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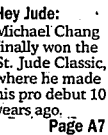
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INEEL seeks solution for high-level liquid waste

Some express concern about DOE's intentions

By N.S. Norkentved Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Beneath the uniform gray gravel, a witches' brew of highly radioactive and corrosive liquid simmers in underground stainless steel tanks. Five of the 11 tanks perched 500 feet above the Snake River Plain Aquifer don't meet earthquake standards, and none of them meet federal hazardous waste laws.

Engineers and scientists at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory are working on the best way

What is high-level waste?

- ☐ Highly radioactive liquid, resulting from chemical reprocessing of reactor fuel to recover usable uranium and plutonium.
- ☐ Must be solidified before disposal.

to get all the liquid wastes out of those tanks.

But discussions of options have raised questions about the Department of Energy's intentions.

The state-of-Idaho-is concerned that the department lives up to its October 1995 nuclear waste agreement with the state. The agreement requires all the liquid in the tanks be solidified in a process known as "calcining."

"Everything in the tank farm has to be calcined as outlined in the settlement agreement," said Kathleen Trever, director of the state-program-that-oversees INEEL operations.

Some environmentalists are concerned that the department will reclassify the liquid to ease up on disposal restrictions.

"Our goal is to get the tanks dried up by 2012," said Tom Wichmann, high-level waste program manager.

The department intends to live by the terms of the governor's agreement and plans to calcine all the liquid waste in the tanks as specified in that agreement, he said.

The process burns up about \$13 million annually.

But INEEL officials also are concerned

with the ultimate disposal of the waste and cleaning the tanks, and all the waste may not require the same treatment.

The tanks-at-the-Idaho-Chemical Processing Plant, or Chem Plant, were built to store highly radioactive liquid wastes from a discontinued process to recover still usable nuclear material in spent reactor fuel.

The tanks also are used for liquid from radioactive decontamination. The liquid is contaminated with sodium and includes sulfuric and nitric acids and various radioactive elements, including about 13 pounds of plutonium and about 1,800 pounds of uranium.

Though sodium-bearing waste may not meet the definition of high-level waste,

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Foster's death wasn't murder, counsel finds

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Whitewater independent counsel Kenneth Starr has concluded that presidential aide Vince Foster was not murdered and there was no cover-up in his death, the Los Angeles Times reported Sunday.

Starr's recently completed report is the third investigation of Foster's death from a gunshot wound 3 1/2 years ago.

"It is accurate and fulsome, and I believe it will be released shortly," said an unidentified source told the paper.

"It puts the lie to that bunch of nuts out there spinning conspiracy theories and talking about murder and cover-ups," said the source, whose identity was not disclosed in the story.

A coroner and Starr's predecessor as independent counsel, Robert B. Fiske Jr., both declared Foster's death was a suicide, but rioting groups have insisted President Clinton and first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton were involved in a cover-up.

The Times didn't say if Starr's report would make a finding beyond saying Foster's death was not murder.

On Sunday, White House spokeswoman Mary Ellen Glynn declined to comment on the Times report.

Starr has not indicated when he might release the report.

Last week, Starr shocked Washington by announcing that he was leaving his post as Whitewater prosecutor to head the Pepperdine University Law School in Malibu and the new School of Public Policy at the Pepperdine campus.

He reversed himself Friday, saying he would stay on the investigation rather than moving to the school by Aug. 1.



Vince Foster

Canyon claims climber's life

Nevada man, 22, falls while trying to retrieve his hat

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — A 22-year-old man from Winnemucca, Nev., was killed Sunday when he fell from a Snake River Canyon wall while trying to retrieve his hat.

The man was climbing with his brother when he fell from the south face of the canyon, just below the visitors' center, at 2:17 p.m., said Nancy Howell, spokeswoman for the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department. Officials withheld his name because his family had not yet been notified.

As crowds of curious onlookers gathered along I. B. Perrine Bridge Sunday afternoon, Twin Falls County Search and Rescue teams rappelled down the crazy wall to retrieve the man's body. Others came by motorboat.

Within several hours, rescuers had strapped the body into a gurney and were moving it toward the boat. The gurney was buoyed by two ropes, one suspended from the bridge and the other held by rescuers from the ground.

The brothers had successfully descended the wall and were on their way back up the face, almost to the top, when a gust of wind blew the man's hat off his head, Howell said. The man told his brother he was going back down the wall to retrieve it.

On his way back down, he slipped on some grass and lost his footing, tumbling about 100 feet and landing on the rocky river banks below, she said.

Officials weren't sure who notified 911. The man had traveled to Twin Falls to enjoy a weekend with family members, they said.

The brothers were climbing with ropes, but the man who fell didn't have his rope adjusted properly, an official said. The man's hat, dark red, was visible from the bridge, lodged between gray rocks.



From the Perrine Bridge, Twin Falls Sheriff's deputy Patricia Barth keeps watch on fellow officers as they bring the body of a young man out of the Snake River Canyon Sunday.

Researchers clone sheep

Procedure might one day work for ewe, too

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Researchers have cloned an adult mammal for the first time, an astonishing scientific landmark that raises the unsettling possibility of making copies of people.

Scientists slipped genes from a 6-year-old ewe into unfertilized eggs and used them to try to create pregnancies in other sheep. The result: A lamb named Dolly, born in July, that is a genetic copy of the ewe.

The feat opens the door to cloning prized farm animals such as cats, and should make it much easier to add or modify genes in livestock, experts said.

It's also scientifically stunning. Researchers used DNA from the ewe's udder cells, proving that mature mammal cells specialize for something other than reproduction could be used to regenerate an entire animal.

Scientists had thought that was impossible. Experts said the same technique might make it possible to clone humans, but emphasized that it would be unethical to try.

"There is no clinical reason why you would do this. Why would you make another human being?" said Ian Wilmut, one of the scientists who cloned the sheep. "We think it would be ethically unacceptable and certainly would not want to be involved in that project."



Of the ewe

Dolly, the world's first clone of an adult mammal, was developed by a team of scientists at the Roslin Institute in Edinburgh, Scotland. Dolly is now seven months old.

Carl Feldbaum, president of the Biotechnology Industry Organization, which represents about 700 companies and research centers in the United States and abroad, agreed.

"I can think of no ethical reason to apply this technique to human beings, if in fact it can be applied," he said Sunday.

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Man goes on shooting spree on Empire State Building deck

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — A man opened fire into a crowd of tourists on the observation deck of the Empire State Building Sunday, killing one person and wounding six others before shooting himself in the head.

Dozens of people — many of them foreign tourists — fled in panic toward the stairways and elevators as the unidentified man sprayed bullets around the large, wind-swept room that opens onto the observation deck. A baby and toddler were knocked from their parents' arms and four women were injured.

"I've never seen so much blood in my life," said Belgian businessman Stel Nys, who said he saw the man shoot himself and fall, his dentures popping loose. "The most scary part was when people started to panic."

The man muttered something about Egypt seconds before he began shooting at about 5:15 p.m. on the 86th floor observation deck of one of the world's best-known tourist sites, authorities said.

Nys, 36, said he heard other witnesses say the gunman was asking tourists if they were from Egypt. Police didn't know if there was any significance to his remarks.

A man in his 30s was killed, Police Inspector Michael Collins said. A .380 caliber pistol was recovered at the scene.

Six of the shooting victims, including the suspect, were in critical condition, and one was in serious condition, hospital officials said. Among the injured were a 44-year-old French man, his 36-year-old

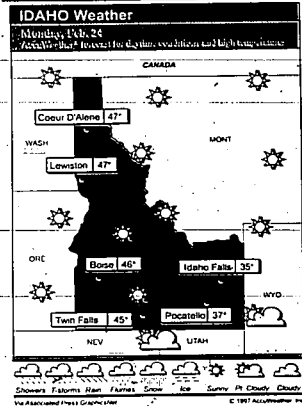


New York City police stand guard around a perimeter set up at the base of the Empire State Building after a gunman opened fire on the 86th floor observation deck Sunday.

wife and a 35-year-old New York City man. "I'd been out there about one minute when I heard what I thought to be firecrackers," said David Robinson, a tourist

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WEATHER



FORECAST

Magic Valley Today sunny. Highs around 40. Light southeast winds. Tonight clear. Lows 15 to 20. Tuesday sunny. Highs 40 to 45. Extended regional forecast Wednesday areas of increasing fog... Camas Prairie, Wood River Valley, Sawtooth Mountains Today mostly sunny. Highs 30 to 40. Tonight mostly clear. Lows in the teens...

ACROSS THE NATION

Snow chills Canada; showers scattered over South Locally heavy snow fell on the Colorado mountains on Sunday, while light rain was scattered across the South. In the Midwest, meanwhile, rivers were running out of their banks in parts of Illinois, which got record rainfall in the Chicago area on Friday...

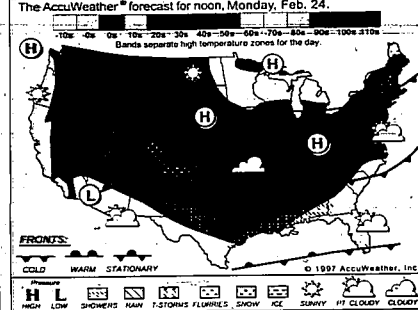
ALMANAC

Table with columns for Twin Falls weather (Max, Min, Precip) and Almanac data (Sunset, Sunrise, Lunar phase, etc.)

SKYWATCH

Sunset today 6:21 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 7:20 a.m. Lunar phase: Full, Feb. 22; last quarter, March 2; new, March 8; first quarter, March 15.

NATIONAL Weather



TEMPERATURES

Table listing temperatures for various cities: Albuquerque 53, Atlanta 58, Boston 40, Chicago 34, Dallas 60, Denver 29, Des Moines 38, Detroit 38, Honolulu 77, Indianapolis 44, etc.

HIGHS & LOWS

Idaho: High, 50 degrees at Caldwell. Low, 4 degrees below zero at Fairfield. Nation: High, 88 at Ft. Myers, Fla. Low, 27 below at 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 334-9863. The internet address for Idaho Transportation Department road reports is http://www.state.id.us/dot/dmnp.htm

ROAD INFORMATION

For current road conditions, call these numbers: Boise, 376-8282; Shoshone, 886-2266; Pocatello, 233-6724; Joy 745-7278; Utah 801-864-6206; the Elko, Nev., area, 702-738-8888.

Search organized for missing child

GOODING - Rescuers were organizing a search effort Sunday for a missing 2-year-old child on the border between Lincoln and Gooding counties. The child apparently had been with a babysitter near "Tampa Ranch" and became lost at about 6:30 p.m., said Claudia Robbins, dispatching supervisor for E-911.

Graffiti mars Lincoln's tomb

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) - Vandals attacked the Lincoln Tomb with spray-painted swastikas and obscenities, police reported Sunday. Police Lt. Mike Geiger called it "random and mindless vandalism." The walls on the observation deck and the base of the Lincoln bust that greets visitors at the entrance to the tomb were spray-painted. Human excrement and a few urine puddles were found on the observation deck.

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Father kills 2 Spree children, self

LOS ANGELES (AP) - A man shot to death his 18-month-old twins and then killed himself Sunday after a bitter quarrel with his estranged wife, police said. Williams John Billick, 53, an entertainment lawyer, killed his children, Alexandria and Daniel, with a single shot each before taking his own life, police said.

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Clone

Continued from A1 "The biotechnology industry exists to use genetic information to cure disease and improve agriculture. We opposed human cloning when it was a theory. Now that it may be possible, we urge that it be prohibited by law." A report of the sheep cloning will be published in Thursday's issue of the journal Nature by Wilmut and colleagues at the Roslin Institute near Edinburgh, Scotland, and others.

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Continued from A1 From England. "Then everyone started panicking." Jean-Luc Will, 40, his wife, Catherine, and two sons, 10 and 13, said they had just arrived at the Empire State Building on the second day of a trip to New York. "I heard a loud popping noise," Will said. "I thought at first it was little child playing with fireworks. There was one shot, then two or three seconds passed, then three shots, pop, pop, pop." Gerard Gunn, 43, of Jersey City, N.J., said he found a man with a bullet wound in the head on the deck, and tried to help him by cradling his head in towels. "He was bleeding profusely. He was coughing blood. I took the towels and wrapped them around

Continued from A1 his head. I just said, 'Hang in there, buddy.' I've never seen anything like this in my life." Empire State Building spokesman Howard Rubenstein said said security cameras picked up the gunman, but he bought a ticket in the ground floor lobby and rode up an escalator to the elevator entrance. "He had a long coat and the gun was under his coat. You couldn't see it," Rubenstein said. The trap was turned over to police. The Empire State Building is one of the most loved and admired tall buildings in the world. The 102-story skyscraper opened May 1, 1931 and reigned for decades as the world's tallest until 1972, when it was overtaken by the World Trade Center's twin towers. Meadows, icy spots. Idaho 21 - Boise-Idaho City, dry. Idaho City-Lowman, dry, icy spots. Lemmon-Banner Summit, CLOSED, slides. U.S. 20 - Mountain Home-Fairfield, dry; Fairfield-Carey, dry; Carey-Idaho Falls, dry; Idaho Falls-Ashton, dry; Ashton-Montana line, dry. U.S. 26 - Idaho Falls-Wyoming line, dry; Blackfoot-Arco, dry. Idaho 51 - Dry. U.S. 93 - Nevada line-Twin Falls, dry; Twin Falls-Carey, dry; Carey-Arco-Salmon, dry; Lost Trail Pass, dry. Idaho 75 - Shoshone-Ketchum, dry; Galena Summit, icy spots, broken. Idaho Falls, dry; Idaho Falls-Ashton, dry; Ashton-Montana line, dry. U.S. 26 - Idaho Falls-Wyoming line, dry; Blackfoot-Arco, dry. Idaho 51 - Dry. U.S. 93 - Nevada line-Twin Falls, dry; Twin Falls-Carey, dry; Carey-Arco-Salmon, dry; Lost Trail Pass, dry. Idaho 75 - Shoshone-Ketchum, dry; Galena Summit, icy spots, broken. Interstate 86 - Dry. Interstate 15 - Utah line-Pocatello, dry; Malad Pass, dry; Pocatello-Idaho Falls, dry; Idaho Falls-Dubois, dry; Moinda Pass, dry. U.S. 30 - McCammon-Soda Springs, dry; Soda Springs-Montpelier, dry; Montpelier-Wyoming line, dry. U.S. 91 - Dry. Idaho 28 - Dry.

Ex-informant ruffles edges of bombing investigation

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — At a distant edge of the Oklahoma City bombing investigation stands Carol Howe, former debaucher, former radical sympathizer, former federal informant.

What truth or clarity she may bring to accounts of the April 19, 1995, blast that killed 168 people is uncertain. She claims to be a witness-observer, not a participant. She says she was a government informant, a good citizen who warned agents of a conspiracy to blow up federal buildings at least five months before the Oklahoma City disaster.

Federal officials won't go on the record about Ms. Howe. Privately they dismiss her as unstable, cut loose by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms for unreliability.

Her account of undercover life and allegations about bomb plots and scouting trips to the federal building months before the explosion was related to a freelance writer whose article appeared Feb. 11 in the McClintock Daily Gazette of Idaho, Okla.

In the article, she asserts she overheard Dennis Mahon, a Tulsa attorney, tell Andrew Strassmeier, a German national, plot bombings of federal buildings while meeting at Elohim City, an armed, white separatist enclave in eastern Idaho.

She told free-lancer J.D. Cash she relayed those conversations to her ATF handler well before the bombing.

Federal agents claim to have seen Timothy McVeigh, the prime suspect in the bombing, at Elohim City in December 1994.

This much is known to be true: Ms. Howe lived at Elohim City for some months in 1994. She went there initially with Mahon, a prominent member of



Carol Howe, a former federal informant, is shown in an undated, black-and-white photo taken from a file. She reportedly told federal agents she was a witness-observer, not a participant, in the bombing of the federal building in Oklahoma City in April 19, 1995.

But federal officials debunk the idea she gave them advance warning of a bombing conspiracy. Neither Mahon nor Strassmeier has been implicated in the Oklahoma City bombing.

And Mahon denies ever having a conversation about bombs with Strassmeier. He accuses Ms. Howe as an abuser of prescription painkillers and a compulsive liar.

Ms. Howe did not respond to Associated Press requests for interviews, which were relayed through her lawyer and her parents. Telephone calls to Ms. Finley at her Tulsa office went unanswered.

The Gazette, which has a daily circulation of 6,200, has published several stories by Cash that have aired assorted conspiracy theories about the Oklahoma City bombing. Although federal officials privately disparage the accounts, a gag order from U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch prevents them from commenting for the press.

Ms. Howe routinely posted polygraph tests on the truthfulness of her reports during her time as an informant, the Gazette reports.

Ms. Howe first caught the public eye in December after her boyfriend, James Viehhaus Jr., recorded an answering machine message at the Tulsa home they shared that threatened to bomb federal buildings in 15 cities.

Viehhaus is making a false statement regarding a bomb threat. The house was also the headquarters of the National Socialist Alliance of Oklahoma, according to the FBI.

Because her name was mentioned in accounts of the Viehhaus arrest, her April 21, 1995, statement to FBI agents surfaced in documents provided the defense by prosecutors in the bombing case.



Christa Polley spits fire in Atlanta Sunday to protest Friday's bombing of an Atlanta gay and lesbian night club. A small group of protesters gathered near the site of the bombing, which injured at least five people. Polley said spitting fire was meant to show symbolically that the flames and bombs would not turn back the gay rights movement.

Investigators: Some similarities in explosives at nightclub, clinic

ATLANTA (AP) — Investigators have found some similarities in the bombs exploded at a nightclub Friday and an abortion clinic last month, a federal official said Sunday.

"We are certainly exploring the possibility that they were made by the same person or group but we are not ignoring the possibility that they were not," said Bobby Browning, a spokesman for the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

Five people were injured when the nail-packed device exploded late Friday in a rear patio area of The OtherSide Lounge. Police found a second bomb nearby and detonated it with a remote-controlled robot. Last month, two bombs exploded an hour apart outside an abortion clinic, injuring seven people.

A number of components in the nightclub and abortion clinic bombs — specifically the wiring, timing and dynamite — were so similar that officials believe they were made by the same person or group.

Responding to the report, Browning said: "There are some similarities in the construction of the devices but there are some differences too."

Mayor Bill Campbell on Sunday called the bombing of the gay and lesbian nightclub a hate crime. But investigators said it was too early to determine a motive for the city's second bomb attack since the blast at the Centennial Olympic Park last summer that killed one person.

Anyone who plants an explosive device that targets a particular group is expressing hatred," he said. "Gays and lesbians were targeted in the first bomb. Law

enforcement officials were targeted with the second one."

A national ATF response team combed the area Sunday, searching for clues. More than 30 federal agents are on the case, including the same task force investigating the Jan. 16 abortion clinic bombing.

A second device — apparently intended for police and rescue workers — exploded about an hour later outside the clinic in suburban Sandy Springs.

"The secondary devices are unusual. There hadn't been one used in the United States for more than 30 years until last month in Atlanta. Typically, they are aimed at first responders," said FBI spokesman Jay Spadaro.

"I think the agents know to keep a low profile after Sandy Springs. There have been no arrests in any of the bombings."

In auto-loving America, Dallas drivers ditch cars to stuff trains

DALLAS (AP) — Trench-coated commuters crowd the station platform, waiting for a southbound train and their daily ride to work in the city.

But this isn't New York City or Chicago. It's the wide-open spaces of Texas, where crowded commuter trains are said to overflow.

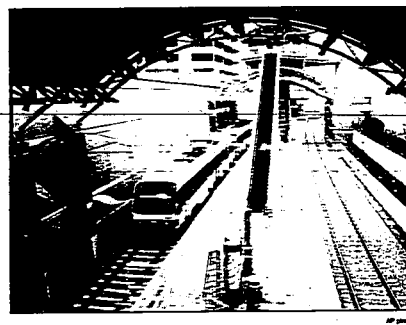
In order to keep people away from the independence of their cars — 500,000 cars typically clog Dallas highways during rush hour — the transit system has had to convince them that the light-rail trains are convenient, safe and reliable.

There is at least one transit officer each two cars, sparsely-clean Dallas Area Rapid Transit train. Stations boast hand-set bricks and tiles, fancy metalwork, murals and poetry by neighborhood artists.

And the trains have been full. Ridership on its brand new north line has been beating projections by 22 percent since late October, says a spokesman on Jan. 20 following a 10-day free period.

Unlike two earlier lines connecting downtown to south Dallas suburban living, the new north line reaches middle-class and affluent areas whose residents can afford downtown parking or have employers who pay for it.

