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Classified

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With failing health, Frances Deahl says dust from a proposed dairy would drive her from the land her family homesteaded in 1936.

Dairy boom

In rural Jerome County, it pits neighbor against neighbor

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

JEROME—The growth of the local dairy industry has made for long discussions among committees, lots of media coverage and a scramble to rework county ordinances to fit everybody's needs.

But for a dairy farmer and some of his neighbors in northern Jerome County, the issues have an immediate effect on everyday life.

Lane Franco wants to convert about 40 of the 700 acres he bought along 700 North Road into a 2,500-cow dairy. He said the county purposely set aside land in the area for agriculture, and most people living nearby have no problem with his expansion plans.

But two neighbors don't agree and have held up his plans with an appeal to the county.

Frances Deahl has lived just down the road since 1936. She has asthma and uses oxygen, so she worries that the dust from a large dairy could be a health hazard for her.

"I homesteaded this place from sagebrush," she said. "I have paid every tax that the county has. I've invested a lot of money in Jerome

County, and I don't think I should have to leave my house after 60 years because of health reasons."

Carmen Logan said she feels the eight years she and her husband, Tom, have put into the family home along 700 North would go to waste if a large dairy goes in across the road.

The county planning and zoning office approved Franco's dairy plan last fall, but the Logans and Deahl filed their appeal against it in late November.

The county planning and zoning commission will rule on the appeal during his Jan. 27 meeting.

During the hearing, Franco and opponents will have the chance to speak. Either party could appeal the planners' decision to the county commissioners.

"From what I've heard, chances are pretty good that the dairy's going in, but I'm still going to go the hearing and give my opinion," Carmen Logan said.

For her, it boils down to the fact that her family was on the land first.

"I chose this place because of what it was, not because of what it could have turned into."

But Franco said he is just trying to follow the wishes of the majority of county residents.

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Campaign reform bid wins mixed reviews



Gov. Phil Batt delivers his state-of-the-state message to the Idaho Legislature, opening its 1997 session Monday.

By Karen Tokkiden
Times-News writer

BOISE—Gov. Phil Batt threw his support Monday behind campaign finance reform, fewer regulations for schools and a six-month grace period for farmers mandated to buy worker's compensation insurance.

During his annual state-of-the-state address to lawmakers, Batt touted the accomplishments of his past two years, including trimming budgets and staff and streamlining juvenile justice. He was interrupted frequently by applause.



The wide-ranging speech outlined the issues that he will be willing to support during the 1997 legislative session.

He tackled campaign finance reform, a pet issue for Democrats during and after the 1996 election. Batt said he will pre-

sent proposals to ban foreign and out-of-state contributions, limit contributions for statewide candidates to \$5,000 from most sources and limit contributions to legislative races to \$1,000.

"Our constitution limits the range of possible reforms, but we must proceed," he said.

Some legislators felt such a proposal could not be done.

"To completely prohibit out-of-state contributions isn't going to work," said Rep. Doug Jones, R-Filer, the new chairman of the House Agriculture

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Governor sees 'unlimited opportunities'

The Associated Press

BOISE—Gov. Phil Batt, convinced the policies of his first two years have checked the growth of state government, proposed Monday eliminating the multi-million-dollar marriage penalty from the state income tax and limiting campaign contributions.

"We face a wide variety of problems but unlimited opportunities," the governor said in his State-of-the-State address to the opening session of the 54th Legislature.

In his 40-minute speech to the most Republican Legislature in the nation, the

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GOP chief executive called for cooperation among the state's diverse interests to continue improving the education system in a time of slower economic growth.

He also asked legislators to assure job training and opportunities for future generations and resolve persisting environmental questions.

"We need to find those opportunities without unduly impacting our incomparable quality of life," Batt declared.

"We are growing rapidly and we must provide jobs for our young people so that

they do not have to move out as they did 20 years ago," he said. "We will invest our future in our schools, in job training, and in economic development initiatives."

Batt endorsed the 1996 proposal of Rep. Dan Mader, R-Leviston, to eliminate the so-called income tax marriage penalty by ending the \$150 discrepancy between the standard deduction for single taxpayers and for married couples.

The price tag was \$11.5 million to fully implement that change, and the bill failed because the state could not afford the lost revenue.

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Gingrich lobbies GOP for 2nd term as speaker

Election set for today in House

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON—Struggling off a fellow Republican's call to surrender the post, Newt Gingrich lobbied the House GOP rank-and-file in private Monday for a new term as speaker despite admitted ethics violations.

One lawmaker said Gingrich assured Republicans at a party caucus that there were no further embarrassing disclosures to come out in his case. Others said the Georgian accused Democrats of using the ethics committee for political mischief.

"It's not about Newt Gingrich," Rep. Jim Ramstad of Minnesota quoted the speaker as saying. "It's about the ethics process being used to gain control to elect a Democratic speaker."

Gingrich predicted before the closed-door session that he would prevail when the 105th Congress convenes today, and thus become the first GOP speaker to win consecutive terms in 68 years. There was evidence to support that, as

Rep. Marge Roukema of New Jersey, publicly uncommitted at mid-afternoon, said later through an aide that she would vote for the Georgian.

But even before he stepped before fellow Republicans came a fresh sign of his political vulnerability: In a written statement, 11-term Iowa Republican Jim Leach said Gingrich was "ethically damaged."

"For the country's sake," he said, Gingrich should step down and another GOP leader should be selected in his place.

Leach and Rep. Michael Forbes of New York, another opponent, both spoke during the caucus, according to one lawmaker who emerged while the session was still in progress. Rep. Tom Campbell of California also announced his intention to deny Gingrich his vote, this lawmaker added.

The political drama surrounding Gingrich has dominated the run-up to the opening of the 105th Congress on Tuesday. Election of a speaker is customarily a cut-and-dried process.

Crews reopen Gem link between north, south

Highway damage may reach \$42 million

The Associated Press

BOISE—Road crews cleared more sections of flood-damaged highways in central Idaho Monday, reopening the state's only north-south artery and freeing thousands of people from isolated mountain towns.

But repairing the damaged roads and bridges could cost about \$42 million, with \$5 million in matching funds coming from state and local governments, Idaho Transportation Director Dwight Bower told a joint gathering of the Legislature's transportation committees.

"I hope you don't lock this too firmly in your mind," he told the lawmakers. "It's a horse-back estimate, mostly from a helicopter."

The highway openings came a day after Gov. Phil Batt and U.S. Sen. Dirk Kempthorne led James Lee Witt, director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and other Clinton administration representatives on a helicopter tour of some of the damaged areas north and west of Boise.

"We're here to help you get your lives put back together, as a team, as a partnership," Witt told Boise County commissioners in Idaho City. "We're here to be a good neighbor to you."

The serpentine Idaho 21 in Boise County has been reopened to one lane for emergency traffic only. Before that, the small community of Lowman was largely cut off from outside help. The county has only a \$4 million annual budget.

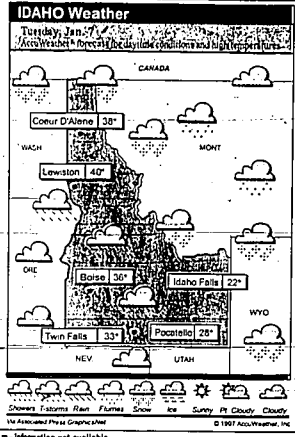
Bower put the preliminary figure of repairing the road, bridges and other structures at \$42 million. About \$10 million of that would go to Old Highway 17, a mountain road between Banks and Lowman which is perched on a ledge above the South Fork of the Payette River. That precarious perch was heavily damaged by slides.

"That is probably the worst of the damage I've seen," Bower said. "You lose track of how many places are washed out there."

The state currently has \$2 million left over from repair work from the devastating floods in northern Idaho last winter. Bower said the Legislature would have to reappropriate that money, but it could be used as part of the matching funds needed for the federal payout.

The resort town of McCall has had to rely on food and supplies flown in by small airplanes. But U.S. 95 was reopened to allow visitors to make their way from McCall to New Meadows, then along a maze of county roads to Weiser and the rest of southern Idaho.

WEATHER



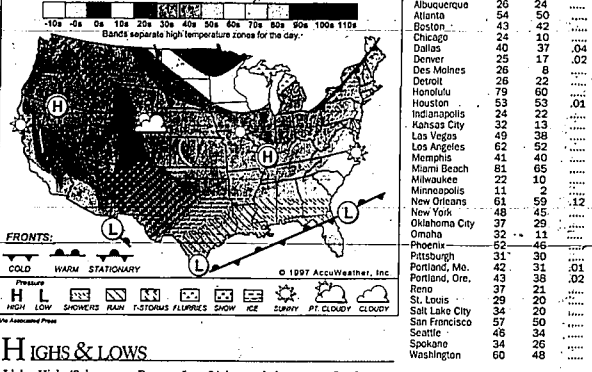
FORECAST

Magic Valley
Cloudy with a chance of snow today. Breezy in the afternoon. Highs 30 to 35. West wind 15 to 25 mph. Tonight mostly cloudy with a chance of evening snow showers.

ACROSS THE NATION

Arizona high country receives deep layer of snow; Texas shivers
Snow fell Monday in the Southwest and around the Great Lakes, while a swath from northern California to the central Plains to the Southeast was fair and dry.

NATIONAL Weather



ALMANAC

Table with columns for Idaho and Twin Falls, listing Max, Min, and Precipitation for various locations like Boise, Burley, and Pocatello.

SKYWATCH

Sunset today 5:21 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 8:08 a.m. Lunar phase: New Jan. 8; first quarter, Jan. 15; full, Jan. 23; last quarter, Jan. 31.

SAWTOOTH MOUNTAINS

Mostly cloudy today with a chance of snow or rain especially in the morning. Highs in the mid 30s. Light wind becoming northerly 5 to 15 mph in the afternoon.

HIGHS & LOWS

Idaho: High, 42 degrees at Payette. Low, 24 degrees below zero at Stanley. Nation: High, 85 at Vero Beach, Fla. Low, 30 below W. Yellowstone, Mont.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Tune to the National Weather Service radio band at VHF-FM 162.4 or 162.55 MHz or call 424-4423. The Internet address for Idaho Transportation Department road reports is: http://www.state.id.us/dt/dtimp.htm

Reaction

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Committee. "If my brother in Utah wants to give me \$100 for my campaign, should he be prohibited from doing that?"

classes for high school students from 30 credits to 25. Some educators have criticized the rule changes, saying they undermine educational quality.

Californians battle to save failing levees

MERIDIAN, Calif. (AP) - Crews desperately shored up failing levees Monday to stem flooding that has already swamped parts of the Central Valley, California's rich farming region.

Batt

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But Batt backed the idea only on the condition that income tax rates, already among the highest in the nation, be raised to offset the tax break.

judgment until seeing exactly how the tax rates would be manipulated to pay for the cut. The administration refused Monday to detail plans for modifying the tax rates. If only the top rate of 8.2 percent, which is paid by just 70,000 of the state's 440,000 tax filers, was changed, it would have to be raised to 8.7 percent to finance the tax break.

ROAD CONDITIONS

BOISE (AP) - Snow was reported across much of northern Idaho Monday afternoon, the Idaho Department of Transportation said. Road conditions: U.S. 95 - Flummer-Coeur d'Alene, broken snow floor, snowing; Coeur d'Alene-Spandpoint-Canadian border, broken snow floor, snowing; Riggins-Whitebird Hill, dry; Grangeville-Winchester, dry, light snow; Winchester-Lewiston, dry; Lewiston-Moscow, broken snow floor, snowing; Weiser-North Meadows, open to limited traffic;

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LOTTERY UPDATE
Don't forget to buy your lotto tickets. Powerball's jackpot is an estimated \$5 million for Wednesday night's drawing. A lucky player from Post Falls won \$5,000 in Saturday night's Powerball drawing. She bought her winning ticket at Super 1 Foods.

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Excerpts from Gov. Batt's state of the state address

BOISE (AP) — Here are excerpts from Gov. Phil Batt's state of the state address to Monday's opening session of the 54th Idaho Legislature.

I am now halfway through my first term as your Governor. I come to you with only one sense of disappointment. Term limits apparently will let me serve only six more years.

I am pleased to report that many of the initiatives we undertook at the start of my tenure have now produced measurable improvement.

We have stopped the growth of state government.

We have dealt firmly with juvenile crime.

We have taken the lead on welfare and Medicaid reform.

Perhaps most importantly, my administration, with your help, has changed state government from master to servant.

The theme of making more efficient use of tax money is also being advanced in one of the state's most critical responsibilities — providing educational opportunities to our citizens.

Our future sits in our classrooms and we must be sure our education efforts are effective.

Education improvements
Idaho's hard-working State Board of Education has abandoned the turf protection of the past for an active effort to improve its education, from public schools to post-secondary programs, and to rescue those who slip through the cracks along the way.

During this session, you will remember the Board's proposed K-12 rules. At your direction, the board dissected these rules, and reduced them from 1,500 to 380 while increasing local control.

With your approval of these rules, additional districts should be expected to respond, where possible, by reducing administration and putting education dollars to work in the classrooms.

You will also be asked to give the Board additional authority to accept credits from non-traditional sources, such as the Western Governors University and other distance learning vehicles. This change will protect program quality while meeting the rapidly changing needs of our students, traditional and non-traditional alike.

Other innovations should also be examined. I applaud the efforts of President Hoover to reclaim the tenure system.

Yet, Idaho's school drop-out rate continues to frustrate us. Last year you adopted legislation, which I should be honored to have with my signature, to tie the driving privilege to high school attendance. It's been rarely used. If school districts don't want to take advantage of this questionable law, we should repeal it.

The debate over school facilities continues to grow. I applaud those who are using their ingenuity by lengthening school days and extending classes year-round. We should provide flexibility for this sort of innovation.

If we can get more use of our facilities without adding new bricks, we have found more education money.

Juvenile corrections
The juvenile corrections system, which you created, is succeeding even better than we expected — though starting a new department and function of state government from ground zero is no easy task. We are trying to establish the right mix of compassion and correctional punishment to deal with these young but often vicious and hardened criminals.

I see a faint glimmer of hope that both adult and juvenile

crime may be abating. That is why the new centers — not in prisons, and not in rehabilitation, but rather in a resumption by society, and by the individual, of collective proper behavior which would be of great merit. Until we change this social behavior, we will continue to see millions and millions spent on courts, police, and prisons — dollars that would be far better spent on education or in a return to our taxpayers.

Medicaid, welfare
Medicaid and welfare are also driving forces in government.

Last year I appointed an advisory council to look at Medicaid and suggest reforms to this \$1 billion-per-day program. I need more time to study their far-reaching report and its financial implications before I bring proposals to you.

Most years also saw the start of our welfare reform efforts. Here, too, I started with an advisory council to look at a system this country had nurtured and fattened for more than 40 years that had become an expensive dependence on assistance from government but rather fostered it.

My welfare reform committee gave you sound recommendations and you adopted most of them. One of these laws will cause a lot of folks to lose their licenses if they do not pay their child support or honor their visitation agreements. In effect January 1st, this law will allow us to begin to collect a substantial portion of the estimated \$109 million of child support currently in arrears. It's working already.

At the same time, Congress has decided to withhold food stamps and Medicaid from legal aliens. I understand the reasoning. No one should come to this country depending on their new government to provide welfare.

Nevertheless, I do not think it is in our best interest to deny basic medical services to anyone. The result would be an expensive overload of hospital emergency rooms, as well as an increase in serious illness and death.

Combined departments
We have now successfully combined the Departments of Labor and Employment into one dynamic venture which serves both labor and employer better. It is also doing its job for less money.

We asked business to come up with a self-funded mechanism for training workers. They came through by setting a small percentage of unemployment taxes, creating a \$3 million resource for training displaced or beginning workers, Labor, Commerce, and Vocational Education, working together, have already proved this to be a valuable tool for encouraging Idaho businesses to expand, for recruiting new businesses to our state, and for retaining employees. Scores of new jobs have come about mainly because of this effort.

Other agencies
Now, a quick look at what some of the other agencies and programs have done since we last met.

The Department of Insurance worked tirelessly to reduce the cost of Workers' Compensation Insurance. Our already low rates will drop an average of 5 to 8 percent this year, an important reduction at a time when farm employers will be required to insure their workers.

You were wise to bring the agricultural industry under the workers' compensation law as of

January 1st of this year. In most cases, the cost of covering such coverage has been minimal, while the protection afforded to employers has been substantially increased. I have asked the State Insurance Fund to go out of its way to make this an easy transition. However, I want to go further and allow a short "grace" period, without penalty, for new agricultural customers to comply.

We are looking for maximum effectiveness of the tax dollar in all other areas, too.

We privatized medical services at the Department of Correction, resulting in big savings, and we're exploring more opportunities to lower costs through additional privatization. The department is fiscally and physically holding the federal government responsible for convicted foreign state offenders who are being deported or paid for by the feds.

When your clients are hardened criminals, you will have some lapses or errors. Yet, our prison system has dealt with staggering growth in a responsible manner and is striving to improve despite harsh criticisms from some of the media.

The State Land Board faces challenging decisions which come from changing times. State land holdings have provided us a continuing source of badly-needed funds for schools and other essential services.

As my suggestion, the Land Board has appointed a task force to look at ways to enhance our earning power. This group will recommend an investment strategy to maximize the return to our state coffers. We shouldn't be satisfied with investment returns of 2 percent below comparable funds.

Disaster and relief efforts
Last year I told you that our bank account could be impacted if we were hit by north Idaho floods. Today I can report that the total state cost will not exceed \$5 million and, even at that, we were able to pick up with state funding nearly all of the matches required of local governments.

We have endured further catastrophic events during the past two weeks. State teams are working with local officials and citizens to mitigate the floods, slides, and avalanches. We will likely receive substantial federal assistance. In any case, we'll spare no effort to take care of our people, restore their homes and property, and get the roads open.

My Hispanic Initiative concentrates on the deleterious effects

of an abnormally high dropout rate and on the need for young Hispanics to master the English language and train themselves for good-paying jobs. The response from Hispanics has been highly encouraging. This is a group that is on the move. Rather than spending more money on governmental services, we're working with Hispanics throughout the state to make sure that existing services augment their self-improvement.

The tribal issue is a different matter. The economic issues are the same and we have made some small progress. What complicates this dialogue is the unique nature of sovereignty. I have succeeded beyond my highest expectations in opening a constructive conversation with the tribes. Tribal leaders have been cooperative and have respectfully considered my views. Yet, many areas such as natural resource protection, police authority, employment conditions, gambling, and a myriad of others, inevitably bump into the thorny issue of sovereignty.

Fish and Game
I credit the former Fish and Game Commission for spotlighting the need for a more aggressive recovery effort. But, talking about the problem isn't enough. The new commission and I have focused more on actually implementing scientifically valid, sustainable recovery plans. The contributions of all the board members are important. My early call for the resignations of the commissioners was ill-conceived. Such authority for immediate removal should probably be stricken from the books.

However, while the previous commission has done well in some areas, it needed improvements in its fiscal management. Violations of bidding laws and questionable financial arrangements with private organizations have come to light. The budgeting effort has not been diligent nor effective. We do not need more pickups than employees. I am confident that the new direc-

tor, Steve Mealey, will tackle these problems.

Nuclear waste, fish recovery
We've all talked about Proposition 3 for too long... Now I ask supporters and detractors alike to help me monitor the agreement. We will tolerate no deviation. We're ahead of schedule now. We must never fall behind.

This whole question has had a strong positive national impact. With our state efforts and the full participation of our congressional delegation, we have forced this country to focus on the need for a clear policy for nuclear waste disposal.

Another area which has involved federal-state coordination is anadromous fish recovery. I have emphasized the need for sound scientific research ever since I have been in office. That plea has been partially answered by the release of several scientific studies to the Northwest Power Planning Council.

However, the need for further objective evaluations has not lessened. We need to continue spending money on tagging and tracking.

Most reports recommend a gradually declining use of barge and more emphasis on a natural river ecosystem.

I accept that wisdom. The governors of Montana, Oregon, Washington and I are working to devise a plan for more closely conforming to natural river flows. Such a plan will have to recognize some essential Idaho concerns.

First, we cannot furnish large amounts of water in dry years if

we don't have it.

Second, the Port of Lewiston must be allowed to operate.

Third, Dworshak Reservoir cannot be drained below a usable level during the summer.

And fourth, Idaho electrical consumers cannot be electrical pay an exorbitant rate.

We will do our part — and we expect others to do the same. Another environmental issue has to do with audits. The statute giving amnesty to those who voluntarily submit to environmental audits, although presented with good intentions, has created serious questions. I allowed it to become law only after a sunset clause was added. That sunset will soon be reached, and I am not willing to extend it, in its current form.

Initiative process
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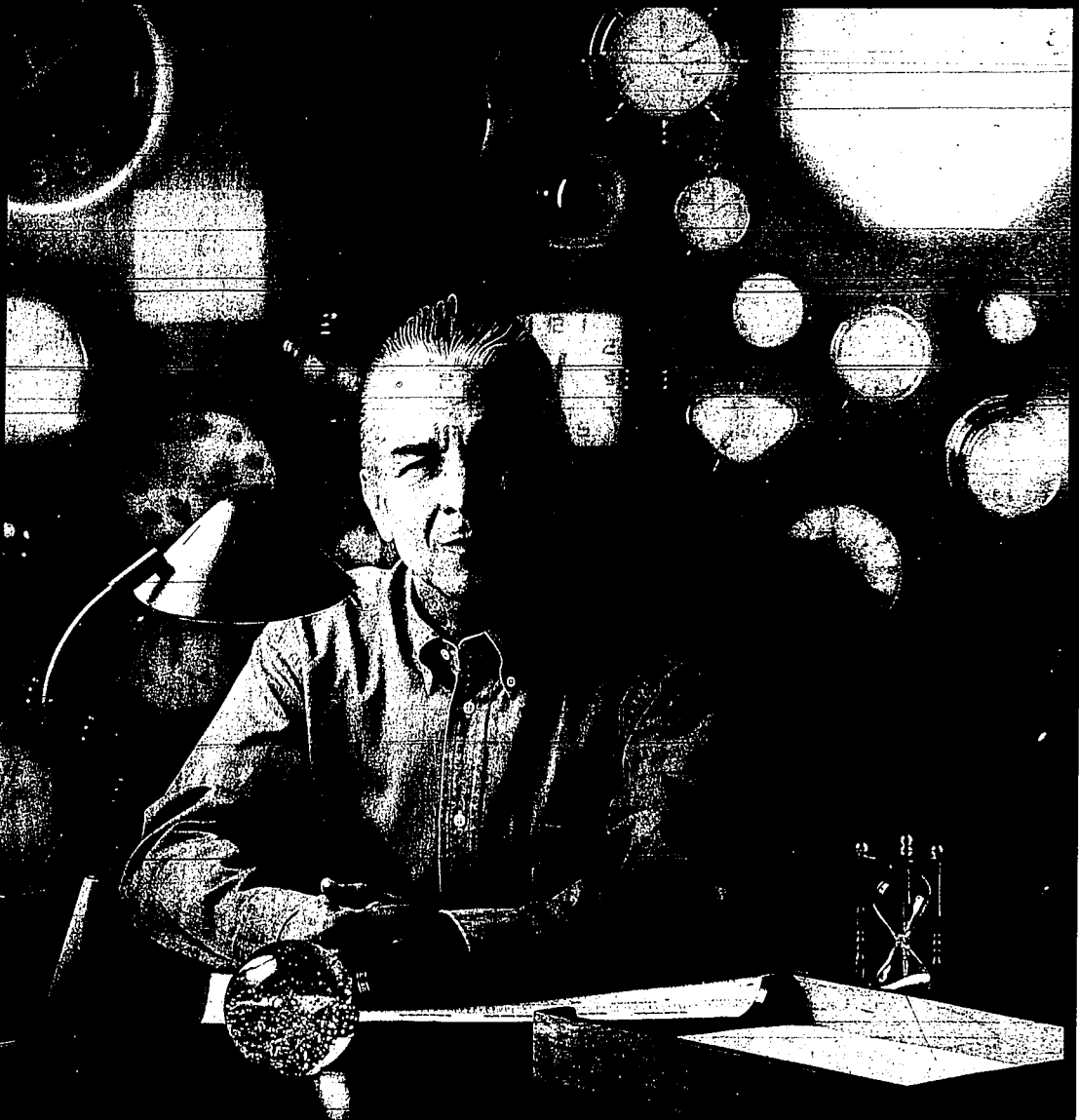
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NATION

Social Security panel urges stocks, use to rescue program

13-member panel can't agree on path

WASHINGTON (AP) — A share of the billions in payroll taxes collected for Social Security each year should be invested in the stock market to help rescue the retirement program, an advisory panel urged in a long-awaited report Monday.

