Come by at 1723 N. Main, Jerome, ID or call 1-208-934-4451

DRIVER
Must have CDL (semi's, 10 wheelers), have good driving record. Experience. Contact Chuck Erwin at 788-8501

DRIVERS
Temporary truck drivers needed for corn collage. Apply at 734-8821

DRIVERS
2 Years Truck Drivers
Need Good pay, medical & dental insurance. Please call 734-9678

DRIVERS
Need long haul truck drivers. Good pay, medical & dental insurance. Apply at Westec, 53 N 200 W, Jerome, ID. 324-3247

DRIVERS
OTR drivers needed, day/evening, medical equipment, 401k, pay HCE. Food grade, good pay. Call 909-2911 Burley, ID.

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MECHANIC
Alo G. Lott Trucking has immediate openings for welding mechanic. Own tools. Call Eddie at 734-8503

MECHANIC
Immediate opening for industrial maintenance mechanic in Twin Falls. Call 734-8503

MECHANIC
Minimum 4 years experience, own tools, some business exp. preferred. Repair of landscaping equipment. Call 734-8503

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EARN WHILE YOU LEARN
CNA classes are now being offered for individuals who are seeking employment at Twin Falls Care Center. Students are paid a wage while they attend classes at the facility. All interested candidates should apply in person to Twin Falls Care Center at 674 Eastland Drive.

TWIN FALLS CARE CENTER
674 Eastland Drive • Twin Falls, Idaho

HORIZONICS HEALTHCARE CORPORATION

Alzheimers-Paloma Unit Coordinator
We're looking for a compassionate, quality-minded team leader. This full-time position will have accountability for the administrative functions, development, education, activities, and training for the Paloma Unit. The candidate must be an RN with management experience. Apply in person.

Rock Creek Rehab & Medical Center
640 Filer Ave West, Twin Falls, Idaho

WILLIAMS MORTGAGE in Twin Falls is looking for pleasant and polite people for part time checker and bagger positions. Retired persons welcome. Excellent opportunity for additional income.

Come see Bill or Mark at 647 Filer Ave. in Twin Falls. No Phone Calls Please.

MEDICAL Job Positions for CHA's... NURSE Part-time CNA's needed immediately in Buhl and Jerome areas...

OFFICE Work for the BEST! SOS Staffing Services Taking Applications Now...

MEDICAL Twin Falls Care Center is now hiring a Full-Time Registered Nurse for 2:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. shift...

MISCELLANEOUS Hiring Now! Factory/food processing... Fork lift operators... Construction/Carpentry...

EXPRESS PERSONNEL SERVICES Twin Falls, 733-7900... 100% No Fee

MISCELLANEOUS Baby sitter, nannies... 2 to 6 active boys, ages 10 mos & 3 yrs. Hours vary.

POLICE The City of Twin Falls is accepting applications for Police Officers. This is a strictly volunteer...

MISCELLANEOUS AMERICAN STAFFING Current openings: Warehouse/Gooding...

MISCELLANEOUS Seasonal, Full-time... 733-6452 1-800-713-TEMP

MISCELLANEOUS Investment... Full time or part time position available...

MISCELLANEOUS Production... Join our Team! We have jobs...

PROFESSIONAL Juvenile Probation Officer... South Central Community Agency...

MISCELLANEOUS PLANTING & EVALUATING SEEDS... Temporary position working in research lab...

MISCELLANEOUS Life Insurance... Must be available weekends and some nights...

MISCELLANEOUS WIFE/CONSERVATION... Now hiring game wardens, security, maintenance...

NURSES CHA's Minidoka Memorial Hospital is currently hiring... RN's, RMT's, Respiratory therapists...

ADVERTISING 500 OPEN HOUSES... Please check your ad for correctness on the first day...

ADVERTISING 501 OPEN HOUSES... 301 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES... Auctioneer's Best Cabs...

ADVERTISING 502 HOMES FOR SALE... ALBION - Nice 14 x 70' on foundation, huge deck...