"There were people who said



A southbound light rail train pulls into the Mack Center Station in Dallas Sunday.

no one would ever ride that train," said Andrea Parks, a spokeswoman for DART. "It's really a very pleasant surprise."

Some experts hope the light-rail system will bring significant business to downtown Dallas, whose 33 percent office vacancy rate ranks first among large U.S. cities.

The 20-mile system — with 17 miles now open — cost \$260 mil-

lion, or \$43 million per mile. Critics, including former city councilman Jerry Bryant, note the cost.

"In the long haul, it's not going to make a dent in the mobility of the region, and you're spending an awful lot of money for it," Bryant said.

Others pay \$1 for a ticket good for 50 minutes, less than a third of the estimated \$3.84 cost per rider.

Albright gets unique opportunity to assess China's new leadership

TOKYO (AP) — Given a unique chance to assess China's new leadership during official mourning for Deng Xiaoping, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright flies to Beijing Monday hoping to smooth a complex and sometimes rocky U.S.-China relationship.

Albright is carrying reassurance that the Clinton administration is committed to a One-China policy and that even private visits to the United States by officials of the Taiwan government will be limited.

She flies there also with a lecture on human rights, but one the former Georgetown University professor will deliver politely and with the caveat that U.S. policy is far broader than any single issue.

China can expect the United States to sponsor a resolution at an international human rights conference in Geneva criticizing the way the communist-run government in Beijing treats its people.

Albright said Sunday on ABC's "This Week" program: "They expect me to raise human rights as an issue, and I will."

That said, however, she

Deng's cremation preparation - A12



Madeleine Albright described the relationship as complex.

The Clinton administration is pleased that China helped conclude international treaties to ban nuclear weapons tests and to restrict the spread of nuclear technology. China's support of Korean peace talks to begin next month is also a plus.

But a widening trade imbalance and questionable weapons sales to Pakistan, repression of political dissidence and missile tests near Taiwan are sore points. Albright also intends to remind the Chinese that the United States expects Hong Kong's capitalist way of life to continue after the prosperous British outpost returns to Chinese sovereignty July 1.

She hesitated before going

through with the Beijing visit during a mourning period for Deng who died Wednesday at 92.

Unlike they did in similar circumstances at Mao Tse-Tung's death in 1976, however, the Chinese agreed to have her there provided she left Beijing before Tuesday's funeral and canceled a Monday night dinner and sight-seeing forays into the capital.

As a result, her meetings with Foreign Minister Qian Qichen, Prime Minister Li Peng and President Jiang Zemin will be held in quick order, totaling less than three hours.

"She will get into the business we have to with China," said Nicholas Burns, the State Department spokesman. "And that's to move ahead."

Deng was regarded by many American experts as a leader who favored a good relationship with the United States. He also ordered soldiers of China's People's Liberation Army to fire on pro-democracy demonstrators in Tiananmen Square in June 1989 in an attack that killed hundreds, possibly thousands.

Air Force's newest, strongest rocket blasts into outer space

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The Air Force launched its newest, strongest rocket Sunday, a Titan 4B carrying a satellite for detecting enemy missiles.

The 20-story unarmored rocket blasted into a cloudy sky from Cape Canaveral Air Station in mid-afternoon. Air Force officials said everything went well during the early portion of the flight.

It was the maiden journey of the Titan 4B, built by Lockheed Martin Corp. for the Air Force. The rocket was equipped with two improved solid-fuel rocket motors made of lighter material, each providing 1.7 million

pounds of thrust, as well as new guidance and self-destruction systems and simpler, standard electrical connections to the payload.

On Sunday, the 5,200 million Defense Support Program satellite, destined for a 72,300-mile-high orbit. The entire mission cost about \$200 million.

NASA elected the launch — which was more than a month late — with interest. The next Titan 4B will be used to send the space agency's shuttleman-generated Cassini probe to Saturn in October. Any major problems with Sunday's flight could have delayed Cassini.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Council to hear about livestock ordinance

TWIN FALLS - Explanation of a proposed livestock confinement ordinance and more discussion of a wood waste recycling program will highlight today's meeting of the Twin Falls City Council.

The meeting will begin at 4 p.m. in City Hall. The public is welcome.

Twin Falls County officials will explain their livestock confinement plan, which is in draft form. County officials also will explain their intent behind a joint city-county program to keep yard trimmings and other wood wastes out of local landfills.

County planners will work on livestock proposal

TWIN FALLS - County planners will continue to work on crafting a livestock ordinance.

The Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Commission will meet in a work session at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday at 246 Third Ave. E. The public is welcome, but no comments will be taken. When the proposed ordinance is ready, public hearings will be announced. Any needed changes would be incorporated into a final ordinance passed on by county commissioners, who will conduct additional hearings.

School Board encourages community involvement

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls School Board will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday for training on ways to encourage the community to get involved in public education.

The board's regular meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, but was changed to today. It will be held at the administrative office, 201 Main Ave. W., and is open to the public. Call the district at 733-6900 for more information.

Subdivision ordinance on tap when Hailey council meets

HAILEY - The Hailey City Council will meet at 6 p.m. today in the meeting room at Hailey Town Center. The meeting is open to the public.

Two public hearings are on the agenda: the continuation of the subdivision ordinance amendments and the final plan of Briarwood Townhomes. An open session for public concerns will follow.

Discussion items include a review of the water and sewer user and hookup fee analysis by JUB Engineers, bid approvals for the Northridge Well Project, building permit extensions and auto transportation service licenses. An executive session on litigation will conclude the meeting.

Sun Valley planners gather this week for business

SUN VALLEY - The Sun Valley City Planning and Zoning Commission will meet at 9 a.m. Tuesday in the City Council chambers.

Discussion includes the review of exterior lighting at 103 Snowbrush Lane; a new residence at 719 Morningstar Road; interpretation of Section 10-4 of Sun Valley code regarding minimum lot depth; and planning priorities.

The meeting is open to the public.

Various projects on agenda for Ketchum planners

KETCHUM - The Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission will meet at 5:30 p.m. today at Ketchum City Hall.

A public comment session is first on the agenda. Public hearings follow on Brian Thomas' application for a conditional use permit to construct an accessory dwelling unit at 258 Northwood Way in the light industrial zone and the application of the City of Ketchum to rezone several lots from low-density to high-density general residential.

Among other items:

- The commission will consider the applications of Lupine Development Co. to subdivide several lots at 220 Second Ave. S. in the market zone into four condominium units and of Wallace Limburg and W. Clark Graves to subdivide a lot at 231 Bald Mountain Road into two townhouse sublots.
- In a pre-application design review session, the commission will discuss Thivie Springs (The Algepress) at 124 Saddle Road in the tourist zone for a mixed-use development project including eight new and/or remodeled buildings to house 60 to 70 residential units and approximately 97,500 square feet of commercial office/community space, including underground parking.

Times-News seeks stories concerning workaholics

TWIN FALLS - Are you a workaholic? The Times-News is preparing a story about workaholics - current and recovering - and how they deal with their industrious obsession. If you'd like to share your story, call Steve Crump at 733-0931, Ext. 23, or 1-800-658-3883, Ext. 223.

Compiled from staff reports

West end road up for upgrade

By Steve Koehler
Times-News correspondent

WENDELL - The new Clear Lakes Grade and expanded utility and fish industries have increased traffic on county roads between Wendell and Buhl, resulting in unsafe driving conditions and roads that will need extensive repair, said Dale Riedesel, a consulting engineer from Twin Falls.

Riedesel has prepared reports for the Buhl and Wendell highway districts on the costs of upgrading the proposed route to state highway standards. Total cost would be roughly \$14 million to \$15 million.

Local highway districts and counties don't have that kind of money, but the

Idaho Transportation Board is studying ways to assume responsibility for extending state Route 46 from Wendell to U.S. Highway 30 at Buhl. The Idaho Transportation Department studied the route and gave it a top rating as a potential state highway.

Riedesel's reports provide three optional routes between Wendell and the top of the Clear Lakes Grade. All go south from Wendell along the extension of Route 46 - the Rex Leland Highway - and converge at the top of the Clear Lakes Grade. The three options follow three east-west routes - the Bob Barton Highway (3500 South), 3400 South and 3300 South - before turning south toward the Snake River.

From the Ken Curtis Memorial Bridge across the Snake, the proposed route fol-

lows the Clear Lakes Grade for two and a half miles before it splits into two possible routes. One stays on the Clear Lakes Grade and goes through the city of Buhl; and the other jogs a mile east before turning south and avoids Buhl. Both alternatives intersect U.S. Highway 30.

Riedesel described the present work as "very preliminary." He said a meeting Wednesday in Wendell is probably one of many, and the project could take 10 to 15 years to complete.

JUB Engineers of Twin Falls provided a cost analysis for the city of Buhl for the one mile of road through town.

Buhl Mayor Theodore Fense said the city will hold a meeting on the issue after Riedesel gathers more information.

Meeting set

□ **What:** Proposed Route 46 extension from Wendell to Buhl

□ **Why:** Increasing traffic on the farm-to-market roads between Wendell and Buhl is creating problems for local highway districts, and officials want to discuss the issue with the public.

□ **Where and when:** The Wendell Highway District will sponsor a public meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Wendell American Legion Hall, 610 W. Main. People can pick up copies of three project reports, map and cost sheet at the Wendell Highway District office, 132 S. Shoshone.

BLM plans draw concern

Proposed changes to law enforcement only slight, agency says

By Jennifer Bunch
The Times-News

BURLEY - Attorney General Al Lance's office says the Bureau of Land Management's proposed changes in law enforcement regulations are confusing and poorly written.

"That's spooky stuff," Lance said in Burley last week. "I'm ready to wrestle them to the mat if I have to."

Others also are skeptical.

The BLM has had a law enforcement division for years, but Cassia County Commissioner Lyle Woodbury said he thinks a sheriff should do criminal policing.

At issue is a proposal the BLM downplays. The agency says its proposal only slightly expands its law enforcement authority and consolidates its regulations into a reader-friendly format.

Lance and others are skeptical. His office plans to meet with a committee from the Idaho Sheriffs Association this week to analyze the BLM's rewritten code.

Where critics say the proposals are far-reaching and poorly written, a BLM agent said the goal was the opposite.

The regulations have been dramatically reworded in "plain English," said Art Lunkley, a special agent with the BLM's National Law Enforcement Office in Boise.

Deputy Attorney General Matthew J. McKeown says faulty language, though, is hard to tell whether the regulations would increase the BLM's law enforcement authority, McKeown said.

The attorney general's office has other questions:

- Is the BLM expanding its supervisory jurisdiction to include bodies of water adjacent to public land?
- Can hunters still shoot over water bodies or across trails?
- Is the BLM claiming to own water resources on its lands the state owns?
- Do campers need permits to put up



Standing on Bureau of Land Management turf, Ketchum resident Dan Casall loads his canoe after a portage around a fish weir on Salmon Falls Creek in May 1996. Proposed BLM regulations to tighten law enforcement on lands are drawing fire from state and county officials.

a tent on BLM ground?

"We're speculating, because they're so badly written," McKeown said.

Several hunting questions have arisen over the firearms provision, Lunkley said.

"There is a lot of confusion over duck hunting. I think that is poorly worded and needs rewording," he said.

The BLM isn't seeking to usurp state water rights, Lunkley said. On a limited basis, the BLM already has water rights on some land, and the regulations simply recognize that. The BLM already can require camping permits in places such

as wilderness areas, and the regulations wouldn't limit camping on public land.

The BLM has had law enforcement authority since 1976, Lunkley said. The regulations are spread out in three volumes of code books, and the BLM wants to consolidate the rules.

"We feel it's important that people know the rules that are out there with out having to search through volumes," he said.

The rules add only new regulation. The BLM would be able to police under-

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Jerome seeks community involvement in county fair

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - "We are giving the fair back to the people," Mike Lancaster said Tuesday at a Board chairman talk about 20 people at an organizational meeting hosted by the board last week.

"We introduced the volunteers to a old idea - an idea that we, on the fair board, seem to have forgotten in recent years. That idea is that the fair belongs to the people," manager Rob Lundgren said.

The volunteers were grouped into committees - each facilitated by a board member and liaison - according to their interests in the fair. The board member will act as chairman of the committee until a community volunteer is chosen from the group as chairman.

"The committee volunteers will be given ownership of what they work on. They will make the decisions and can run as far as time, energy and insight allows them," Lancaster said.

Committee brainstorming for innovative ideas to make a better fair for 1997. Jack Webster, board member an entertainment committee chairman said, "The fair is building a permanent freestanding stage with dance floor and/or seating area. The entertainment committee wants to recruit as much local talent as possible to provide our own ongoing entertainment throughout the day and evenings at the fair. We particularly want to find kids' groups for the afternoons before the carnival opens."

Karr Kountry is producing the main fair concert. No artist has been signed yet but several are being considered. Webster said. Organizers want to have public address system announcing time and events throughout the day.

Lola Fitzpatrick said, "The swing committee is expanding the animal showings to include an open class which will come in on Monday, show on Tuesday and leave on Wednesday. The 4-H animals will arrive on Wednesday. Thursday will be a preparation day, and

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Wendell woman a grandma to many students over the years

By Laura Huber
Times-News correspondent



'Grandma' Phyllis Hoschouer opens a present during a surprise Valentine's Day party at Wendell Elementary School.

WENDELL - The children and staff at the Wendell Elementary School call her "Grandma-Phyllis." Many don't even know her last name.

Phyllis Hoschouer has been the children's constant friend and helper.

"Grandma Phyllis works one on one with the first-grade children, and motivates them with happiness and self-esteem," teacher Jane Park said.

"Throughout the week she listens to every first-grade student read in 20-minute increments, and we have an enrollment of 104 children, with four first-grade classrooms," Principal Karen Osman said.

She also eats lunch with the children each day and helps them gain a personal friendship with an adult, Park said.

Hoschouer has been with the local Foster Grandparent Program since it began in November 1976, said Projects Director Marcia Donner. She has helped

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About Phyllis Hoschouer

Residence: Wendell
Family: Son Jim Hoschouer, daughter Cindy Stanley
Occupation: Retired teacher
Hobbies: Gardening, sewing and children
Good deed: Listening to first-graders read

Know an everyday hero?

Anyone who does something extraordinary - neighbors, scoutmasters, church group members, hospital volunteers, tutors - without getting paid for it, qualifies. So do professionals, such as caregivers and teachers, who contribute something extra.

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We'll head your name and photo to the cover, the name of your everyday hero and a few sentences about the person.

THIS WEEK AT CSI

The following is a schedule of meetings and events that will take place this week at the College of Southern Idaho.

TODAY
Idaho Department of Health and Welfare radon proficiency program will be held from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in Canyon 121.
CSI Board of Trustees meets at 5:30 p.m. in the Taylor Building board room.
Pep Band rehearsal will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Fine Arts 121.

TUESDAY
Radon proficiency training program will be held from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in Canyon 121.
A-2 District boys' basketball tournament will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the gymnasium.

WEDNESDAY
City of Twin Falls police testing will be held at 10 a.m. in Aspen 108.
Military testing will be held at 5:30 p.m. in Shields 208.

CSI basketball vs. Treasure Valley with women playing at 6 p.m. and men at 8 p.m. in the gymnasium.
Swing Band rehearsal will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Fine Arts 121.

THURSDAY
Magic Valley Chorale rehearsal will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Fine Arts 133.
District boys' basketball tournament continues at 7:30 p.m. in the gymnasium.

FRIDAY
KLIX Home and Garden Show will be held from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the Expo Center.

SATURDAY
KLIX Home and Garden Show continues from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the Expo Center.

SUNDAY
KLIX Home and Garden Show continues from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Expo Center.

Ski accident lands woman in hospital

The Times-News

FAIRFIELD - A Boise woman was in fair condition at a hospital Sunday after an accident on a chair lift at Solder Mountain Saturday afternoon.
Noreen Chapman was attempting to dismount a chair lift at the top of a ski slope at about 2 p.m. when she became stuck, Camas County Sheriff

Harold Lee said. When she abruptly tugged herself free, she fell, and the chair behind her swung into the back of her head, he said.

Ski patrolers took her down the mountain and an awaiting ambulance, took her to Fairfield Airport, Lee said.

An emergency airplane carried her to St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

CSI considers new computers

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Tonight, the College of Southern Idaho Board of Trustees will discuss purchasing about \$47,000 worth of computers and a lawn mower, and review the activities of the Center for New Directions.
Other items on the agenda include an update about legisla-

tive action that concerns CSI, an admissions policy and a recommendation about a state legislative committee's proposed budget for the college.
The public is invited to attend the meeting, which will be held in the CSI president's board room on campus, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Call 733-9554 for more information.

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AUCTION CALENDAR THROUGH APRIL 5th

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24 - 10:30 am
Dug & Hillyer - Equipment - Nampa
Farm Machinery - Household - Antiques
Collectibles - Twin Falls
Advertisement - February 22
MASTERS AUCTION SERVICE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25 - 5 pm
Household - Tools - Antiques
Consignment - Miscellaneous
KLAAS AUCTION BARN

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25 - 10:30 am
Glen Salmer
Farm Equipment - Nampa
Advertisement - February 22
HOPKINS AUCTIONEERS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26 - 10 am
Byrce Miller Farms
Retirement Dispersal - Row Crop
Farm Machinery - Equipment
Advertisement - February 23
BAKER AUCTION CO.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26 - 10 am
Alben M. Johnson Farms - Complete
Liquidation - Farm Equipment - Collectibles
Advertisement - February 23
WESTERN AUCTION COMPANY

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27 - 11 am
Shoe & Pam Brown
Farm Machinery - Fire
Advertisement - February 25
MASTERS AUCTION SERVICE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28 - 11 am
Wayne & Doug Leacock
Farm Machinery - Equipment - Fire
Advertisement - February 26
MASTERS AUCTION SERVICE

SATURDAY, MARCH 1 - 1997
Wendell Community Auction
Farm Machinery - Miscellaneous
Consignments Welcome
Advertisement - February 27
WERT AUCTION SERVICE

SATURDAY, MARCH 1 - 1997
42nd Annual Spring Consignment
Farm Machinery - Nysa OH
Advertisement - February 23
SPARKS AUCTION CO.

SATURDAY, MARCH 1 - 10:30 am
Dick Baker - Farm Equipment - Homebased
Advertisement - February 23
HOPKINS AUCTIONEERS

SATURDAY, MARCH 1 - 1997
Leonard & Andriehoff - Farm
Machinery - Fire
Advertisement - February 27
MASTERS AUCTION SERVICE

SATURDAY, MARCH 1 - 10 am
Tommy - Tractor/AGCO Corporation
Complete Liquidation - Preston
Advertisement - February 23
UTAH AUCTION SERVICE

MONDAY, MARCH 3 - 1997
J & E Farms, Inc.
Farm Machinery - Jerome
Advertisement - March 2
MASTERS AUCTION SERVICE

MONDAY, MARCH 3 - 10 am
Fairview Farm Inc. (Merle & Marsha
Friesen) - Farm Machinery
American Fall
Advertisement - AgWeekly, March 1
Times-News, February 23
WESTERN AUCTION SERVICE

MONDAY, MARCH 3 - 11 am
Lyle Lyle
Row Crop Equipment - Weiser
Advertisement - February 23
BAKER AUCTION

TUESDAY, MARCH 4 - 11 am
Wendell Community Auction
Potato, Grain, Bean Equipment - Murtough
Advertisement - AgWeekly, February 22
Times-News, March 2
MUSSER BROS. AUCTIONEERS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5 - 11 am
Magic Valley Equipment
Large Potato & Beet Equipment - Paul
Advertisement - AgWeekly, February 22
Times-News, March 2
MUSSER BROS. AUCTIONEERS

THURSDAY, MARCH 6 - 10 am
Phreds Ranch (Stan & Linda Phelps)
Advertisement - AgWeekly, March 1
Times-News, March 2
WESTERN AUCTION COMPANY

THURSDAY, MARCH 6 - 1997
Lewis Osterkamp
Farm Machinery - Twin Falls
Advertisement - February 23
MASTERS AUCTION SERVICE

SATURDAY, MARCH 8 - 10 am
9th Semi-Annual Consignment Auction
Farm Equipment - Blackfoot
Advertisement - February 23, March 2
BAIR AUCTIONS

SATURDAY, MARCH 8 - 10 am
Carl & Jane Toupin - Farm Machinery
Buggy - Miscellaneous - Murtough
Advertisement - February 23
WERT AUCTION

SATURDAY, MARCH 15 - 1997
Mini Cassia Community Auction - Burley
Advertisement - March 12
BILLY ESTES & ASSOCIATES

SATURDAY, MARCH 22 - 10:30 am
Annual Spring Consignment Auction and
Collectible Auction - Fier Fairgrounds
Advertisement - March 15, 20
ALL AMERICAN AUCTION CO.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5 - 1997
Jerome Community Auction
Farm Machinery - Miscellaneous - Jerome
Advertisement - March 22
SULLIVAN AUCTION SERVICE

Campaign finance up for hearing

BOISE (AP) - In the eighth week of its 1997 session, the Idaho Legislature should be just about ready to decide whether it wants to change the laws that cover campaign finances.