But after more than two years of work, the 13-member panel failed to agree on a single set of recommendations to save Social Security from bankruptcy in the next century.

It issued three competing proposals, although each supported the idea of stock market investment. Even then, six members said such investment should not be undertaken until further study is done.

The plans also split over proposals to increase payroll taxes and reduce benefits. The most radical approach would eliminate the current system and replace it with individual investment accounts.

Six panel members headed by former Social Security Commissioner Robert Ball held a news conference immediately after the report was released to attack the alternative, more sweeping plans.

"Social Security is not in the emergency room and does not need radical surgery," Ball said. "To maintain its long-term health, it requires only a series of moderate adjustments to revenues and expenses."

Gloria Johnson, a panel member and president of the Coalition of Labor Union Women, said her group would try to persuade the Clinton administration and Congress to reject the more radical approaches.

The panel's report, originally

Proposed plans

- The three competing plans, laid out as options in the final report:
 - The first option would be to keep the present Social Security benefits essentially unchanged and make only modest increases in Social Security taxes. The group also called for further study and implementation down the road of a change that would invest up to 40 percent of Social Security revenues in stocks.
 - Another option put forward in the report would establish mandatory individual savings accounts to supplement benefit checks. The accounts would be owned by the workers but managed by the government. This option would increase the payroll tax by 4.6 percent and would gradually lower benefits to reflect the earnings the workers would receive from their investments.
 - The most radical proposal would replace the current Social Security program with a two-tier system. It would feature reduced benefits in the flat-rate portion of the plan and Personal Security Accounts similar to current Individual Retirement Accounts. Retirement benefits would vary depending on the success of each workers' investments.
- The transition to this system would be financed by increasing Social Security taxes by 1.5 percent of payroll.

scheduled to be released a year ago, is certain to spark a fierce debate over the future of the government's biggest benefit program.

The amount Social Security collects in benefits exceeds annual payments by \$60 billion. But by 2012, that surplus will end as the baby boom generation starts retiring and without corrective action, the Social Security trust fund will be broke by 2029. At that point, payroll taxes will cover only about 76 percent of promised benefits.

The advisory commission was given the task of recommending fixes to the impending financial troubles. But supporters who had hoped for a unified plan were disappointed. Instead, the panel could never reconcile differences that are certain to be at the center of the upcoming debate over the issue.

Supporters of so-called privatization, investing Social Security taxes in the stock market, argue that stocks traditionally have paid much higher returns than U.S. Treasury securities.

Opponents argue that the stock market carries big risks and would leave many retirees in the lurch if investments plummet.

On Sunday, Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle said he favored a pilot project to test the profitability of investing some Social Security trust funds in the private sector.

He called the most radical approach to privatize Social Security a "nonstarter."

"I am not in favor of the privatization of the Social Security system," Daschle said on CBS' "Face the Nation."

House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, also on CBS, said private investment was "an attractive option for younger people." But he said the government's first obligation is to protect its commitments to those already dependent on Social Security.

In releasing the final report, Edward M. Gramlich, the chairman of the 13-member panel, stressed that no one studying the problem would disagree that some changes had to be made.

"We must begin to evaluate our options now to assure the American people that the program can continue to be financially solvent for future generations," Gramlich said.



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NATION

NATION IN BRIEF

Letter bomb investigation continues

WASHINGTON — Reports of suspicious mail kept police busy over the weekend but the number of actual letter bombs found still stands at eight, the FBI said Monday.

"That's not to say that people should discontinue to exercise caution," said Susan Lloyd, spokeswoman for the FBI. "Even if they are a least bit suspicious they should leave the package or card where it is and notify authorities."

One who did that Saturday night was a foreign journalist in Bethesda, Md., who received an envelope mailed from Alexandria, Egypt — the postmark found on eight letter bombs sent last week to Washington and Kansas.

FDA allows allergy spray over counter

WASHINGTON — Allergy sufferers will soon be able to buy the nation's first over-the-counter medicine that promises to prevent, not just suppress, their sniffles.

The Food and Drug Administration on Monday approved the prescription Nasalrom nasal spray to be sold over the counter. McNeil Consumer Products says the antihistamine Nasalrom will be on drugstore shelves before spring.

Until now, Nasalrom had competed with the somewhat riskier nasal steroids doctors typically prescribe to prevent allergic rhinitis.

Officials charged with election fraud

WASHINGTON — New Orleans officials and other Democrats in Louisiana engaged in widespread voter fraud to help Mary Landrieu win a U.S. Senate seat last November, independent investigators said Monday.

Leaders of the Voting Integrity Project Inc. said they have confirmed some of the allegations made by the campaign of Republican Woody Jenkins, who lost the Senate race to Landrieu. They urged the Senate and FBI to conduct their own investigations.

Landrieu is due to be sworn in as a senator today. The Senate Rules Committee is reviewing a complaint from Jenkins, who dropped a lawsuit challenging the election outcome.

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Stage, movie music composer dies

NEW YORK (AP) — Burton Lane, who composed the music for "Finian's Rainbow," "On a Clear Day You Can See Forever" and other stage and movie musicals, has died of a stroke at 84.

In a career that extended from Tin Pan Alley to Broadway to Hollywood, Lane, who died on Sunday, collaborated with such

lyricists as Ira Gershwin, E.Y. "Yip" Harburg and Alan Jay Lerner. He also won a Grammy and was nominated for Tony and Academy awards.

"Finian's Rainbow," a fantasy with a leprechaun, a pot of gold and a bigoted Southern senator, was written with Harburg in 1947.

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Parenting class tries to cut crime

BOISE (AP) — If your child gets arrested at school, a judge could order you into a 16-week parenting class on how to control your kids.

It is one way the Boise School District is dealing with a growing number of serious crimes. Arrests by the district's junior and senior high schools jumped 22 percent between 1994 and 1995.

And officials do not expect final numbers for 1996 to be much better.

From January 1994 to December 1996, 768 kids in Boise senior and junior high schools were arrested for crimes ranging from disorderly conduct to battery of a teacher, according to Boise Police Department records.

Arrests include 151 for second-degree or aggravated assault, which can involve a weapon, 123 drug-related charges, including possession and sales and 45 for possession of a dangerous weapon or carrying a concealed weapon.

Weapons, many of which officials say were brought simply for other students to see, include knives, brass knuckles, sharpened screwdrivers and guns.

Compared with many urban districts, Boise's school crime rate is low. And no one is proposing metal detectors at school entrances or video cameras in the hallways.

Still, Roger Quintana, the district's safety and security specialist, said, "BOISE's naive if it thinks it doesn't have a problem."

And school administrators are scrambling for the best way to hold the line on crime.

Idaho eagles counted in raptor watch

The Associated Press

Scientists and bird-watchers are on the trail of eagles and other raptors statewide, including birds of prey found at the Idaho Nation Engineering Laboratory.

Bald and golden eagle populations are being tracked in the nationwide Midwinter Eagle Count, held each year since 1979. The survey runs from Jan. 1 to Jan. 15.

In 1996, 862 bald eagles and 132 golden eagles were observed in the state. Increases in the bald eagle population nationwide prompted the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to shift it from an endangered species ranking to a threatened species.

In 1979, 404 bald eagles were spotted in Idaho.

The Environmental Science and Research Foundation has coordinated the INEL survey since 1983. It is expanded there to include sightings of hawks, falcons, owls, ravens and shrikes. Ravens are included because they function ecologically as birds of prey. Shrikes are small predatory birds which capture their prey on thorns or barbed wire, and are counted because of concerns about their declining numbers.

Executive, Andrus adviser expires at 73

BOISE (AP) — Bob Montgomery, banking executive and top advisor to former Gov. Cecil Andrus, died Sunday night.

Alden Waggoner Funeral Chapel said services tentatively were set at the chapel Thursday.

Montgomery, 73, was a member of the state Board of Education. He served as campaign treasurer to Andrus during many of his political races and remained close to the ex-governor.

Born in Chicago, Montgomery was a navigator in the Fifth Air Force during World War II.

He graduated from the University of Utah and Georgetown. Montgomery joined Idaho Bank & Trust in 1952 after working for Chase Manhattan Bank and the Commercial Bank of Utah. In 1963, he was promoted from senior vice president of Idaho Bank & Trust to executive vice president.

He was member of various chambers, and past president of the Pocatello chamber.

IDAHO IN BRIEF

Ex-cop pleads guilty in sexual abuse case

IDAHO FALLS — A former city police officer has pleaded guilty to sexual abuse of a minor.

The Monday plea was part of an agreement under which the state will recommend Malcolm Burbank, 38, serve only probation for having a 5-year-old girl touch his genitals in July 1991.

He originally was charged with lewd conduct with a minor, but it was reduced to sexual abuse. He will be sentenced March 10.

Burbank faces a similar charge in Florida. In November 1995, he was accused of fondling the breasts and genitals of a 12-year-old girl he was baby-sitting.

Students protest massage college

IDAHO FALLS — Former students at the Massage and Natural Health College of Idaho claim they are the victims of fraud and poor behavior by the instructor.

David Hinkley opened the Pocatello school in April. Regular classes began in July. Idaho Falls classes were set to start this week.

"We are protesting because we want our money back and want his school shut down. What (Hinkley) is doing is not good for our communities, whether he is practicing massage therapy or claiming to teach it," said former student Jackie Andrews said.

Of the 31 students enrolled in Pocatello, 22 withdrew, said another former student, Michael Pantoja.

Representative recovers from accident

BOISE — Freshman Idaho Rep. Christian Zimmermann has had a more difficult time getting ready for the legislative session this year than most lawmakers.

Zimmermann, R-Cascade, was nearly killed when his car hit a house three weeks ago south of his home town of Cascade. During surgery, cancer cells were found in his kidney. But he said he is on the rebound.

"I feel pretty good," he said. "I am regaining my strength and my body is trying to heal."

He said Monday his wife drove him to Boise to start the legislative session, but it took them five hours to get from Cascade to Boise, usually a drive of less than two hours.

He said they went through Council and into Oregon before taking Interstate 84 the rest of the way into Boise.

Utah hospitals short of blood

LOGAN, Utah — Logan Regional Hospital may have to ask patients to postpone elective surgeries because of a shortage of blood throughout the state and nation.

"We need it to save lives, and that's the bottom line," said Robyn Godsey, supervisor for blood services at Logan Regional Hospital, which is owned by Intermountain Health Care.

"There is no law that requires people to donate blood. We are totally dependent on the community spirit," she added.

3 plead guilty to pipe-bomb charges

SEATTLE — Three of the 11 defendants in a federal pipe-bomb conspiracy case entered guilty pleas Monday, the U.S. attorney's office said.

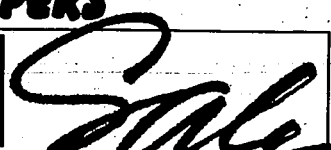
Richard Frank Burton Jr., 38; his wife, Caitlin Hansen, 36, both of Seattle, and Theodore R. Carter, 38, of Bellingham, entered the pleas before U.S. District Judge John Coughenour, said Kate Greengard, spokeswoman for the U.S. attorney.

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EDITORIAL

Fair weather or foul, dairies mustn't pollute

Funny thing about worst-case scenarios: They have a nasty habit of becoming reality.

Magie Valley dairy owners discovered that last week when the second-dampnest December on record - 4.06 inches of precipitation in Twin Falls - sent millions of gallons of snowmelt and rainwater washing over their corrals.

About a dozen operators valley-wide temporarily lost their Idaho Department of Agriculture permits to sell milk last week until the mess was cleaned up.

Some of them argued that under the circumstances - December's precipitation was 44 percent of what Twin Falls normally receives in an entire year - dairy operators deserved some slack from regulators.

Perhaps. But as the number of dairies and cows in the Magie Valley continues to grow, it's time to insist upon fail-safe solutions to contamination.

There are 133,500 dairy cows in Twin Falls, Jerome and Gooding counties, according to the Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service. That's an increase of 18,500 animals in a single year.

Few agricultural and suburban areas of the three counties aren't at potential risk from the effects of dairy runoff, and if those cattle numbers continue to increase, the risks will too. The Agriculture Department, which took over enforcement of dairy regulations from the Division of Environmental Quality last year, takes what's essentially a zero-tolerance approach to dairy runoff.

The rule says that if waste flows off

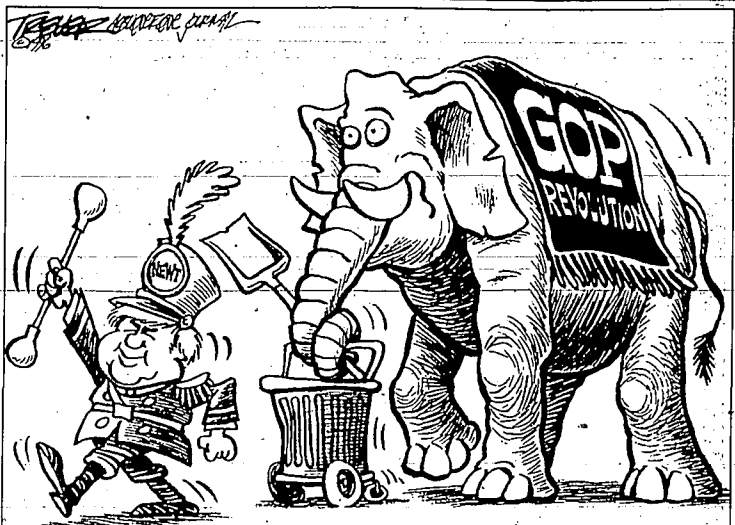
the dairy, it's out of the milk business until the situation is corrected. That has resulted in dozens of permits being pulled in the past year.

And that's as it should be. Dairy waste systems are supposed to be designed to hold the waste from the cows and the milking operation, in addition to any storm-water or runoff, for 180 days. In the wake of the recent damp weather, the department plans to take a harder look at waste management guidelines to see whether they adequately cover all types of weather events.

Some dairy owners complain that they're being held to a higher standard than neighboring farmers, who aren't required to contain pesticide-laden runoff from fields. Maybe. But the impact-of-dairies is much greater. Dairy wastes pollute rivers and streams with bacteria and other potentially dangerous wastes. It's hard to ignore a dairy next door that can't control its mess. Folks who dream of living on an acre with a view - and that's a substantial number of Idahoans - have a vested interest in dairy regulations that make dairies good neighbors, come rain or shine.

Twin Falls County planners ought to consider that in their current discussions of a new livestock confinement ordinance. Among other things, that ordinance should limit the number of cattle in any operation that can't demonstrate that it has a contingency plan for dealing with the next 100-year storm.

In Idaho's changeable climate, that storm could arrive any time.



Should Newt get the big boot?

By the new standard, Clinton must resign

Rep. David Dreier

Kick Gingrich out of the speaker's chair

Ralph Nader

President Clinton has to be a little uneasy watching Rep. David Bonior, D-Mich., pursue his irresponsible and mean-spirited attack on Speaker Newt Gingrich.

The House Ethics Committee, in its investigation into charges that Gingrich used tax deductible contributions to support his televised college course, did not find any violation of tax law or any effort to intentionally mislead the committee. Yet Bonior is continuing his relentless effort to demonize the speaker and politicize the ethics process in the House of Representatives.

Unless bipartisan ethics reforms can be enacted to end such abuse, a new standard will be established by which the president's own behavior will be judged. If this new "Gingrich standard" set by Bonior is allowed to hold, the president would have no choice but to resign his office because of his role in helping the Democratic National Committee raise \$1.5 million in illegal campaign contributions from foreign interests.

In the case of Gingrich, we know that he made a mistake, but there is no evidence thus far that any law was broken. But Clinton has admitted that some of the money raised by his campaign operatives was illegal or improper and that he allowed many of these large contributors to benefit from access to the White House.

If successful, the ramifications of Bonior's partisan and reckless attack on Gingrich go beyond how we should judge the behavior of the speaker or the president. Under the Gingrich standard, few if any members of Congress would be qualified to be speaker -

not because of any unethical behavior, but because the ethics rules that members must abide by are vague, inconsistent and voluminous, making enforcement subject to abuse and easy to politicize.

It is clear that the House's code of conduct regulations, established in 1987, and the procedures for investigating alleged wrongdoing need reform. Self-enforcement can never succeed in a political institution if members are allowed to abuse the process for partisan gain.

To prevent the type of political abuse and interference such as that by Bonior, the bipartisan Joint Committee on the Organization of Congress in 1993 recommended the use of independent fact-finders for ethics investigations. As noted in the committee's report: "Allowing outside individuals to be used in the process should enhance the public's confidence in Congress."

Regrettably, the Democratic leadership that controlled the House at that time did not permit a vote on the joint committee's recommendations. Throughout the 104th Congress, Democrats continued to resist a bipartisan review of the ethics process. Bonior and his allies have charred a course of vilification that not only will damage the speaker, but also will intensify scrutiny on the president and undermine the voters' mandate that we work in a bipartisan fashion.

Rep. David Dreier, R-Calif., is vice chairman of the House Rules Committee. He wrote this commentary for the Los

Now that House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., has admitted to some of the charges against him, he will soon face the judgment of his peers.

The question is whether he will have to face the consequences of his actions, or whether he will get off the hook with an apology and a false excuse.

In September 1994, Ben Jones, who ran against the speaker in 1994, asked the House Ethics Committee to find out whether

Rep. Gingrich had used nonprofit organizations to launder money for his partisan political activities. After an exhaustive investigation conducted by an impartial special counsel, the Investigative Subcommittee found substantial evidence that Gingrich did conduct partisan activities through charitable foundations, such as the Progress and Freedom Foundation. He used some of the money to advance his political agenda through a thinly-disguised, televised "college course."

It's no mystery why he ran this money laundering operation. He did this because tax deductible money is much easier to raise, and is not taxed. The legality is dubious, and Gingrich's actions are currently under investigation by the Internal Revenue Service.

More important, though, is the dishonesty and the way that the speaker violated the trust of the taxpayers - all of us. Money

that should have gone into the U.S. Treasury ended up in Gingrich's political machine. In other words, the speaker of the House, fleeced us (taxpayers) to fund his political agenda.

It was bad enough that Gingrich did these things. Then he didn't tell the truth about them. The Gingrich Investigative Subcommittee's Statement of Alleged Violation found that the Speaker made 13 false or highly misleading statements through counsel to the Ethics Committee. These weren't minor errors. They went to the heart of the matter - whether Gingrich engaged in laundering charitable money.

For example, during the investigation Gingrich stated to the Ethics Committee, through counsel, that his foundation-run "laundry" college course was "completely nonpartisan."

Yet Gingrich had written previously to his political supporters that he hoped that his course "will provide the structure to build an offense so that Republicans can break through dramatically in 1996."

That's what the speaker calls "completely nonpartisan."

Yes, it would have been inconvenient for Gingrich to admit to the Ethics Committee - from the beginning - that his foundation activities were partisan, and probably in violation of federal law. But inconveniences are no excuse for dishonesty.

Apologies are not enough, especially when they continue the deceit. The speaker has acted in a way that brings dishonor upon his office, and he should bear the consequences. At the very least, he does not deserve to sit in the speaker's chair any more.

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LETTERS

Gingrich is unethical

To Rep. Michael D. Crapo: It is appalling that a man of Gingrich's caliber would be considered to lead the House of Representatives when there are hundreds to choose from.

According to newspaper reports, Mr. Gingrich served divorce papers on his wife while she was in the hospital, left her so desolate that she had to rely on her church to feed their children and herself in order that he might marry the woman with whom he was having an adulterous affair. In addition to this, he ignored the advice of the attorney of his choice in handling campaign funds and then denied that he had done so to the investigating committee (must not say lie!).

Never mind about the other fellow did the same thing, these are not kindergarten children. Whatever happened to the ideals of the icon of the Republican Party, President Lincoln? Surely, in the large number of Republicans in the assembly, we have at least one man of integrity and intelligence.

Please nominate someone that the nation can be proud of and bring some respect to one of the most powerful of offices in the land. We voters deserve it and, most certainly, our children could use a positive role model.

MATT SMITH
Twin Falls

E911 needs improvements

It is with great concern that I write this letter. I assumed, as many of us did, that the recent change to E911 would be positive. From my recent experience, however, I am not at all certain that this has been the case. Since I have had another opportunity to use the earlier emergency system, I do have some basis of reference, so I do not feel I am being rash.

On Wednesday, Jan. 1, my father-in-law collapsed in his home, which shares

a driveway with ours. When my mother-in-law called, I immediately called E911. During my conversation with the dispatcher, I made a special effort to be slow and clear. I didn't stutter, and I consider myself to be fairly articulate. I remember repeating the standard information at least twice. This information included the correct address and my father-in-law's age, which I happen to know well. Upon visiting with the quick response unit members who responded, I ascertained that incorrect information about the address and the age was relayed to them. Not only am I concerned about incorrect information being given, but I am also concerned about the response time. The first time I needed the QRU, enhanced 911 was not in effect and the response time was two minutes. This time the response was markedly different. After 10 minutes, I began to wonder if the QRU had even been dispatched.

The first QRU member to arrive, arrived 11 minutes after I placed the call. My sister-in-law, who also responded, informed me that she arrived 1 1/2 minutes after they were dispatched. Where did the other 9 1/2 minutes go?

We have four or five QRU members living within two miles of our home. They could have been there in two minutes if they had been dispatched. It is my understanding that the sheriff and the ambulance were paged before the QRU. Somehow I don't understand why those who were the closest and could be in attendance the quickest were not paged first. Eleven minutes could have meant death for my father-in-law.