ADVERTISING 503 MUSIC LESSONS... BETTY'S MUSIC STUDIO... Voice and piano lessons...

ADVERTISING 504 REAL ESTATE SALE... 501 OPEN HOUSES... Please check your ad for correctness...

RADIO TECH Experience installing radios, computer equipment... Send resume to: Joe Adams, J.L. Twin Falls, ID 83303

RESTAURANT Cook, full time, night shift and weekends... 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

RESTAURANT Great job! Flexible hours... Only for those who are a multi-tasker...

TECHNICIAN Electronics Tech needed for small business... I.D.O. plus benefits & 401k...

TECHNICIAN GIS TECHNICIAN... D.O.O. plus benefits & 401k... One man department with consultant & other help...

TECHNICIAN MULTIMEDIA TRAINING... Full time position... 206-73-9727

TECHNICIAN Tire sales & service... Full time... 206-73-9727

TECHNICIAN Automotive Service... We have immediate openings for experienced car and light truck technicians...

TECHNICIAN Senior Transportation Planner... The Idaho Transportation Department, District 1...

TECHNICIAN Environmental Health Officer... Apply by mail to: Cor Paulos Chevrolet Inc...

TREES Tree business needs hard workers... No smoking, long term job...

WELDER Stainless steel welders & fabricators needed... 6078-3940

EMPLOYMENT WANTED 214... Loving mother willing to care for infants & 4y. Days & weekends...

RESUME PREPARATION 215... Professional resumes... 733-1666

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES 216... SOS Staffing Services... 677-TEMP (067) - Burley

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES 217... \$1,000 Weekly Starting Envelope at Home...

TEACHER - Secondary English... The Gooding School District is accepting applications...

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BURL Vacant Move In Today... Owners moved! This 3 bdrm on a huge lot...

THE TIMES-NEWS CURRENTLY HAS THE FOLLOWING INDEPENDENT JUNIOR ROUTES AVAILABLE

HT 816 in Twin Falls 500 blk 4th St. N. 200-600 blk 5th Ave. N. 100-500 blks 7th Ave. N.

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FREE Special Report Reveals how local company can BUY or LEASE your home...

GOODING - Huge 4 bdrm. Lease/option to buy... 2675-2675-2675

GOODING - 2 bdrm, 1 bath, 1/2 bdrm, 1 bath, 1/2 bdrm, 1 bath, 1/2 bdrm, 1 bath, 1/2 bdrm, 1 bath, 1/2 bdrm...

GOODING - By owner, 3 bdrm, 1 bath, older, nice, Sprinkler... 555K-94-5452

PHONE CARD ROUTES Local sales - for sale, 50% wk potential free card w/info... 1-800-700-7177

SMALL parking lot sweeping - exc. potential, equip. & accounts, cash only... 736-2918

302 MONEY TO LOAN \$5-100K \$5 Refinance & equity loans...

WE NEED CASH! We buy notes & real estate contracts... 1-800-999-4809

CREDIT MORTGAGE Attractive mortgage rates starting at 7.75% for 1st and 2nd up to 100%...

INTEREST RATES ARE DOWN! (Rates as low as 7.5%) Now is the time to refinance your home for:

HOME LOANS FHA/203K-VIA Conv - Manufactured homes - Refinance - Real estate services... 733-0002 or (800)997-3535

305 CONTRACTS & MORTGAGES SS TOP DOLLARS \$ For contracts, mortgages... 208-734-8727

BUYING CONTRACTS, TRUST DEEDS, & MORTGAGES... Call: 736-1767 or codes

FOR SALE: mortgage contract that values \$23,500, carrying a 9% interest rate... 733-2566 call for doc.

306 FINANCIAL SERVICES DEBT CONSOLIDATION... Call 543-4371 now!

JEROME Owner's 3 bdrm, 2 1/2 bath, single gtr, full bath, Assum loan... 837-8168

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