Both the House and Senate will discuss limits on how much money can be donated to candidates.

In the Senate State Affairs Committee, Boise Republican Sen. Sheila Sorensen is sponsoring a bill to require more reporting of independent expenditures for or against candidates. If an independent group spent \$100 to help or defeat a candidate or ballot issue, it would have to register with the secretary of state's office.

In the House State Affairs Committee, other legislation was stalled for several days last week while the panel battled over a telephone deregulation bill finally sent to the full House Friday.



Under normal procedures, it should come to a final vote by the end of the week.

Rep. James Stoleheff, D-Sandpoint, has been waiting for days for action on his bill to limit how much can be donated to candidates. It should finally come up on Monday.

Also in House State Affairs on Monday, Republican Reps. Mark Stubbins of Twin Falls and David Callister of Boise are on the agenda with their bill to broaden the definition of lobbyists and require more disclosures.

The same lawmakers also are pushing a bill forbidding political candidates from converting unused political donations to personal use.

But first, House State Affairs will consider Rep. Maxine Bell's

legislation to have the famous Idaho potato declared the official state vegetable.

She prepared the bill after a group of Boise students pushed a proposal to declare the Western Rattlesnake as Idaho's state reptile. The rattlesnake bill, strongly opposed by some lawmakers, is likely to come to a final vote in the House on Monday.

The process of amending legislation on the floor of the House usually gets little attention from outsiders, but this week might be different. A bill restricting initiatives was voted out of the State Affairs Committee on Friday, but with proposed amendments.

Sponsors say they will try to amend the bill to eliminate a requirement that initiative sponsors collect at least 25 percent of the required signatures six months after the initiative drive started.

SERVICES

Norman Stewart, of Twin Falls, 10 a.m. today, White Mortuary, Twin Falls.

Ricky Wayne Helms, of Kimberly and formerly of Burley, celebration of his life, 11 a.m. today, Presbyterian Church, 2100 Burton Ave., Burley, (White Mortuary & Crematory in Twin Falls).

Anna Louise Robison, of Jerome, 11 a.m. today, White Mortuary Kimberly Chapel, 712 Center St. W., Kimberly.

Oleen Elson Haight, of Texas and formerly of Nampa and the

Magic Valley area, graveside service, 11 a.m. today, Kohlerlawn Cemetery, Nampa. Family and friends are asked to meet at the cemetery for the service. The family will greet friends from 9

a.m. to 10 a.m. today, Alisp Funeral Chapel, Nampa.

Wilma Gertrude Boss, of Twin Falls, 1 p.m. Tuesday, Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

James Edward Glodowski

JEROME - James Edward Glodowski, 90, of Jerome, died Sunday, Feb. 23, 1997 at St. Alphonsus Hospital in Boise. Services are pending and will be announced by Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Ursula Nutsch

JEROME - Ursula Nutsch, 78, of Jerome, died Sunday, Feb. 23, 1997 at St. Alphonsus Hospital in Boise. Services are pending and will be announced by Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Released
Rosie Griese of Twin Falls.

CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Admitted
Curtis Bedke or Oakley and Theo Wickel of Heyburn.

Released
Eleanor Woods of Burley, Stacey Tanner of Paul, Richard Stimpson of Rupert, Dakota Negu of Murtough and Matthew O'Dell of Butte, Mont.

Births

A baby was born to Lance and Christy Bybee of Paul.

MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Admitted
Lucille Pierce of Heyburn, Beronica Ochoa of Minidoka and Danielle Fisk and Rebecca Rameriz, both of Rupert.

Released
Faye Thurston, Rebecca Rameriz, Kathrine Emier, Crystal Noriega and son, all of Rupert.

Births

A daughter was born to Terry and Danielle Fisk and a son was born to Carlos and Beronica Ochoa of Minidoka.

OBITUARY

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BURLEY



Valoy Nye Casperson
Valoy Nye Casperson, 86, passed away on Feb. 22, 1997 at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital. She was born June 7, 1910 at

Cardston, Alberta, Canada. to Stephen Charles Nye and Rose Caroline Fredstrom. She had three older sisters, Edith Jensen, Hazel Anderson and LaVau Hawkins, and a younger brother, Charles.
In 1917, the family decided to move back to the states and settled in Albion for a year. The following year, they moved to the growing community of Burley, where they made their lifetime home. Valoy attended schools in Burley, graduating from high school in 1928.
She married Floyd Casperson in Burley on Nov. 13, 1928. Their marriage was later solemnized in the LDS temple.

They farmed in the View area south of Burley for over 50 years and also ran a sheep operation, to which Valoy was a major contributor, or working side-by-side with her husband in all of his endeavors. Her husband preceded her in death on April 17, 1995.
She also was preceded in death by her sisters, her brother and a great-grandchild.

Because of health problems, she moved to Twin Falls to be near family in August 1990.
She was a member of the LDS church and served for many years in the Relief Society.

She also was a primary teacher. For most of her married life, she was an active registered member of the daughters of the Utah pioneers.

She is survived by her three children, Elaine (Roberta) Michaelson of Layton, Utah, Max (Charlene) Casperson of Twin Falls and Stephen (Frenia) Casperson of Atwater, Calif.; 15 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.
Services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the View Ward Chapel, with Bishop Clark Harmon officiating. The family will greet friends at the McCulloch-Hansen Funeral Home, 343 E. Main St., Burley, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday and at the View chapel, 550 E. 500 E., from noon until the time of services on Tuesday.

Officials consider reopening Idaho Lottery on reservation land

BOISE (AP) - State and Nez Perce tribal officials have reopened negotiations about the possibility of the state lottery returning to the reservation.

The Idaho Lottery pulled all lottery machines and unsold scratch tickets from 29 Nez Perce tribal reservation outlets nearly three years ago. The move came after then-Lottery Director Wally Hedrick declared negotiations at an impasse.

Dennis Jackson, the current state lottery director, said tribal leaders asked to reopen negotiations last week during a meeting in Boise.

"We are trying to arrive at some reasonable formula at which we could return to the reservation," Jackson said

Friday. "I'm pleased the tribe made the initiative. We have gone through this exercise twice and we weren't able to reach agreement."

Gov. Phil Batt wants the Legislature to ratify any agreement between the state and tribe, Jackson said.

Three years ago, U.S. District Judge Harold Ryan ruled the state must negotiate an agreement for the right to sell Idaho Lottery tickets on the reservation.

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Malta prepares for flooding

Rock-dam may be key to protecting Raft River, Cassia Creek properties

By Jennifer Bunch
Times-News writer

MALTA - Community leaders preparing for possible flooding hope they can get the help they need to build a dam and canals to control water.

Spring flooding from Raft River and Cassia Creek threatens small Raft River Valley farming communities.

While the Natural Resources Service doesn't measure weekly snowpack in the Raft River Basin, it expects conditions there are about the same as in Howell Canyon near Albion.

The snowpack there is 224 percent of normal for a 30-year period, according to the conservation service's latest report.

Visitors are planning to visit the mountains soon to measure the Raft River drainage snowpack.

During the floods of 1984, overflowing Goose Creek commanded most of Cassia County's attention. Yet the Raft River Valley had problems of its own.

Water surrounded many homes in Malta, a town of about 200 people, said Alvin Neddo, chairman of the Raft River Flood District. A few farms couldn't operate.

"We had water on our fields until August. There was no crop," said Neddo, whose own farm was under water.

Raft River flows from Utah and meets up with Cassia Creek, which comes out of Elba, just north of Malta.

In 1984, about 35 miles of Raft River could be crossed only at one point, Neddo said. Typically, five crossings exist.

An effort was made in 1984 to divert flood water into a gravel pit, but it overflowed, Neddo said.

This year, the flood district hopes the U.S.-Army Corps-of-Engineers will help install a water diversion system.

The plan is to divert Raft River water near the community of Bridge, using a rock dam about 10 feet high. A second diversion point would be at Cassia Creek in the Connor Creek area.

A canal would be built in each spot to catch diverting water and allow it to seep into the ground.

The cost of such a project is not known. If Gov. Phil Batt declares a disaster in Cassia County, the Army Corps of Engineers can help pay for it.

The Malta plan is realistic, said Dale Smelcer, a civil engineer with the Corps. The Raft River Valley still would get water, but the diversion strategy could help it resist flooding.

"It should work if we can get it in place in time," he said.

The Bureau of Disaster Services is identifying what counties will need help with advance flood relief efforts, said Darren Blagburn of the bureau in Boise. Bart's office will get a list from the bureau, asking for a declaration to open the way for state and federal help.

"We had water on our fields until August. There was no crop."

—Alvin Neddo, Raft River Flood District



Stormee Sears, 7, rides her horse through Cassia Creek near Malta Friday. Her father, Wally Sears, owns a 40-acre ranch on both sides of the creek about seven miles west of Malta. Local leaders are preparing for Cassia Creek and Raft River to run higher than normal this spring.

Dolls will soon find a home in Jerome

By H. R. Welkel
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - More than 5,000 dolls soon will find their doll house has turned into a public museum as the dreams of a Jerome woman unfold.

Elaine Dalry has collected dolls since she was 3 and wants to let tourists and the Magic Valley enjoy them as she puts them on display. Dalry owns and operates the Hobby Corner in Jerome where she has displayed and sold dolls.

"Many of my dolls have lived in my shop for years. They are in their high chairs or buggies. Some lay in doll beds or swing in their swings, and others just stand around wherever I have room for them," the collector said. At the Dalry home, every room is decorated with dolls crowded out of the downtown shop.

The shopkeeper said, "Since my husband, Mario, died five years ago, I have to manage 17 rentals, and I just don't have time anymore to take care of the store and all my dolls. So I have decided to make a museum and then everybody can come see them."

She said shelving and lighted display cases would have to be installed and some other remodeling done before the museum will be ready for a grand opening.

Dalry's first doll, in 1936, was a "Peter Be Good" doll with reddish blond hair and blue eyes.

Since then, Dalry said, she has "taken in any doll that could be found."

"I get them at yard sales, estate sales, many are given to me as gifts and some I purchase from other collectors. I never sell any, unless I have a duplicate," she said. "I've even found one caught in

a ditch and had to pull like a bay steer to get it loose. These dolls body, like a spider web or varicose veins. But the eyes worked, so I cleaned her up, dressed her and put her in my collection."

"French Fashion" doll is a ladylike figure; womanly face and upswipe hairdo. The doll is valued at about \$4,000, she said. Her largest doll stands about 26 inches tall. Two others date back to 1929 and have baby faces. One has a swivel neck and another has a shoulder plunger and a wooden ball-and-socket jointed body. "Mario used to make the ball and sockets for me," she said. Dalry often makes replicas of antique dolls. Her expert seamstress, she makes many of the wardrobes for her collection.

Hand-painted Storybook dolls and European dolls fill the shelves and floor space at the Main Street shop.

The collector often recalls longing for her first Shirley Temple doll. "I now have six or seven Shirley's. I can't keep track of them."

Some of her unique dolls, replicas of antique dolls, are called Jumeau dolls. Dalry has a laughing Jumeau and a screaming baby that "looks like a screaming brat."

A 6-inch Ginny doll by Madam Alexander that's wearing a tutu is a replica of an original made of hard plastic. Dalry also has dolls representing many U.S. presidents' wives.

"Whenever I get a doll - I do a lot of research and study to learn the history - it's just so interesting. I want to learn all I can about each one," she said.

Tribe garners support to keep machines

LEWISTON (AP) — The Lewiston Chamber of Commerce board of directors has announced its support for the Nez Perce Tribe's efforts to keep electronic video machines in Lewiston and Kamiah.

"They are operating a legal business," chamber Chairman Larry J. Kopycynski said Friday. He said chamber board members felt legislation being proposed to restrict use of the machines in Idaho unfairly targets the tribe and also unfairly

dictates that no one can operate the video games except the Idaho Lottery.

The tribe, which operates the Clearwater Casino just outside Lewiston, is a bureau in Boise. Bart's office will get a list from the bureau, asking for a declaration to open the way for state and federal help.

Both casinos rely heavily on the electronic video machines, which Gov. Phil Batt and Attorney General Alan Bance say are illegal pull-tabs.

"I think the function of the Lewiston chamber is to promote economic development in the area and I think this falls in line with their purpose. Nez Perce tribal gaming does contribute to the economic well-being of the area," Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee Chairman Samuel N. Penney said after the chamber meeting.

Max Smolinski, chamber vice president, applauded the tribe's success in creating jobs in the community.

Officials: Higher speeds bring more accidents

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Transportation Department has released results from a study indicating motorists are crashing more often under higher speed limits.

The accident rate increased 29 percent in the May to October 1996 test period on 524 miles of

interstates. The rate also rose on other types of highways.

Idaho's Transportation Department officials are flashing a yellow caution light with their preliminary statistics. They say they will need a full year of data to draw conclusions.

"But we are looking very closely at the fact that the accident rate has gone up," state traffic engineer Greg Larangan said.

The fatality rate dropped 43 percent on rural interstates as the limit rose. But analysts caution that statistics can fluctuate wildly with relatively small numbers of fatal accidents.

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It isn't easy owning a hearse. Oh, you can buy them pretty cheaply even though most fall into the realm of classics — cars that if not for their former use would bring killer, pardon the expression, prices. They usually have low mileage and are in almost bank on the fact that no one ever drove them, carelessly or at high speeds.

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Grim Rides members say, there is nothing creepy about a hearse. No strange sounds, no

For these California aficionados, deathmobiles can be life of party

WALNUT CREEK, Calif. (AP) — When Amy Shanafelt tells people her car collection is to die for, she really means it.

Shanafelt has three classic cars — two vintage 1960s Cadillacs and a 1967 Pontiac she owns with her fiancé, Andy Ostachuk. She's got her eye on a Caddy down the street that's really mint. At one time, she had five cars in her collection.

Her pride and joy, the 1965 Cadillac Miller Meteor, is out of commission. Shanafelt hit a parked truck — don't ask — so now she's driving the '67 Pontiac.

It was quite a bargain. Shanafelt and Ostachuk bought it for \$100. It only had 21,000 miles on it. It weighs 5,000 pounds, tops out at 120 mph, seats three people — four, if one lies down — and gets about six miles to the gallon. And man, oh, man, does it turn heads.

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Members of Grim Rides, the Bay Area's only funeral car club, prepare for another Saturday night cruise recently.

ghosts around, no funny smells. We're talking cherry cars here — most of them hand-built by people who knew they were making something that would provide the final ride for most of us.

Ron Border of Mountain View paid about \$1,000 for his 1960 Cadillac hearse car three years ago. He likes the car so much he used it to drive his newborn son and his wife home from the hospital, although he admits that, at the time, the hearse was the only car that was running.

"I barely got it home," says Border, a software design engineer near Hewlett-Packard. "It stalled two or three times and I had to get a jump. But it had all the glass and stainless, all the really hard stuff to get."

Border souped up the engine and had the car painted. It's now a gleaming white with yellow-turning-to-red flames bursting over the front end and sticking down the sides. A vintage 1960 Cadillac that wasn't a hearse would easily sell for \$25,000.

Shanafelt has always loved hearses. When she was just a kid and the family went on their first trip to Disneyland, she made them stop and turn around a few blocks from the Happiest Place on Earth, to check out a hearse parked on the street. "My mother was very worried," she says.

Shanafelt said she was going to buy a hearse when she grew up. Her mother said no way, at least not after she was 18. A few days after her 18th birthday, Shanafelt came home with her hearse. It barely ran. Shanafelt thought all she had to do was wash it and put gas in it, and it would run. She learned differently.

Her collection grew. Her neighbors complained. The police threatened to tow one hearse unless she could prove it actually ran. She chained herself to the car, but miracle of miracles, it started when she turned the key.

Border has created a Website for the club, and now they receive e-mail from across the country.

The site was recently selected one of the hottest on the Internet with a critic saying the club "puts the auto in autopsy." Shanafelt says she got a message from a kid in Idaho who gushed about the home page.

"Can you imagine?" Shanafelt says. "It's tough enough living in California and driving a hearse. Can you imagine living in some small town in Idaho and giving a hearse?"

To contact Grim Rides on the Internet, check out its home page at <http://www.best.com/~sborder/grimrides/grimrides.html>.

Hero

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a generation of children, Donner said.

Hoschouer said she joined the foster grandparent program after her husband died and she had to move into town. She wanted to stay active and had been used to working hard in her California catering business.

When a stroke in November kept her away from school, the children sent cards and letters — which Hoschouer said helped her recovery.

When she returned after Christmas, "the children jumped out of their chairs and ran to embrace me. They just went wild," he said. "I was touched."

On her birthday, Feb. 3, the children honored her with birthday cards and hugs.

At lunch, the children confide in her about problems at home and at school. A listening ear is sometimes all they need to feel better about themselves, she said.

Hoschouer's friendship with

the children doesn't end with the school year.

"She always speaks to them at the grocery store, or they stop by and see her when she is outside tending to her roses," Park said.

"I love the children and am always a friend to them," Hoschouer said. "They give me a lot of pleasure and do a lot for me."

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Jerome

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show on Friday, with the sale on Saturday. We've had a problem in the past with the animals being here too long and they get too tired. The shows won't be limited to registered animals only. We want to charge a \$5 entry fee that will be put into a jackpot for first, second and third prizes.

"We are hoping Independent Meat will set up a 'cuts of meat' display, showing the difference between fatty and lean pork, beef and lamb."

"We want to make Monday 'dairy day.' Local dairy industry people can bring in animals. They can use the barns to display products associated with dairies. Again the showing will not be limited to registered animals but will include a commercial grade. We are looking at the possibility of a barbecue for the dairy people on Monday."

Lancaster said, "The outdoor food vendors and commercial committee suggested revamping

the parking arrangement to include close-by reserved parking for senior citizens and for the food vendors who have to make food runs to bring in perishables. The fair has gained extra parking space this year so that should not be a problem. Another suggestion the committee made was a horse-drawn wagon to function as a shuttle bus from the parking lots to and through the fairgrounds."

"The commercial vendors wanted the inside dealers to be encouraged to decorate with the theme, 'How the West Was Fun,' and incorporated into their booth design."

Lancaster also said the interior roads and parking lots will be refinished by fair time, and no signs will be allowed on the surfaced areas. The recreational vehicle parking area also should be finished by fair time.

"We are looking at extending the fair dates," Lancaster said. "We may start on Saturday and end on the following Saturday. A

destruction derby has been suggested as a possible event for one of the extra evenings."

The equine committee would like to see a horse day — perhaps July 26 — said Jack Hyder, board member and chairman of the equine committee.

"It would be an all-day function with an all-equine parade," Hyder said. "We want an equestrian show and a draft horse show. We'd like to get some big-name team of draft horses in for the event."

Lundgren said, "Another new event we are looking at for the fair is a community auction. Fair vendors and other community businesses will be solicited to donate items. The items will be on display all week and the auction will be held on the last day of the fair. Proceeds will go to fairgrounds special projects and upkeep."

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BLM

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age drinking on public land, Lunkley said.

Erica Petach, a BLM regulatory analyst in Washington, D.C., said the BLM has received about 2,000 comments on the proposal. Owyhee County Sheriff Gary Aman, chairman of the sheriffs' association committee looking at the issue, wants the BLM to

extend the comment period beyond March 7.

"The BLM should leave policing up to local officials," Aman said. The BLM contracted with Owyhee County in the past to patrol public land, but hasn't renewed the contract for a few years, he said.

"We're against it 100 percent," Aman said.

"They say they are getting

their laws in one place, and we think that is false. ... They try to sneak things through, and it's just not the way to do things."

Lunkley said the BLM is gathering local input by putting its proposal out for public review. The BLM averages only one offer for every 1.18 million acres of its land. In Idaho, seven unformed and three plainclothes officers patrol BLM ground.



King of the ring: Garri keeps IBF junior lightweight title.

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It would probably be the most depressing thing I've ever been through in my life.

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—Syracuse guard Jason Cipolla, about the possibility of going to the National Invitation Tournament instead of the NCAA Tournament

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Boy's high school basketball

A-3 Canyon Conference tournament at Gooding Gooding vs. Glenns Ferry, 6:15 p.m. (loser-out) Deolo vs. Wendell, 8 p.m.

A-4 Southside championship at Jerome Hageman vs. Oakley at Jerome, 7 p.m.