I was not impressed with E911 and plan to call our local QRU in the future. They always have and always will respond to an emergency-level situation in a reasonable time span.

Perhaps a review of dispatch protocol could save someone's life?

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NATION

Ethics shadows Gingrich, Clinton

WASHINGTON (AP)—The new year begins with an awkward sense of uncertainty in the nation's political leadership, as House Speaker Newt Gingrich fights to keep his job and ethical questions linger over the Clinton White House.

For the speaker and the president, there is no doubt that the persistent ethical troubles only increase their desire to focus on policy in 1997.

Both Clinton and Gingrich have the same strategy for the weeks ahead: try to make ethical questions an afterthought by turning public attention elsewhere, beginning with a fresh attempt to balance the federal budget.

"I ask for your help in creating a sense of reconciliation, the right sort of spirit in which we can deal with these issues," President Clinton said Monday at a White House prayer breakfast.

Gingrich, in his first public comments since admitting last month that he misled the House ethics committee, predicted he would be re-elected speaker and promised a productive legislative year.

"The change in direction is so dramatic that I believe the 105th Congress will be even more productive than the 104th," Gingrich said in Georgia.

While most Democrats are gloating over Gingrich's ethics woes, the White House no comment policy serves as evidence that Clinton expects Gingrich to prevail in Tuesday's House leadership elections — and proof of how much the president needs Gingrich's cooperation in the year ahead.

It is also a reminder of Clinton's own ethical quagmire: the president is in no position to criticize the speaker given the ongoing



House Speaker Newt Gingrich, of Ga., accompanied by a security guard, arrives on Capitol Hill Monday. He predicted he will win re-election to the House's top post.

JOHN KING
Analysis

Whitewater investigations, serious questions about Democratic fundraising in last year's campaign and next week's Supreme Court hearing on whether Clinton should stand trial in a sexual harassment lawsuit.

Given the unpredictability of the Clinton and Gingrich investi-

gations, there is considerable debate over how much impact the ethical clouds will have on business.

Most of Clinton's 1997 legislative initiatives are modest and have significant Democratic support; if there is an issue on which Democratic loyalty to Clinton will face a tough test, it has not yet emerged, although Medicare spending is a possibility.

On the Republican side, most expect Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott's influence to grow

because of Gingrich's problems. In the House, Majority Leader Dick Armey is taking a more active, visible role, reaching out in recent days to GOP moderates he once criticized. That is a recognition Armey must take a bigger role — and perhaps committee chairmen as well.

A senior Democratic leadership aide predicted a difficult year ahead in the House, regardless of whether Gingrich holds power.

"If he stays, he is damaged goods and this incredibly partisan atmosphere continues," this aide said. "If he goes, Republicans are embittered, our for blood and their leadership will be even more conservative."

"The American people want us to focus on policy, not personal politics or power plays," said Rep. Jo Ann Emerson, a Missouri Republican.

But many worried openly about the impact. "I think this is damaging our ability to do the things we want to accomplish," said Rep.-elect Jerry Moran, a Kansas Republican. "I do think this is a problem in that it's not going to go away."

Retiring Sen. Alan Simpson, a Republican, said this much is certain: that public skepticism and cynicism about the trustworthiness of their leaders would grow because of the ethics questions swirling around the president and the House speaker.

"Perhaps neither of them should have been re-elected when you look at the deep moral fabric of what they may have done," Simpson said.

John King covers Washington for The Associated Press.

U.S. raps Russian missile deal

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States deplored a decision by Cyprus to buy surface-to-air missiles from Russia, saying it would complicate efforts to frame a settlement for the divided Mediterranean island.

The State Department said Russia was contributing to a weapons buildup in the volatile region despite U.N. resolutions urging cuts in military spending on Cyprus, and criticized Cyprus for importing missiles with an estimated range of 90 miles.

Turkey, meanwhile, was advised to be restrained in its response.

"We certainly hope and believe there will be no military reaction," State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns said Monday. "That would be absolutely beyond bounds."

In Cyprus, President Glafcos Clerides rejected the U.S. protest, saying: "As long as part of Cyprus continues to be occupied by Turkey, we shall continue to strengthen our defenses."

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New Forest Service chief backs protection

WASHINGTON (AP)—The new chief of the U.S. Forest Service told his workers Monday to make protection and restoration of national forests their top priority and to disregard those who want to gut environmental laws.

Mike Dombek, former acting director of the Bureau of Land Management, also said he has several changes planned to help end perceptions of bureaucratic infighting and "contending agendas" in U.S. logging policy.

"We must maintain healthy, diverse and productive ecosystems," Dombek said in a speech to about 500 Forest Service workers in an auditorium at the Agriculture Department.

"We cannot meet the needs of the people if we do not first conserve and restore the health of the land. So our first priority is to protect and restore the health of the land. Failing this, nothing else we do really matters," said the former fisheries biologist and guide from northern Wisconsin.

"My expectation is that everything we do — every environmental impact statement we write, every timber sale, recreation plan, mining plan or allotment

management plan we approve — will not compromise the health of the land."

Dombek, 48, was picked last month to become the 14th chief of the 91-year-old Forest Service. He succeeds retiring Chief Jack Ward Thomas.

Dombek said he intends to add a new senior staff member to serve as a liaison between the Forest Service and the White House and other federal agencies, and create a new slot of Forest Service chief of staff to help articulate the agency's policies.

"Few believe that we are operating as smoothly as we should," Dombek said.

"Effective conservation and the strength and credibility of the Forest Service are weakened by perceptions of bureaucratic infighting, end runs, conflicting agendas, and insufficient attention to basic business areas such as financial controls and communications."

Although laid back in his style, Dombek indicated he'll be ready to do battle with Republican leaders in Congress who have pressed in recent years to weaken environmental laws.

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Yeltsin sick with flu bug

MOSCOW (AP) — Only two weeks after returning to work, President Boris Yeltsin cut short his schedule for the next few days Monday after coming down with what the Kremlin said was the flu.



His spokesmen stressed that the ailment, which they also described as a bad cold, was unrelated to Yeltsin's recent heart problems or his November bypass surgery.

Yeltsin's condition "is bound to return to normal" by the end of this week, press secretary Sergei Yastrzhembsky was quoted by the ITAR-Tass news agency as saying Monday night.

But the episode focused unwelcome new attention on the 65-year-old president's health, just as the Kremlin had begun to portray him as vigorous and fully recovered from his heart trouble.

Yeltsin had a temperature of 99.5 degrees and headed to his country home outside Moscow, Yastrzhembsky said.

"A wave of flu which descended on Moscow has not spared the president's family," the spokesman said at a briefing. "Many in the president's family either have suffered from it, or have the flu now."

No special FBI team for letter bomb probe

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — The FBI is helping Egypt investigate letter bombs that were delivered in the United States, but no special team was sent to the country, an FBI official in Egypt said Monday.

Legal attache Alfred Finch was responding to a report Sunday by Egypt's Middle East News Agency that an FBI team was in Alexandria, where the letters were postmarked.

Finch said, however, that the FBI was in touch with Egyptian investigators.

"We have been providing them with assistance," he told the Associated Press. "They had questions for us and we provided answers."

Finch refused to comment on a report that Egypt has asked to analyze the envelopes from the eight letter bombs, none of which detonated.

Stormy waters hamper oil slick cleanup

TOKYO (AP) — Powerful winds and high waves kept Japanese cleanup ships away Monday as a major oil spill from a sunken Russian tanker blew closer to Japan's western coast.

Late Monday, the eastern tip of the 962,000-gallon spill was 14 miles from the city of Fukui, 190 miles west of Tokyo, Japan's coast guard said.

Since morning, 67-mph winds hit from the oil northeast for 11 miles across the Sea of Japan.

Depending on shifts in wind and current, the slick could reach coastal fisheries and the shoreline by Wednesday or Thursday, said Shinji Sato, a regional spokesman for the Maritime Safety Agency.

U.S. to keep storing N. Korean fuel rods

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — U.S. experts this week will resume enclosing North Korea's 8,000 spent nuclear fuel rods in steel and concrete for safe storage, South Korean officials said Monday.

They also said South Korea will sign a contract in New York on Wednesday to build two reactors for North Korea that will replace a reactor capable of producing weapons-grade plutonium.

The deal was stalled after a North Korean submarine infiltrated South Korea in September. But North Korea's apology last week cleared the way for the signing.

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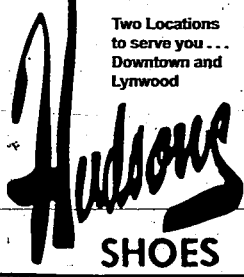
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I was young and arrogant, and I wanted things my way. Now I recognize you can't always have things your way.

—Football great Eric Dickerson commenting on his controversial career to Jim Gray in Inside Sports

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Girls' high school basketball

Deerich at Bliss
Ruff River at Castleford
Carey at ISDB
Valley at Gooding
Minico at Pocatello
Hansen at Oakley
Mountain Home at Twin Falls

Boys' high school basketball

Deerich at Ruff River
Wendell at Filer
Hageman at TFCA
Camus County at Shoshone
Mountain Home at Jerome
Carey at ISDB
Gleason Ferry at Kimberty
Deerich at Bliss

High school wrestling

Burley at Twin Falls 6 p.m.
In west-coast junior varsity games begin at 6 p.m. with varsity games following.

SCOREBOARD

High school basketball

Boys
Marathon 50 Richfield 44
Firth 82 Buhl 49
Camus County 41 TJ JV9cc 40
Girls
Wendell 44 Gooding 37
Jerome 66 Burley 64
Castleford 63 Filer JV 47
Gleason Ferry 39 Hageman 38
Kimberty 50 Shoshone 36
Valley 49 Oakley 39

Men's college basketball

Providence 91 No. 10 Villanova 68

Pro basketball

Chicago 102 Utah 89

IN BRIEF

Continental Cable to televise 4 CSI games

TWIN FALLS - Continental Cablevision will provide live coverage of four CSI men's basketball games on Community Channel 10.
The dates are Jan. 17 (SLCC), Jan. 18 (TJVS/C), Feb. 7 (Ricks) and Feb. 8 (NIC).

Booster bus to Ricks still has some openings

TWIN FALLS - Anyone interested in catching a ride to Saturday's basketball games between CSI and Ricks can still sign up.
The CSI Booster Club is planning to take two buses to Rexburg Saturday.
The club needs 10 more people to cover expenses. The cost is \$21 and includes a reserved game seat. The buses will load at the CSI Parking lot Saturday at 1 p.m. and depart at 1:15 p.m.
Payment can be made to the CSI Booster Club. For more information contact Chuck Iretson at 324-5905 or Paula Greene at CSI at 733-9554.

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The Times-News

Talkin' baseball: Twin Falls native takes his best swing at the pros

By Chelsey Erbaugh
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - America's pastime has become a former Twin Falls man's full-time job.
Jim Horner, a Twin Falls native and Washington State University graduate who signed with the Seattle Mariners last August, is doing what few people get to do - work at a job they love.

But Horner's career didn't start with the signing. It started in little league. Rick Horner, Jim's father, believed in getting his children involved in activities outside school.

"When kids are growing up, I think it's very important that they are involved in some sort of activity. It helps keep them out of trouble," Rick said.
Jim chose athletics, finally narrowing it down to baseball, where he excelled.

"Jim is as good of a kid as I've coached, and there's been some good players here," said Bill Ingram, Horner's former high school coach. "He does as good as anybody can do with the talent he has, and he's a great student of the game."

While he was considered one of the best in the Magic Valley, he often faced much stiffer competition within his family.

His three older siblings combined to play eight college sports, while Jim focused on baseball.

"I always thought I was better in football," said the former Bruin linebacker and quarterback.
Apparently, so did the three major colleges in Idaho, who all offered him football scholarships. But Horner turned down the offers and chose instead to walk on the baseball team at WSU.

While there, Jim played catcher his first two years, and then moved to the outfield, where he worked his way into a full-time starter in right field.

In the summers, Jim continued his baseball catching for the semi-pro Tacoma Timbers. It was there that Horner's talents were noticed by the Seattle Mariner

general manager Woody Woodward.

"I just got lucky," Horner said. "Woodward's son was on my team, and so he came to watch us play."

After a solo tryout, Horner was assigned to the Everett AquaSox, a short-season single-A team of the Mariners.

For Horner, the idea of playing professional baseball was a dream come true.

"It's an opportunity I've always wanted. I was very excited," he said.

Also, the prospect of playing baseball in his future was much more appealing than his former construction job.

'Baseball is something you grow up with, play and love. It's the perfect job.'

- Jim Horner

"I don't like manual labor," Horner said. "I have a lot of respect for the people who do it, but it's not for me."

Instead, Horner prefers the chance to live out his dream.

In the minor leagues, a player earns \$850 per month during the season, and that figure rises \$100 each season the player moves up a level. Not exactly the kind of money dreams are made of, but for Horner, it's "definitely not about the money. I just love doing it. Baseball is something you grow up with, play and love. It's the perfect job."

Despite his enthusiasm, Horner found professional baseball to be tougher than expected.

"I wanted to quit after the first week with the AquaSox," he said, citing the lack of team concept.

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Jim Horner

Signed with the Seattle Mariners' organization in August

Tigers squeak past Burley, 66-64 Kansas loses some steam

By John Derr
Times-News writer

JEROME - Nikki Martens scored on a press break with just under 10 seconds to play to lift the Jerome Tigers over Burley 66-64 in a girls' non-conference basketball game.

After trailing much of the game, Burley knocked down back-to-back 3-pointers - one by Megan Petersen and one by Anisli Davis, to close within four late in the fourth quarter.

Another 3-pointer, this time by Heidi Goicoechea with 16 seconds to play, pulled Burley within two.

After Marten's layin, the Bobcats had one more chance. They tried for the 3-pointer and missed but went to the line for three charity tosses, hitting two out of three.

With both teams playing even throughout, an early 8-0 Jerome lead was key.

The Tigers held the lead throughout the game but every time they built a lead Burley would come back.

"I thought we played with a lot of intensity then it kinda dropped off but we came back," said Jerome's freshman point guard Cyrita Warner, who tossed 11 points and played tough on the defensive end.

In a close game, pressure can be tough for an underclassman but Warner has stepped up and handled it.

"I feel I've improved this year. The Coaches and the team have been pushing me. I want to work on my mistakes," she said.

Lanie Barnes and Janae German hit some points inside to build the Tiger lead to 16-5 after one quarter of play. In addition to poor shooting, Burley's nine turnovers didn't help the Bobcat cause either.

Burley rallied in the second quarter behind the inside play of Ashley Toner, a 6-1 sophomore. She knocked in nine second-quarter points to pull the Bobcats within four as Barnes and fellow post Shelly Kuhl were forced to the bench with three fouls.

A minute later Toner also picked up her third foul and with her out of the game, the Tigers increased the lead to nine at the end of the first half.

Junior Angela Kuhl scored eight in that second quarter, providing the inside play for the Tigers.

In the second half the Tigers maintained their lead as both teams spent

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Keil Kerbs, left, of Burley and Janae German of Jerome fight for the ball Monday in Jerome.

Phil Niekro elected to Hall of Fame; Sutton, Perez fall short

The Associated Press

NEW-YORK - Just like one of his knuckleballs, Phil Niekro fluttered into the Hall of Fame.

Niekro, who missed on his first four tries, made it Monday. The only knuckleballer to win 300 games, he was the lone player elected.

"Well, sometimes you wonder," Niekro said at Atlanta-Fulton County Stadium. "I thought someday it was going to come."

Niekro, the top vote-getter last year when no one was elected, was named on 380 of the 473 ballots. He got 80.34 per-



Phil Niekro



Don Sutton



Tony Perez

cent of the vote, easily above the required 75 percent.
"It's a day of a dream. I've had my

nightmares," Niekro said.
Don Sutton, another 300-game winner, fell nine votes short of the 355 needed. Former slugger Tony Perez missed by 43 in voting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

Niekro, 318-274 in 24 seasons mostly with the Braves, will join reliever Hoyt Wilhelm as the preeminent knuckleballers in the Hall

when he is elected as the 25th member. The exact date for the induction ceremonies this summer in Cooperstown, N.Y., has not yet been determined.

"Giving a description of today's phone call is impossible," Niekro said. "I've been stunned before. I just didn't prepare myself this year. I was not going to get myself so high."

Niekro said he spent Monday at his home in Flowery Branch, Ga., working around the house, taking out the garbage and going to the bank.

"I just tried to keep my mind off of it," he said.

The Associated Press

Kansas' first tight game of the season and Wake Forest's impressive wins over ranked teams combined to bring the teams the closest they have been in the six weeks they have held the top two spots in the college basketball poll.

The Jayhawks (13-0) were still the runaway No. 1 choice Monday,

but the 62-59 victory over Kansas State, their first game this season decided by less than seven points, cost them five first-place votes.

Those in the national media panel who switched opted for Wake Forest (10-0), which beat then-No. 4 Utah 70-59 and then-No. 11 North Carolina 81-57 last week.

Kansas received 59 first-place votes and 1,739 points, while the Demon Deacons had 11 No. 1 votes and 1,635 points.

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Council OKs stadium bonds

The Associated Press

SEATTLE - The Metropolitan King County Council on Monday voted 8-5 to authorize the sale of \$536 million in bonds to build a new Seattle Mariners ballpark and parking garage.

The council heard several hours of public testimony before voting.

"This should be a simple, straight-forward decision. The revenue is sufficient to retire the bonds, we pledged to do this, we need to move forward and do it," said Councilman Chris Vance, chairman of the budget committee.

But Councilwoman Maggi Finko, one of the dissenting voters, questioned the wisdom of the proposal.

"There's nothing in the last 20 years that has given me the indication that we make prudent fiscal decisions when it comes to baseball and football," she said.



Murtaugh downs Richfield, 50-44

The Times-News

RICHFIELD—The Red Devils hit their free throws down the stretch to pull away from Richfield, taking a non-conference boys' basketball game, 50-44, Monday.

Richfield 44: 11-14-20-14-40
Murtaugh 50: 12-11-11-11-44
Murtaugh 19: 11-11-11-11-44
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First 82, Buhl 49
BUHL—The Indians had their hands full Monday in a non-conference boys' basketball game with Firih.

Firih, who earlier this season beat No. 1 ranked Madlad in Class A-3, was off hot from the field and used its quickness to run away from Buhl.

Kimberly has mixed night on mat

KIMBERLY—The Bulldogs defeated Aberdeen 54-21, but fell short against the Twin Falls junior varsity wrestling team 43-34, Monday in a tri-match.

In the other contest, the Bruin boys beat Aberdeen 55-47. Chad Sabey and Richard Luff both had two pins on the night for the Bulldogs.

2 Ohio State stars spring into NFL draft; Autry also enters

The Associated Press

Offensive tackle Orlando Pace and defensive back Shawn Springs—the Big Ten's players of the year in 1996—announced today they would not be back to Ohio State for their senior seasons and would make themselves available for the NFL draft.

The early departures mean Ohio State has lost 10 players on the NFL in the past six drafts.

Pace, a 6-foot-6, 330-pound left tackle, is one of the most decorated linemen ever to play college football. He is the only two-time winner of the Lombardi Award.

He also won the Outland Trophy, and finished fourth in the Heisman Trophy balloting last month.

It was a tough decision to leave these great years here in Columbus," he said. "I set out at the beginning of the year to achieve certain goals and I did it. I did everything I wanted to do in college. It's time for me to improve."

Immediately after the Heisman ceremony in New York, Pace had said he would be returning for his senior season.

"You'll see No. 75 in the Horseshoe next year," Pace said, referring to Ohio Stadium by its nickname. "I need another year. I don't think I'm mentally or physically ready for the next level."

He said Monday he later changed his mind. "I was coming back but after re-evaluating and talking with my parents, I decided it was best for me to move on," he said.

Northwestern running back Danzell Autry, who helped lead the Wildcats from college football's basement to national prominence, also said Monday he will skip his senior year to enter the NFL draft in early February.

"I'm ready to proceed with my dream," Autry said. "It's based on what I thought was

Boys' high school basketball

Camas County 41, Twin Falls JV 47
TWIN FALLS—Tim Packham hit a jump shot with eight seconds left to help Camas County wrestle an early season loss to the Twin Falls junior varsity.

The Muthers last-second heroics spoiled a late Twin Falls rally, which saw the Bruins come back from an 11-point deficit at the end of the third quarter.

Glenns Ferry 39, Hagerman 38
GLENN'S FERRY—Shawna Bryant drained a 3-pointer at the

Wendell 44, Gooding 37
WENDELL—The Trojans used

Kimberly crushes Shoshone; Pilots nip Hagerman

The Times-News

SHOSHONE—Working the ball inside to their tall girls, the Kimberly Bulldogs crushed the Shoshone 50-36 Monday in a non-conference girls' basketball game.

Jessica McEwen and Misty Miler combined for 37 points in the point, one more than the Indians' total score.

McEwen also had 16 rebounds. Kimberly 50: 17-12-16-36
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Girls' high school basketball

buzz to lift the Glenns Ferry Pilots over Hagerman 39-38 Monday in a girls' non-conference basketball game.

After taking the early lead, the Pilots watched the Pirates catch up at the line, a place that plagued Glenns Ferry all night long. The Pilots shot only 22 percent from the charity stripe for the night.

Hagerman 38, Glenns Ferry 39
HAGERMAN—Cecilia Garcia and Christy Garcia combined for 20 points to help the Pilots edge the Pirates 38-35 Monday in a girls' non-conference basketball game.

Wendell 44, Gooding 37
WENDELL—The Trojans used

a tough tenacious defense to upend Gooding 44-37 in a Canyon Conference girls' basketball contest Monday.

Wendell held the Senators to only 33 shot attempts on the night. Using a man defense and press at times, the Trojans built leads of 16 points a couple times.

Castleford 63, Filer JV 47
FILER—Melissa and Alycia Frey from Castleford-dominated the boards and pulled down 47 points for the Wolves against Filer's junior varsity team Monday.

Valley 49, Oakley 39
OAKLEY—With the help of Yvonne Romer's 24 points, the Vikings took a win home Monday in a girls' non-conference matchup.

"Romer did a super job for them," Oakley coach Neil Wyatt said. "We would make a run at them and she would pick them up and take them away."

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Peter O'Malley puts Dodgers up on selling block

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Peter O'Malley, whose family has controlled the Dodgers since 1950—seven years before they moved from Brooklyn to Los Angeles—surprised the baseball world Monday by announcing that the team is for sale.

O'Malley, about 60, said estate planning was the primary reason behind the decision. However, former Dodgers manager Tom Lasorda expressed the opinion that O'Malley was unhappy with the recent problems the sport has experienced.

"It's probably smart to plan for the future. That's probably the main reason," O'Malley said at a Dodger Stadium news conference.

"I'm not a tax expert, (but) it's a pretty good idea not to have all your eggs in one basket." Lasorda, who retired as manager of the team last July after a minor heart attack, praised his boss but added, "I think that Peter has just been unhappy lately with the situation, the direction the game of baseball is going."

O'Malley didn't give a direct answer when asked if his decision had anything to do with baseball's labor problems, but he did say his only regret in baseball was "the inability of the players' association to work together for the good of the game."