High school bowling

District team event at Twin Falls Bowladrome, 4 p.m.

SCOREBOARD

Pro basketball

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Detroit 85	Washington 79
New Jersey 109	Boston 93
L.A. Clippers 99	Milwaukee 86
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Florida State 67	No. 8 Clemson 65
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No. 19 Villanova 65	Connecticut 58
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IN BRIEF

Jackpot boys basketball seeded 2nd at state

JACKPOT - After a 69-64 loss to Smith Valley Saturday, the Jackpot boys' basketball team will get the second seed behind Virginia City in the Nevada state basketball tournament.

Cesar Perez led four Jaguars in double digits, while Smith Valley had two scorers with a game-high 17 points.

On Friday, Adrian Guzman scored 26 points, Francisco Sanchez added 14 and Max Bear had 12 as the team smothered Coleville, 83-31.

Northwest Nazarene to continue as tourney host

NAMPA - A new four-year contract for the NAA Division II men's basketball tournament will mean a lot of entertainment for Treasure Valley fans and millions of dollars for the local economy.

Officials estimate the community will reap \$2 million to \$4 million each year. Tuesday's announcement that Northwest Nazarene College would continue hosting the tournament was merely a formality, host for the past three years weighed heavily with the NAA, said Lynn Adams, vice president for championships.

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Payton's jumper trips Jazz in OT

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY - Gary Payton and the Seattle SuperSonics - with the possible exception of Shawn Kemp - sent a message to the Utah Jazz and the rest of the West on Sunday.

They're not ready to concede conference supremacy just yet.

Payton scored nine of his 28 points in overtime, including a corner jumper with three-tenths of a second left that gave Seattle an 89-87 victory over Utah and prevented the Sonics from being swept in the season series.

"Having been beaten by them three times, we were coming in to make a statement," Payton said. "We had to let them know we do play you in the playoffs, it's not going to be as easy as you think."



Gary Payton

In a hard-fought game with playoff-type atmosphere, Payton took over in the extra period to help Seattle overcome one of the worst games of Kemp's career.

Kemp scored just three points on 1-for-8 shooting in 25 minutes and fouled out early in overtime. But Payton had three field goals and three foul shots in the extra period to help Seattle win the last of four matchups between the teams this season.

Utah was looking to move two full games ahead of the Sonics in the Western Conference standings, but

instead had its seven-game overall and 13-game home winning streaks snapped.

Delaf Schrempf scored 20 points and Sam Perkins had 15 for Seattle, which extended its winning streak to six games.

"After the All-Star break we decided we were tired of playing mediocre basketball, that it was time to get back to playing the special basketball we're capable of playing," coach George Karl said.

They did so Sunday by shutting down all but one of Utah's offensive weapons.

Karl Malone led Utah with 32 points, but Greg Osterlag with 11 points was the only other Jazz player to score in double figures.

Payton gave Seattle an 85-81 lead with 2:11 left in overtime, but Malone scored the next four points to tie it with

46 seconds left.

Payton then drove around John Stockton and drew a foul and made both free throws. Antoine Carr was fouled on the other end and made both shots to tie the game with 20.8 seconds left.

Seattle then brought the ball down-court, and Hersey Hawkins drew a double-team as he drove the lane with the clock ticking down. He spotted Payton open along the right baseline, and Payton - left wide open after Stockton fell - swished the shot.

Utah was unable to get off a clean attempt in the final three-tenths of a second.

It was just the third home loss of the season for the Jazz and dropped them into a tie with Seattle for the best record in the Western Conference.

UCLA beats Duke in non-conference showdown

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES - Conference tournaments are right around the corner, but Sunday's headliner was a non-conference matchup between Top 25 teams.

J.R. Henderson scored the go-ahead bucket with 40 seconds left, and Toby Bailey hit two free throws with 15 seconds remaining as No. 17 UCLA edged No. 6 Duke 73-69 at Pauley Pavilion.

The Bruins (17-7) snapped Duke's seven-game winning streak and gave Steve Lavin his biggest victory since becoming UCLA's coach just before the season started.

Henderson rebounded his own miss and scored to give put UCLA up 71-69.

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Florida St. 67, No. 8 Clemson 65

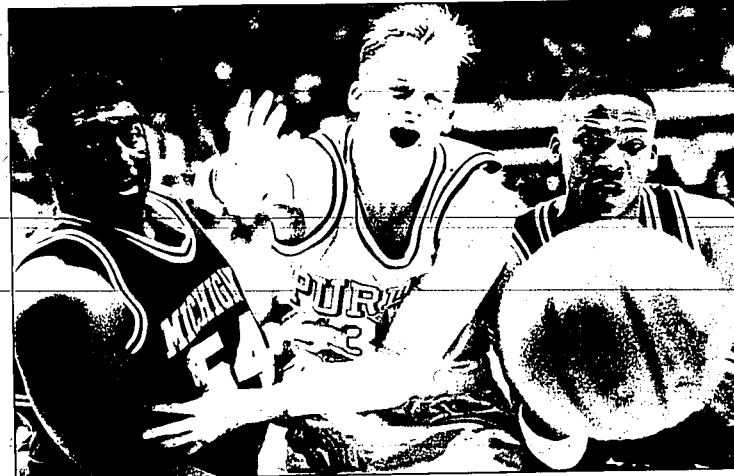
CLEMSON, S.C. - Kerry Thompson banked in a 12-foot follow shot as time expired to give Florida State (15-9, 5-9 ACC) the upset victory. The win kept Florida State's slim NCAA tournament hopes alive. Clemson (17-9, 8-6) lost for the third time in its last four games.

Purdue 67, No. 18 Michigan 58

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. - Chad Austin scored 25 points for the Boilermakers (15-10, 10-5 Big Ten), who sent the Wolverines (17-9, 7-7) to their fourth loss in five games.

No. 19 Villanova 65, Connecticut 58

At Philadelphia, Alvin Williams scored 16 points as Villanova (20-7, 11-5) moved into first place in the Big East



Michigan's Robert Traylor, left, and Louis Bullock, hem in Purdue's Brian Cardinal, center, as they battle for a rebound Sunday in West Lafayette, Ind.

Six. Richard Hamilton scored 22 for Connecticut (14-11, 10-6).

Saturday Nevada 78, Idaho 67

RENO, Nevada - Trite as it may sound, the final score of the Big West Conference game between Idaho and Nevada didn't reflect exactly how close the game was.

The Vandals, mired at the bottom of the Eastern Division, fell behind early but rallied to push the Wolf Pack to the limit before a late-game flurry gave Nevada a 78-67 victory before a rowdy crowd of 7,130 at Lawlor Events Center.

Idaho falls to 12-16 overall and 4-10 in the Big West while Nevada maintained its share of the Eastern Division lead with a 17-7 overall

mark, 11-3 in league.

With Idaho trailing by only five, 63-58, Paul Culbertson hit a 3-point-er to stretch lead to eight. Robert Scott answered with a jumper to cut the lead to 66-60 before Richard Brown and Culbertson sandwiched one field goal and one 3-point-er around another Scott jump shot for the final surge that put the game out of reach.

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Price wins playoff for 2nd victory

The Associated Press

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa - Nick Price of Zimbabwe parred the first playoff hole Sunday to defeat David Frost of South Africa and win the South African PGA tournament.

Price started the final round five shots behind Frost but shot a 6-under-par 66, including an eagle and two birdies on three par-five holes, to finish the regulation 72 holes at 19-under 269.

Frost had a roller-coaster round in which he blew a three-shot lead at the start of play, then rallied to tie Price on the final hole by sinking a 124-foot birdie putt for a final round 71.

But Frost left his approach shot on the playoff hole short to the right and missed an eight-foot putt for par, while Price sank a tap-in for par to claim the victory and the top prize of \$80,000.

It was Price's second straight victory on the PGA European tour, both coming after he finished second by one stroke in the South African Open two weeks ago.

"I think I was running on borrowed time the last nine holes," said Price, the former world No. 1 who failed to win a tournament in 1996. "I was tired. I just tried to... not (to) make any mistakes."

"I need a break and this week I'm just going to... do nothing."

Nico van Rensburg of South Africa carded a 68 to finish third, one shot back. Another South African, Retief Goosen, was fourth at 272.

Greg Peterson of the United States tied with two South Africans, Wayne Westner and Marco Gorana, for fifth at 273.

Frost dropped four shots on the first five holes, including a double bogey six at No. 5. Then he mounted a late charge, pulling even with Price after a birdie at No. 16.

But his two shot at the par-three 17th found "the water, and a resulting bogey left him a shot back with one hole to play. In keeping with his inconsistent round, Frost birdied the 18th, setting up the playoff.



Nick Price of Zimbabwe is delighted after defeating David Frost of South Africa in a one-hole playoff to win the Alfred Dunhill South African PGA Tournament in Johannesburg.

Chang triumphs in St. Jude, finally

The Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. - Michael Chang finally removed his mental asterisk Sunday from the St. Jude Classic.

This was where he debuted as a pro in 1988 thanks to a wild card given to him as a 15-year-old player. He has repaid that courtesy by coming back each of the past 10 years.

Although he played well through those years, he never had reached the final until Sunday. He didn't waste his opportunity, beating Todd Woodbridge 6-3, 6-1 in 1 hour, 39 minutes, for his first title this year, 27th overall.

"It feels great," Chang said. "It feels great to be just playing on Sunday. It's a new feeling for me here in Memphis, and it's wonderful to be able to break through and finally win."

Chang will move up one place in the rankings Monday to No. 3 with the 260 points he earned - along with the \$120,000 winner's check.

He extended his dominance over Woodbridge, who is part of the world's top doubles team with Mark Woodforde. Chang now leads their series 11-2, winning the last seven meetings.

Woodbridge didn't make it easy. Ranked

32nd in the world and seeded eighth, Woodbridge moved Chang around and kept coming to the net. Chang broke him in the second game to go up 2-0.

Woodbridge said he knew he started poorly and pushed himself, only to see Chang play just that much better.

"He's so fast and gets more balls back at you more than anybody else," he said. "The pressure he puts on you on the other end is intense."

Woodbridge broke back at 3-3 when Chang put a backhand into the net. In the eighth game, Chang broke him again as Woodforde hit two forehands long after deuce, and Chang held serve to win the first set in 51 minutes.

Woodbridge, with 34 unforced errors, fell behind 3-0 in the second set. He fought off five break points and finally held serve to pull within 4-3.

Chang, who had been serving strongly all week and even hit a 130 mph ace in the third round, cranked up his serve late. "Needing to serve out for the match, he missed a forehand long, tying the game 30-30. He then served up two of his five aces to clinch the match."

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Ewing rebounds in double OT Laker-lashing College

INCLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) - Patrick Ewing scored 10 of his season-high 34 points in the second overtime period and also had a season-high 25 rebounds Sunday as the New York Knicks outlasted the Los Angeles Lakers 127-121.

Ewing, who also blocked five shots, was coming off one of his most unproductive games of the year, a seven-point, nine-rebound effort in an 84-64 loss at Seattle on Friday night.

Elden Campbell, who has moved from forward to center to fill in for the injured Shaquille O'Neal, scored a career-high 40 points for the Lakers, but he had a potential game-winning layup roll off the rim in the closing seconds of the first overtime.

Ewing had a three-point play that put the Knicks on top 122-121 and trigger a game-closing 8-0 run by New York.

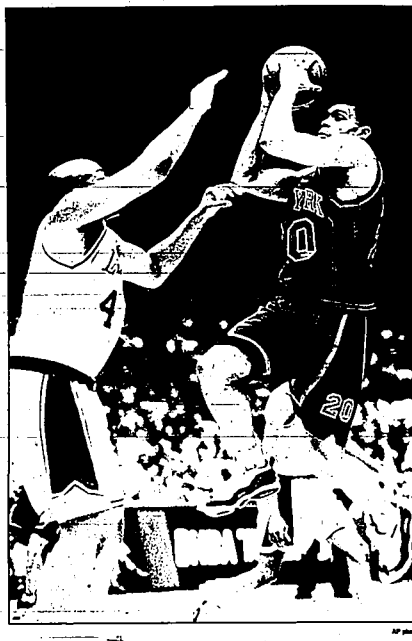
Cavaliers 91, Grizzlies 84 VANCOUVER, British Columbia - Bobby Phillips scored 19 of his 23 points in the second half as the Cleveland Cavaliers overcame a 10-point deficit to beat Vancouver.

Opening the fourth quarter with a 17-4 run, the Cavaliers went on to beat the Grizzlies for the second time this season and go to all-time meetings.

Vancouver failed to get a field goal in the first 4 1/2 minutes of the fourth quarter. Bryant Reeves had 26 points as the Grizzlies lost their league-worst 47th game.

Clippers 99, Bucks 86 MILWAUKEE - Lamond Murray and Malik Sealy both scored 16 points and combined to key a 12-point fourth quarter run that lifted the Los Angeles Clippers over Milwaukee.

The Clippers, led by Darriek Martin with 19 points, snapped a two-game losing streak and a seven-game road skid.



Allan Houston of the New York Knicks heads for the basket as Sean Rooks of the Los Angeles Lakers defends during the first half of their game Sunday in Inglewood, Calif. The Knicks won the game 127-121 in double overtime.

The Bucks, who lost their second straight and are now 2 1/2 games off the pace for the eighth playoff spot in the Eastern Conference, were led by Greg Robinson with 25 points and Vin Baker with 23.

Rockets 95, Spurs 85 HOUSTON - Hakeem Olajuwon scored 11 of his 21 points in the fourth quarter and the Houston Rockets held off a late San Antonio comeback Friday.

A 21-7 run helped Houston take a 52-41 halftime lead, and the Rockets increased it to 71-56 with 2:18 left in the third quarter.

Dominique Wilkins scored 10 of his 28 points during the final quarter for the Spurs. Charles Barkley added 19 points for the Rockets.

Pistons 85, Bulls 79 LANDOVER, Md. - Terry Mills had 14 points and 14 rebounds, and the Detroit Pistons secured a deserved comeback bid by the Washington Bullets to win their sixth in a row.

Aaron McKie had 16 points and Joe Dumars 14 for the Pistons, whose winning streak matches their season high. Detroit won all four games against the Bulls this season, its first sweep of Washington since the 1992-93 season.

Chris Webber, returning from a five-game absence with back spasms, scored 19 and Rod Strickland added 13 for the Bullets, who have lost three straight and nine of 11.

Nets 109, Celtics 93 - EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. - Sam Cassell had 24 points and Sam Jackson 20 as the New Jersey Nets handed the Boston Celtics their 10th straight loss.

The losing streak ties the second longest in a season for the Celtics and is three shy of the team record set in 1994. The Celtics also had a 10-game slide in 1949.

Jersey won the first for New Jersey since its nine-player deal with Dallas on Monday, a deal that brought Cassell to the Nets.

Heat 95, Nuggets 86 MIAMI - With Alonzo Mourning watching from the bench, Miami won its first game without its All-Star center.

Isaac Austin led a balanced attack with 15 points for the Heat, playing his first game since Mourning tore a tendon in his right foot Friday. Mourning is expected to be sidelined approximately six weeks.

Magie 90, Pacers 90 - INDIANAPOLIS - The Orlando Magic used a big third quarter to spoil Mark Jackson's homecoming.

Jackson had 13 points and seven assists in his first game back with the Pacers after being traded from Denver as part of a six-player trade that moved Jackson to a loud standing ovation when he was announced as a starter before the game.

College

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Women No. 2 Old Dominion 102, George Mason 46

FAIRFAX, Va. - Nyree Roberts scored a career-high 38 points and No. 2 Old Dominion forced 37 turnovers as the team secured another regular season of dominance in the Colonial Athletic Association by beating George Mason 102-46 Sunday.

No. 4 North Carolina 70, No. 11 Virginia 65 CHAPEL HILL, N.C. - Chanel Wright scored 22 points and Tracy Reid had 19 Sunday as No. 4 North Carolina beat No. 11 Virginia 70-65.

Jessica Gaspar added 13 points and Mary North Carolina 24-12 Atlantic Coast Conference) finish its regular season undefeated at home.

No. 5 Georgia 79, No. 20 Arkansas 63 ATHENS, Ga. - Tracy Henderson scored 24 points and blocked four shots and No. 5

Georgia pulled away from a building tie to beat No. 20 Arkansas 79-63 Sunday to clinch the Southeastern Conference regular-season title.

No. 6 Alabama 70, No. 15 Tuscaloosa 60 TUSCALOOSA, Ala. - Shaquana Ems had 28 points, 11 rebounds and four steals Sunday, and No. 6 Alabama beat No. 15 Vanderbilt 70-60.

Purdue 80, No. 17 Illinois 75 CHAMPAIGN, Ill. - Purdue gained a share of the Big Ten championship Sunday as James Roland scored 32 points and grabbed 10 rebounds in leading the Boilermakers to an 80-75 victory over No. 17 Illinois.

No. 19 Michigan St. 93, Indiana 79 INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. - Krisen Rasmussen scored 19 points to lead six Michigan State players in double figures Sunday as the No. 19 Spartans earned a share of the Big Ten title with a 93-79 win over Indiana.

Vandals edge BSU during a five-minute stretch which turned a seven-point deficit into a 10-0 lead. The Vandals won just 6-44 left in the game.

Kathryn Conner finished with a team-high 16 points on 6-9 shooting from the field. The Vandals senior, from Sastaville, Calif., also added two rebounds, two assists and four steals in 33 minutes of play.

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Gordon surprises Jarrett with late run

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. (AP) — As optimistic as Jeff Gordon is, he didn't believe he could catch Dale Jarrett on Sunday in the Goodwrench Service 400.

Not until the eighth North Carolina Motor Speedway, which had forced him to play follow-the-leader throughout the afternoon, suddenly yielded a new pathway to the checkered flag.

"I'm shocked, just—really shocked," Gordon said as he digested the unexpected victory. "Dale Jarrett had us covered all day. I couldn't find any groove for the whole race, until the end."

That winning groove was the high side of the 1.017-mile banked track, which Gordon used to pass Jarrett with 43 laps to go. Gordon then ran off to an easy victory, giving him wins in the first two races of the 1992 season and in five of the last nine NASCAR Winston Cup events.

Jarrett looked virtually invincible through the first 350 laps of the 393-lap event. He led 323 of those laps and his Robert Yates Racing Ford appeared to have everything every body covered, including Daytona 500 winner Gordon.

But the 25-year-old phenom, driving a Hendrick Motorsports Chevrolet, stayed among the top five throughout the race and finally, on lap 350, began to challenge Jarrett.

On lap 351, Gordon, using the high lane on the banked oval, caught Jarrett, then put the nose of his high-numbered No. 24 ahead of Jarrett's No. 88 and began to pull away. The Kid, who now has 21 career victories in just over four full seasons of Winston Cup racing, drove to a 2.43-second win-beating Jarrett to the finish line by a quarter of a straightaway.

"I may have looked like we had planned like that but, trust me, we didn't," said Gordon, who never led before lap 351. "I was fighting every lap to get to Dale and see what we had for him. We were everybody was trying to play, it seemed to me like he was. Every time I started to get close



Jeff Gordon, from Pittsboro, Ind., celebrates his Goodwrench Service 400 victory at the North Carolina Motor Speedway, near Rockingham, N.C., Sunday.

to him, he's push the button and take off."

"What made the difference for Gordon was being able to use the high groove late in the race, making his car faster."

"We only made minor changes all day, but our groove came in or something happened there at the end," he said. "We sure weren't the fastest car all day. We just kept tuning on it and tuning on it."

"I tried (the high groove) a couple of different times earlier in the race and it just wasn't there. I told Ray (crew chief Ray Everham) and my partner to let me know what other guys were doing up there. We kept working the bottom groove all day, and Dale was just stronger on the bottom than I was."

"That high groove never really worked or paid off until about 60 laps to go. Maybe more guys were trying it and there was more rubber up there. I just knew it was either stay right behind Dale Jarrett and finish second or try something else."

Jarrett has now finished second at Rockingham in three straight Winston Cup events and two consecutive Busch Grand National races.

"We've got second covered," said a dour-faced Jarrett. "We just can't get to Victory Lane."

"You've got to give Jeff and his guys credit. They did a great job at the end getting the car right. We thought we were in good shape, so we didn't make any adjustments (on the last pit stop). We thought the car was pretty awesome."

"I was a little surprised. It didn't seem like the high line was something that worked all day. I could go well on the inside and beat anybody down there. I was surprised they were able to get that (high line) to working that late in the race."

Gordon's average speed 125.927 mph broke the Rockingham record for a 400-mile race. The previous mark, set by Ricky Rudd last fall in the ACDelco 400, was 122.320.

The winner earned \$93,115, and holds a 40-point lead over teammate Ricky Craven in the season points.

Jeff Burton finished third Sunday, followed by Rudd, Craven, Rusty Wallace and Terry Labonte, the defending Winston Cup champion and the third Hendrick Motorsports driver.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Rosset wins ECC tennis title

ANTWERP, Belgium — Marc Rosset, battling serves that reached 135 mph, won a tennis tournament for the first time in more than a year Sunday by beating Tim Henman 6-2, 7-5, 6-4 to capture the European Community Championship.

Majoli beats Novotna to defend title

HANOVER, Germany — Iva Majoli of Croatia won the Faber Grand Prix for the second straight year, battling back from match point to defeat top-seeded Jan Novotna of the Czech Republic 4-6, 7-6 (7-2), 6-4 Monday.

Majoli, seeded third, wore down Novotna with a powerful baseline game, earning her fifth WTA tour victory. Her last win in this tournament last year, when it was played at Essen, Germany.

Austria's Maier wins tough super-G slalom

GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN, Germany — Austrian Hermann Maier, a former bobslejer, upstaged skiers' stars Sunday by winning the super giant slalom for his first World Cup victory.

Maier, 24, discovered by Austrian coaches two years ago, beat Italy's Kristian Ghedina by more than a half second, while Norwegians Arve Skarvald and Lasse Kjus tied for third.

Egorova wins women's cross-country race

TRONDHEIM, Norway — Three years after her Olympic triumph at Lillehammer, Egorova won the 50-kilometer classical style cross-country race Sunday at the World Nordic Ski Championships.

Egorova covered the women's sprint distance in 13 minutes, 29.9 seconds, edging Russian cross-country skier Elena Välbe by 2.8 seconds. Stefania Elmendorf of Italy was third, 5.1 seconds back.

Mastrorudi wins Kash 'N' Karry grand prix

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Enzo Mastrorudi of Italy led all the way in winning the Barber Dodge Pro Series season opener at the Kash 'N' Karry Florida Grand Prix Sunday.

It was Mastrorudi's first career Barber Dodge win and his second win of the day. Two hours earlier, he won a 25-lap Formula Ford 2000 race.

Pulpit confirmed as Kentucky Derby favorite

HALLANDALE, Fla. — Pulpit entered the gate wet and turned his head in agitation. Then he fell behind for the first time in his young career, trailing two horses by five lengths down the backstretch.

But at the end, the unbroken colt was again in front, winning the Fountain of Youth Stakes at Gulfstream Park by 1 1/2 lengths.

The victory simultaneously confirmed Pulpit as the front runner for the Kentucky Derby 30 weeks from now. He could become the first horse since Apollo in 1932 to win the Derby without racing as a 2-year-old.

Post-Olympic blais hit Torrence

FAIRFAX, Va. — A quadrathlon mishap — the post-Olympic blais — has claimed another government track athlete.

Gwen Torrence's decision not to compete in next month's World Indoor Championships at Paris put her on a growing list of prominent track and field competitors who won't appear at the sport's climactic winter meet.

Boldon ties 60-meter best, runs fastest 200

BIRMINGHAM, England — Ato Boldon of Trinidad tied the year's fastest time for 200 meters, then ran the season's best for 200 Sunday when he charged to spectacular victories at the BUPA Indoor Grand Prix meet.

The Olympic bronze medalist at both 100 and 200 meters was only one second from the British record in the 60 in the 50 in a 49-second at the Nuremberg Indoor Arena. That tied the time set by Jamaica's Michael Green at Reims, France, a week ago.

Compiled from wire reports

Same fighters, same result: Gatti again

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — Their first match was considered by many the fight of the year for 1991. The rematch Saturday was even better.

IBF junior lightweight champion Arturo Gatti scored a unanimous 12-round decision over Tracy Patterson in a replay of the Dec. 15, 1995 thriller in which Gatti took the title.

"I think I've proved a few times that I do deserve to be the world champion," Gatti said. "The replay showed I'm a true champion and I do belong in the top five of the junior lightweights in the world."

But he acknowledged he may have to alter his wide-angle, lead-with-the-chain approach.

"I don't think it's very healthy to be an action fighter," he said.

Gatti, 24, of Jersey City, N.J., hosted his second title fight, Tracy Patterson, 32, of New York, N.Y., dropped to 57-51 and faced an uncertain future.

Patterson, however, did have his moments. In the first round,

Gatti fell to one knee after a barrage of punches, the last hitting him at the belt. Referee Rudy Battle ruled a low blow, though replays showed it wasn't and Gatti said it was right at the belt.

"I guess the ref forgot to wear his eyeglasses," said Patterson, who called the punch a legitimate body shot.

Patterson, who defended himself well but was outpunched by a 4-to-1 margin, said he could barely see because he forgot to take his sinus medication before the fight and was left with blurred vision.

He rallied in the sixth, standing Gatti up with a right to the head and following with a flurry of punches. It appeared then that Patterson was in command.

Gatti lost a point for a low blow in the eighth and then scored a knockdown in the ninth when Patterson missed on a lunging right and fell to the canvas. Battle ruled it a knockdown.



IBF junior lightweight champion Arturo Gatti, from Jersey City, N.J., hops for joy after the 12th-round bell sounded on end of his fight with challenger Tracy Patterson of Highland Park, N.Y., at Atlantic City Saturday. Gatti retained his title with a unanimous decision.

Spring is lamb for Maddux

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Greg Maddux sits alone at his locker. Across the room, a pack of owners gathers around John Smoltz.

"It's a lot quieter this spring," said Maddux, who reported to camp for the first time since 1990. "I look like the NL Cy Young Award winner. I like it."

Maddux is not comfortable with all the hype that went along with being the world's greatest pitcher, being one of the best, his streak of Cy Young Awards finally was broken at four by Smoltz, his Atlanta Braves teammate.

"You don't have someone coming at you every five minutes saying, 'They can't give you here? Can you do this? Can you call me at this time?'" Maddux said. "I don't have to say no to much. As much as it may look like we enjoy saying no to people, we don't enjoy doing it. But when they're coming at you from all sides, yeah, you've got to start saying no."

It's not like Maddux is a novice pitcher. His first year in 1996 — 45-12 with a 2.72 ERA — still made him one of the best starting pitchers in the game. With any spring support, he probably would have made a run at another 20-win season.

Maddux doesn't see the point of reflecting on the magnitude of winning four straight Cy Youngs. Not yet anyway.

"I'm still worrying about April right



now," he said. "When I'm done playing, I'll probably sit back and think about it. I might put myself on the back. But I ain't going to do it right now. As soon as you do that, it's easy to get lazy. And I don't want to get lazy."

Maddux, still only 30, is entering the final season of the \$28 million, five-year contract with the Braves. So far, there have been no discussions on a new contract as the team works to reduce a payroll that will be among the highest in baseball.

Most likely, the discussions with Maddux and Tom Glavine, also eligible for free agency following the season, will start if the Braves trade either David Justice or Fred McGriff.

Maddux was in the same position with the Chicago Cubs five years ago. That was the team he expected to be with his entire career, but they wouldn't give him a long-term deal. "When I was in Chicago, I worried about it. I dealt with it, I stayed up at nights thinking about it," he said. "I'm not doing that this time. I've already hit the Lotto once. I'm an extra credit anyway. I'll just going to get ready to play. If I go out and have a good year, somebody will want me."

Allin grabs 1st senior victory

SARASOTA, Fla. (AP) — After going three years on the Senior PGA Tour without a victory, Bud Allin said he had no confidence in himself.

That all changed Sunday at the American Express Invitational.

Allin, a Vietnam veteran who took a 14-year break from golf before joining the senior circuit, withstood his own nerves down the stretch and then two-putted from 60 feet for par on the final hole for a one-stroke victory over Jim Colbert.

"I told my wife Sunday night that I might not win this week, but after playing a pretty good round Saturday, I now know I can this year," Allin said.

"Then, when I got to the 14th hole, I knew my nerves were holding up pretty good, so I thought I might as well just win this week," he said.

Allin, who got into the tournament only when Gibby Gilbert withdrew five minutes before the deadline to enter, shot a 3-ur under-par 69 at the TPC at Prestancia and finished the 54-hole event at 11-under 205.

Colbert was alone in second after closing with a 67. Bruce Summerhays, Jim Albus and Mike Hill tied for third at 8-under 208.

Before going into the final round with a three-shot lead, Allin admitted he was traveling nervous territory.

The former U.S. Army artillery officer who earned the Bronze Star and Air Medal, returned from Vietnam to claim five career PGA Tour victories. But a 14-year break from golf before he joined the Senior Tour had left Allin, 52, looking for his old game and grit.

"To create confidence, you have to get in a routine of winning or being near the top," he had said. "I have no confidence."

The \$180,000 Allin won was more money than he ever earned in a full season on the PGA Tour.

Allin, who finished the day with five birdies and two bogys, survived his greatest potential disaster on the 418-and-par-4 17th, when he pushed his tee shot left into trouble.

1988 PGA champ reigns in desert

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Jeff Sluman likes to sneak up on the leaders.

He did it at the 1988 PGA Championship for his first title, and he broke his long drought Sunday with another comeback behind him in the Tucson Chrysler Classic.

"This was exactly similar to the PGA, where I was kind of out of sight, played myself into contention, never missed the pressure, and had only a few good holes for a one-stroke victory over Jim Sluman and Steve Jones on a wet course."

Sluman, 39, who lost three playoffs while finishing second eight times in 11 tournaments since his breakthrough in a major, opened this one with a first-round 75.

But he made the cut by firing a 68 Friday, and the next day he finished by chipping in for twice for birdies for a 65 that got him within four shots of third-round leader Brad Bryant.

Sluman broke out at a weak point by sinking a 3-shot birdie putt on the 17th hole. But Sluman bogeyed No. 18 after knocking his approach shot into the front bunker, chipping out and two-putting from 16 feet.

Then he sat back to watch Jones play out.

Jones' approach shot bounced 30 feet over the green, and he drilled his attempt to punch back to within par distance. When he two-putted from about 45 feet for a bogey, the tension etched on Sluman's face dissolved into a grin.

"I'd had a little bit better lie. I could have done a bump-and-run, but I just chipped it," Jones said. "That wasn't the shot that killed me anyway. It was the shot from the fairway. But I was only 2-under (each of) the last two days. That's not going to win two many tournaments."

in four starts this season. He missed the cut at Phoenix, in a tournament won by Jones, and Hawaii's Paul Strankowski prevailed, and was 62nd at Pebble Beach.

Jones was alone at 276, and Bryant and Strankowski were another shot back. Bryant also bogeyed No. 18, a 465-yard par-4 with the flag tucked between two bunkers on the extreme left side of the green.

Bryant took a double bogey on No. 10 which threw him into a pack at 11-under that included Reid, Strankowski, Kelly, Sluman and Rose.

"When we got to the 10th tee, I didn't take enough time to settle myself," Bryant said after pulling his drive into a large lake on the left. "I just hit a bad shot. If I make par there, I'm in a playoff."

Reid and Strankowski birdied No. 11, a short par-5, and Sluman joined them at 12-under with a birdie on the par-3 next hole.

About the same time, Strankowski bogeyed the 12th hole, and Reid drove out of bounds on No. 13 en route to double bogey.

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OTHER VIEWS

Quick action helps rekindle faith in juvenile programs

From the Post Register, Idaho Falls

The resignation of Michael Johnson as director of the Department of Juvenile Corrections is a triumph for good government.

It is a credit to Gov. Phil Batt who launched a thorough investigation and acted quickly once a massive report reached him.

And it is victory for those in Rexburg and St. Anthony who had the courage to speak up, particularly women in Rexburg who refused to keep quiet in the face of what they experienced as sexual harassment.

Johnson resigned after Batt reviewed the report of a two-month investigation by the state Department of Law Enforcement into allegations of misconduct by two department employees with close connections to him.

Those allegations included threats against Ashton Memorial Inc., which runs a juvenile facility for the department in Rexburg, and efforts to undermine the successful therapy program at the juvenile center in St. Anthony, East (formerly the Youth Service Center) in St. Anthony.

Johnson's resignation was "by mutual agreement" but the message is clear: After all that had happened, Johnson could no longer be effective as head of the department.

We are struck by the contrast between determined action in this case and the anguished slow response to charges of sexual abuse in the case of Dr. Lavar Withers. Nearly a year transpired between the disclosure of allegations against the retired Rexburg physician and a guilty plea and that came only after more than 140 women came forward with complaints. In-between, there was foot-dragging by both prosecutors and the attorney general's office.

It seems clear that the willingness of 140 women to eventually come forward to seek justice in the Withers case made it easier for four women at Ash-

ton Memorial to speak up a few months later.

"Crimes do not act in vacuum. There is no such thing as 'community guilt' or 'community responsibility.'" Nonetheless, Rexburg suffered much negative media attention about the Withers case.

So by the same token, it is fair to celebrate the opposite result in the same place in the Juvenile Corrections case. In the name of the many, a few acted with courage and conviction.

We are also struck by the central role played by Fremont County Judge Keith Walker.

Walker banned Roger Clark, the central figure in the investigation and a Johnson confidant, from having any contact with youths in his jurisdictions based on Johnson's behavior.

Walker's bold action, as much as anything, exposed misdeeds and added weight to the calls for an investigation.

A new administrator must move quickly to repair damage suffered by the young state agency during months of uncertainty. Fear and intimidation are chiseling morale in Juvenile Corrections, particularly at the St. Anthony center.

The center's treatment program, known as Positive Peer Culture, is successful in part because incarcerated youth, not just adult staff members, enforce discipline.

It is based upon respect and trust between young people and staff.

When that system breaks down as happened when Johnson's men interfered with contrary ideas of their own not only does treatment fail but the staff is placed in danger.

Measures must be taken quickly to reassure and bolster this nationally recognized institution.

We supported Michael Johnson when he ran for office and supported his appointment in 1995. Unfortunately, no matter what the report shows when it is eventually made public, it is now clear Johnson was in over his head.

Lawmakers punish students

From the Moscow-Pullman Daily News

You go to school, you get good grades and stay out of trouble.

Your state's leaders repay you by taking away funding for your education.

If you commit crimes and create a general nuisance of yourself, lawmakers can't wait to throw money at you.

That is one of the spectacles being carried out by Washington and Idaho legislatures this session. While funding for public education comes under increasing attack, with lawmakers claiming poverty money for bad kids seems to be in short supply.

Not only are lawmakers in both states punishing students who behave by cutting funding for education, they are making no attempt to reform children who don't behave. All the money being thrown at each state's juvenile crime problem is strictly for punishment.

In Washington, a bill has been put forth to have suspects 16 and 17 years old tried and, if convicted, punished as adults. The bill would eliminate most of the differences between juvenile and adult crimes by effectively lowering the age one is considered an adult.

The most common argument against this practice is that it places juveniles in contact with adult, often hardened, criminals, speeding the learning curve of juveniles who lawmakers so readily throw away. That argument seems to

carry no weight.

In Idaho a bill has been introduced to open to the public criminal records of some juveniles. That particular legislation didn't even gain favor with Idaho Chief Justice Linda Copple Trout.

Each bill, if passed, will have one major negative impact - it limits the discretionary power of judges, the people who are trained for and charged with deciding criminal punishment.

Neither piece of legislation addresses, even in passing, the economic causes of crime, the societal causes of crime, or the causes of crime. All they do is define exactly how juveniles should be punished. With narrow, and narrow-minded, legislation such as this, lawmakers assure themselves a steady stream of young criminals to show fear with voters.

So far, we've seen little but lawmakers doing negative things, such as diverting funding for education and almost every other program, while they make easy decisions, such as posturing on crime. Lawmakers understand it's easy to look tough on crime, and few people will take the time to argue that perhaps we shouldn't give up on a life that is only 13 or 14 years old.

But lawmakers also understand each state is saddled with deep-rooted problems. One of those problems is a lack of lawmakers who want to chance finding a solution.



The president's deniability is not plausible

JAMES P. PINKERTON

In Hollywood, the White House keeps its secrets.

In "Dave," the president is in a coma, and the public never finds out. And in "Mars Attacks," the luxurious hideaway

"JFK Bedroom" is known to only a few randy staffers. In Clint Eastwood's new Washington thriller, "Absolute Power," the president is an extra-marital fling, the woman is shot to death and 20,000 or so reporters never uncover the truth.

You can't believe everything you see on the screen, but since the real president, Bill Clinton, stands accused by critics of just about everything this side of murder, it's worth pausing for a moment over the question of what a president could and could not get away with.

The answer is that if it's hard to believe he's guilty of off-site philandering, it's even harder to believe he's innocent when it comes to on-site fund-raising.

In "Absolute Power," the president escapes out of the White House in the company of just two Secret Service agents, plus his chief of staff. This scenario recalls "Unlimited Access," the sensationalistic book by Gary Aldrich, a Secret Service agent who insisted that Clinton slipped out of the White House for romantic assignments.

This is not credible. Even in the dead of night, a person leaving the executive residence to enter a car parked on the South Potomac would be observed by a minimum of six guards. And when the president travels, the PPD-Protective Detail - contains at least a dozen Secret Service agents, plus a doctor, a military aide carry-

ing "the football" - the briefcase containing nuclear war codes and a technician or two from the White House Communications Agency.

To be sure, where there's a will, there's a way. But it wouldn't stay secret. But, by the same token, if the president is not guilty of midnight rambling, he is hardly innocent of the more profound charge that he and his staff knew all about the fixers, felons and foreigners they were sipping coffee with inside the White House.

Just as the president doesn't travel alone, neither does he work alone. The White House is a bureaucracy. And the first thing a bureaucrat says in the morning is, "Let's have a meeting." But there's the method in this monotony. At the end of the day, responsibility - Read: Potential blame - is diffused, as everyone becomes a stakeholder in the matter at hand. And so word gets around. That's why former cabinet secretaries Henry Kissinger, George Shultz and Caspar Weinberger, for example, weren't particularly credible when they claimed to know nothing about Watergate or Iran-contra.

More typical is the case of Robert L. Suettinger, a career intelligence officer currently serving on the National Security Council. Although his title is "director for Asian affairs," he is in fact five levels down in the White House bureaucracy; he reports to a special assistant to the president, who reports to the assistant to the president for national security affairs, who reports to the chief of staff.

As recently released e-mail reveals, Suettinger tucked away on the third floor of the Old Executive Office Building, across a street from the White House, was fully aware of some of the people visiting the president. Suettinger described Johnny Chung, the Taiwanese-American who gave \$366,000 to the Democrats, as "a hustler." Yet Chung met with Clinton at least 11 times. Indeed, in the same memo of warning, Suettinger indicated that he understood the task at hand: "To the degree it motivates him to continue giving to the DNC, who am I to complain?"

If someone at Suettinger's level knew the score, then surely the people at the top knew, too. To be sure, the Clintonians are relentless cover-uppers. It's been easier to push a camel through the eye of a needle than it has been to pull the truth about the infamous Buddhist temple fund-raiser in Hacienda Heights, Calif., out of Al Gore.

Yet even now, the president, the vice president, the comptroller of the Treasury, Eugene Ludwig, and the assistant to the president for public liaison, Alexis Herman, all claim that they went to meetings with strangers and didn't know the first thing about them, before, during, or after.

Don't believe them. That scenario is too outrageous, even for Hollywood.

James P. Pinkerton is a columnist for Newsday.

Elk have never bothered our hay

To Mr. Vincent:
In response to your Feb. 17 letter, "Speaking for the silent elk," please don't worry too much about Mike Gerber's complaint about the elk eating all his hay.

My family and I have lived on the neighboring ranch in O'Neil Basin (just five miles from the Gerber property) for the past seven years, and we have thoroughly enjoyed the presence of the elk herds in the area. They are truly beautiful animals and have never been a bother to our cattle or our hay! If I were the Nevada Division of Wildlife, I would make sure Mr. Gerber could prove exactly by how much hay those elk really ate before I paid him a red cent.

As for your comment on the "mega thousands of cattle overgrazing the land," most of us ranchers are just and responsible. We are "stewards of the land" and take that responsibility very seriously. God has blessed us with enough land for both cattle and elk alike.

JULIE WRIGHT
JEVETTE

Crime pays, so where's justice?

I have been wondering just what is going to happen to the justice system. For I do know that crime pays, so many

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lawmakers say that we need more police. But what good does that do to stop crime? They only arrest them and make more hotels and country clubs and give them the best of the best and best bid their doctor bills are paid, and their phone bills are paid by the taxpayers and workers. They have nothing to worry about, but we have so many widows and sick people.

But if the worker does not have any means to pay the doctor bills, they are turned away. I know some people that are very sick but cannot get help.