O'Malley succeeded his father, Walter, as team president in March 1972, but none of Peter's three children has held more than a part-time position with the team.

The O'Malley family is second in seniority among baseball ownership groups trailing only the family of the late Tom Yawkey, which purchased the Boston Red Sox after the 1933 season and turned it over to the Jean R. Yawkey Trust, which remains the team's major owner.

The O'Malleys leave to baseball a rich and powerful legacy," acting commissioner Bud Selig said. "I want to assure Dodger fans, Peter and the team that will work with them to keep the franchise in Los Angeles."

The sale price could be more than \$300 million, well above the current record for a baseball team, the \$173 million paid by Peter Angelos for the Baltimore Orioles in 1993.

In addition to the team, the Dodgers own the 300-acre site near downtown Los Angeles that includes Dodger Stadium, which the team also owns; a spring training facility in Vero Beach, Fla.; and some property in the Dominican Republic known as Campo Las Palmas.

O'Malley's sister, Terry Seidler, and her husband, Robert Kennedy, are the team's primary owners. O'Malley said six months would be a realistic timetable to find a buyer. Baseball's approval process could take another 6-12 months.



Los Angeles Dodgers owner Peter O'Malley faces reporters' questions after a news conference Monday, at which he announced that he intends to sell the team his family has controlled since 1950.

"There's no pressure," O'Malley said. "Results are more important than timing. We've probably received one offer a year for 25 years. I may be here for a long time. It will not be a circus."

When asked how his father, who died in 1979, might react to Monday's announcement, O'Malley said, "He would have said 'Peter, it's your call, think it through,' which I think I have done. He would have supported it."

O'Malley said family ownership of sports today is "probably a dying breed," and that he can "defend corporate ownership."

Walter O'Malley was hired as the Dodgers' lawyer in 1942, began acquiring shares two years later and took control on Oct. 26, 1950, from Branch Rickey, who had been general manager since October 1942 and a part owner since August 1945.

John L. Smith and O'Malley jointly owned 50 percent of the team, and Rickey owned 25 percent. O'Malley acquired Rickey's shares and later bought out Smith's widow, raising his percentage to at least 67 percent by 1951.

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commissioner from 1969 to 1984. The O'Malleys will be sorely missed upon completion of the sale," NFL president Len Coleman said.

The Dodgers have been one of baseball's most successful teams on the field as well as off, finishing first or second 19 times in the last 27 seasons and winning the last five NL Rookie of the Year awards.

The Dodgers made the first team to eclipse the three million mark in home attendance in 1976, and have done it 10 times, topped by a mark of 3,608,881 in 1982.

New York Yankees owner George Steinbrenner said the loss of the O'Malley family to baseball "would be a very difficult one."

"Peter's father was one of the smartest men I've ever met in my involvement in sports, and the team never falls far from the tree," Steinbrenner said. "I certainly hope that Peter does not leave baseball."

Tony Tavares, president of the Anaheim Angels, who were purchased by the Walt Disney Co. from Gene and Jackie Autry last year, said the Dodgers won't be the Dodgers to him after they're sold.

"The Dodgers minus O'Malley is not the Dodgers, because the family has been involved for so long, going back to Brooklyn," Tavares said. "I am disappointed that he's getting out. But I wish him the best and I hope he gets the maximum amount for his franchise. But I certainly don't think it's a happy day in baseball when a guy like Peter O'Malley gets out of the sport."

Utah County residents feel left out of 2002 games

PROVO, Utah (AP)—Many Utah County residents are feeling shortchanged by Winter Olympics organizers, who they believe promised a games venue in the county when campaigning in 1989 for a tax to pay for Olympic facilities.

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The organizing committee has not given the proposal much consideration and is focusing instead on a site near Little Dell Reservoir in Parleys Canyon.

Sports Illustrated to test sports magazine aimed at women

NEW YORK (AP)—Sports Illustrated announced Monday it will test a new sports magazine for women in April as it tries to capitalize on growing interest in women's sports.

The as-yet unnamed magazine, which currently carries the working title "Sports Illustrated Woman," will be published twice in 1997. After that, it will be determined how often it will be published, according to Don Emliman said.

The magazine would target the so-called "Title IX Generation," women 18-34 and will cover both the personalities and issues of women's sports.

"The mission of this magazine is clear. We will be a magazine for women who love sports, about women who love sports," SI senior editor Sandy Bailey said.

SI's figures show that over the past five years, its female readership has grown by 15 percent to more than 5 million.

Current plans call for the first issue to contain 100 pages using a heavy-stock paper than SI. Initial distribution will include SI's 450,000 current women subscribers as well as other women selected from the Time Warner database.

SI has a weekly circulation of three million.

Boston forward Kennedy speaks out on years of abuse

TORONTO (AP)—A judge ordered Sheldon Kennedy to a court-ordered psychiatric hospital to help him deal with the pain of his years of abuse, speaking out about his 12 years as a sex-abuse victim of a junior-league hockey coach.

"This is the hardest bloody thing I have ever had to deal with in my life," Kennedy said in an interview published Monday in the Toronto Star, Calgary Herald and USA Today.

"I just feel there are doors opening for me to take this thing

and try to help and make this a huge issue," Kennedy's former coach, Graham James, said in a one-page letter to Kennedy last week in Calgary to 312 years in jail after pleading guilty to two counts of sexual assault in 1983.

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leading the Swift Current Broncos of the Western Hockey League to a national title in 1989.

"It was very lonely, and I was very scared to tell people how I felt because they would not believe me," he said. "I want people to know they can tell somebody because there are people out there who understand where you're coming from."

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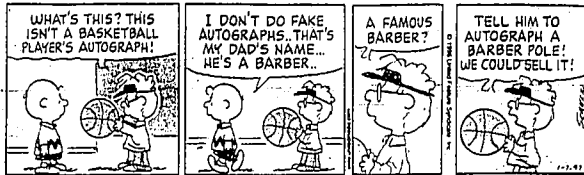
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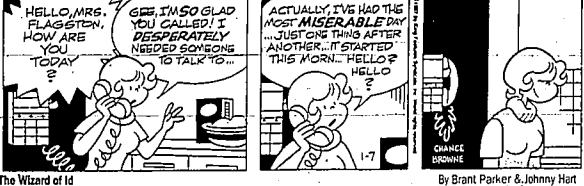
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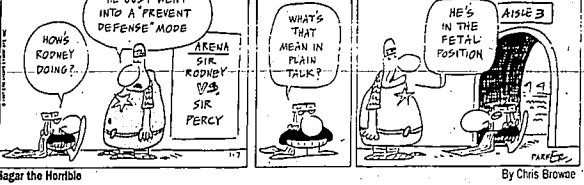
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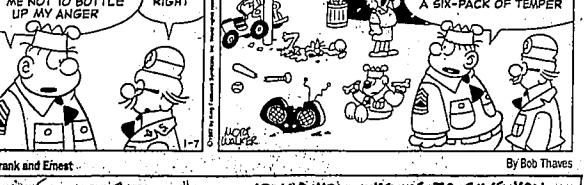
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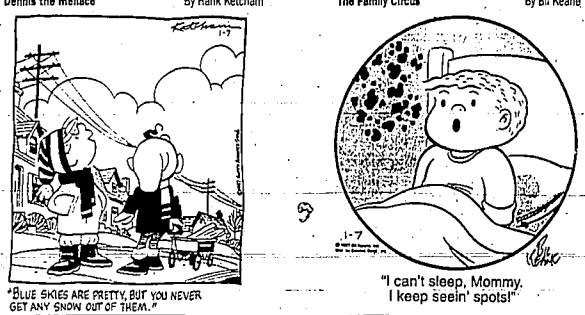


Dennis the Menace

By Hank Ketchum

The Family Circus

By Bil Keang



Ah-ah-choo! It's a girl

HOROSCOPE Sydney Omar

WHAT'S WHAT?
L.M. Boyd

Birthing custom once called for the midwife to put pinches of snuff in the nostrils of an overcast woman. So she'd sneeze. This induce delivery.

Pumpkin beer? Early American colonials brewed it.

Q. Blaise's early gunpowder mills were designed, I've read, so if one exploded, it'd blow out over water. How?

A. "Three walls of stone, one of wood. The wooden wall faced a creek. Q. Why do Arctic rabbits run upright on their hind legs while other rabbits don't?

A. They can't get leverage to hop in new snow. So they've improvised genetically.

Modern inventors do their best work between the ages of 34 and 43. So says a scholar who did a computer run on numerous research engineers and their creations. Those inventors may be older by the time their patents pass through the paper mill, but they mostly were of the aforementioned ages when they first came up with their bright ideas.

The cynical Roy Blount Jr., said, "Studying literature at Harvard is like learning about women at the Mayo Clinic."

Q. What proportion of the men and women in the United States drink some sort of alcoholic beverage at least occasionally?

A. Men, 68 percent. Women, 47 percent. Roughly. That's a Federal Government estimate.

The cork, if any, in the handle of your fishing rod, if any, came from Portugal, undoubtedly.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Stolen car found after crashing into building

BUHL - Buhl police found a stolen car after it crashed into a building. The car, a 1986 Honda, was stolen Friday from a residence on Homer Drive between 9:45 p.m. and 10:58 p.m., according to Buhl police reports. Saturday morning, a resident in the 400 block of 13th Avenue called police to report a car had been driven into a shed on the alley behind her house. The driver had abandoned the car, which was the stolen Honda, after hitting the shed. Buhl police are investigating the theft.

National Geography Bee begins today in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS - The National Geographic Society is holding its ninth National Geography Bee for fourth- through eighth-graders in thousands of schools across the United States and five U.S. territories. The first local round of the 1997 event will be held at 3:20 p.m. today in the auditorium at O'Leary Junior High School. The winner of the O'Leary bee will advance to the next level of competition, a written exam. All school winners are eligible for the national championship and its first prize, a \$25,000 college scholarship, at the national competition in May in Washington, D.C. For more information, call Marjorie Atkins at O'Leary Junior High School, 733-2155.

Shoshone City Council meets tonight

SHOSHONE - The Shoshone City Council meeting will be held at 8 p.m. today at City Hall, 207 S. Rail St. W. First on the agenda are the financial and county reports, followed by reports from the police, fire chief and recreation and city maintenance departments. Claims and new year appointments will be discussed, with Sankey Webb and a sewer and water discussion and Hamilton to follow. Other topics include raising deposit fees, the comprehensive plan, Bureau of Land Management land for recreation and the Union Pacific depot. An executive session regarding personnel matters also is on the agenda.

No word from insurance carrier on Elba wildfire

BURLEY - Cassia County's insurance carrier continues to evaluate liability issues surrounding the Elba wildfire, according to the county prosecutor. Prosecutor Stephen Bywater said there is no indication when Idaho Counties Risk Management Program will complete its evaluation. The county faces nearly \$960,000 in claims for property lost to the fire as well as the cost of fighting it. County commissioners are waiting to learn whether ICRMP will pay the claims. ICRMP representatives Richard Ferguson and J. Allan Swenson of Boise met privately Monday with the prosecutor, commissioners, and County Administrator Tim Hurst. The closed meeting was held to discuss "pending and probable" litigation surrounding the county's involvement in the start of the fire. State law allows public agencies to hold closed meetings, known as executive sessions, to discuss pending litigation. The U.S. Forest Service has billed the county \$690,000 for firefighting costs relating to the Aug. 26 blaze. Other claims were filed by ranchers and the Raft River Electric Co. They say they lost property to the fire.

Rupert woman suspected of forging vehicle loan

BURLEY - Already facing charges of fraudulent impersonation another woman to secure two bank loans, a Rupert woman is suspected of getting a car loan under the name of a former housemate. Melissa Rios received a payment book in the mail for a 1984 Ford Bronco she does not own, she told police. According to a police report, the Bronco is driven by Jeanette Contreras, 20, of Rupert, a woman recently charged with securing two bank loans under a false name. Contreras lived with Rios a few months ago. Rios told police, Rios' Social Security card came up missing shortly afterwards, she told police. Police suspect Contreras used Leanne Taylor's Social Security number to secure two consumer bank loans before Christmas. Local law enforcement and the FBI are investigating Contreras.

Times-News seeks families' rental stories

TWIN FALLS - Have you ever been denied an apartment or a house rental because you are a single parent? Tell us your story. The Times-News is preparing a story about families and rentals. If you'd like to share your experiences, call Steve Crump at 733-9931, Ext. 223, or 1-800-658-3883.

Compiled from staff reports

City takes plunge, covers pool

Twin Falls votes to give municipal pool a bubble

By William Brock
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The municipal pool is going under cover. It won't be conspicuous though, because the City Council voted 7-0 Monday night to authorize an enormous,

removable "bubble" to cover the pool. The domed cover should be in place by the end of September, transforming the often-cool pool into a year-round aquatic recreation center. Everyone from kayakers to pregnant women will be welcome - at different times, of course. And the roughly

\$300,000 cover will be paid for by a private group, aptly known as the "Cover the Pool Committee." The municipal pool "is one of the two premier aquatic facilities in Idaho, yet it's empty and unused nine months of the year," committee Chairman Stephanie Crumrine told city leaders. The dome would be removed during summer months, she promised. As things stand, the city loses about \$50,000 a year on the pool, which typically opens in May and closes in early November. But year-round use also means added expenses: Crumrine and others said the deficit probably will rise to about \$80,000 when the pool shifts to

year-round use. Crumrine, who also chairs the city's Planning and Zoning Commission, vowed to wage a "hard-hitting and aggressive campaign" to finance the cover. She collected the first \$100 donation from fellow commission member Wayne Bohm moments after approval was granted; seconds later, Councilman Lance Clow stepped down from the dais and pledged \$500. An overflowed crowd packed the council chambers, offering a deluge of testimony from accountants, pastors, and, yes, swimmers. Council members were

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IT ALL CAME TUMBLING DOWN



Sign workers Lynel Meyers, left, and Ed Boyd have a busy Monday afternoon on Blue Lakes Boulevard in Twin Falls. After removing a Christmas tree from the Wilson-Bates clock tower, they moved to the former Denny's restaurant to lower a sign at the location.

City might get stuck paying for wrecked pole

By Kent McCleary
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A steel traffic signal pole felled by a pickup truck is again signaling, but the city might well have to eat a replacement bill in excess of \$10,000. The signal pole on the north side of Eastland Drive, controlling traffic northbound from Eastland Drive crossing and turning onto Kimberly Road was knocked over about 9:47 p.m. Dec. 30. It was replaced and back in service by Saturday.

Twin Falls police reports say a west-bound pickup either missed going

straight on Kimberly or missed a right turn onto Eastland. The truck apparently split the difference, driving up on the island inside the right turn lane and hitting the steel pole headlong. "It was broken. The pole was sheared off at the base," said city electrical contractor Steve Shotwell, owner of Shotwell's Inc. "It had to be clipping 'right along' to break the pole, but the vehicle didn't sustain that much damage." The pole and its mast arms were left sprawled in the northbound lanes of Eastland Drive. Police are still searching for the driver of the truck, who apparently

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Twin Falls sets wreck record

By Kent McCleary
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - More auto collisions were reported in Twin Falls during 1996 than ever before. Twin Falls police took 1,838 accident reports in 1996, 125 more than in 1995.

Police say it's probably because of more traffic. City engineers say they'll pinpoint traffic problems when smt statistics become available in several months.

The totals were stable in the two previous years, 1,713 in 1995 and 1,704 in 1994. The Police Department maintains files only for the previous three years. Getting a precise fix on the increase

will take an analysis of where and when accidents occurred, and if weather or other factors played a role, said Twin Falls Police Capt. Jim Munn. "But, making predictions, I would say it's because of an increase in traffic in the community. The population is going up, and we're getting more people from other areas coming here to shop and to socialize, so that might have an impact," Munn said. The state collects accident reports, and the city will get a final summary on the year's wrecks in March or April, said Twin Falls Assistant City Engineer Rod Mathis. When the city does its analysis, it

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Glenns Ferry lawmaker charged with DUI

By Karen Tolkkinn
Times-News writer

BOISE - Sen. Robbi King, who voted for stricter drunken driving rules in 1996, was cited on a drunken driving charge in Boise Sunday morning. King, a Republican from Glenns Ferry, said she was leaving a Boise restaurant after having dinner and a few beers with friends.

"It was just a very quiet evening," she said. "It wasn't a party." She didn't say how many beers she had - "not too many to lose count," she said - but had had only one or two in the last hour or so of the evening. She was driving home alone when the police lights came up behind her. "He said I had cut the corner," she said.

The arresting officer smelled alcohol on her breath, gave her field sobriety tests, then took her into the police station and gave her a breath test. Her blood-alcohol content was at least .10, the legal limit. Boise Police Lt. Jim Tibbs wouldn't release her exact content, and King said she didn't know it. After the test, she was cited and a police officer brought her home. She didn't have to get photographed or fingerprinted or post bail.

Under the Idaho Constitution, legislators are protected from arrest in all cases - except treason, felony or breach of the peace - while the Legislature is in session. King has hired an attorney - former deputy attorney general Steve Tobason - and had not decided Monday when to enter a plea. She was willing to talk about the incident.



Robbi King

"Politically, it probably was not appropriate," she said. "But I'm not going to run from it." She said it will not affect her ability to work with drunken driving legislation.

"My record on DUI legislation is there," she said.

During the 1996 session, she voted for a bill to lower the blood alcohol content to .08 from .10, a bill that passed the House but died in the Senate.

One of the toughest things will be to tell her two daughters, ages 13 and 10. She and her oldest are to have a joint birthday party next weekend. But she praised police: "Law enforcement did exactly what they should have," she said. "But I'm not going to run from it."

Fellow lawmakers said she would not be publicly reprimanded. "She's going to have to work through it," said Sen. Denton Darrington, a Republican from DeLo, who said he was "disappointed" by the news.

Senate President Pro Tem Jerry Twigg, R-Blackfoot, said King had called him early Monday morning, and the Senate would take no action. "My position is that the law enforcement, the courts and Robbi-King will handle it," he said. King represents legislative District 20, which includes Owyhee County and portions of Elmore County. She was elected to the Senate in November after four years in the House.

Witness says Mines implicated others in Hunter murder



Confessed killer Corey Hood confers with his attorney, Mark Manweiler, Monday during court proceedings. The hearing on his plea agreement concludes today.

By Kevin Miller
Times-News writer

RUPERT - Jailed on a murder charge in the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center, Matthew Mines said other people were involved in the slaying of 17-year-old Wendy Hunter, a former inmate testified Monday.

The defense of Corey Hood concluded with that revelation from Robert Fowler, who said he and another inmate talked to Mines about the murder last May. "(Mines) told me and Burley Jackson that on the night (Hunter) was killed that Corey and Brian were in the room and Brian was slicing on Wendy and that Corey grabbed a bottle of pennies or something - I don't remember cor-

rectly what it was - and knocked her over the head, and then Brian finished slicing." Fowler said as the witness stand, speaking quickly and quietly.

Hearing schedule

The hearing to determine if Corey Hood's plea agreement should stand concludes today. Prosecutors will present a brief rebuttal case with five witnesses starting at 1:15 p.m. in Minidoka County's 5th District Court.

Mines also admitted to nudging Hunter's head with his foot, and seeing carpeting and her body loaded into a

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Stolen car found after crashing into building

BUHL - Buhl police found a stolen car after it crashed into a building. The car, a 1986 Honda, was stolen Friday from a home on Manor Drive, between 9:45 p.m. and 10:55 p.m., according to Buhl police reports.
Saturday morning, a resident in the 400 block of 15th Avenue called police to report a car had been driven into a shed on the alley behind her house. The driver had abandoned the car, which was the stolen Honda, after hitting the shed.
Buhl police are investigating the theft.

National Geography Bee begins today in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS - The National Geographic Society is holding its ninth National Geography Bee for fourth-through eighth-graders in thousands of schools across the United States and five U.S. territories.
The first local round of the 1997 event will be held at 3:20 p.m. today in the auditorium at O'Leary Junior High School. The winner of the O'Leary bee will advance to the next level of competition, a written exam. All school winners are eligible for the national championship and its first prize, a \$25,000 college scholarship, at the national competition in May in Washington, D.C.
For more information, call Marjie Atkins at O'Leary Junior High School, 733-2155.

Shoshone City Council meets tonight

SHOSHONE - The Shoshone City Council meeting is held at 8 p.m. today at City Hall, 209 S. Rail St. W.
First on the agenda are the financial and county reports, followed by reports from the police, fire chief and recreation and city maintenance departments. Claims and new year appointments will be discussed with Smokey Webb and a sewer and water discussion and Hamilton to follow. Other topics include raising deposit fees, the comprehensive plan, Bureau of Land Management land for recreation and the Union Pacific depot.
An executive session regarding personnel matters also is on the agenda.

No word from insurance carrier on Elba wildfire

BURLEY - Cassia County's insurance carrier continues to evaluate liability issues surrounding the Elba wildfire, according to the county prosecutor.
Prosecutor Stephen Bywater said there is no indication when Idaho Counties Risk Management Program will complete its evaluation. The county faces nearly \$960,000 in claims for property lost to the fire as well as the cost of fighting it. County commissioners are waiting to learn whether ICRMP will pay the claims.
ICRMP representatives Richard Ferguson and J. Allan Swenson of Boise met privately Monday with the prosecutor, county commissioners and County Administrator Jim Hurst. The closed meeting was held to discuss "pending and probable" litigation surrounding the county's involvement in the start of the fire.
State law allows public agencies to hold closed meetings, known as executive sessions, to discuss pending litigation.
The U.S. Forest Service has billed the county \$690,000 for firefighting costs relating to the Aug. 26 blaze. Other claims were filed by ranchers and the Rial River Electric Co. They say they lost property to the fire.

Rupert woman suspected of forging vehicle loan

BURLEY - Already facing charges of fraudulent impersonating another woman to secure two bank loans, a Rupert woman is suspected of getting a car loan under the name of a former housemate.
Melissa Rios received a payment book in the mail for a 1984 Ford Bronco she does not own, she told police.
According to a police report, the Bronco is driven by Jeanette Contreras, 20, of Rupert, a woman recently charged with securing two bank loans under a false name.
Contreras lived with Rios a few months ago, Rios told police. Rios' Social Security card came up missing shortly afterwards, she told police.
Police suspect Contreras used Leanne Taylor's Social Security number to secure two consumer bank loans before Christmas.
Local law enforcement and the FBI are investigating Contreras.

Times-News seeks families' rental stories

TWIN FALLS - Have you ever been denied a rental because of a home renter because you have children? Tell us your story.
The Times-News is preparing a story about families and rentals. If you'd like to share your experiences, call Steve Crump at 733-8931, Ext. 223, or 1-800-658-3883.