We are forced to pay lawyers \$400 per hour just so that the criminal can sue us. I always thought that when you committed a crime you must pay; not so now the victim is forced to pay. If the lawmakers would get together and do the right thing they would make a law to punish them. But they let the American Civil Liberties Union tell them what to do and it is always for the criminal and never for the victim.

The criminal should be made to pay his victim back with interest. I would like to see all of the working people get together and stop this awful injustice.

ROBERT GAIL HOBBS
Montello, Nev.

Are journalists stupid or biased?

In your Feb. 16 edition, an article on

Democratic National Committee fund-raiser John Huang was published. This article stated that when Mr. Huang was a top official at the Commerce Department, he was privy to classified trade briefings, was cleared for top secret official information and was scheduled to receive an intelligence briefing from the Central Intelligence Agency and during the same period regularly met and dined with Chinese Embassy officials. This all occurred in the fall of 1995.

In your Feb. 17 edition, an article on Hillary Clinton's stopover at Guam was published. This stop-off appears to have resulted in \$132,000 for the Clinton-Gore campaign and \$510,000 in soft money to the Democratic National Committee. This little thing occurred in September 1995.

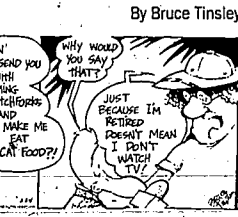
Aldrich Aimes should have joined the DNC!

These little shenanigans occurred more than a year prior to the 1996 presidential election and, to the best of my knowledge, were not published in any newspaper, periodical or aired by any major TV news anchor prior to the last election.

My question is: Do all reporters have extremely low intelligence or do they intentionally withhold any news that may damage their preferred candidate?

CLARENCE W. MCQUEEN
Halley

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Oregon clinic defies mainstream

Patients can get marijuana if seriously ill

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — An illegal clinic in downtown Portland is dispensing marijuana to sick and dying people. The Sunday Oregonian reported.

More than 120 patients have found the Alternative Health Center through word of mouth since it opened six weeks ago, the newspaper said. Patients who suffer from arthritis, multiple sclerosis, AIDS and other chronic diseases say they can buy an eighth of an ounce of marijuana for \$20 to \$30, depending on their income. Marijuana cookies are sold in \$2 packs. A pot-filled brownie goes for \$3.

The clinic opened after California and Arizona voters in November approved the medical use of marijuana. Oregon's lawmakers are considering bills to legalize marijuana for medical use.

The federal government still considers the drug illegal, and scientists said further study is needed to assess its potential medical benefits.

Patients allowed the newspa-

per to visit the Portland clinic on condition that the location not be disclosed. They also have other reasons for secrecy.

"We are concerned about vandalism, about our safety when it comes to people thinking that there are a lot of drugs here and a lot of money. And we are afraid of being accosted outside on the street," said Diane Densmore, once convicted of possessing the drug that she said helps her fight chronic pain, irritable bowel disease, scoliosis, arthritis and depression.

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— Diane Densmore, Alternative Health Center patient

Authorities acknowledge that people smoking marijuana is not as high a priority as fighting violent crime and flagrant drug dealing.

On the other hand, as the DA's office, we're not a policy-making body and those people are breaking the law, and when those cases come to our attention, we have to pay attention to them," said Multnomah County prosecutor Gary Meabe.

The most prominent marijuana buyers' club, the Cannabis Cultivators Club in San Francisco, was operating illegally for years even before California's new law and police had mostly looked the other way. Like that club, Portland patients need to have their diagnoses verified before receiving marijuana.



A volunteer wraps marijuana cookies at a self-styled alternative clinic in Portland, Ore., earlier this month.

Kasich urges delay for vote on budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress should delay a vote on the balanced budget amendment to avoid what could be a crushing defeat, a senior House Republican said Sunday.

"You don't want to take a vote if you don't think you are going to win," said House Budget Committee Chairman John Kasich, R-Ohio. "My sense is that they ought to delay it."

The Senate is heading toward a vote as late as this week on a proposal to amend the Constitution to require the federal government to operate in balance. In order to get the 67 votes, or two-thirds majority, supporters must hook the last two fence-sitters, Democrats Mary Landrieu of Louisiana and Robert Torricelli of New Jersey.

The vote is also thought to be too close to call in the House, which passed a balanced budget amendment in 1995. The measure then failed by one vote in the Senate. "It's in trouble," Kasich said on CBS' "Face the Nation." "We need to keep building the case with the American people."

House movement on the amendment has already stopped in the Judiciary Committee, where several Republicans have joined Democrats in saying the

measure should be rewritten so that the Social Security trust fund is excluded from future balanced budget considerations.

President Clinton and most Democrats opposed the amendment, saying it does not provide enough flexibility for times of economic recession and leaves Social Security vulnerable to future budget-cutting requirements.

"The balanced budget amendment subjects our economy to enormous risks in perpetuity and I think absolutely is something we should not do," said Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin on CBS.

The administration contends that the need for a constitutional amendment has been removed by the commitment, from both Democrats and Republicans, to balance the budget by 2002.

Kasich and Rubin indicated the two sides are still far apart on one aspect of that — the extent of a reduction in the capital gains tax.

Republicans are seeking a broad capital gains cut and Kasich says that "we're not going to cave on anything," but he said a compromise could eventually be reached where Republicans moved toward some of Clinton's tax cut priorities, which focus on tax credits for higher education.

Stolen script caper ends happily

BOSTON (AP) — The autographed "Cheers" script mysteriously stolen during a masked charity ball turned up just as mysteriously on the steps of a church.

The "Cheers" script, snatched from a Handel & Haydn Society gala benefit and auction, was left outside St. Joseph's Church in Malden Thursday night.

"All you can say is that somebody had a change of heart in the matter," the Rev. Robert Fountain said. "I'm just happy that there is a happy ending to it."

The stolen script of the last "Cheers" episode was autographed by cast members of the show set in Boston. It was donated by actor George Wendt, who played beer-guzzling Norm on the show.

After drawing a high bid of \$1,000, it was taken from the Four Seasons Hotel Feb. 15 during the Handel & Haydn

Society's \$250-a-plate Carnival of Venice gala, where attendees wore Venetian masks.

Its return was surprising as its theft.

"Someone rang the doorbell at 7:30 and left the script in a manila envelope on my apartment floor," Fountain said. "We have a young lady works here answering the door and phone. When she got to the door, no one was there."

A half-hour after the script was dropped off at the church, a man telephoned asking if it had been received. The anonymous caller also alerted Handel & Haydn, a 182-year-old Boston orchestra and chorus, along with a local television station.

The script was returned to the society, which is raising money to hire musicians to work with thousands of schoolchildren and provide regular lessons for gifted students.

DNC workers at White House irk Romer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Several people on the Democratic National Committee payroll are still doing advance work for the White House, DNC chairman Roy Romer said. He urged that the practice be halted altogether.

Last week the White House, under fire for its problems in keeping political and official activities separate, announced that it would stop paying five employees from national committee political funds. They were shifted to the White House payroll.

But Romer, Colorado's governor, told ABC's "This Week" that the White House and DNC

have yet to decide about three others, who do advance work for the Clinton administration but are paid by the Democratic committee.

"My advice on that would be that it would be better that we have no one over there on the DNC payroll," Romer said. That's because, he said, "even though it is legal, it is a matter you have got to continue to explain — are you doing government work, or are you doing political work? — and I believe we ought to keep a bright line between them if we can."

Asked about Romer's comments, White

House spokeswoman Mary Ellen Glynn said: "There are people on the DNC payroll who regularly do advance for the White House, especially during the campaign."

The administration acknowledged that the DNC has paid salaries of about 20 White House employees during Clinton's administration. It moved quickly to end the practice after congressional Republicans investigating White House fund-raising activities identified the practice as another example of the blurring of lines between partisan politics and official duties.

Illinois communities brace for floods

ERIE, Ill. (AP) — Some 200 to 250 people evacuated their homes Sunday after the rain-swollen Rock River broke through a levee, while residents braced for flooding along the Illinois River in the heart of the state.

Record rainfall, as much as 4 inches in some places, helped push the Illinois near flood level and state officials distributed 130,000 sandbags on Friday. Much of the flooding was confined to farm fields.

"If it goes up another 2 feet, lowlying park areas will be flooded around Peoria Heights," said Chris Cechhart of the National Weather Service.

In Erie, about 25 miles northeast of Moline, fire officials said several boats and helicopters rescued those took place along the Rock River, but they had gotten out everyone who wanted out.

"You've got some die-hards that want to stay with their homes," said Randy Shaffer, an emergency medical technician.

The Illinois Emergency Management Agency's Chris Tamminga said the water wasn't flooding living quarters yet, but many people had basement flooding.

The Rock flows across Illinois'



Vern Gustman of Moline, Ill., carries some wood back to his home, which is surrounded by flood waters from the Rock River, Sunday. Gustman, who lives along Moline's North Shore Drive, was using wood to help with the sand-bag wall that is keeping the majority of the water out of his home.

northwest, from Rockford, near the Wisconsin line, southwesterly to its confluence with the Mississippi River at the Quad Cities of Rock Island, Davenport and Bettendorf, Iowa, and Moline.

Residents forced out of 100 mobile homes when the Kishwaukee River overflowed Friday in Sycamore, about 25

miles southeast of Rockford, were still out Sunday but the water level was falling, officials said.

On Sunday morning, the Illinois was highest at LaSalle, 30.9 feet, more than 10 feet above flood stage, after rising another 2.3 feet overnight. The river has flooded in each of the last two years and in 1993.

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WORLD

China mournfully prepares to cremate Deng Xiaoping

BEIJING (AP) — Police blocked a cemetery for revolutionary heroes Sunday, keeping back hundreds of curious Chinese while soldiers made final preparations for the nation's farewell to Deng Xiaoping.

Deng was to be cremated Monday, hours before U.S. Secretary of State William Albright arrives in Beijing on the last stop of a nine-country around-the-world trek, sources at state-run TV said.



Chang Chunxi and Chang Sanxi shed tears over the death of Deng Xiaoping Sunday in Matian Township, Shanxi Province, which was once the military base for the headquarters of the 8th Route Army between 1937-1942.

Eulogies praising Deng's exploits and his economic reforms, which raised tens of millions of Chinese from poverty, gushed Sunday from government television and media.

Soldiers, meanwhile, solemnly rehearsed, carrying an empty, see-through bier at the cemetery for Communist veterans where Deng is to be cremated.

The ceremony was held in Babashan, a neighborhood in western Beijing.

Police blocked a side road to the cemetery and kept back crowds of about 200 people from its front gate, where a flag flew at half-staff. At one point, a stream of about eight black limousines sped out of the cemetery.

Deng died Wednesday at age 92. His family asked that his ashes be scattered at sea after a Tuesday memorial attended by 10,000 people. A casket containing Deng's ashes will be carried by the red Communist flag during the memorial, which marks the last day of a six-day mourning period.

Although no foreigners have been invited to the memorial, Deng's chosen successor,

The newspaper said Communist hard-liners were circulating a 20,000-word criticism of Deng's policies, in defiance of Jiang's orders.

The report clashed with the picture of unity given by the official media, which has Communist Party officials and military leaders rallying around Jiang as the "core" of the post-Deng leadership.

Premier Li Peng and the head of the legislature Qiao Guh — both of whom are possible rivals to Jiang — have echoed pledges Jiang made Friday to carry on Deng's reforms.

Communist Party Secretary and President Jiang Zemin, is likely to welcome Albright's visit as an opportunity to highlight international recognition for his leadership.

Albright has compressed all her meetings into one day so she can leave before the memorial. No foreigners were invited because Deng, who retired in 1990, was officially a private citizen with no higher title than "comrade."

Hong Kong's Sunday Morning Post said the political infighting that some expected to sharpen with Deng's death had begun.

Fire kills dozens of worshipers

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Fire swept through a cluster of thatched-roof buildings in eastern India where scores of worshipers had gathered to seek the blessing of a dead Hindu guru on Sunday, killing more than 100 people, a government official said.

Sanjeeb Hota, home secretary of the eastern coastal state of Orissa, said 110 bodies had been found by late Sunday, and that 165 people had been injured in the fire near the city of Baripada. More bodies were being dug up late Sunday, officials said.

The fire tore through the group of temporary structures erected for followers of Swami Nigamananda. The flames sent packed worshipers, many of them impoverished villagers, running for exits, Press Trust of India reported, quoting witnesses.

The fire, about 1,250 miles southeast of New Delhi, overwhelmed Baripada, which has only two fire trucks, and the state government ordered doctors from larger towns to rush to the site.

India news agencies earlier reported that at least 200 people had been killed and 500 were injured, 300 of them critically.

United News of India quoted local police in Baripada as saying that 120 bodies had been retrieved.

Some of the injured were lying on the road leading to a local hospital waiting to be treated, United News reported, and the hospital had to put some patients on its verandah after its rooms filled up with victims.

Hota, speaking in a telephone interview from Bhubaneswar, the state capital, said the search for bodies continued but that only a few more were likely to be recovered.

More than 12,000 devotees of Swami Nigamananda, a Hindu spiritual leader, had assembled for several days of worship at an area known as Madhuban ground. Swami Nigamananda has been dead for many years, but his followers, mostly in eastern India, worship his memory and still seek his blessing.

Organizers had built one huge hut and several other sheds of straw walls and thatched roofs to serve as meeting halls and temporary shelters, Hota said.

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BOSTON - National Fuelsaver Corp. of Boston has developed a low cost automotive accessory called the Platinum Gasaver which is guaranteed to increase gas mileage by 22% while meeting all federal and state emission standards.

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64	9.6	13.3	38.5%
60	13.3	17.9	34.6%
55	9.8	13.1	33.7%
68	14.3	18.4	28.7%
50	10.8	13.9	28.7%
62	14.1	17.6	24.8%
66	15.8	17.5	10.8%
57	14.4	15.9	10.4%
54	13.1	14.0	6.9%
65	12.9	11.3	-12.4%
Average	12.7	16.3	28.3%

WORLD IN BRIEF

Iraq agrees to turn parts over to U.N.

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraq has agreed to turn over missile parts to the United Nations, ending a dispute with U.N. inspectors responsible for destroying Iraq's long-range missiles.

The agreement was announced in a joint statement Sunday following meetings between Iraqi officials and Rolf Ekeus, the chief U.N. inspector, who is visiting Baghdad.

Ekeus has repeatedly accused Iraq of misleading his inspectors and has demanded that Iraq allow the United Nations to test debris from destroyed missile engines in the United States.

He has said that Iraq may have removed and hidden sophisticated Russian-built engines or engine parts and replaced them with virtually useless Iraq-made pieces before destroying the missiles.

The statement did not say when the parts would be removed or in what countries they would be tested. But it made clear that the material would be put under U.N. authority.

The United Nations has said it will not consider lifting sanctions imposed on Iraq following the 1990 invasion of Kuwait until Iraq fully cooperates with U.N. arms monitors working to dismantle its chemical and biological weapons and long-range missiles.

Yeltsin declares himself 'fully recovered'

MOSCOW — President Boris Yeltsin, looking healthy and speaking strongly, declared himself ready Sunday to take on his foes in Russia's parliament and tackle the conflict with NATO over its planned expansion.

"I am fully recovered, that's it," Yeltsin, 66, said after laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier outside the Kremlin to mark the Day of the Defender of the Fatherland, a holiday honoring the military.

Yeltsin said he had lost 57 pounds since heart bypass surgery in November and a fight with pneumonia in January. The chief Kremlin doctor, Sergei Mironov, said last week that Yeltsin weighed 189 pounds and had begun to put back on some weight.

Israel's prime minister hires lawyer

JERUSALEM — Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, under questioning in an alleged influence-trading scandal that could bring down his government, has hired one of Israel's top criminal lawyers to represent him, the lawyer confirmed Sunday.

As the scandal spread, the opposition Labor party prepared for the possibility of early elections.

Netanyahu, who was in Jordan on Sunday, reportedly has been warned by police that he could face criminal charges in connection with the short-lived appointment of a political crony as attorney general. He has denied any wrongdoing.

Key Zairian town falls to rebels

KISANGANI, Zaïre — Zaïre will never negotiate with anti-government rebels, despite their continued victories in eastern Zaïre, the president's son vowed Sunday.

"There are no negotiations with the rebels ... We are firm on that," said Nzanga Mobutu, who serves as his father's spokesman.

Even as he spoke, government officials in the Zairian capital Kinshasa were convinced that the rebels had made fresh advances toward the largest military headquarters in Kisangani, the country's third-largest city.

The Defense Ministry said Kalima, a small mining town about 180 miles south of Kisangani, fell under rebel control Saturday. The rebels also confirmed the town's capture.

Chinese lawmakers gut civil liberties laws

BEIJING — China's legislature voted Sunday to dilute Hong Kong civil liberties laws saying they contradict the constitution Beijing drafted for the territory after it returns to Chinese control July 1.

Beijing has long vowed it would gut the laws, despite protests from Hong Kong's democrats and British governor, and a committee of Chinese officials and Hong Kong nobles preparing for the handover also recommended the move on Feb. 1.

The state-run Xinhua News Agency reported that the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress voted to strike down 14 laws in their entirety and portions of 10 others.

The committee decided that Hong Kong's Bill of Rights, which guarantees freedom of speech and assembly and other civil liberties, would no longer have supremacy over other laws, Xinhua said. The committee said two other ordinances — on public demonstrations and forming associations — also will need to be revised.

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Dad's car and other horror stories

I got a convertible. New I know what you're going to say. You're going to say, 'Dave, you pathetic fool, you're 49 and you're having a midlife crisis. Trade that thing in immediately and get a car more suitable for a person your age, such as a 1910 Hummobile with air bags.'

No, darn it! I love my convertible! I've always wanted a convertible. For 33 years I've been driving boring cars, starting with my mess, Plymouth Valiant, which was a Ferrari compared with my dad's car, a Nash Metropolitan powered by a motor the same size as the one found inside Tickle Me Elmo.

I am a member of the small, select group of automotive losers who purchase both a Ford Maverick AND a Chevrolet Vega - cars manufactured when the motto of the U.S. auto industry was: 'We're Working Hard To Make You Buy An Import.'

For the past seven years I've driven a practical, box-shaped car. The auto industry calls it a "sport utility vehicle," which suggests

that it's sporty, this concept is reinforced by TV commercials showing such vehicles racing up mountainsides, splashing across rivers, winning the Olympic pole vault, etc. In fact, this vehicle is a station wagon. Admit it, sport-utility-vehicle owners! It's shaped a little differently, but it's a station wagon! And you do not drive it across rivers!

You drive it across the Wal-Mart parking lot! When I went to trade in my sport utility vehicle, I was going to buy another practical car, I truly was. But I ran into a salesperson named Jerry. Jerry's former profession was - really - powerboat racer. Currently, in addition to selling cars, he is co-producing a kick-boxing movie. So in terms of mature practicality, Jerry is not Mr. Both Feet On The Ground. I think that, if he could have, he would have sold me an F16 ("There, if you're willing to do business today, we're going to throw in the floor mats AND the heat-seeking missile package"). But I was firm, and in the end we compromised on him selling me a sporty used convertible with a 5-speed stick-shift transmission.

Immediately after I bought the car, I put the top down and took my wife, Michelle, and my son, Rob, for a ride. They both wanted to know why anybody would want a stick shift, seeing as how you have to spend a lot of time shifting it.

"Well," I explained, in my Knowledgeable Guy voice, "it's actually very practical, because by depressing the clutch you can more precisely control how fast the rpms go through the carburetor, which produces your ignition."

The actual truth, of course, is that a stick shift makes you feel like a major nutcase. You crank up the song "Little Deuce Coupe" by the Beach Boys, and when they sing, "I get pushed out of shape, and it's hard to steer, when I get rubber in all four gears, you sing along at the top of your lungs as you push the clutch in, put the car in gear, ease out the clutch and - Kiss my exhaust pipe, automatic transmission wnees! - you back out of your space in the Wal-Mart parking lot. One thing I'm a little concerned about is bullets. I live in Miami, where it is customary to celebrate certain special events (such as nightfall) by firing guns into the air, when the bullets come down, they sometimes injure people. It's such a problem that The Miami Herald recently printed a letter to the editor, which I swear I am not making up, from a Miami man who suggested that we would have a safer community if people would do what he does, namely, shoot at the ground. Here is an actual quote from this man's letter: "There are enough bullets in my yard to throw in a Boeing 747's compass, but they are down bullets where they were fired, not they come down miles away."

Unfortunately, many Miami residents are not as thoughtful as this man. So for me, the act of driving a convertible is dampened by the nagging concern that maybe I should be wearing a steel hat.

Another concern I have is that Rob, who has a driver's license despite being only 16, will drive from my perspective in the same as being a fetus; wants to drive my car; figured learning the stick shift would slow him down. I know it took me a while. My mother taught me, and I can remember the two of us yelling at each other a lot as the car, with me at the controls, would lurch forward two feet, then stall, two feet, stall, two feet, stall, and so on, causing our heads to be flung violently back and forward, back and forward, like human windshield wipers. To travel just one mile that way would have required several weeks and thousands of aspirin.

But Rob picked it right up. The second try, boom, he was off. So, of course he wants to use the convertible. My feeling is, sure I can use it whenever he wants! The only condition is that first he has to drive for 33 years. Until then, he gets the Hummobile.

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Too much room up on top

Nearing the 21st century, man still searches for a realistic looking toupee

Los Angeles Times

It's one of life's great unsolved mysteries: How come we can send a space probe to Mars but we can't make a decent toupee?

Or, more to the point, how can ABC newsmen Sam Donaldson earn \$2 million a year and still have such ridiculous hair?

But do you know? Ancient Egyptian mummies wore hairpieces.

The National Enquirer once ran this headline: "Bald Burt Reynolds Almost Blinded as Toupee Catches Fire."

Animals sometimes attack men's wigs. Hiding hair loss always has had its peculiar side.

In the third century, Christian theologian Tertullian condemned wigs as "inventions of the devil," according to Smithsonian magazine.

And during the 1700s, when skyscraper-like hairpieces sometimes coated two feet over the wearer's scalp, thieves trained monkeys to snatch the costly rugs off people's heads.

Modern toupee owners must cope with a different set of perils, including stand-up comedians and roller-coaster wind shear, in the phrase "hair-raising thrill ride"

which the phrase "hair-raising thrill ride" takes on literal meaning.

Despite such risks, the artificial-hair hall of fame is a crowded one: Julius Caesar, Louis XIII, Ricardo Montalban, Humphrey Bogart, Elye Mendez, William Shatner, Pat Boone, John Wayne, Jimmy Stewart, Jack Klugman and former Sen. Bob Packwood, for starters.

In contrast to bald advances in surgical and chemical baldness remedies, toupee technology has crept ahead more like a slowly receding hairline - unless you count the invention of snap-on hairpieces, which clip onto surgically implanted sockets to prevent an unscheduled toupee liftoff.

The earliest known wigs - found by archeologists in the tombs of Egyptian mummies - were made from such materials as plant fiber or metal, say hair historians.

Today's toupees use yak fur, polyester or human tresses.

"The men who want human hair are usually dating," explains Ralph Sampson, owner of Wilshire Wigs in Los Angeles. "Married men don't care."

Human hair feels softer, but fades in sunlight and needs a dye job about every six weeks. Synthetic coils hold a tint and style much longer, but have a less natural texture. Yak is a popular substitute for white hair.

All can be hazardous to health.

"Don't stand around open barbecue fires with your rug on," warns the San Diego Union-Tribune. "Intense heat can actually melt the base onto your scalp."

In a similar vein, the National Enquirer once reported that actor Reynolds endured a "terrifying ordeal" when his pony fleece ignited during a television stunt.

Another potential danger: animal

attacks: Squirrels, cats and Rottweilers all have been known to pounce upon pseudo-shags. Apparently, perspiration buildup can create an odor that causes the creatures to believe the rug is another animal.

But if your rug spends each night on the bedpost, you're covered for up to three years.

Either way, the wig requires regular styling - and the rest of your hair needs remaining - if it's going to look presentable, Hart said.

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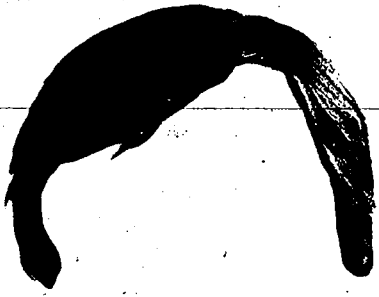


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A good rug can be hard to find locally

The Times-News

If you're in the market for a toupee, you'll have to look hard if you live in south-central Idaho.

The handful of barbershops and beauty salons in the Magic and Wood-River valleys that sell women's hairpieces generally don't carry toupees.

"I tell my (male) customers that bald is beautiful," said Sally Gulick, who operates New West Hair Design and has cut hair in Twin Falls for 30 years.

"Besides, guys around here keep their hats on all the time anyway."

Steve Hart, who runs Park Center Hair Design in Boise, would beg to differ.

"I do quite a few hairpieces," Hart said. "Men who wouldn't have considered it before are having hair replacement because it looks more natural now."

Hair replacement involves matching a toupee, usually made of real hair and often imported from the Philippines, to the color of the client's remaining hair and then styling the whole package, he said. The tab: \$500 on up.

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LOOKING GOOD HEALTH NOTES

Friday's offer office comfort

Knight-Ridder News Service

Along the casual Fridays divide, men tend to fall into one of two categories: They're not sure what's appropriate business-casual attire, so they stick to suits, or they assume Friday casual is the same as Saturday casual.

Others think jaw-mauling clothes are just fine for casual Fridays - and therein lies the problem for many corporate managers.

The problem cuts across gender lines, but men seem especially confused about how to deal with relaxed dress codes in the workplace.

Mark Weber, vice chairman of the Phillips-Van Heusen Corp., a men's apparel and footwear manufacturer, has written a book especially for the man stuck between his white shirt and tie and his favorite football jersey.

"Dress Casually for Success... For Men" (McGraw Hill, \$16.95) not only gives the do's, the don'ts and the how-to's of business casual dressing, but also includes a chapter titled "Clothes 101" that is a primer on fabrics and fibers, jacket, shirt and pants styles.

"We wrote the book because, basically, we want the boss to FRIDAY, Page B2.



A cable-knit cardigan, in this case from Gant, is ideal for casual Fridays at the office.

Least yeast

Good news, women. The Food and Drug Administration has approved the first nonprescription medicine for yeast infections that requires just one day of treatment. The FDA switched Bristol Myers Squibb's Vagistat-1 from prescription-only to over-the-counter drug status. But the FDA cautions that some women may still need other three- or seven-day prescription medication treatments to fight off yeast infections.

A cold reception

Scientists have found a statistical link between a communication system in the brain and how cold and aloof we are. The work focused on a type of dopamine receptor called D2. Scientists report in the journal Nature that the lower the density of receptors a person had, the higher he or she tended to score in a measure of a personality trait called detachment.

Test spots cancer cells

By looking carefully at how a man's genes interact with infrared light, scientists say they can tell with high reliability if his prostate cells are turning cancerous. The new test, which is still

better diagnostic of prostate cancer, perhaps catching many more tumors early for successful treatment, they said. The cells are extracted from the prostate gland via needle biopsy.

The acne blues

If your child takes the common acne medicine minocycline hydrochloride, be on the lookout for a blue-tinted smile. The medication discolored the bones-so-badly-in-about-10-percent of patients that it showed through their gums, says Doree Eisen of Dermatology Research Associates in Cincinnati. Anyone noticing such discoloring should switch to another antibiotic, Eisen says.

Muddying the waters

Should you wallow in the mud? More and more people are covering themselves in high-priced, pedigree goat, but some experts think it's just a dirty trick. "I think it's all hype," says Jerome Z. Litt, an assistant clinical professor of dermatology at Case Western Reserve University. "You can get some mud from anything," Litt tells Weight Watchers magazine.

Compiled from wire reports

HEALTH & FASHION

Boyfriend's 'bill' could cost girlfriend's trust

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend of one year and I have been going through some turbulent times these last several weeks, and at one point we decided to part ways. I was shocked when he handed me a "bill" totaling \$1,393.



DEAR ABBY: Abigail Verburen

I admit there were amounts on that I had told him I would pay back - but it only added up to half of his total. Amounts like \$5, \$10 and \$20 that I thought he had given in unconditional good spirit were listed on these other months and exact dates throughout the entire year we had been dating. For example, he would say, "Here, Hon, put some gasoline in your tank. I have helped him out monetarily from time to time, but I never expected that he was keeping track of what he was giving me, much less that he'd ask for it back."

relationship is worth mending. What is your advice?

- CONFUSED IN SAN DIEGO DEAR CONFUSED: Your boyfriend may have acted in a moment of anger, but he did not compile his detailed ledger on the spur of the moment. If you are looking for a generous man, keep looking. This one is not above using the purse strings to try to control you.

DEAR ABBY: We hear so many horror stories concerning children of divorce, it might be encouraging to hear of one where both parents handle the situation very well.

Since the divorce seven years ago, the two children (now 11 and 13) have been in the custody of

their mother. Of course, the father has visitation rights. Never has either parent said anything derogatory about the other. The two have always lived in different areas - now Cleveland and Dayton, Ohio - and each has initiated phone calls to the other for the children.

When the mother (my daughter) goes to her Air Force reserve duty in Dayton, the children stay with their father, and occasionally she too stays there. Similarly, when the father and his wife come to Cleveland to see the children, they have stayed at my daughter's home - as have his relatives.

Last Christmas, they had the greatest arrangements, demonstrating what exemplary parents they are - the new wife included. During the Christmas season, the girls spent several days with their father, then on Christmas Eve when he brought them back to their mother's home, he and his wife stayed overnight, so they could all share Christmas morning with the children.

Abby, wouldn't it be wonderful

if more divorced couples could handle the situation so well?

- GRATEFUL GRANDMA IN FLORIDA DEAR GRATEFUL GRANDMA: Same day, but unfortunately, must differ.

DEAR ABBY: In your tribute to the Martin Luther King Jr. you said: "In 1964 he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. Dr. King's principles of nonviolence were based on the teachings of Christianity."

Abby, Martin Luther King had to go to India to learn the principles of nonviolence, because they were neither understood nor practiced in the United States.

The civil rights movement in the 1960s reminds us of how violent white Christians really are. They are as violent as Muslims and Jews, if not more violent. Remember, we have had nearly 5,000 lynchings in our history. Christians proclaim brotherly love, love for your neighbor, peace on earth and other notions - but they often do not practice them.

- EUGO BORRESEN

BEAUTY OF YOUTH



Laura, a 13-year-old model, flaunts Vivien Westwood's autumn-winter fashion collection in London, Sunday. Westwood prompted controversy by using only models between the ages of 13 and 18 to display her collection.

Tickle research pokes at question

The Dallas Morning News

Charles Darwin might have been right about evolution, but new evidence suggests he won't have the last laugh about an even deeper biological puzzle: Why are we ticklish?

Perhaps, Darwin thought, we simply enjoy laughter, even at the hands of tormenting brothers and sisters. Now, more than 100 years after Darwin's death, psychologists are finally trying to explain why tickling, though painful at times, makes us snicker.

This is serious science. "I'm really interested in why we laugh and smile when we're tickled," said a researcher, Christine Harris. "Most people agree that it's not something they enjoy."

Harris, born in Fort Worth and now a psychology graduate student at the University of California, San Diego, rounded up 72 undergraduate students for a 10-second "tickling episode." A third of the volunteers watched a Best of Saturday Night Live video beforehand, a third watched the video afterward, and the rest watched a 13-minute nature film prior to tickling.

The idea that tickled Harris' fancy was a hypothesis Darwin put forth in 1872. The British naturalist believed that both tickling

and humor were born of mirth - that is, they both have the same underlying emotion.

Sorry, Charlie. If Darwin were right, the humor from the video would have primed the students into being more ticklish, Harris says. In general, laughter begets laughter, which is why it's possible to tickle the giggles or why a warm-up comedian often appears before the main act. But in the case of tickling, Harris found that the students who watched the comedy film video were no more or less ticklish than the nature film group. (The experiment assumes, of course, that the Saturday Night Live video was funnier than the clip on animal locomotion.)

Likewise, tickling did not prompt the students to think the video was an absolute scream. The research appears in the current issue of the journal Cognition and Emotion.

In a second experiment that has not yet been published, Harris tested whether the relationship of tickler to ticklee matters. In particular, she wanted to see whether a person has to be tickled in a friendly way to laugh. Harris even proposing that a child would squeal in fear if tickled by a stranger.

Guess again, Chuck. The volun-

teers, blindefolded, were tickled once by a research assistant and once by an elaborately designed robotic tickle hand, complete with a mechanical humming sound. In both instances, the subjects "smiled, laughed and wiggled just as often in response to the machine as to the experimenter."

But the joke was on them. A cunning research assistant, hiding underneath a table, tickled each person both times.

Even when thought that building an actual robot was unnecessary, does not doubt that their subjects were fooled. One volunteer even commented on the "screaky feel" of the machine.

The data from both projects suggest that laughing when you're tickled is a simple reflex action with no emotional attachment, an innate social behavior, clean moving your knee after it is tapped with a rubber mallet.

Harris hopes her research will not only help solve mysteries about tickling, but offer insights into other human emotions.

"There's almost an empirical work" on tickling, she said. "I think that any human behavior that people have wondered about is worth investigating. Once you have an understanding, you don't know how it will enlighten you in other ways."

Approved breath test simply diagnoses stomach ulcer cause

The Washington Post

A recently approved breath test gives physicians a simple and effective way to diagnose stomach ulcers, which are reducing the need for the more costly and uncomfortable endoscopic procedure now commonly used.

The new test, approved by the Food and Drug Administration in September, detects the presence in the stomach of *helicobacter pylori*, the spiral-shaped bacterium that causes 80 to 90 percent of peptic ulcers.

The Meretek UBT Breath Test, as it is called, is possible because of a simple chemical interaction: *H. pylori* bugs contain high con-

centrations of urease, an enzyme that causes urea to break down into ammonia and carbon dioxide.

In the new test, the patient drinks a specially prepared solution of urea supplemented with carbon-13. If *H. pylori* is present, it breaks apart the urea and sends the carbon-13 molecules into the bloodstream; they then pass through the lungs.

When exhaled, the patient's breath "has a higher than normal concentration of carbon dioxide of the kind that contains carbon-13," said David Y. Graham, chief of gastroenterology at Houston's Veterans Administration Medical Center and one of the designers

of the breath test. Meretek, a Nashville firm that manufactures the test, claims it is 95 percent accurate in detecting *H. pylori*.

In the test, which costs between \$250 and \$350, the patient exhales into a breath-collection bag before taking the urea solution and then again 30 minutes after drinking it. The breath samples, stored in special vacuum tubes, are sent to Meretek for lab analysis. Results come back in one to two days.

Since some kinds of foods contain a lot of carbon-13, patients should fast for four hours before the breath test, Graham said.

Friday

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he, even as a mess. "The editor's group of fashion writers, editors and retailers recently during Men's Fashion Week in New York."

Men have to realize that relaxed dress codes don't mean anything good, Weber says. There are still rules that determine who makes it and who doesn't. "Competition in the boardroom does not disappear with the removal of the jacket and tie," he says.

Dress codes may differ from one company to the next, Weber warns. Still, there are some common elements to a business casual wardrobe:

- A blazer or sports jacket is most essential, preferably in a lightweight, year-round wool in navy or a neutral color.
• Blue denim, buttoned-down or spread collar shirts can be worn with or without a tie.
• Solid color shirts and solid color polo sport shirts are also acceptable.
• A sweater can replace the

jacket. Wear a cardigan the way you would a jacket, or wear a crew-neck or V-neck sweater over a shirt, with or without the tie.

Office outfits remind of the office. Some reminders:

- Don't wear T-shirts or sweatshirts with messages on them. What's funny to you may be silly or offensive to your co-workers.
□ Don't be too much skin. That means no tank tops or sleeveless T-shirts, and socks should be long enough to cover your leg when you sit down.
□ Don't wear cutoffs or shorts.
□ Don't wear traditional sports jerseys. They're for the weekend.
□ Don't wear tight jeans: The office is not the place to show off your buns of steel.
□ Don't wear an open collar with a tie. It gives you that harlequin look.

• For pants, choose khakis, gray or neutral wool slacks, or classic, pressed jeans. Think neat and no-lookin' on those jeans, guys.

• Loafers, bucks, saddle shoes and dark socks should cover your feet. Keep a tie and leather shoes in the office for when you might need them, Weber suggests.

Some of Weber's advice is common sense: "Casual does not mean sloppy. That means no wrinkles and no holes. No fraying collars and no distressed jeans. If you're wearing shoes that were meant to be polished, they should be polished. And, of course, nothing should be dirty, ... Business casual starts with good grooming."

Toupee

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spotting imperior curls. For example, a false collar that Ted Koppel's pelt is bogus, others - including a spokesperson for ABC News - insist it's real.

David Letterman is also a mystery, thanks to recurring jokes on the show about his "toupee." (For the record, CBS officials say the hair is natural.)

A few years ago, a group called the Bald Urban Liberation Brigade began "outing" follically challenged celebrities by putting up posters that declared transplant and toupee-wearing actors "absolutely bald." Victims, according to news reports, included Larry Hagman, Charles Bronson and Ted Danson.

The entertainment industry is, of course, rife with synthetic body parts, including hair. Roberts says his father once outfitted Bogart, who came down with alopecia (unusual hair loss) during the filming of "The Sign of the Cross" with fake arm hair, eyebrows and "three-day beard growth."

Other celebrities suspected of coifing up the hair reversers: Mohawks: Steve Allen, Charlton Heston, Fred Astaire, George Burns, Liberace, Gene Kelly, Frank Sinatra, Charles Grodin and Bing Crosby, who inexplicably donated four of his (on a hair marked "Crosby toupees") to alma mater Gonzaga University in Spokane, Wash.

Still, Hollywood isn't the cap-

ital of male pattern vanity. That title apparently belongs to Japan, which is said to be the world's largest toupee market.

The Japanese also invented "kanekalon," the fiber of choice for synthetic hair because "it can be teased, thinned and set in hot rollers," says Ron Zagon of Cal East Imports, a Beverly Hills, Calif., wig mart.

Customers batten down their chins in several ways: ougless double-sided tapes, glue or hidden clips. A few decades ago, suction-cup wigs enjoyed a brief run.

At chains such as Hair Club for Men, rugs are glued onto existing hair and must be adjusted every few weeks. Although the prices are far higher than those in traditional toupee shops, "the product is exactly the same," says Anthony Santangelo, president of the Chicago-based American Hair Loss Council. "It's all marketing."

Still, Santangelo credits Hair

Club with reintventing the toupee's battered image and leading "over-night growth" in the estimated \$280-million-a-year U.S. hairpiece industry.

As for the future, wigging innovations seem plausible. How about a Velcro toupee? Or magnetic plugs for men who have metal pins in their heads?

In the eyes of cosmologists, of course, a more likely scenario is the one in "Star Trek: The Next Generation" - a civilization so advanced it can send spaceships to the far reaches of the universe, dimable energies with plasma and beam elements, from one location to another, atom by atom.

Yet it can't give Capt. Jack Bauer a head of hair.

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Diet may help some kids who suffer from epilepsy

Knight-Ridder News Service

DETROIT — Nothing Jim and Nancy Abrahams experienced as parents with their first two children prepared them for what would happen to their son Charlie.

As Abrahams pushed his 1-year-old in a swing, he noticed one of Charlie's arms shoot up stiffly and his head flick to the side.

The next day, as the Abrahams sat waiting to see their pediatrician, Charlie did the same thing. The pediatrician gently but firmly "got rid of us as quickly as he could" by sending them to a pediatric neurologist, says Abrahams, a Hollywood producer whose filmography includes "Airplane!" "Ruthless People" and the "Naked Gun" series.

The diet worked immediately for Charlie. And as long as he stays on the high-fat, low-protein, low-carbohydrate diet, he never has seizures.

The specialist confirmed that Charlie had epilepsy, a seizure disorder that affects 2.5 million Americans, including 300,000 children.

Soon, Charlie was having as many as 75 seizures a day, of various kinds and severity. Nothing his parents tried worked.

Charlie even had brain surgery, but it "absolutely did not help," says Abrahams. "To the extent it hurt him, I'll never know."

In desperation, the Abrahams tried an odd diet that has eliminated or reduced seizures in thousands of children.

Jim Abrahams didn't hear about the diet from any of the half-dozen epilepsy specialists he sought out at leading medical centers, a fact that still amazes him.

Instead, he stumbled over it in the library.

When he took the idea to his son's doctor, a prominent Los Angeles pediatric neurologist who Abrahams "trusted so completely" the physician dismissed it as unproven, unworkable and unsound.

But since nothing else was helping, the family decided to try the ketogenic (ketosis-inducing) diet, a bizarre-sounding, precisely tailored plan that includes large amounts of whipping cream.

In December 1993, Charlie was admitted at the university-affiliated Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions in Baltimore, where the diet was introduced in the 1920s. Its leading proponent there is Dr. John Freeman, director of pediatric neurology.

Freeman's research, now published in a book, shows that the diet eliminates seizures completely in one-third of children, and as many as another half have fewer seizures.