Contacted from staff reports

City takes plunge, covers pool

Twin Falls votes to give municipal pool a bubble

By William Brock Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The municipal pool is going under cover.
It won't be inconspicuous though, because the City Council voted 7-0 Monday night to authorize an enormous,

removable "bubble" to cover the pool. The domed cover should be in place by the end of September, transforming the open-cool pool into a year-round aquatic recreation center.
Everyone from kayakers to pregnant women will be welcome - at different times, of course. And the roughly

\$300,000 cover will be paid for by a private group, such as known as the "Cover the Pool Committee."
The municipal pool "is one of the two premier aquatic facilities in Idaho, yet it's empty and unused nine months of the year," committee Chairman Stephanie Commins told city leaders. The dome would be removed during summer months, she promised.
As things stand, the city loses about \$50,000 a year on the pool, which typically opens in May and closes in early November. But year-round use also means added expenses. Commins and others said the dome probably will cost about \$30,000 when the pool starts to

year-round use.
Commins, who also chairs the city's Planning and Zoning Commission, vowed to wage a "hard-hitting and aggressive campaign" to finance the cover. She collected the first \$100 donation from fellow commission member Wayne Badora moments after approval was granted; seconds later, Councilman Lance Loo stepped down from the dais but pledged \$200.
An overflow crowd packed the council chambers, offering a deluge of testimony from accountants, pastors and, yes, swimmers. Council members were

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IT ALL CAME TUMBLING DOWN



Sign workers Lynel Meyers, left, and Ed Boyd have a busy Monday afternoon on Blue Lakes Boulevard in Twin Falls. After removing a Christmas tree from the Wilson-Bates clock tower, they moved to the former Danny's restaurant to lower a sign at the location.

City might get stuck paying for wrecked pole

By Kent McCleary Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A steel traffic signal pole felled by a pickup truck is again signaling, but the city might well have to eat a replacement bill in excess of \$10,000.
The signal pole on the north side of Eastland Drive, controlling traffic northbound from Eastland Drive crossing and turning onto Kimberly Road was knocked over about 9:47 p.m. Dec. 30. It was replaced and back in service by Saturday.
Twin Falls police reports say a west-bound pickup either missed going

straight on Kimberly or missed a right turn onto Eastland. The truck apparently split the difference, driving up on the island inside the right turn lane and hitting the steel pole headlong.
"It was broken. The pole was sheared off at the base," said city electrical contractor Steve Shotwell, owner of Shotwell's Inc. "It had to be clipping right along (to break the pole), but the vehicle didn't sustain that much damage."
The pole and its mast arms were left sprawled in the northbound lanes of Eastland Drive. Police are still searching for the driver of the truck, who appar-

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Twin Falls sets wreck record

By Kent McCleary Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - More auto collisions were reported in Twin Falls during 1996 than ever before. Twin Falls police took 1,838 accident reports in 1996, 125 more than in 1995.
Police say it's probably because of more traffic. City engineers say they'll pinpoint traffic problems when state statistics become available in several months.
The totals were stable in the two previous years, 1,713 in 1995 and 1,704 in 1994. The Police Department maintains files only for the previous three years.
Getting a precise fix on the increase

will take an analysis of where and when accidents occurred, and if weather or other factors played a part, said Twin Falls Police Capt. Jim Munn.
"But, making predictions, I would say it's because of an increase in traffic in the community. The population is going up, and we're getting more people from other areas coming here to shop and to socialize, so that might have an impact," Munn said.
The state collects accident reports, and the city will get a final summary on the year's wrecks in March or April, said Twin Falls Assistant City Engineer Rod Mathis.
When the city does its analysis, it

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Glenns Ferry lawmaker charged with DUI

By Karen Robinson Times-News writer

BOISE - Sen. Robbi King, who voted for stricter drunken driving rules in 1996, was cited on a drunken driving charge in Boise Sunday morning.
King, a Republican from Glenns Ferry, said she was leaving a Boise restaurant after having dinner and a few beers with friends.
"I was just a very quiet evening," she said. "It wasn't a party.
She didn't see how many beers she had - "but not many to lose count," she said - but had had only one or two in the last hour or so of the evening.
She was driving home alone when the police lights came up behind her.
"She said I had cut the corner," she said.
The arresting officer smelled alcohol on her breath, gave her field sobriety tests, then took her into the police station and gave her a breath test. Her blood-alcohol content was at least .01, the legal limit.
Boise Police Lt. Jim Tibbitts wouldn't release her exact content, and King said she didn't know it.
After the test, she was cited and a police officer brought her home. She didn't have to get photographed or fingerprinted or put in jail.
Under the Idaho Constitution, legislators are protected from arrest in all cases except treason, felony or breach of the peace while they are in session.
King has hired an attorney - former deputy attorney general Steve Robinson - and had not decided Monday when to enter a plea.
She was willing to talk about the incident.



Robbi King

"Politically, it probably wasn't the appropriate," she said. "But I'm not going to run from it."
She said it will not affect her ability to work with drunken driving legislation.
"My record on DUI legislation is there," she said.
During the 1996 session, she voted for a bill to lower the blood alcohol content to .08 from .10, a bill that passed the House but died in the Senate.
One of the toughest things will be to tell her two daughters, ages 13 and 10. She and her oldest are to have a joint birthday party next weekend.
But she pressed police.
"Law enforcement did exactly what they should have," she said.
Fellow lawmakers said she would not be publicly reprimanded.
"Her going to have to work through it," said Sen. Denton Darrington, a Republican from Declo, who said he was "disappointed" by the news.
Senate President Pro Tem Jerry Twigg, R-Blackfoot, said King had called him early Monday morning, and the Senate would take no action.
"Her position is that the law enforcement, the courts and Robbi King will handle it," he said.
King represents Legislative District 20, which includes Owyhee County and portions of Elmore County. She was elected to the Senate in November after four years in the House.

Witness says Mines implicated others in Hunter murder



Confessed killer Corey Hood confers with his attorney, Mark Manchester, Monday during court proceedings. The hearing on his plea agreement concludes today.

By Kevin Miller Times-News writer

RUPERT - Injured on a murder charge in the Mini-Cenna Criminal Justice Center, Matthew Mines said other people were involved in the slaying of 17-year-old Wendi Shannon, a former inmate death beneficiary.
The defense of Corey Hood confers with what revelation from Robert Fowler, who said he and another inmate talked to Mines about the murder last May.
"Minnes" told me and Shirley Jackson that on the night (Shannon) was killed that Corey and Brian were in the room and Brian was sitting on Wendi and that Corey grabbed a handle of pennies or something - I don't remember con-

fessed what it was - and knocked her over the head, and then Brian finished slitting," Fowler said on the witness stand, speaking quickly and quietly.

Hearing schedule
The hearing to determine if Corey Hood's plea agreement should stand concludes today.
Prosecutors will present a brief rebuttal case to his witnesses, starting at 1:15 p.m. in Minidoka County's 25th District Court.

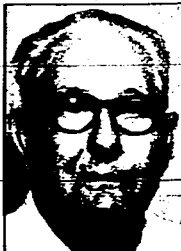
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MAGIC VALLEY

OBITUARIES

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TWIN FALLS



Lewis S. 'Levie' Adams

Lewis S. 'Levie' Adams, 66, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Jan. 5, 1997, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Pocatello, Idaho. He was born April 22, 1931, in Rich Hill, Mo., to Samuel and Emma Morrison Adams. He came to Twin Falls in 1956, first to work for the Filer, Butte and Cadoro areas. On June 7, 1941, Lewis married Lera Metzler in Twin Falls. In 1961, Lewis moved to Haysville, Mo., and farmed in the West Point area. He sold his farm in 1960, and moved to Twin Falls. Lewis was a member of the West Point Grange. Lewis is survived by his wife, Lora of Twin Falls; six children, Walter (Joyce) Adams of Paul, Mary (Del) Adams of Twin Falls, Irma (Bill) Adams, as well as her husband, John Adams, of Filer; Judy (Jack) Adams of Twin Falls, and Ronnie (Gladys) Adams of Filer, a brother; three sisters, Marie Standeford of Eugene, Ore., Ula Wright of Denver, Colo., and Opal Hopkins of Haysville, Mo.; 22 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. Lewis was preceded in death by a son, Rick Adams, a grandson, Tom Adams, and a granddaughter, Lisa Adams.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 10, 1997, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls. Burial will be in the Filer, Butte and Cadoro area. Friends may call from 3 to 6 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. The family suggests that memorial contributions be given to the American Heart Association. Contributions may be given to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2468 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Bessie L. Ward

Bessie Lucille Ward, 65, of Twin Falls and formerly of Long Beach, Calif., passed away Friday, Jan. 3, 1997, at the Twin Falls Care Center where she had lived for the past 2 1/2 years. Prior to that, she spent five years in Bellevue, Idaho, with her only son, Michael Ward and family. Survivors include one son, Michael Ward, one grandson, Levi Ward, two granddaughters, Shannon Saanson and Amy Ward, and two great-grandchildren, Kara Ward, 6 months old, and Caleb Saanson, 5 months old. A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10, 1997, at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Twin Falls. Pastor Bob Rogers officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary and Crematory in Twin Falls. The family suggests memorial contributions may be made in her name to the Cavay Bible Church, P.O. Box 1676, Haley ID 83333, to the mortuary and for Jason and Shannon Saanson.

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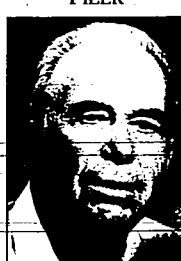
Rena Uscola

Rena Uscola, 81-year-old Heyburn resident, died Friday, Jan. 3, 1997, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Pocatello, Idaho. She was born April 27, 1915, in Pano, Idaho, the daughter of Elmer and Rebecca Ester Jolley. She received her education in Thomas and Moreland, Idaho. She married Steven Uscola on Dec. 10, 1932, in Blackfoot. He preceded her in death.

on March 5, 1976. They moved to Heyburn in 1936, where she and her husband farmed in the Emerson District. Rena was a member of the Emerson Ladies Aid, the Emerson Grange, and the LDS Church. She loved to camp and fish with her family. She was a good mother, grandmother, aunt, neighbor, and friend. Survivors include three sons, Keith (Dorothy) Uscola of Burley, and Lyle (Paula) Uscola and Frank Uscola, both of Heyburn; one daughter-in-law, Valynn (Elmer) Uscola of Paul; two sisters, Velma Fisher of Rupert, Oregon; and a daughter, Joyce (Dorcas) VanKirk of Sun City, Ariz., and Thora Marie Cook of Aberdeen, Wash.; three brothers, Farlin Jolley of Salem, Ore.; Verdell Jolley of Sait Lake City, Utah; and Wayne T. Jolley of Sapprey, Alaska; a special friend, Glenn Showalter of Heyburn; 10 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents; a son, Elmer Uscola; four brothers; three sisters; and three grandchildren.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 8, 1997, at the Emerson LDS Chapel, 950 W. 125 S. of Paul, with Bishop Dennis Heiner as the officiant. Burial will follow at the Paul Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley, Idaho, and from 10 to 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday at the church.

FILER



Clarence F. Greene

Clarence Floyd Greene, 70, of Heyburn, died Sunday, Jan. 5, 1997, at his home in the arms of his beloved wife, following a courageous battle with cancer.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. on March 15, 1926, in Twin Falls, the son of Alpha Theron and Ruth Hughes Greene. He graduated from the 8th grade at which time he crawled on a tractor and started farming. On Sept. 22, 1944, he married Marva Woodland in Twin Falls and they continued farming the Cottonwood Ranch, breaking 100 acres of ground and setting an irrigation for W.T. Williams. This is where they raised their three girls. In the fall of 1967, he bought a farm on H&A Hunt Tract in Gray Point, Idaho. He bought an acreage in Filer where he enjoyed his hobbies of dancing and buying and fixing up old farm equipment to sell. Survivors include three daughters, Shirley (Martin) Petersen of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; Betty (Gary) Petersen of Layton, Utah; and Ruby (Tom) Chandler of Filer. 13 grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; two brothers, Jay Greene of Buhl and Cal Greene of Filer; and two sisters, Genevieve Wright and Barbara Ritchie, both of Filer. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, and one sister.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 9, 1997, at the Filer LDS Stake Center, with President Tom Chandler officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls and 10 to 10:45 a.m. on Thursday at the church.

The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, in care of Hazel M. Wain, 3653 Archatara Ave., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Amold 'Sport' Gier

Amold 'Sport' Gier, 84, of Filer, died Friday, Jan. 3, 1997, at the Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital. He was born Oct. 17, 1912, in Sylvan Grove, Kan., to John and Elizabeth Gier. He and his wife, Edna, moved to Idaho in March of 1935, and worked on a farm in the Buhl area. On Nov. 4, 1937, he married Edna Gier in Buhl, and they farmed in the Kimberly area from 1937 to 1943, when they moved to Filer. He was a member of the Clover Trinity Lutheran Church, where he held several offices. He was also a board member of Filer Mutual Elevator Co. for 30 years. Mr. Gier loved his family, took pride in his

farm, and was a humorous person. Survivors include his wife, Edna Gier of Filer; one daughter, Karen Gier of Buffalo, Wyo.; and special granddaughters, Julie Klundt, Heidi Egan, and Lisa Egan. Burial will be preceded in death by eight brothers and three sisters.

The funeral will be held at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 8, 1997, at the Clover Trinity Lutheran Church, with the Rev. Mark Christ officiating. Burial will follow at the Clover Lutheran Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to the Lutheran Hour Ministries, in care of the Lutheran Laymen's League, Clover Trinity Lutheran Church, 3552 N. 1825 E., Buhl ID 83316; or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Dorothy E. McNeal

Dorothy Elizabeth McNeal, 97, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Jan. 4, 1997, at the Twin Falls Care Center. She was born Feb. 10, 1899, in Washington, Kan., the daughter of Charlie and Monte Coses Nickel, and was one of the oldest settlers at the Paris in Twin Falls during occupation. Her talents include creating hundreds of delicate crocheted items, such as dollies for cradles, giving away most of her work to people she loved. She only laid her crocheting aside a year ago at age 96.

She was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church. We miss you for all your many kindnesses and for always being there with unconditional love. Survivors include one son, Otha C. McNeal; and one daughter, Elaine M. Edwards, both of Twin Falls; five grandchildren, Carol (Andy) Cook, Katie (Tom) Merz and Linda (Gary) Aulderheide, all of Twin Falls; Gary (Erlyn) McNeal of Utah; and Jacal (Jim) Horton of Nevada; 42 grandchildren; and great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1955, one son, one daughter, a twin brother and sister, one grandson, and one great-grandson.

A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 8, 1997, at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls, with Pastor Lawrence Vedder officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary and Crematory in Twin Falls.

JEROME

Roberta E. Martin Keher

Roberta E. Martin Keher, 77, died Thursday, Jan. 3, 1997, at St. Bernard's Long Term Care Unit in Jerome after a long battle with cancer and pain. Roberta was born Oct. 23, 1919, in the daughter of Ed and Edith Martin in Kearney, Neb. She moved to Filer and then to Jerome at an early age. Roberta received her education in Jerome and graduated from Jerome High School in 1937. She married Robert W. Keher in Rupert at the Episcopal Church on Nov. 10, 1937, and they had five children and many friends, Duane and Mary Ellen Hezler. They farmed in Jerome until 1965.

Roberta was a police sergeant, police judge and ASCS. She was a lifetime member of the Jerome Episcopal Church, Women of the Moose, with a College Ring of the Women of the Moose, several bowling leagues, and square dance clubs. They spent winters in the Arizona area the last 18 years until the last three years.

She is survived by her husband, Robert of 60 years; three sons, Robert Keher and Fred, and Rita Payette. David and wife, Linda Keher, and Jack and wife, Agnes Keher, all of Rupert; one daughter, Leona Keher, and her husband, Frank Turpin of Jerome; 10 living grandchildren, Tommy, Victor, Christina, Kevin, Robin, Corey, Richard Scott, Jill, Julia Dene, and Bobbie Sue; 12 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Cecil Martin of Vancouver, Wash., and Larry Martin of Boise; one sister, Letta Keher of Jerome; and five nephews step grandchildren and nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; two grandchildren, John and Jeffrey; and two sisters, Grace MacCaras and Peggy Lancaster Lee.

Roberta loved her God, family, church, dancing, fishing and life in general.

The Mass of Holy Communion will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday evening, Jan. 7, 1997, at the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Jerome. A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Hope Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome, with the Rev. Richard Goetsch and Women

of the Moose officiating. Communion services will follow at the Jerome Cemetery. Cremation preceded services. The family suggests memorials to the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Jerome.

WENDELL

Eugene B. Newton

Eugene Bradley Newton, 87, of West Valley City, Utah, and formerly of Wendell, died Friday, Jan. 3, 1997, in West Valley City. He was born June 7, 1909, in Hunter, a son of Hyrum James and Florence Ellen Dunford Newton. He married Edna Ruth Elliott on Nov. 17, 1934, in Farmington; the marriage was solemnized in the Jordan River LDS Temple on Nov. 10, 1954. Eugene was an active member of the LDS Church, serving in the Sunday School presidency, MIA president, and as a ward counselor. He was a member of the Utah Wool Growers Association, Utah Cattlemen's Association, and the Valley Growers Association of Idaho.

Survivors include his wife, Edna of West Valley City; children, Ann (Roy) Jacobsen of Laticus, Utah; Douglas (Louise) Newton of West Valley City; Joan (Tom) Dunford of Sunslot, Utah; and Hyrum (Sherry) Newton of Wendell. He has 12 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; brothers, Ralph, George, and Scott Newton; and a sister, Virginia Buika, all of Utah. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Linda Kay Newton; parents; grandson, Jay Newton; grand-grandchildren, Jennifer Jacobson; grand-grandchildren, James and brothers, James and Steve Newton.

The funeral will be held at noon Wednesday, Jan. 8, 1997, at the Greater West City Church, 1149 S.W. 2925 S. Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. today at McDougall Funeral Home, 4330 S. Redwood Road in Salt Lake City, and from 11 to 11:45 a.m. on Wednesday at the church. Interment will be at Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park in Salt Lake City.

POCATELLO

George W. Hawk

George W. Hawk, 82, of Pocatello, passed away early Sunday morning, Jan. 5, 1997, at his home. He was born May 30, 1914, to George and Edna Hawk in Idaho. George graduated from Rupert High School and received his teaching certificate from Albion State Normal School in 1935. He is taught at Minidoka County Schools for three years. In 1933, he married Mildred Bell Elson. He began employment with the Pacific Railroad in 1936, and retired as a locomotive engineer in 1964.

Mr. Hawk enjoyed people and was a member of Pocatello Mt. St. Joseph Lodge No. 95 A.F. & M., Scottish Rite Bodies, York Rite Bodies and the El Korah Shrine of Boise. George served as a member and past president of the Home Health Advisory Board for 30 years, teacher of the Pocatello Rollrod members, Idaho Retired Teachers, serving as president of both groups. He was also a member of the A.A.R.P. Chapter No. 288 and past president of the Golden K. Kiwanis Club. He served on the State Legislative Committee for the A.A.R.P. N.R.T.A. for eight years, and as the state director for the A.A.R.P. Citizens Representation Program for four years.

He is survived by his wife, Mildred of 63 years; a son, Howard and Jenny Hawk of Pocatello; three daughters, Debra and R. Sueck Davis of Nampe, Alice Jo and Arthur Latta of Lillona, Colo., and Marilyn and John Landroth of Las Vegas, Nev.; 10 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, five brothers and sisters, and one grandchild, Kristi Jo Nungesser.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 8, 1997, at the Trinity Episcopal Church, 248 North Arthur, Pocatello, with the Rev. Dr. Alex Nagy officiating. The family will receive friends from 7 to 9 p.m. today at the Henderson-Cornelson Funeral Home, 421 N. 15th Ave. in Pocatello. Interment will be at the Rupert Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to Eugene's memorial fund at the Southwestern District Home Health and Hospice, 465 Memorial Drive, Pocatello ID 83201; or the Shiner's Hospice for Grippled Children, 10047 Avenida Virginia Street, Salt Lake City UT 84103.

DEATH NOTICES

Louise Hughes
TWIN FALLS — Louise Hughes, 102, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Jan. 5, 1997, at BridgeView Estates in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Sarah Alta McHenry
OAKLEY — Sarah Alta McHenry, 95, of Oakley, died Monday, Jan. 6, 1997, at the Rockhaven Retirement Home in Oakley. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Mike Chism
TWIN FALLS — Mike Chism, 52, of Las Vegas, Nev., and formerly of Twin Falls, a home-builder with Chism homes, died Monday, Dec. 30, 1996, in Lake Mead, Nev., of drowning. Services were held Thursday in Boulder City, Nev.

Anthony Rapoza
WATSONVILLE, Calif. — Anthony Rapoza, 86, of Watsonville, Calif., died Friday, Jan. 3, 1997, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley. The funeral will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at the LDS Church on Holm Road in Watsonville; with Bishop Rodney Anderson officiating. Burial will be at the Pajaro Valley Memorial Park in Watsonville. Arrangements are under the direction of the Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Isabel T. Matos
WENDELL — Isabel T. Matos, 82, of Wendell, died Monday, Jan. 6, 1997, at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demary's

Wendell Chapel.
Cordie Benedict
RUPERT — Cordie Benedict, 95, of Rupert, died Saturday, Jan. 4, 1997, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital Extended Care in Rupert. The funeral will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at the Paul Pine Chapel, conducted by her family members and the Paul O.E.S. Burial will follow at the Paul Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of the Hansen Mortuary • Rupert Chapel.

Felicitas Ramos Camillo
JACKPOT, Nev. — Felicitas Ramos Camillo, 36, of Jackpot, Nev., died Monday, Jan. 6, 1997, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Anthony Lloyd "Tonio" Northrup
son of Alvin Henry and Tamara Lee Northrup of Jerome, 1 p.m. today. Hovee Roberts on Funeral Chapel in Jerome. Friends may call from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. today at the funeral chapel.

Mary Alice Snow, of Twin Falls, 2 p.m. today, White Mortuary, Twin Falls.
Phyllis Kirkman Bitter, of Hailey and formerly of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 8, 1997, at the Pocatello Family Medical Center in Jerome. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral chapel.

Ladonn Goodfellow, Nolan Jeffs, Tynyl Kinzel and Annette Moore, all of Burley; and Jose Castaneda of Malta.

Birth
A baby was born to Roger and Elizabeth Ford of Burley.

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

Admitted
Consuelo Correa, Elizabeth Ford and Darrell Hatch, all of Burley; Malia Arnell of Oakley; Alice Hartman of Rupert; and Robert Molina of Heyburn.

Released
Julia Bowlin of Twin Falls.

Released
Walter Stark of Rupert.

Plans to improve canyon route

LOGAN, Utah (AP) — Planned improvements throughout Logan Canyon could make travel more accommodating without robbing people of one of the most scenic drives in America. Or so says the federal government, which plans projects in the canyon beginning as early as this summer. Improvements would

include new picnic areas, paved parking lots and pathways, historical markers and as many as a dozen new steps between Logan and Garden City. Although nobody immersed in a controversy over the canyon's future is shouting foul, a local environmental group has concerns.

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5th District Court reports for Twin Falls County

New shoe photos shown to jury in Simpson case

TWIN FALLS—Recent civil court activity in 5th District Court in Twin Falls County included:

Divorces

- Marie M. Adinolfi vs. Robert E. Adinolfi.
- Frank Allan Thuesen vs. Christy Ann Thuesen.
- Julie Ann Wilson vs. Jimmie Dale Wilson.
- Terri A. DeLeon vs. Frank G. DeLeon.
- Rhonda Brrett Cristobal vs. Patrick Cristobal.
- Freddie L. Garcia vs. Aleah C. Garcia.
- Helen Amy Wood vs. Christian Roger Wood.
- Joe L. Paredes vs. Angie Parlez.
- David Lewis Oneida vs. Teresa Marie Oneida.

Legal separation

- Raoul Be Schmitt vs. Charmaine A. Schmitt.

Child support cases

- State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare vs. Kay L. Massey. Seeking \$205 reimbursement for care of child; \$100 monthly support; provide medical insurance for child; attorney fees and costs.

- State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare vs. Laurie Dean. Seeking an order that defendant is natural mother of child; carry medical insurance for child; \$275 attorney fees and costs.
- State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Services vs. Donovan Elm Campbell. Seeking establishment of paternity; \$423 monthly support; provide medical insurance for child; \$275 attorney fees and costs.
- State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Services vs. Harvey A. Neel. Seeking \$933 for past child support; provide medical insurance for child; and \$302 attorney fees and costs.
- State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare vs. Rick Perkins. Seeking establishment of paternity; \$148 monthly support; carry medical insurance for child; \$275 attorney fees and costs.
- State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Services vs. Sean O'Donnell. Seeking establishment of paternity; \$132 monthly support; maintain health insurance for child; \$275 attorney fees and costs.

Other filings

- Darren Hall Construction, Inc., an Idaho corporation vs. Steve Loder and Jennifer Loder, husband and wife, and doing business as Our Side Siding Company. Seeking \$2,531; \$840 attorney fees and costs. Plaintiff claims defendant failed to complete a siding job resulting in water damage to a home.
- Kristine Wright Taylor vs. Mary Groda-Lewis M.D. Demand jury trial. Seeking damages in amounts to be determined at trial; attorney fees and costs. Plaintiff claims negligence in treatment of a cyst.
- Carl William Brass, Jr. vs. Twin Falls County and Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Seeking damages in amount to be proven at trial; attorney fees and costs. Plaintiff claims he suffered a burn to his shoulder either during and immediately after surgery on his elbow.
- Tracy C. Savage vs. Joseph H. Lyman. Seeking \$175,000 plus \$100 per day beginning Dec. 14, 1996 and until judgment, plus interest at 12 percent per annum; or in alternative, for an accounting of partnership affairs and money judgment to be determined by court related to dissolution of partnership, in dentistry practice.

- Richard W. Skelton vs. Charles Perry. Seeking damages for medical injuries in excess of \$15,000, loss of income, loss of wages, pain and suffering and future medical expenses, all in amounts to be proven at trial; \$15,000 attorney fees plus cost related to vehicle accident.
- Vicki Patterson vs. Fred Lichens. Seeking \$4,450, the exact amount to be proven at trial; pre-judgment interest; defendant to be awarded a credit of \$1,250 against judgment to plaintiff for money previously applied toward repayment of contractual obligations; \$3,000 attorney fees and costs related to loss of vehicle in fire at commercial garage.
- Arthur R. and Elizabeth Reinstein vs. James Bieri. Demand jury trial. Seeking \$9,896 for insured value of black Simmental bull; interest from April 11, 1995; \$1,500 attorney fees and costs. Plaintiffs claim negligence and breach of contract related to insurance claim over loss of Simmental bull.

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — Six weeks after O.J. Simpson pronounced a picture of him in Bruno Magli's fake, the jury Monday viewed 30 new photos of Simpson wearing the same kind of shoes that tracked blood around the bodies of Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend.

Lawyers for the plaintiff's side in the wrongful-death trial were all smiles as they unveiled the photos, but an expert witness for the defense said they didn't change his opinion that the earlier pictures taken the same day had been doctored.

Simpson showed no reaction to the new photos, but his lawyers were "sand-bagged" because they weren't shown FBI, are the same kind that left bloody, size-12 prints near the bodies.

posedly taken of Simpson on Sept. 26, 1993, at Rich Stadium in Orchard Park, N.Y., before a Buffalo Bills game against the Miami Dolphins. The pictures were taken by freelance photographer J.L. Flammer.

A poor-quality version of one of the pictures appeared in the November 1993 issue of the Bills' official publication, Buffalo Bills Report. It is impossible to make out what kind of shoes Simpson is wearing in the published photo.

In the higher-quality original print, it appears that Simpson is wearing the same clothing he has on in the single disputed picture taken by Flammer's photos. Simpson is wearing a pocket square, a former police chief, in Scull's photo is not.

In other defense testimony Monday, a former police detective, Paul S. Tippin, said the day after the killings that Ms. Simpson may have used cocaine. He didn't follow up on that information. The defense has suggested Ms. Simpson could have been killed by members of her new, potentially dangerous drug-using crowd.

Habitat for Humanity to try again for fee waiver

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — The Jerome City Council will meet at 7 p.m. today at City Hall.

A delegation from the Habitat for Humanity will attend to protest the council's denial of its request to waive or cut fees for curb cuts, water and sewer hookups.

Habitat for Humanity, a nonprofit organization, provides affordable housing for low-income families.

Denise Driesel, secretary for Habitat for Humanity, will repeat the request to waive fees.

"The local chapter of Habitat for Humanity is starting the first Jerome Habitat Home," Driesel said. "(Waiving fees) would help families who otherwise would not be able to afford their own home."

"If we waive the fee for one person we have to waive it for everyone," councilman Ralph Peters said in October.

"It's a worthy cause but someone has to pay the hookups," one has to pay the hookups," Councilman Dennis Moor said.

In other business:

- The council will hear the first reading of an amendment to the Jerome Municipal Code, designed to bring the code into conformance with state standards for electrical wiring installation. Attorney Rob Williams drafted the ordinance.
- Gary Carter and Neil Allan are expected to be reappointed for three-year terms to the Historic Preservation Commission.
- A part-time police department receptionist/records clerk and a full-time patrolman will be sworn in.

- The council will consider a proposal from Bob Hildeman of US Bank, who has suggested the city purchase the 1978 and 1992 city sewer bonds to take advantage of lower interest rates.
- An early January bond sale, with money delivered to the city Feb. 1, would pay for expenses related to the lift station/submersible pump needed on South Lincoln.
- Hildeman says the city could save \$35,000 over 10 years, including \$10,000 over the next three years.

In November, Simpson denied under oath that he ever wore Bruno Magli shoes like those seen in the photos.

Simpson attorney Daniel Petrocelli said he didn't release the blowups and contact sheets until Saturday.

Simpson attorney Dan Leonard asked Judge Hiroshi Fujisaki for an order to subpoena and challenge their authenticity. But the judge refused.

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Jurors also heard a reading of criminal trial testimony from Kaelin's girlfriend, Rachel Ferrera, who said they were talking on the phone when he heard the gunshot.

Another development, former Detective Mark Fuhrman claims in his upcoming book that prosecutors ignored or failed to follow up on potentially important evidence he found, including a bloody fingerprint at the crime scene, an empty knife box in Simpson's bathroom, dark clothes in the washing machine and a light-colored shirt in the maid's room, Vanity Fair magazine reported in its February issue.

Psychologists, counselors meet with JonBenet's class

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — Parents clutched their children's hands as the youngsters returned to school Monday for the first time since classmate JonBenet Ramsey was found slain Dec. 26.

Psychologists and counselors were on hand to help explain to the children, some as young as 5, that their 6-year-old friend would not be coming back to school.

John Senger, executive director of elementary education for Boulder Valley schools, said a 5-minute ceremony was held at High Peaks Elementary School. It included a moment of silence for JonBenet.

"We had a little assembly to acknowledge that JonBenet passed away and to acknowledge that children will have feelings about this," he said. "Our primary task now is to get kids back to class and learning."

JonBenet's body was discovered in a basement room of the family's 15-room upscale home eight hours after her mother discovered a ransom note that said JonBenet had been abducted and demanded \$118,000.

The slaying was the only murder during 1996 in Boulder, a university city of 96,000 noted for its scenery and trendiness 30 miles northwest of Denver.

Police said JonBenet, the 1995 Little Miss Colorado and the daughter of a former Miss West Virginia, was strangled. No suspects have been identified.

Denver newspapers, citing unidentified sources, reported over the weekend that JonBenet's killer fractured her skull before tightening a cord around her neck.

The newspapers also reported unidentified sources said the girl was sexually assaulted.

Boulder police returned to their offices Monday after spending the past few days in Georgia and Michigan checking out the Ramsey family history.

"They were just following leads," said Leslie Aaholm, spokeswoman for the Boulder City Council and the police department. She said police are still awaiting lab results on evidence, including DNA samples taken from the parents and family members.

Set. Larry Mason, one of the Boulder investigators who went to the Atlanta suburb of Roswell, said investigators talked with business associates and family members, including JonBenet's grandparents in Roswell, Ga.

Aaholm said investigators also went to the family's summer home in Michigan. Denver television station KCNC Channel 4 said the home is located in Royal Oak, Mich., where neighbors told station reporters investigators asked them personal questions about Ramsey.

Mary Beth Kur, Charlevoix County prosecutor, told KCNC, "There was information contained in the affidavit known only to the perpetrator of the crime."

Police have still not been allowed to interview the family, Aaholm said.

JonBenet's parents, John and Patricia Ramsey, have given police written answers to several questions, and police said they were attempting to set up a face-to-face interview.

On Monday, Petrocelli argued that when Simpson took the stand and claimed the initial photo was a fake, "You take the chance you will be caught red-handed."

On the witness stand, Robert Groden, a Dallas-based photo technician, took a quick glance at each of the pictures and said they didn't change his mind about the earlier picture, which he said was probably doctored to look like the rare shoes on Simpson's feet.

He said he had not had time to analyze the new pictures but had studied the earlier one and concluded the chances were 90 percent or better that it was fake.

The shoe photos are a centerpiece of the plaintiffs' case against Simpson. They surfaced months after he was acquitted of killing his ex-wife and her friend Ronald Goldman.

Like the photo Groden called a fake, the new pictures were supposedly taken of Simpson on Sept. 26, 1993, at Rich Stadium in Orchard Park, N.Y., before a Buffalo Bills game against the Miami Dolphins. The pictures were taken by freelance photographer J.L. Flammer.

A synopsis of the book has Fuhrman delivering harsh words for prosecutors. He said Clark was "a victim of celebrity who allowed her personal life to interfere with her work," while Christopher Darden was "a brooding, self-absorbed young man who had no business prosecuting a major murder case."

"The printout was supposed to prove that Mack Mines and Reeves couldn't have been at Hood's home prior to 9 p.m. because Mack's mother had the family's car while at work. Hood claimed the three were helping clean the Hunter crime scene prior to that."

A witness who once picked Mines out of a photo lineup — identifying him as the person standing behind a car backed up to Hood's home the night of the killing — could not positively identify him again in court.

Seeing both Hood and Mines in the courtroom, Pam Sullivan said she couldn't be certain who she had seen standing on a concrete step about six inches high, she said.

"You need to take the steps into consideration," she said. "It could make him a little shorter."

Pool

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recipive to the idea, but clearly hesitating to dive into future financial obligations.

"Once it's installed, the cover will be given to the city. After that, the city will assume all expenses."

"I don't think you have any danger of the pool not being used," local pastor James Frisbie told council members.

"You're going to get people driving 30 to 40 miles to use this pool if you cover it."

Verna Raymond, wife of Ford dealer Roy Raymond, noted the city spent \$1 million for a pool that gets about four months of use every year. Covering it to year-round use would be "a wise business decision," she said.

Speaking on behalf of the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce, local accountant Ruth Stevens said year-round pool would enhance the quality of life — which, in turn, could help recruit new companies to town and boost economic vitality.

Estimated revenues from a year-round pool are about \$185,000 per year, Crumrine said. On the expense side of the ledger, the pool would need a full-time aquatic director — a roughly \$30,000 position — and two assistant directors with an annual salary of about \$18,000 apiece.

A steady stream of lifeguards also would be needed at the eight-lane, 50-meter pool. Councilman Art Frantz questioned whether enough lifeguards would be available, but

supporters said College of Southern Idaho students would leap at the chance for a steady, part-time job.

The need for expanded locker rooms also emerged as a potential stumbling block, but Crumrine said thoughtful scheduling should eliminate most of the problems and the existing locker rooms can always be expanded.

In other business, city leaders accepted a \$8,784 refund check from the company that operates the city's sewage treatment plant. John Keady, local manager for Operations Management International, Inc., said his company managed to save the money from the sewer plant's operations budget.

Also Monday, public hearing on a proposal to make subdivision developers hand over their canal-water shares before tapping into the city's water system was postponed for about a month.

Hood

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Car, Fowler said.

Fowler's account closely resembles what Hood originally told police after he was arrested May 18, in connection with the slaying of Hood's stepson, documented in an affidavit. Fowler said he read, claimed Mack was the aggressor in the slaying and Hood was the victim of the crime.

But Hood recounted that story. He now admits he killed Hunter alone, along with his 74-year-old grandmother Mae Hood. Mack, Hood says Mines and Shannon Reeves helped him clean a bloody crime scene left after Hood raped and killed Hunter.

Prosecutors no longer believe that story either, and want their plea agreement with Hood set aside so they can charge him with two counts of first-degree murder. Hood pleaded guilty to one count of voluntary manslaughter and agreed to plead guilty to a second count in exchange for his testimony against Mack, Mines and Reeves.

Pole

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ently left the scene after the crash.

The truck had been reported stolen from Jerome, police say. The driver had no insurance, according to the police report.

"The city is self-insured. Normally, we get the accident report and send the bill to the person who damages the equipment, or the insurance gets it," said assistant Twin Falls City Engineer Rod Mathis.

Mathis said traffic signal poles are typically steel or aluminum, and cost between \$8,000 and \$10,000, and signal fixtures cost about \$350 each, plus the labor of installation.

Contractors had to rebuild the island and base the pole is on, replace the signal fixtures, and replace the surrounding concrete, Shotwell said. The steel replacement pole was supplied from state stocks, but will have to be

Wreck

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throws out collisions in parking lots and accidents reported at the police station later, Mathis said.

Parking lots are private property and the city doesn't investigate crashes in them.

The worst intersection for accidents is Blue Lakes Boulevard and Falls Avenue, Mathis said in 1995 and 21 wrecks in 1996.

The junction saw 19 wrecks in 1995 and 21 wrecks in 1996.

The truck was 59' 2" wide complete. The Idaho Transportation

paid for, he said.

"I wouldn't be surprised if it comes out to around \$10,000," Shotwell said. A final figure hasn't yet been tallied, he said.

Signal poles are damaged occasionally by cars.

"Most of the pole damage we get is when a truck turns a corner and hits the pedestrian signal head or a traffic signal head when they cut the corner," Mathis said.

Wreck

Department truck accidents on Blue Lakes because the state maintains the road, Mathis said.

The last crash of 1996 occurred at about 10:15 p.m. on New Year's Eve. Two cars were stopped at the Locust Street stoplight while westbound on Kimberly Road. The car in front backed up and hit a car behind it, then left the scene.

The first collision of 1997 came just 23 minutes into the new year. A car driven by Sarah P.

Wreck

Pauk, 40, of Twin Falls, crashed into three cars on Second Avenue North in Twin Falls, according to police reports.

The report said Pauk tried to pull onto the road after being stuck in traffic. She failed to yield to another car in front of her, hit that car, then bounced into two other parked cars, the report said.

Pauk was issued a citation for the collision.

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FAMILY LIFE

Woman is ready to tune out man who won't turn off TV

DEAR ABBY: I think my problem is unique. My longtime boyfriend is addicted to television.

He has it turned on all the time he's indoors and gets unreasonably angry if I turn it off.



DEAR ABBY
Abby VanBuren

The constant distraction and noise drive me up the wall. Fortunately we don't live together. I have tried to convince him it's irritating, and have even insisted he use earplugs in his home, but he complains bitterly about this restriction. The television in his home doesn't accommodate ear phones, and those in hotels and motels are not equipped with earphones either.

I've tried earplugs for myself, but after a while they hurt.

The arguments over this have become

very heated, and following our last battle, we split up.

Abby, I really love him and don't want to give him up, but if there is no other solution, I may have to do just that. Please don't use my name.

—**DRIVEN TO DISTRACTION IN ALBANY, CALIF.**
DEAR DRIVEN: This problem is not

unique; many people are addicted to television.

Your boyfriend has fought your attempts to turn off the television for a very long time, so don't expect him to change now.

It would be a shame to end this relationship because of his television addiction, if he's compatible in every other way. However, if you can no longer tolerate it, perhaps you should say farewell.

DEAR ABBY: As a proud American Indian, I resent the expression "Indian giver," which is what they call a person who gives a gift, then asks that it be returned.

Abby, where did that expression originate? It is clearly an insult to the Indian people.

Sign me... A PROUD SHOSHONE INDIAN IN WISCONSIN
DEAR PROUD SHOSHONE: The Henry Holt Encyclopedia of Word and Phrase Origins gives the following origin for the expression:

"Indian giver. Tradition holds that American Indians took back their gifts when they didn't get equally valuable ones in return."

Some Indians were no doubt 'Indian givers'; others, however, got insulted if they received more than they gave. Instances of Indians 'Indian-giving' are hard to come by, and even the Handbook of American Indians (1901), published by the Smithsonian Institution, defines the practice as an 'alleged custom.'

Perhaps the expression is explained by

the fact that 'Indian' was once widely used as a synonym for bogus or false.

Many of the nearly 500 terms prefixed with 'Indian' unfairly impugn the Indian's honesty or intelligence — even 'honest Indian' was originally meant sarcastically, and 'Indian summer' means a false summer.

DEAR ABBY: My New Year's wish for the many wives who, like me, have added pounds as well as years, is that their husbands be as tactful and loving as mine.

When I bemoaned the fact that at age 45, I weighed 110 pounds and now, at 65, I am 20 pounds heavier, he just hugged me and said, "Honey, you'll always be the apple of my eye." He's keeping and I am... A HAPPY GEORGIA PEACH.

Matchmaker Marilyn selects souls for political extremists

The Dallas Morning News

You're alone and can't find a date, let alone a mate.

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"Let Marilyn, the Patriot Matchmaker, help you find a Patriot/Survival-Minded partner to survive the uncertainties of the 1990s and the year 2000 plus," she exhorts in her ads. "We all know the difficulties of relating to the uninformed. Time is short! We must seek the partner we need Now!"

Since February, Marilyn has routed hundreds of letters between the lover of the right — from a survivalist in Alaska to a backwoodsman in Maine; from an Idaho Libertarian who hates government regulations to a female counterpart in Pennsylvania.

Members of the Patriot Movement — the term of choice for anti-government folks in militia, tax resistance and other far-

right groups — who have sought out Marilyn range from the teens to the 70s. They write from as far away as Australia, Canada and Denmark.

"If a person wants a really strong partner with strong traditional values, I've got those kinds of people."

—Marilyn the Patriot Matchmaker

Marilyn — who does not use her last name in her business and agreed to be interviewed only if it was not printed — said her service has 240 members so far. They pay a \$69 annual fee to be listed in her periodic newsletters. She sets up her matchmaking shop at HomeBusiness Expos and other gatherings of the far right and advertises in publications such as American Survival Guide, American Freedom, Backwoods Home, Media Bypass and AntiShyster. She also appears on short-wave radio shows.

"If a person wants a really strong partner with strong traditional values," said Marilyn, who lives in Frederick, Colo., on the eastern slope of the Rockies, "I've got those kinds of people."

A sample of some recent listings:

From Tina, 34, a single white female. "Attractive, gentle and kind. Good natured. Politics to the right of Attila the Hun. Looking for attractive WM, 35-40, who lives by reason and truth, has self-respect, is wise, strong-willed, established and has served in the armed forces."

From Trapper, 40, a single white male who describes himself as a Mountain Man type. "Enjoy livin', self-sufficient farm-ranch setup, huntin' fishin' trappin', rendezvous, antiques, horses, gardenin', etc. Have good sense of humor, faithful, don't lie, never tried drugs. Lookin' for slim woman, best friend, mate for life."

Or there is Dennis, 47, a single white male. "Own land in rural SW Colorado. Seeking female companion to live self-sufficient life and willing to ride down the river and not jump out of the boat. Seeking # 21-45, NS, NA, ND and No BS."

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Knight-Ridder News Service

Call it cocooning gone crazy, the craving for convenience, the search for the perfect gift, the last for quality, even the disinclination to drive to the mall because you're too lazy/scared/immobile or don't think you can find a place to park.

Call it what you want, but it's getting easier every day to make one phone call a year, credit card in hand, then sit back and wait for UPS, FedEx or the Postal Service to arrive one month bringing you — you know — stuff.

"Continuity clubs," the industry calls them. They range from such hoary institutions as the 70-year-old Book of the Month Club to a new monthly gourmet pasta service called The Flying Noodle. They'll bring you books, pasta, tea, spices, fruit, vegetables, wine, beer, candy, nuts, popcorn, flowers, music cassettes and CDs, greeting cards and earnestly voiced prophetic messages.

"It's growing every year," says Tina Caprio of the Direct

Marketing Association in Manhattan. "It's an easy way to give presents. It keeps on giving all year."

Most people end up in these whatever-of-the-month clubs as a gift, says Kurt Barnard of Barnard's Retail Marketing Report, a forecasting firm in Scotch Plains, N.J. "The perception is that you get a product that's much, much better than at a local store," he says.

"People are starting to realize that, with the delivery system in place with UPS, FedEx and the post office, they can get things sent real quick, and, if they don't like it, sent back real quick," says Raymond K. Lemire, owner of The Flying Noodle. "You don't have to find a place to park, and you don't have to drive back to the mall if you want to return it. People are also getting more comfortable using credit cards over the phone. They know that they've got the card company on their side if they don't like the way they're treated."

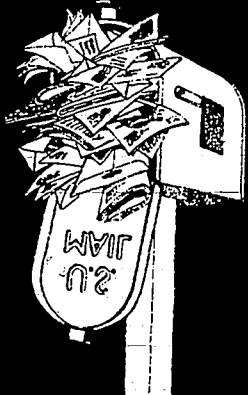
For some, it's also more convenient. "We do have a lot of older

and handicapped customers," says an operator at Omaha Steaks International, which will send you a package of steaks every month. "It's easier for them."

It's probably also more expensive for items like steaks and fancy fruit, which command premium prices via monthly delivery. But items like books, cassettes and CDs can be cheaper because of high volume and low overhead, says Caprio, from the direct-marketing group.

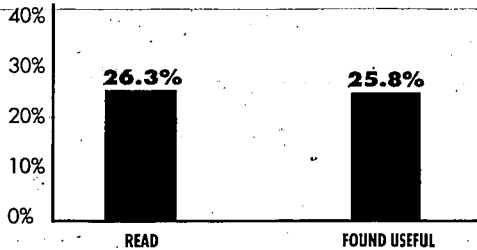
How all this got started isn't clear even to those in the business. But one of the earliest such operations began in 1926, when a Manhattan ad rep named Harry Scherman came up with the idea of selling books by the month by mail — starting by offering a premium of a little box of Whitman's Sampler candies. By the end of 1926, Scherman had 4,750 customers. The Book of the Month Club has since sold 600 million books, including 30 billion in 1995 alone, having become the country's biggest book club with 3.5 million members.

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Judges can now impose longer prison terms based on acquittal details

WASHINGTON (AP) — Juries often convict defendants of some charges and acquit them of others.

When that happens, the Supreme Court ruled Monday, sentencing judges can impose longer prison terms based on the conduct for which the defendants were found not guilty.

The court voted 7-2 in cases from California and Hawaii to reinstate the stiffened sentences of two convicted drug dealers.

Neither federal law nor the

Constitution's protection against double jeopardy bars judges from considering conduct of which defendants were acquitted, the court said in an unsigned decision.

In other action Monday, the Supreme Court

Rejected the Republican Party's free-speech challenge to federal rules requiring political committees to encourage greater disclosure by campaign contributors.

Turned away a key procedural dispute in Dow Corning Corp.'s efforts to deal with the tens of thousands of health claims against it by women who used its silicone breast implants. The justices let stand a ruling that allowed Dow Corning to transfer breast-implant lawsuits from around the nation to a federal bankruptcy court in Michigan.

Refused to let New York require some prison inmates seeking extra privileges to attend Alcoholics Anonymous programs that ask them to believe in some higher power such as God.

Although both sentencing cases involved federal prosecutors, the court's discussion of constitutional law would apply to state prosecutions as well.

The justices first noted that an acquittal "does not prove that the defendant is innocent; it merely proves the existence of a reasonable doubt as to his guilt."

"We therefore hold that a jury's verdict of acquittal does not prevent the sentencing court from considering conduct underlying the acquitted charge, so long as that conduct has been proved by a

preponderance of the evidence."

Sentencing courts generally are free to take into account conduct other than that for which defendants were prosecuted — what lawyers call "uncharged conduct."

But the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled last year that sentencing judges "cannot reconsider facts that the jury necessarily rejected by its acquittal of the defendant on another count."

The justices reversed the appeals court's ruling.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Square dancing begins

SHOSHONE - The Desert Sundancers Square Dance Club will hold a regular square dance at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Shoshone Masonic Hall on West B Street. Those attending are asked to bring fireproof food. For more information, call 886-2808.

Sewing class offered

GOODING - A sewing camp is planned for 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Jan. 15 and 16 at the Gooding County Extension Office. Beginners will learn basic sewing techniques. A materials list is available. Cost is \$3 per person. For more information, call 934-4417.

Blood checks available

RUPERT - Free blood pressure checks will be available from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Church of Christ, located behind B & B Market.

Roundtable meets

RUPERT - The Minidoka District Scouts Roundtable will be held at 8 a.m. Thursday in the commons area at East Minimo Junior High School. Boy Scouts needing information on which merit badges they are working on can call Jacquie Clapier at 532-4183.

Green entertainers

BURLEY - The Mini-Cassia American Association of Retired Persons will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday at the Golden Heritage Senior Center. Derald Green will entertain the group on his saxophone. He has performed with a number of bands and orchestras, including Wayne Skeem, Johnny Stone and The Dance Man. He will be accompanied by Thelma Wilhelmier on the piano. AARP President Bert Jackson of Rupert invites all interested people to attend.

Monthly meeting set

BURLEY - The Veterans of Foreign Wars and Ladies Auxiliary No. 3043 of Burley will hold its regular monthly meeting at 8 p.m. Thursday at the VFW Hall, 554 Hilland. All members are urged to attend.

ISU offers classes

BURLEY - Idaho State University is offering a "Writing Family and Local History" class beginning Jan. 15 at the Burley Junior High School. Class will be held from 6:30 to 9:15 p.m. Students who want to preserve family histories or help preserve a part of Minicassia history are encouraged to participate. Kathleen Hedberg, who holds a Ph.D. in history from Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, will teach historical research skills, writing techniques and events in U.S. history that affected the settlement and early development of the Mini-Cassia area. Cost is \$250 for undergraduates, \$331.50 for graduate students or \$35 for those ages 60 and above. Registration deadline is Thursday. For more information, call the ISU Resident Center at 736-2101.

Seed exchange planned

BUTHL - The Magic Valley Organic Gardening Club will meet at 7:30 p.m.

We want your news

If it's news to you, we want to hear about it. We use April Crick and Honey Smith. It is our job to fill this page with news about:

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Deadlines for the Sunday page is 5 p.m. Wednesday. Deadlines for the Thursday page is noon Monday. Deadlines for the Saturday page is 5 p.m. Thursday.

Thursday at the Episcopal Church Parish Hall, 229 Ninth Ave. N. Andy Holdrege will present a program on extending the growing season with tunnel gardening. A seed exchange is planned. For more information, call Theresa at 543-4914, Chris at 326-3267 or Wendy at 324-7041.

Blood drive set

BUTHL - American Red Cross blood donations for the West End community will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday at the Moose Hall, 1101 Main St. Chairman Shari Cumback said it is best to make an appointment but walk-ins will be welcome. She also stated that donors should have a good meal and drink lots of water before the drawing. Anyone 17 or older can donate blood, and it takes about 45 minutes. For more information or to make an appointment, call Cumback at 543-8668.

Support seminar begins

TWIN FALLS - A DivorceCare seminar is planned for 8 to 10 p.m. Tuesdays, beginning today, in Room 107 of the Shields Building at the College of Southern Idaho. DivorceCare is a special help seminar and support group for people experiencing divorce and separation. It features nationally recognized experts on divorce and recovery topics. Sessions include "Facing Your Anger," "Facing Your Loneliness," "Depression," "New Relationships," "KidCare" and "Forgiveness." Cost is \$10 per person, which includes a workbook. The seminar is sponsored by Clover Trinity Lutheran Church. For more information, call 734-7930 or 326-4950.

Gardening club gathers

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Garden Club will meet at luncheon at 10 a.m. Wednesday at George K's. Mac Herron will present a short program. For more information, call Helen Thorne at 734-5547.

Cattlewomen meet

TWIN FALLS - The Desert Gold Cattlewomen will meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Royal Lounge. For more information, call Laurie Lickley at 324-7975.

Computer tips offered

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Computer User Group has planned its reg-

New Year's baby named at MVRMC



Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's New Year's baby for 1997, Angely Sedano, is shown with her mother, Dolores Sedano (right) and Addie Phelps, a nurse at MVRMC in Twin Falls.

ular meeting for 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Family History Center, 401 Maurice St. N. Discussion will focus on a "Review of Personal Ancestral File Basics." For more information, call Charles Stestanovich at 733-8073 or 734-6701 or Howard Johnston at 423-4293.

4-H Quick Start begins

TWIN FALLS - A 4-H Quick Start program will be held from 8:30 to 5:30 p.m. Jan. 15 and 16 at the Twin Falls County Extension Office, 246 Third Ave. E. January's class is a sewing camp that teaches basic sewing techniques to beginners. A materials list is available. Boys and girls ages 9 to 19 are encouraged to participate. Cost is \$3 per person. Quick Start is an after-school educational activity designed to provide an opportunity for children to learn various aspects of 4-H and family and consumer science. Participants do not have to be in 4-H, but those who are interested in joining can get started on projects for the fair. Anyone

who plans to join 4-H will need to pay an additional enrollment fee. For more information or to register, call 734-9590.

January topic discussed

TWIN FALLS - The La Leche League of Magic Valley will meet at 10 a.m. Wednesday 2392 Grandview Drive N. (go two miles west of Blue Lakes Boulevard on Pole Line Road, turn right and for toward the canyon for three-fourths of a mile to the white house with gray trim on the right side of the road). January's topic is "Breastfeeding: The Healthy Choice." For more information, call Judy at 733-9633, Rosie at 736-1731 or Amy at 324-9628.

'My Sergei' reviewed

TWIN FALLS - The January meeting of the Le Livre Et La Plume Literary Arts Society will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday at the home of Linda Lyda.

TWIN FALLS - The New Year's baby for 1997 at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center was Angely Sedano, who was born at 10:23 p.m. Jan. 1. Her parents are Primo and Dolores Sedano of Jerome.

Gifts from Fred Meyer included a Lindo basket, package of new born diapers, New Pacific one package of one-piece underwear, package of infant nightgowns, tube of diaper rash ointment, bottle of Baby Magic baby wash, six cans of Enfamil formula and two balloons.

MVRMC gave the family an infant car seat, some Similac and a diaper bag and will give Angely 18 months of immunizations free.

The MVRMC Auxiliary gave the new baby a large brown stuffed bear, baby's first-year baby book, stuffed turtle, rattle, night light, baby spoon, bottle with grip-it handle, baby book, two T-shirts, an infant hat, three baby bibs, three pair of baby socks, knit blanket, stop-scratch baby mittens and a package of diapers.

Sandra Haymore will review "My Sergei" by Ekaterina Gordeeva, Rossina Olyptic ice skater.

Lyda will give the author's sketch, and Marlene Burnett will present a guided thought. Hostesses for the evening are Debbie Flane, Mary Frisley and Elaine Pustof.

MUFON meets midweek

TWIN FALLS - An informational meeting of the Manual UFO Network planned for 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Java Elbe Restaurant will be hosted by restaurant owners Doug and Debi Brown. Java Elbe is located in the Centennial Square Mall, 653 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. Discussion will be on topics and plans for the upcoming year. Ideas and opinions are welcome. Sign language interpreting services will be provided free.

Anyone interested in unknown actual phenomenon should plan to attend. For more information, call Doug at 734-7973 or 733-0934.

SENIOR CALENDAR

Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center

616 Eastland Drive
Dinner served from noon to 1 p.m.
Suggested donation is \$2.50 for seniors. The cost is \$3.50 for non-seniors under 60 and \$2.50 for children under 12.
Today: Salad bar
Wednesday: Barbecue pork
Thursday: Sweet and sour chicken
Friday: Fish or chicken
Monday: Lasagna

Activities

Library, Pool Room, and Bargain Center with cards, games, color television and movies. Open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Today
Blood pressure checks from 10 a.m. to noon.

Wednesday
Quilting from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Thursday
Pinocle at 3 p.m.

Friday
Blood pressure checks from 10 a.m. to noon.

Quilting from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Crafts at 1 p.m.

Sunday
Dance from 2 to 5 p.m. at the center. The cost is \$2.50 per person.

Quilting from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Ageless Senior Citizens
310 Main St. N., Kimberly
All dinners at noon. Suggested donation is \$2.50.
Wednesday: Salisbury steak
Friday: Cook's choice
Monday: Cheesy tuna wrap

Thrift shop open Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Activities
Today
Ceramics at 1 p.m.

Wednesday
Blood pressure checks.

Thursday
Crafts at 1 p.m.

Friday
Pinocle at 1 p.m.

Golden Heritage Senior Center
2421 Overland, Butley
All dinners at noon. Suggested donation is \$2.50 for persons over 60; \$4 for persons 86; and \$2.50 for children up to age 8.

Today: Fish nuggets and fries
Wednesday: Frye curlet
Thursday: Roast beef
Friday: Sweet and sour chicken
Monday: Tuna bake

Attention diabetics: Diabetics at the center should let the cooks know daily that you need a menu adjustment or something a little different, before we start the announcements of the day.

Homebound delivery service is available by calling Donna at (208) 678-1522. She is available to run errands such as picking up groceries, prescriptions, laundry, etc. from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursdays or by appointment anytime. Reasonable rates.

Activities

Today
Ladies pool at 10:30 a.m.

Exercise at 11 a.m.

Blood pressure checks at 11 a.m.

Computer class at 1 p.m.

Wednesday
Men's pool at 10 a.m.

Exercise class at 11 a.m.

Frits the hearing aid man will be at the center at 11 a.m.

Thursday
Men's pool at 10 a.m.

Exercise at 11 a.m.

A.A.R.P. meeting at 1 p.m.

Friday
Trip to Jackpot. Bus leaves at 3 p.m. and returns home around midnight. The cost to ride the bus is \$2. Unless 30 people make the trip, this will be the last one. To find out about the show that evening in the Gala room call 1-800-821-1103 for reservations. There is time to see the early show. Bring your friends and neighbors. Anyone who is old enough to walk in the doors at Circus Pines or the Horseshoe can join us on the bus. The bus will stop in Twin Falls and pick up people as needed.

Men's pool at 10 a.m.

Exercise at 11 a.m.

Board meeting at 1 p.m.

Monday
Men's pool at 10 a.m.

Exercise at 11 a.m.

Pinocle at 1 p.m.

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Service Center
702 11th St., Rupert
All dinners at noon. Suggested donation is \$2.25. Home-delivered meals Monday through Friday on request.
Today: Country sausage
Wednesday: Boneless breast of chicken
Thursday: Pot roast beef
Friday: Smorgasbord
Monday: Beef stroganoff

Activities
Gift Center Shop open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Quilting daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Crafts and pool every day during center hours.

Grocery shopping for shut-ins, call Dick Kasper at (208) 436-0260. Ridley's require a \$15 minimum order. Call in your orders before 10 a.m. and Kasper will deliver them to you.

SHIBA Medicare Supplemental Insurance Assistance every Thursday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call George Schwendeman at the center at (208) 436-9107.

Shopping day every Thursday. Call the center to arrange for your ride.

Today
Exercise class from 10 to 11 a.m.

Heart to Heart from 1 to 2 p.m. The topic will be on congestive heart failure.

Wednesday
Crafts after lunch.

Pinocle from 1 to 4 p.m.

Thursday
Exercise class from 10 to 11 a.m.

Ceramics from 1 to 4 p.m.

Monday
Bridge from 1 to 4 p.m.

West End Senior Citizens Inc.
1010 Main St., Butte
All meals at noon, Monday through Saturday; 1 p.m. on Sunday. Thrift shop open every day from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Today: Hamburger/cheese casserole
Wednesday: Hamburger/cheese casserole

Thursday: Fried chicken

Saturday: Hot dogs

Sunday: Meatloaf
Monday: Chicken burgers

Activities
Today
Quilting at the center

Wednesday
Exercise class at 10 a.m.

Thursday
Quilting at the center.

Evening lunch at 5:30 p.m. and cards.

Friday
Exercise class at 10 a.m.

Saturday
Exercise at 10 a.m.

Monday
Exercise at 10 a.m.
Cards in the evening at the center.
Evening meal at 5:30 p.m.

Activities
Open pool on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Today
Pool at 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.
Bridge at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday
Line dancing at 9:30 a.m.

Pool at 9:30 a.m. and again at 12:30 p.m.
Shuffleboard at 6 p.m.

Thursday
Pool at 9:30 a.m.

Blood pressure checks at 11 a.m.
Gooding Rehab at 11:50 a.m.

TOPS at 5 p.m.

Pinocle at 7 p.m.

Friday
Flea market from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Bridge at 9 a.m.

Birthday dinner at 6:30 p.m. at Lincoln Inn.
Wild One card game at 6 p.m.

Saturday
Flea market from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Monday
Line dancing at 9:30 a.m.

Knitting at 9:30 a.m.

Ladies pinocle at 12:30 p.m.

Pool at 9:30 a.m. and again at 1 p.m.
Hand & Foot card game at 6 p.m.

Junior Senior Center
212 First Ave. E.
All dinners at noon. Suggested donation is \$2.50.

Today: Swiss steak
Wednesday: Sweet and sour pork
Thursday: French dip sandwich
Friday: Fish
Monday: Swedish meatballs with rice

Activities
Today
Aerobics at 11 a.m.

Pinocle at 1 p.m.

Aerobics at 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday
Pinocle at 7 p.m.

Thursday
Aerobics at 11 a.m. and again at 3:30 p.m.

Saturday
Community breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m.
Monday
Aerobics at 11 a.m. and again at 3:30 p.m.

Fiber Senior Haven
2222 Main St., Filer
Dinners served at noon on Tuesday and Thursday and at 6 p.m. on Friday.

Thursday dinner is \$2 for seniors. Home delivered meals available each meal time.

Today: Baked lasagna

Thursday: Baked potatoes

Friday: Quiche Lorraine

IDAHO LEGISLATIVE LOG

The Associated Press

Introduced in House
HCR1 (Simpson) — Allows Parks and Recreation Department to lease Veterans Memorial State Park to the city of Boise.
HCR2 (Simpson) — Allows Legislative Council to appoint a committee to study restructuring of electric utility.
HCR3 (Stoichell, Newcomb) — Authorizes joint session of Legislature for governor's State of the State speech.
HCR4 (Newcomb, Stoichell) — Authorizes joint session of Legislature to hear governor's message Wednesday at 10 a.m.
HB1 (Simpson) — Corrects code references to the Juvenile Corrections Act instead of Youth Rehabilitation.
HB2 (Simpson) — Enacts Uniform Prudent Investor Act covering trust investment laws.
HB3 (Simpson) — Enacts together safe boating laws, requires certain offenders to attend mandatory boating safety classes.
HB4 (Simpson) — Provides improved tools for addressing boating safety.
HB5 (Simpson) — Enacts together penalties for operating a watercraft while under the influence of alcohol.
HB6 (Simpson) — Appropriates \$100,000 from general fund to pay for consulting help Legislative Committee working on electric utility restructuring.
HB7 (Simpson) — Clarifies that gambling is prohibited in all establishments with alcoholic beverage licenses.
HB8 (Simpson) — Allows county marine law officers to stop a vessel found to be operating in extremely hazardous condition.
HB9 (Simpson) — Sets precept requirement that dental specialist hold general license.
HB10 (Simpson) — Changes name of Idaho Commission on Women's Programs to Idaho Women's Commission.
HB11 (Simpson) — Continues

state payments to counties to maintain juvenile probation programs.
HB12 (Simpson) — Implements Federal Driver's License Privacy Protection Act to prevent disclosure of personal information in motor vehicle records.
HB13 (Simpson) — Puts juvenile sex offenders under provisions of the Sex Offender Act but provides that records of such offenders shall be kept separately.
HB14 (Simpson) — Revises statutes dealing with suspension of driver's licenses for reasons unrelated to driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
HB15 (Simpson) — Makes federal funds under Reed Act available to state Department of Labor.
HB16 (Simpson) — Eliminates outdated, unnecessary or inefficient requirements for insurance producer licensing.
HB17 (Simpson) — Requires that all certificates of insurance be issued or issued for delivery to Idaho residents be filed with and reviewed by director of Department of Insurance.
HB18 (Simpson) — Gives director of Department of Insurance more discretion on levying "retaliatory" fees charged foreign insurance companies.
HB19 (Simpson) — Changes regulation or regulations to rules throughout Outfitters and Guides Act.
HB20 (Simpson) — Clarifies handling of accusations against people who hold outfitters and guide licenses.
HB21 (Simpson) — Clarifies that juveniles committed to Department of Juvenile Corrections are not employees of state, department or any political subdivision.
HB22 (Simpson) — Grants to public agencies joint authority to lay out public highways authority to create highway planning corridors.
HB23 (F. Field) — Provides penalties for motorists who fail to take precaution to prevent a blind, visually impaired, hearing impaired or physically

disabled person.
HB24 (Simpson) — Authorizes Department of Agriculture to collect license fees for professional applicators.
HB25 (Simpson) — Establishes long term partnership with U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to maintain and operate facilities surrounding Cascade Reservoir.
HB26 (Simpson) — Changes requirement for credentialing dental hygienists from a minimum of 1,000 hours to two years of practice.
HB27 (Simpson) — Changes Idaho's Employment Security Law covering retirement plans for Department of Labor employees.
HB28 (Bivens) — Provides that owners of new construction pay the same levy rate as taxpayers who originally passed a bond levy.
HB29 (Simpson) — Changes requirement for publishing county budgets.
HB30 (Simpson) — Eliminates requirement that names of candidates be rotated on election ballots.
HB31 (Simpson) — Allows arresting officer to make an immediate response in domestic violence cases based on reasonable cause.
HB32 (Simpson) — Allows for the privatization of Class D drivers license skill test.
HB33 (Simpson) — Extends to 300 feet distance people must be from polling places before they can gather signatures.
HB34 (Simpson) — Allows counties to hire seasonal or casual employees without requiring that they join Public Employees Retirement System.
HB35 (Simpson) — Provides that only income of applicant and income of applicant's spouse shall be used for meeting income requirements for circuit breaker assistance.
HB36 (Bivens, M. Black, Kempton) — Provides for a reduction in certain automobile insurance premiums for persons who are 65 or older who have completed approved motor vehicle accident prevention course.

HB37 (Simpson) — Corrects code references to Department of Health and Welfare.
HB38 (Simpson) — Ensures that a juvenile can comply with terms of probation even when probation officer is not able to personally observe the juvenile.
HB39 (Simpson) — Provides for the sealing of records of juveniles under certain circumstances.
HB40 (Simpson) — Clarifies meaning of term community based program.
HB41 (Simpson) — Clarifies that once court commits a juvenile to custody of the Department of Juvenile Corrections, decisions concerning the juvenile's placement is sole responsibility of the department.
HB42 (Simpson) — Clarifies that juvenile offenders can be detained pre-trial in an adult facility.
HB43 (Simpson) — Amends laws on adult protection services.
HB44 (Simpson) — Authorizes director of Department of Agriculture to adopt or revoke quarantines.
HB45 (Simpson) — Makes it illegal to operate vehicle or vehicle combinations with less than the number of tires than the axle was designed to handle.
HB46 (Simpson) — Adds definitions in Pure Seed Law to clarify difference between "blend" and "mixture."
HB47 (Simpson) — Implements controlled substance and alcohol testing for all licensees, employees and applicants of the Idaho Racing Commission.
HB48 (Simpson) — Allows electronic disclaimers in place of handwritten signatures on copies of certain engineering drawings and plans.
HB49 (Simpson) — Revises code to provide sufficient funding to match federal aid in the local bridge inspection account.
HB50 (Simpson) — Allows interest on dedicated State Aeronautics Funds to accrue to the fund instead of state general fund.
HB51 (Simpson) — Amends penalties for fish and game viola-

tions; changes some acts which now are misdemeanors to infractions.
HB52 (Simpson) — Removes section holding Department of Finance responsible for actions of the Investment Board staff.
HB53 (Simpson) — Gives director of Department of Agriculture specific authority to appoint advisory committees or councils.
HB54 (Simpson) — Clarifies death benefits for beneficiaries under Public Employees Retirement System.
HB55 (Simpson) — Cuts from eight to six years experience requirement for applicant to professional land surveyor examination.
HB56 (Simpson) — Changes registration of pharmacists as preceptors to registering the preceptor site.
HB57 (Simpson) — Makes technical changes to three chapters of Idaho Code dealing with the practice of land surveying.
HB58 (Simpson) — Authorizes Idaho Transportation Department to provide extended registration for trailers and semitrailers up to seven years.
HB59 (Simpson) — Allows county assessors to appoint agents such as vehicle dealers to perform vehicle registration duties.
HB60 (Simpson) — Protects from public disclosure real estate appraisals of value until all parcels of property on the high-ways project have been acquired.
HB61 (Simpson) — Sets minimum fine and reimbursable damage value for the unlawful killing, possession or waste of wild steelhead and bull trout.
HB62 (Simpson) — Revises laws on suspension of driver's license for refusal to take alcohol-drug test or failing test when arresting officer believes driver has been operating motor vehicle under the influence.
HB63 (Simpson) — Allows for use of temporary fish and game licenses under certain circumstances.
HB64 (Simpson) — Clarifies that shooting preserve licensee may hold only one license.

HB65 (Simpson) — Includes provision in permit granting process of Land Use Planning Act for Developments of Regional Impact.
HB66 (Simpson) — Adopts federal exemption for groundwater monitoring requirements at municipal solid waste landfills which meet small landfill criteria.
HB67 (Simpson) — Makes minor amendments to Public Employee Retirement System laws.
HB68 (Simpson) — Amends laws covering home respite care services.
HB69 (Simpson) — Reduces paper trail for reporting Schedule II controlled substance prescriptions.
HB70 (Simpson) — Allows Public Employee Retirement System to write off amounts less than \$500 to the system.
HB71 (Simpson) — Allows counties to pay for salaries of district court clerks out of district court fund instead of county current expense or justice funds.
HB72 (Simpson) — Clarifies that state is responsible for transitional care of juveniles and that Department of Juvenile Corrections may contract for such care.
HB73 (Simpson) — Clarifies that homeowners exemption applies only to portion of a home used as the primary residence by the owner-occupant and not to portion used exclusively for business purposes.
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THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

"Advice is a stranger; if welcome, he stays for the night; if not welcome, he returns home the same day."

—Malagasy proverb

"How would you play the hearts in this layout?" asked a player who had obviously failed at four spades.

"As soon as possible," answered World Champion Betty Ann Kennedy of Shreveport, La. Then she explained why.

South won the club in dummy and led a trump to East's ace. East shifted to diamonds and South won his queen. After cashing a trump and his minor suit winners, South had to tackle the hearts. Now that the defenders knew they needed three heart tricks, there was no way to end a defensive order, and South lost three hearts for one down.

"If you play the hearts late," explained Betty Ann, "you will have to hope for both top honors to be with East. Had West held them, surely he would have led the king. Another chance is to find a singleton honor or honor in either hand and then guess how to play the suit (obligatory finesse).

"Mona Spurlock, Shreveport's expert of yesteryear, told me about this gambit long ago," continued Betty Ann. "You may not make your move before the opponents know too much about the hand. The best chance is to win the club lead in dummy and immediately lead the heart jack. If East has the king, he may not cover it. If he has the ace, surely he will cover. When West wins the king, South's problems are over. Another heart lead toward his queen limits his heart losses to two, and he makes his 'unmakeable' game."

"Can anyone ask for better advice than that?"

NORTH

- AK 10 7 5 2
- J 6 5
- A Q 6
- K 7

EAST

- A 3
- A 9 4
- 10 9 5 4
- 7 5 4

SOUTH

- Q 9 8 6
- Q 8 3
- K Q
- A 8 2

WEST

- K 10 7 2
- 6 3 2
- 10 9 3

Vulnerable: Both Dealer: South

The bidding:

- South West North East
- 1 Pass 3 Pass
- 2 Pass 3 Pass

Opening lead: Club jack

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:

- A 3
- A 9 4
- J 10 9 5 4
- 7 5 4

North South

- 1 INT
- 2 *

ANSWER: Two spades. Offer a false preference to spades. Perhaps partner can bluff either bid to reach a decent game.

Send bridge tips to The Aces, P.O. Box 1204, 744 N. 22nd St., Twin Falls, Idaho 83402.

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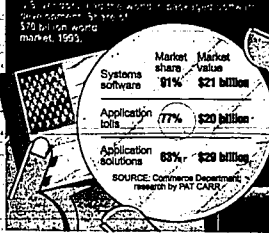
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MONEY IN BRIEF

International Dairy Queen recalls toy water batons

WASHINGTON — International Dairy Queen is recalling 150,000 water batons from kid's meals because the plastic balls inside can be released when a child sucks or chews on the end cap, the government said Monday.

The Minneapolis-based chain of ice cream stores has received at least eight reports of the baton's end cap coming off. None involved injuries, the Consumer Product Safety Commission said.

Glitter and blue, purple and green balls float in water inside the 9-inch clear plastic rods. Purple caps are on each end and the words "Dairy Queen" are printed on them.

The toys were distributed nationwide between June and October 1996.

Consumers should immediately take the toys away from young children and return them to their local Dairy Queen for a free kid's meal or ice cream sundae. They also may contact the company at 1-800-956-9565.

Judge fines Prudential for destroying documents

NEWARK, N.J. — A federal judge fined Prudential Insurance \$1 million Monday after finding that agents in at least four offices destroyed documents that could relate to a class-action lawsuit.

U.S. District Judge Alfred M. Wolin ruled that the nation's largest life insurer failed to advise employees of its 1995 order to save documents connected to the sales force's lawsuit.

The offices are in Cambridge, Mass.; Des Moines, Iowa; Jacksonville, Fla.; and Syracuse, N.Y.

Prudential, which is based in Newark, had no immediate response.

Prudential last month disclosed the destruction of papers at the Cambridge office and fired its managing director. That prompted the judge to order an inquiry by lawyers for the policyholders who brought the class action.

The policyholders claim agents defrauded them by "misleading" their accounts, or persuading them to use the cash value of older policies to finance more expensive ones, a tactic that strips value from the old policies and drains savings.

Russian inflation level decreases sharply in 1996

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia's inflation fell to 21.8 percent in 1996, down sharply from 133 percent in 1995, the State Statistics Committee said Monday.

The government's tight money policy, sanctioned by the International Monetary Fund, are largely regarded as the reason for the drop.

The monthly inflation rate fell steadily through most of the year.

The broader economic picture is grimmer. The government has been hoping for growth last year, but political uncertainty surrounding the presidential elections undermined the economy.

Industrial output is expected to have fallen 5 percent for the year, according to the Economics Ministry. It is 3 percent in 1996.

The economics ministry says the number of money-losing companies rose to more than 40 percent in 1996, from 27 percent the previous year.

The continuing economic decline contributed to a catastrophic plunge in tax revenues, leaving the government unable to pay bills, including wages and pensions.

Alamo owner buying National Car Rental for \$600 million

MIAMI — The parent company of Alamo Rent A Car agreed Monday to buy National Car Rental System Inc. in a \$2.3 billion deal that will park two of the nation's biggest car rental chains in the same corporate garage.

Republic Industries Inc., run by former Blockbuster Entertainment chief H. Wayne Huizenga, will pay \$600 million and absorb \$1.7 billion worth of National's debt.

Together, No. 4 Alamo and No. 5 National would become the nation's second-biggest car rental business, with 225,000 cars and \$2.7 billion in annual revenue.

Alamo, the current No. 2, will have to try even harder. It will drop to third. The industry leader is Ford Motor Co., which owns both Hertz and Budget.

Alamo and National would continue to operate separately under their current names, and no job losses are expected. Fort Lauderdale-based Alamo has 7,000 employees. National, based in Edina, Minn., has 4,000.

The deal is subject to regulatory approval. But Republic spokesman Ron Castel said the company foresees no antitrust problems. Alamo's strength is among leisure travelers in the Sun Belt, while National is powerful in the corporate market and the Midwest.

Republic shares rose 4 percent on the news, or \$131, to \$23.19 by late afternoon on the Nasdaq Stock Market. National isn't traded publicly.

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Dow takes twisty path to new high

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Dow Jones industrials and the Nasdaq market stumbled to record highs Monday, but a broad follow-through to Friday's rally faltered as interest rates rose again in juncy bond trading.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 23.09 to 6,567.18, surpassing Dec. 27's all-time best finish at 6,560.91 despite retreating from a 75-point gain that had boosted the blue-chip barometer above 6,600 for the first time.

Broader measures ended mixed, pulling back with bonds as rising oil prices aggravated inflation concerns and growing challenges to Newt Gingrich's reign as Speaker of the House spurred worries about continued deficit reduction.

Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by a 5-to-4 margin on the NYSE, where volume was heavy at \$27.11 billion shares as of 4 p.m., up from 451.95 million on Friday.

The Standard & Poor's 500-stock list fell 0.38 to 747.65, the NYSE composite index rose 0.22 to 384.26, and the American Stock Exchange composite index fell 0.39 to 572.06.

The technology-rich Nasdaq composite index rose 5.72 to 1,316.40, beating Dec. 9's record close of 1,315.27, even as bellwether computer-related shares stumbled to profit-taking after an early extension to Friday's rally.

Overseas, Tokyo's Nikkei stock average rose 0.4 percent, Frankfurt's DAX index rose 0.22 percent, and London's FTSE 100 rose 0.4 percent.

Interest rates jumped in the bond market last week after some unexpectedly strong economic data raised concerns the economy hasn't slowed enough to keep a lid on inflation, which can make fixed-income investments such as bonds less attractive.

Compounding investors' inflation worries was the cold snap crossing the nation, which sent energy prices soaring in commodities trading.

Bond traders also grew concerned after a leading House Republican, banking committee chairman Jim Leach of Iowa, urged the "ethically damaged" Gingrich to step down as speaker. Analysts said there are worries that a weakened Republican leadership could mean fewer roadblocks to a federal spending bill, which could pressure bond prices by flooding the Treasury market with new government debt.

As bond prices fell, the yield on the 30-year Treasury bond — a key determinant of corporate and consumer borrowing costs — rose from late Friday's 6.73 percent to 6.77 percent, the highest level since late October.

Despite the concerns about an accelerating economy, the early indications on the holiday chopping season remained discouraging, with two more high-profile names reporting disappointing results.

Toys R Us slid 4 5/8 to 26 1/8 as the



Traders relax on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange after the Dow Jones Industrial average managed a record high Monday.

most active issue on the New York Stock Exchange after the retailer warned that lower-than-expected sales for the season will hurt its earnings growth for the fiscal year ending Feb. 3.

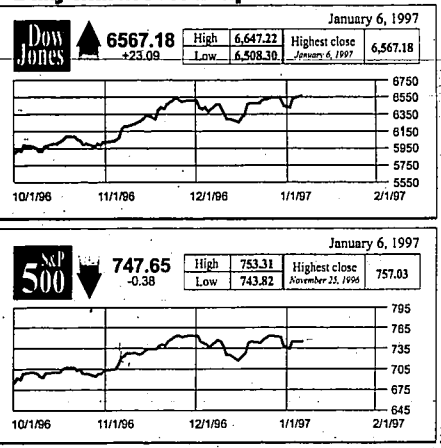
Apple Computer, meanwhile, fell 3 7/8 to 17 7/8 as the Nasdaq's most active issue. Prudential Securities and Bear Stearns downgraded the stock following Apple's announcement late Friday that sales in the quarter ended Dec. 27 were hurt by weak demand for its Performa computers and shortages of new PowerBook portables.

Intel, which jumped 8 points on Friday after an upgrade from Salomon Brothers, gave back much of a 3 3/8-point gain, rising 1/2 to 138 7/8.

IBM rose 2 1/8 to 161 1/4 as the Dow's strongest issue, but was up as much as 4 1/4 earlier in the session. The jump in crude oil prices also helped the Dow. Texaco rose 1 3/8 to 102, Exxon rose 1 3/8 to 100, DuPont rose 7/8 to 99, and Chevron rose 3/4 to 66 7/8.

AT&T, down 1 7/8 to 39 5/8, was the Dow's weakest issue after Salomon Brothers lowered its earnings estimates for the company. General Motors rose 1 3/8 to 53 1/4 following an upgrade by Smith Barney, providing some support for the blue-chip average.

Daily market roundup



Chrysler Corp. rolls out new fuel technology

Develops way to extract hydrogen from gasoline

The Associated Press

DETROIT — Chrysler Corp. said today it has developed a way to extract hydrogen from gasoline, bringing prototypes of "fuel-cell" electric cars 10 years closer to reality.

By 2005, the No. 3 domestic automaker hopes to have a model of an electric car that gets its power from hydrogen and is 50 percent more fuel-efficient than cars with conventional internal-combustion engines.

The hydrogen would be processed in the cars from cheap, low-octane gasoline, offering a far cleaner alternative to engines powered by burning gasoline.

"We believe hydrogen needs to be processed from gasoline on board vehicles because hydrogen isn't a practical fuel choice today," said Francis Castaing, Chrysler vice president of vehicle engineering. "Simply put, there are not any filling stations supplying it to a mass market."

The technology, which Chrysler announced today at the North American International Auto Show, could move up production of prototypes of fuel-cell electric cars by a decade, Chrysler officials said.

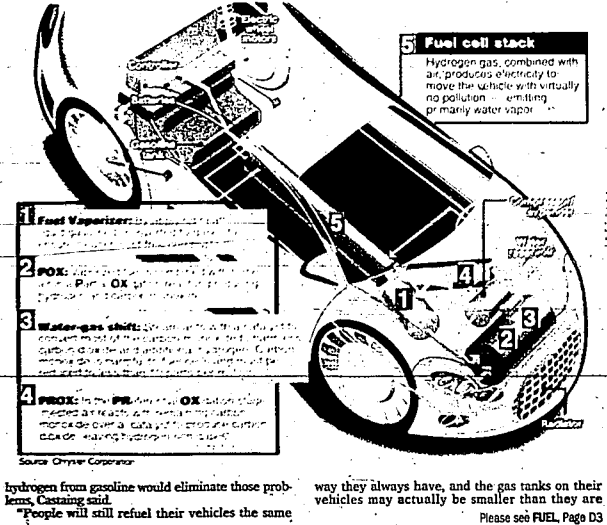
Last month, General Motors Corp. became the first big automaker to roll out an electric car intended to generate mass-market demand, introducing the EV1 to 24 Southern California and Arizona dealerships. But the two-seater is powered by lead-acid batteries, not by hydrogen.

A fuel cell produces electricity from a chemical reaction between hydrogen and oxygen, using a platinum catalyst and an on-board fuel processor which breaks down the gasoline into hydrogen and water. A series of fuel cells would produce enough electricity to power a car's motor, air conditioner and other equipment.

The technology was first developed for use in spacecraft, but problems in supplying and storing hydrogen have hampered plans to use it for cars. Developing a practical processing system to extract

Fuel cells that run on gasoline

Chrysler's approach to fuel cells is unique because it produces all the hydrogen needed to run the fuel cell technology 10 years closer to reality. The process is simple and 50 percent cleaner. It ultimately produces...



hydrogen from gasoline would eliminate those problems, Castaing said.

"People will still refuel their vehicles the same way they always have, and the gas tanks on their vehicles may actually be smaller than they are.

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MONEY

MUTUAL FUNDS

Fund Name	Assets	Liabilities	Net Assets	Share Price	Yield	Dividend
First National Bank	100.00	10.00	90.00	1.00	5.00%	0.50
Bank of America	200.00	20.00	180.00	1.80	6.00%	1.00
Wells Fargo	150.00	15.00	135.00	1.35	5.50%	0.75
Commercial Union	80.00	8.00	72.00	0.72	4.50%	0.40
Trust Company	120.00	12.00	108.00	1.08	5.00%	0.55
State Bank	90.00	9.00	81.00	0.81	4.80%	0.45
First State	110.00	11.00	99.00	0.99	4.90%	0.50
Bank of Idaho	70.00	7.00	63.00	0.63	4.20%	0.35
Idaho State Bank	60.00	6.00	54.00	0.54	4.00%	0.30
Bank of Idaho	50.00	5.00	45.00	0.45	3.80%	0.25
Idaho State Bank	40.00	4.00	36.00	0.36	3.60%	0.20
Bank of Idaho	30.00	3.00	27.00	0.27	3.40%	0.15
Idaho State Bank	20.00	2.00	18.00	0.18	3.20%	0.10
Bank of Idaho	10.00	1.00	9.00	0.09	3.00%	0.05
Idaho State Bank	5.00	0.50	4.50	0.045	2.80%	0.025

TEETERING TOWER



The troubled Stratosphere Tower, Hotel and Casino on the Las Vegas strip moved a step closer to bankruptcy Monday with the announcement of a restructuring proposal by its largest stockholder, Grand Casinos Inc. of Minneapolis, Minn. Said it would eventually own 65 percent of the stock in Stratosphere Corporation and the public 35 percent if bankruptcy court and stockholders approve the plan.

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Chrysler

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today, not bigger and more cumbersome," Castaing said.

Fuel cells have great potential to replace the internal combustion engine because they can produce electricity at atmospheric temperatures with virtually no dangerous emissions, said Christopher E. Borroni-Bird, an advanced technologies specialist at Chrysler.

Fuel-cell systems could also generate 80 miles per gallon, are quieter and have fewer moving parts than conventional engines.

But critics say Chrysler's system is no solution because it would still rely on gasoline, a nonrenewable fossil fuel.

"Chrysler has the right technology, but the wrong fuel," the Union of Concerned Scientists said in a news release. "The true promise of fuel-cell technology will only be realized through the use of renewable fuels, such as hydrogen, methanol or ethanol."

But Chrysler's electric cars could run on any available liquid fuel, including methane and alcohol, spokesman Scott Fosgard said.

"If somebody wanted to drive to find a methanol station, they could do that," Fosgard said.

Borroni-Bird said the biggest questions are whether the system will be cost-effective. Fuel cells today are too expensive to be practical, although costs are coming down. Engineers also must find a way to provide the quick start-up and acceleration which drivers are accustomed to with gasoline engines.

Farming without a net

Growers shouldering more risk under new farm bill

DES MOINES (AP) — Under the new farm program passed by Congress last year, farmers are taking on all the financial risks.

Crop insurers and experts want to be sure the growers know what that entails.

Farmers are now free from planting constraints. They are also without a safety net — no more deficiency payments if prices fall, no federal help should natural disaster strike.

Gene Gantz, senior vice president for marketing at Rain & Hail in Iowa, thinks farmers generally are aware of the risks being shifted to them. But he believes many do not fully understand the scope of the change and are not taking steps to minimize the effects.

Rain & Hail, one of the largest crop insurers in the country, has a computer program to help growers calculate their increased risk exposure under the new farm program.

By some estimates, that's about \$30 acre for soybeans and \$100 an acre for corn.

"It's very easy for people to say, 'Yeah, we know we're assuming more risk,'" Gantz said. "But when you quantify it, that's when they

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get real surprised." The Department of Agriculture has some projects in the works, including a joint effort with private crop insurance industry and leading commodity futures exchanges to educate farmers.

The department is expected to announce details of the initiative later this month, although the program might not be launched until the spring — considered too late by many in the insurance business to help growers with decisions this year.

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sions," Gantz said. "That worries me."

He is worried that if a natural disaster hits — such as the drought of 1982 or the floods of 1993 — many farmers will not be prepared to go without disaster payments.

Transition payments being made by the government to growers with farm program acreage are projected to be bigger this year than at any point in the seven-year phase-out of traditional crop subsidies, which began in 1986.

Farmers are no longer required to carry crop insurance, although those wanting the transition payments must either secure crop insurance or waive their rights to any future disaster benefits. The deadline for enrolling in a crop insurance program in Iowa is March 15.

"Marketing for many farmers is the final unconquered frontier in farm management, and we believe it is one that can be mastered," farm economist Robert Wisner recently wrote.

Wisner's calculations showed higher economic return to growers who used some form of crop insurance, along with forward pricing.

Idaho lieutenant governor leads 3-state trade mission to Mexico

BOISE (AP) — Lt. Gov. Butch Otter will lead a three-state trade mission to Mexico in search of new business for Idaho companies.

Eight Idaho companies will take part in the Jan. 25-Feb. 1 trade mission, which will be

Otter's second to that country. The trade mission is sponsored by Idaho, Missouri and Colorado, the three states which have trade missions at Guadalajara, Mexico.

Companies going on the trade mission include Environmental

Research and Development, Idaho Pacific and Paces A-Part, Idaho Falls; Micron Electronics and Extended Systems, Boise; Rose, Creek Winery, Hagerman; Jefferson Grain, Terreton and Emmett's VEMCO.

Mutuals

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MONEY

Mattel to remove hair-eating doll from shelves

WASHINGTON (AP) — Mattel Inc. will pay consumers \$40 for each Cabbage Patch Kids Sacktime Kids doll returned to the company in response to about 100 reports of children getting their hair and fingers caught in the dolls' mouths, officials said Monday.

Mattel also announced it was withdrawing all the dolls from store shelves throughout the United States.

The doll has battery-powered, mechanical jaws that move when it is fed the plastic carrots and french fries that come with it. But in some cases the doll clamped onto the fingers and hair of children and wouldn't let go.

any indication of a safety hazard associated with the dolls, the company said.

"Nonetheless, we remain deeply concerned with the satisfaction of all our consumers and in maintaining their longstanding confidence in the safety and reliability of our toys," said Jill Barad, Mattel's chief operating officer.

About 500,000 of the dolls have been sold to the public since they were introduced in the fall of 1996, Mattel said.

The \$40 refund includes estimated shipping and handling costs, the company said. In order to get the refund, owners must send the dolls to Mattel's distribution center in Chino, Calif., by March 31, along with their names and addresses.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission said it was pleased with Mattel's voluntary withdrawal.

"We recognize that these incidents can be upsetting to children and adults, and we are pleased with the actions being taken by Mattel," said commission Chairman Ann Brown.

Parents aren't required to send the dolls back, but they can if they choose, Mattel spokesman Sean Fitzgerald said.

"It's a matter of personal choice," he said. The company already has given out "a minimal" number of refunds, he said. "We have been honoring requests. At this point we are just making it official. We encourage those people who are for what

ever reason unhappy with their dolls," Fitzgerald said.

The refund passed all federal, state and every other safety test, but nevertheless, because of the incidents that have been reported, we felt it was the right thing to do," he said.

The refund program is only for Cabbage Patch Kids Sacktime Kids dolls, and not for any other type of Cabbage Patch doll, Mattel said.

To receive refunds, dolls must be sent to Mattel Distribution Center, 14310 Ramona Ave., Chino, Calif. 91710. Returns should include a note clearly indicating the consumer's name and address. For more information, consumers can call Mattel at 1-800-353-1700 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. MST.

Short-term Treasuries mixed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Interest rates on short-term Treasury securities were mixed in Monday's auction. The Treasury Department sold \$12.6 billion in three-month bills at an average discount rate of 5.02 percent, down from 5.08 percent last week. An additional \$12.6 billion was sold in six-month bills at an average rate of 5.13 percent, unchanged from last week.

The three-month bill rate was the lowest since they sold for 4.52 percent on Dec. 23. The six-month bill rate was the highest since they averaged 5.15 percent on Oct. 28.

The new discount rates undercut the actual return to investors — \$1.6 billion for three-month bills with a \$100,000 bill selling for \$93,741.70.

Figures: Index funds performed well in 1996

NEW YORK (AP) — Index funds set up to parallel the course of the stock market outperformed most active mutual-fund managers once again in the fourth quarter of 1996, and the full year as well.

Year-end figures published Friday by the research firm of Lipper Analytical Services Inc. showed gains of 8.22 percent over the October-December quarter, and 22.30 percent over all of last year, for index funds modeled on the Standard & Poor's 500-stock composite index.

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