The diet worked immediately for Charlie. And as long as he stays on the high-fat, low protein, low-carbohydrate diet, he never has seizures.

To spread the word, the

Abrahams family created the Charlie Foundation to promote the diet and research in pediatric epilepsy. As soon as Abrahams has turned to the medium he knows best — film — to produce a made-for-TV movie about the diet. "First Do No Harm," starring Meryl Streep, aired Sunday night on ABC.

The fictionalized drama, based on true events, centers on a mother's determination to help her son control his seizures through diet, despite strong opposition from her son's doctor. But the movie also raises larger medical issues, including doctors' reluctance to discuss with patients, and their acceptance of drugs and operations that may have no scientific proof that the nutritional treatments they reject.

"The movie is about a patient's right to know and how doctors form opinions," says Abrahams. "It is about how cruel it is to deprive people of hope."

Acceptance of the diet varies across the country. Some doctors recommend it, others don't, and some local chapters of the Epilepsy Society of America promote it more actively than others do.

The Epilepsy Center of Michigan, for example, recently held a workshop on the diet and offers information on it to the public.

It also publishes new research on the diet. Recently, nine medical centers presented preliminary results of studies at a joint meeting of the Epilepsy Foundation of America and the American Epilepsy Society. The studies' results were that about 20 percent to 25 percent of children ages 1

to 16 were seizure-free on the diet one year later, the researchers reported.

Of those who remained on the diet, children under 10 had the best success. Ninety-one percent had their seizures reduced by more than 50 percent. Children older than 10 had a 73 percent reduction in seizures.

Some 27 percent to 40 percent of children don't stay on the diet, the researchers said. Key reasons include stresses from maintaining the diet, slight variations in eating that make the diet ineffective, and side effects including poor growth, vomiting, kidney stones, lethargy and recurrent infections.

Despite the obstacles, word has spread. "Diane NRC" aired a program about the diet in 1994, and the Charlie Foundation has mailed 50,000 free videos about the diet.

Some dispute TV film's epilepsy 'cure'

The Washington Post

A 70-year-old diet treatment for epilepsy is in the spotlight after being featured last week-end in a made-for-television movie starring Meryl Streep, "First Do No Harm," which aired on ABC television Sunday. Despite a young boy's struggle with uncontrolled epilepsy and the emotional and financial toll that the disorder takes on his family.

In the film, his mother learns of the ketogenic diet in a medical textbook and, in Hollywood fashion, battles unsympathetic doctors to get her son on this regimen. She succeeds after great effort.

Her son becomes seizure-free overnight and no longer requires heavy doses of anticonvulsant drugs that make him lethargic and hunched.

The best shot of the movie shows him healthy and riding a white horse down Main Street in a Fourth of July parade.

Despite this Hollywood presentation, "none of us think that this diet is a cure for epilepsy," said Wendy G. Mitchell, professor of neurology and pediatrics at Children's Hospital in Los Angeles.

The reality is that the ketogenic diet is a demanding regimen that has been used for decades with some success. Even its staunchest supporters say it has limited potential.

"Children who have just had a few seizures are likely to be controlled with one of a number of medicines that are much easier to take than the diet," said neurologist John Freeman, director of the pediatric epilepsy center at the Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions in Baltimore, who has helped train other doctors to use the diet.

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DEAR PAULA: I've been spending so much less money on my skin care routine since taking your advice. Now, I'm wondering what you think of Avon's new product for around the eye.

—CONNIE, ORLANDO, FLA.

DEAR CONNIE: Avon's new eye cream called Eighten Up (\$14.50 for 0.5 ounce) is supposed to reduce dark circles and diminish lines, just what most women want from an eye product. This one contains mostly glycerin, water, thickeners, silicone oil, plant oil, more thickeners, plant oil, vitamins E and A,



sunscreening agents, and preservatives. This is a very good emollient moisturizer for the area around the eyes, and like any other emollient moisturizer it can help make the skin look smoother and softer. But nothing in here makes it better than hundreds of other moisturizers. Still, this one has a relatively decent price tag and it is great for dry skin.

DEAR PAULA: I know you are fond of Bobbi Brown's foundations, particularly because her foundation colors are either neutral or yellow-based. She has come out with a new one. It is as good as her others?

—KATHY, QUEENS, N.Y.

DEAR KATHY: When Bobbi Brown first launched her makeup line it had only one foundation—a stick that went on fairly greasy but blended out evenly and smooth and came in strongly yellow-based shades. She took the notion of yellow-based foundation shades (which I have advocated for some time) to an extreme (which I do not advocate because yellow-based doesn't mean yellow colored foundations). Shortly thereafter she introduced an oil-free foundation with an excellent matte finish and great neutral shades, not a yellow one in the crowd. Now, to round out her popular line, she has created Moisturizing Foundation (\$35). It is superior, with a silky smooth texture that blends on evenly and looks polished. The only shades to watch out for are Natural and Honey, which can be too yellow, but the other shades are gorgeous.

By the way, she also has a new Cream Eyeshadow (\$18). It is meant to be used all over the face, which is good because if you're over the age of 30 you

would not want to use these three shiny colors on your eyes, making the wrinkles more evident. Silver, Pink, and Gold blend on as translucent shine, which can be a nice evening look over the cheeks, lips, and neckline.

Paula Begoun is the author of several books on cosmetics, including "Don't Go to the Cosmetics Counter Without Me" (Beginning Press, \$13.95), a no-nonsense paperback guide to brand-name cosmetics.

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HEALTH & FASHION

Discrimination against fat people still widely practiced

Valley Blowing Star

HARLINGEN, Texas — Mary has struggled with her weight most of her life.

"When I was in the third grade, my mother would pack Merle's diet cookies in my lunch. Because it was a known dietician brand, the other kids teased me mercilessly. It was awful.

As much of her life, Mary, 40, whose name has been changed, has been badgered about her weight.

"People wouldn't dream of going out to a restaurant in a wheelchair and ridiculing them in the same way. And it really riles me that it's OK for a man to be overweight, but boy, his wife better not be."

Mary is not alone. Today, heavy people are tired of being harassed about their size.

As a time when all of us are careful to speak and act in a politically correct manner, on guard about racial or sexist comments, making fun of overweight people is still practiced.

In her book, "The Invisible Woman: Confronting Weight Prejudice in America" (Gurze Books, \$14.95), W. Charisse Goodman points out this form of vicious discrimination is not only accepted but encouraged in our society.

"My book is about shattering the stereotypes and have generated the myth of the freakish fat woman," Goodman said. "It's for the big women of any age or size who's just beginning to question if weight prejudice is really a natural response to being 'problem' or, in fact, a manifestation of other

people's problems."

When she was 5, Goodman realized people saw her differently from other children.

"People make assumptions about others based on their size," she said. "They automatically assume fat people are lazy, sloppy and ugly."

Goodman recognized the prejudice against fat people, she said, because she is Jewish.

"Weight is about being accepted, and today standards for being thin are so extreme. It's like society has assumed the role of an abusive parent and nothing is ever good enough."

—Mary, who is bothered about weight

"I don't understand why people will get upset if someone is mistreated because of being Jewish but not because of being fat," she said.

Esther Rothblum, a professor of psychology at the University of York, said that the social consequences of discrimination, says that "being fat is the last area where people feel they can be quite biased, quite discriminatory in a way that they can't be with other groups."

Others call it "the last safe prejudice." Activists say those who are larger than average face discrimination in employment, education, housing and access to medical care and insurance.

Judy, who did not wish to have her real name used, experienced prejudice at her job after people she had talked with on the phone treated her differently when they

met her in person.

"People were polite and respectful over the phone," she said, "but once they met me and saw what I looked like, my credibility immediately dropped. People don't think you're very smart if you're heavy."

Over a period of four years, Judy's weight went from 125 pounds to 185. "I'm 5 feet and 3 inches," she said, "so this was a noticeable weight gain. I knew something was medically wrong because my weight had always been around 115." But when I questioned my doctor, he would just look at my husband and ask if I was sneaking food."

Finally, Judy found a doctor who discovered she had a thyroid problem. Today she's back down to 112 pounds. Nevertheless, she still feels the effects of weight prejudice.

"Guys who knew me when I was heavy will come up to me now and say, 'If I'd known you were going to look like this, I'd have done it.' It's unbelievable," Judy said. "And now that I'm thin, people who used to give me diets tell me I look awful because I'm too thin."

Goodman believes weight has become a metaphor for other things. Weight prejudice is supposedly about health issues, she said, but it really has more to do with power and control, especially with women.

"Weight is about being accepted, and today standards for being thin are so extreme. It's like society has assumed the role of an abusive parent and nothing is ever good enough," she said.

Time to clean out medicine cabinet

Pharmacist says bathroom not a good place to store medicines

Knight-Ridder News Service

Open your medicine cabinet. It's time to take inventory.

Rusting can of shaving cream? Check. Fifty-year-old packets of Tylenol that came free in the mail? Check. Antifreeze green, night-time, coughing, sneezing, hacking, just-pot-me-out-of-my-misery, peen't Check. Cracked and peeling tube of something so old you have no recollection of bringing it into the house, let alone applying it to a body part? Check.

And, finally, 8-year-old prescription pain killers you got for your last surgery and are saving for a genuine emergency? Check.

OK. Looks like you're preparing for just about anything. Still, maybe you should keep the poison control center number next to the phone, just in case you actually use any of those supplies.

It is a good idea to have basic first-aid and other supplies on hand, but if you haven't been exactly vigilant in stocking your medicine cabinet, never fear. It's not a good place to store medicine, anyway.

"First of all, there's the humidity and heat from bathing and so forth," says Carlo Michelotti, a

pharmacist and senior vice president for professional affairs at the California Pharmacists Association. That heat and humidity, along with the bright lights of the bathroom, cause many medications to degrade rapidly.

For example, nitroglycerin, often used to relieve chest pain, breaks down quickly, especially if it gets moist, says Joe Tung, supervisor of outpatient pharmacy at Stanford Health Services.

Your pills can crumble into powder to open, but they aren't airtight. And that moisture-wicking cotton in the top of the aspirin bottle? It can be a breeding ground for bacteria, and some pharmacists say get rid of it.

Then there's the stumbling-and-bumbling factor. "When people deal with going to the medicine cabinet," says Michelotti, "it's often in the middle of the night or early in the morning and they're not fully awake."

It's dark, you're dealing with those jumpy little glass shelves; and you don't have your contacts in. As Michelotti says, "It's just misadventures ready to occur around every corner."

What to stock:

- The American Red Cross suggests keeping the following in first-aid kits located in your house, car and workplace. Again, supplies will last longer if you keep them dry, cool and out of the sun:
- Flashlight and batteries
 - Scissors and tweezers
 - Needle and safety pins
 - Emergency blanket
 - Triangular bandages
 - Antiseptic towelettes
 - Adhesive bandage strips in assorted sizes
 - 2-inch and 4-inch gauze pads
 - Sterile roller bandages
 - Disposable gloves
 - Plastic bags
 - Cold pack
 - Thermometer
 - Tube of petroleum jelly or other lubricant
 - Soap
 - Sunscreen
 - Aspirin or non-aspirin pain reliever
 - Anti-diarth medication
 - Antacid
 - Laxative
 - Syrup of ipecac (used to induce vomiting, if advised by the poison control center)
 - Activated charcoal (a general-purpose antidote used to treat poisoning and, incidentally, to control excess intestinal gas. Doesn't work for poisoning with acids or cyanide. Again, the Red Cross suggests using it if a call to a poison control center indicates it's necessary.)
- Source: Knight-Ridder News Service

Acne causes blues

Knight-Ridder News Service

It has been the brunt of jokes for years.

But acne isn't funny.

Wichita, Kan., dermatologist Christopher Moeller says the number of adults especially women seeking help with acne is increasing. He doesn't know whether increased stress and other environmental factors are causing more acne, or women are paying more attention to their appearances as they take more visible places in the workplace or some other factors are at work.

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Free weight control seminar Wednesday

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Fitness and Weight Management Center is sponsoring a free seminar on weight management at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Best Western Canyon Springs Inn.

The seminar will offer information on obesity, its causes and its management. The center is now open for appointments for those interested in weight loss. For more information or to make an appointment, call 735-0843.

Alzheimer's family support group meets

BURLEY — The Alzheimer's Dementia Family Support Group will meet at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at 2331 Parke Ave., Suite 5 (this was previously the doctors' offices located behind the old Mini-Cassia Memorial Hospital).

Guest speaker will be Robert Schroeder, hearing aid counselor and audiologist. He will talk about the correlation between

Senior center will offer free blood check

dementia and hearing loss.

For more information, call Valerie Shell at (208) 677-4872.

Japanese natural healing class unites

JEROME — A class on Reiki, a Japanese natural healing art, is planned for Friday through March 2.

This ancient healing art is done by a simple treatment form of hands on the body. For more information about the class, call Luanne Epeldi at 739-0160 or Anna at (208) 324-7250.

Free injury evaluation for student athletes

TWIN FALLS — The Center for Physical Rehabilitation is offering free injury evaluations for all Magic Valley area high school athletes throughout the 1997 school year. These evaluations will be performed by Troy Schneider, a Nationally Certified Athletic Trainer. These evaluations will be from 8 a.m. to noon weekdays by appointment only.

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For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the center at 734-5313.

First Aid/CPR course set for next month

TWIN FALLS — A Standard First Aid (Adult CPR and First Aid) course will be held at 9 a.m. March 8. The fee for this six and one-half hour class is \$35. Adult CPR only fee is \$25.

The American Red Cross has scheduled twice-weekly CPR and First Aid recertification classes at 9 a.m. on Mondays and 1 p.m. on Fridays. If your certification is about to expire, call the Red Cross office to register for the class that is suitable for your schedule.

To register for classes or for more information, call 733-6464 of stop by the office at 715 Shoshone St. E. Pre-registration and pre-payment is required for all classes.

To do for you is a calendar listing of health-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Health & Fashion section. Mail notices to: The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls 83303, or deliver to our office at 132 Third St. W.

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- Breast Cancer Support Group * Monday, February 24, 7 p.m., Cancer Center Reception Area. Dr. Paul Workman will speak on the topic "Mammography And Its Controversies." For more information call Char Basala-Davis at 737-2441 or Jody Craig at 737-3700.
- Prepared Childbirth Course * Tuesdays February 25 - March 25, 7-9:30 p.m., Education Center. Pre-registration required. Call 737-2900.
- CPR Class * Tuesday and Wednesday, February 25 and 26, 6:30 - 10 p.m., Doctor's Meeting Room. To register call 737-2007.
- Cesarean Childbirth Class * Wednesday, February 26, 7-9:30 p.m., Education Center. Pre-registration is not required.
- Cancer Support Group * Thursday, February 27, 7-9 p.m., Cancer Center Reception Area. For more information call 737-2800.
- Juvenile Stop Smoking Program * Thursday, February 27, 7 p.m., Education Center. Designed as a part of the Juvenile Peer Court System to convince teens that smoking is a bad choice. To register call 737-2007.
- "Get Heart Smart" Healthy Heart Program * Thursday, February 27, 7 p.m., KMYT Community Room. Julie Ellis, PT, CSCS will discuss "Exercise for a Healthy Heart," and Debi Klimes, Director of the CSI Center for New Directions will present stress reduction techniques. Admission is free, courtesy of MVRMC and the American Heart Association.
- Big Kids Klub * Saturday, March 1, 10-11:30 a.m., Education Center. Designed to help prepare brothers and sisters for the new baby. To register call, 737-2900.
- Monthly MVRMC Board Meeting * Monday, March 3, 7 p.m., Doctor's Meeting Room.
- March of Dimes "Babies and You" * Monday, March 3, 7 p.m., Education Center. Topic will be "A Baby In Your Future? Preparing for Pregnancy." To register call 737-2900.
- Childbirth Refresher Course * Tuesday, March 4, 7-10 p.m., Education Center. Pre-registration required. Call 737-2900.

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Cocteau's reflection on mirrors
L.M. Boyd

Q. What's a "designer drug"?
A. A street lab drug with its molecular structure changed to avoid criminal prosecution for its possession. The bigger the dog, the more frequently it gets sick. That, according to a British actuary.

Q. A married man in a business partnership is more apt to split up with his wife than with his business partner. Statistically.

Q. What's "neet capitalization"?
A. Use of a capital letter in a compound word or trade name. As in "WordPerfect." Print shops adopted the term from the software industry.

Q. Amn pretty sure you wouldn't eat the most profitable food on the market. Not positive, just pretty sure. It's dogfood.

Q. What football player ran 171 yards for a touchdown?
A. Fenton "U-turn" Weems for a 1956 Rose Bowl record. Washington State beat Brown 14-0 in that one. Sinus medication disoriented Weems. He carried the ball the wrong way.

WHAT'S WHAT?
L.M. Boyd

came to, reversed, and scored.
Q. Isn't the smallest of the modern shotguns the .410 gauge?
A. It's the .410 bore, a 67 gauge. The .410 is designated by bore even as rifles and handguns.

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Horoscope
Sydney Omar

IF FEBRUARY 24 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are musical, possess sense of drama, are idealistic in romance. Taurus, Libra, Scorpio persons play fascinating roles in your life. During March expectations fulfilled - involves excitement of discovery, exploration, a different kind of love. During April, many that was born, or taken without permission will be returned. Travel in May as result of increased social activities. September and October most memorable for you this year.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Efforts soon crowned with success. Spotlight on goal green light; permanent or taken without permission will be returned. Travel in May as result of increased social activities. September and October most memorable for you this year.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You will soon know whether proposal has been accepted. Stress universal appeal; focus on teaching, agriculture. Potential - don't rest on laurels. Aries, Libra persons play unusual roles in your picture.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You're on precipice of intense romance - has nothing to do with chronological age. Focus on enlightenment, fresh start, new direction that involves children. Leo, Aquarius may make a difference.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): What was taken away will be replaced - turns out to be blessing in disguise. Financial burden soon lifted - you'll regain creative control. Sagittarius in picture.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Investigate stock portfolio. Heed your own counsel. Some well-meaning individuals could hinder progress. Relative provides valid information concerning financial transactions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Soon you'll begin to do with chronological age. Focus on this situation! Previous delay due to mechanical failure. Have repair work done soon. Love on beauty, self-reference for talent. Musical knowledge enhances relationship. Taurus, Libra persons play roles in your picture.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Out of the blue you are designated as champion. Focus on speculation, ability to win valuable allies due to powers of persuasion. Romantic interlude becomes more than that, much more. Aries, Libra persons play roles in your picture.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You overcome odds, scenario high light. Start start enables you to see aside focus by attending conference you could encounter soul mate. Don't fear romance. Love catch-up, disillusionment is replaced by optimism.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Fresh start enables you to see aside focus inhibitions. Financial status of one close to you is revealed in embarrassing manner. Calm but insist, "Don't let it happen again!"

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What to do when a muscle cramps

When a muscle is stretched beyond its normal range or suddenly lightened, it may go into a painful spasm — a cramp.

The classic cramp

- A person is sleeping in bed or just awakening and moves or stretches
- Suddenly her calf muscle contracts violently
- A hard knot can be clearly seen in the center of the calf muscle; it feels hard and tense

Cramped quarters

- A person sits in an awkward position, and a muscle suddenly cramps

Over-exertion

- A person not accustomed to vigorous exercise gets leg cramps after a brisk walk



Massaging the muscle and stretching it gently helps reduce the pain and end the spasm.

Usually not a cause for concern

- These common sorts of cramps normally last only a few minutes and are not a cause for concern
- If other symptoms accompany it, the cramp may be caused by an underlying medical problem; these are some possibilities:

- Heat exhaustion brought on by exposure to extreme heat; person's skin becomes pale and clammy; dizziness, faintness, rapid breathing and cramps follow

- Circulatory disorders can cause repeated cramps after walking

Swimming after eating?

- We often hear that a person should wait an hour after eating before swimming for fear of a stomach muscle cramp
- It's good advice, but not for that reason

- If you swim soon after eating, you may become nauseated and even vomit a heavy meal followed by vigorous swimming is the most risky combination

SOURCE: AMA Family Medical Guide; American Red Cross

KRT Infographic

Heart problems common after stroke

The Washington Post

Doctors are long known that people who survive one stroke are at high risk of suffering a second one, but a new Finnish study of almost 7,000 men and women shows that they are also vulnerable to heart problems.

Nearly a third of the stroke survivors who die within a year, the study found, die not of a second stroke but of a heart attack, heart failure or other cardiac complications.

Researchers said the results show the need to monitor and treat stroke patients more aggressively, not only to prevent a second stroke but to control underlying heart disease.

The Finnish study also found that stroke survivors are more likely to die within the following year if their stroke was caused by a rapid irregular heartbeat called atrial fibrillation. Atrial fibrilla-

tion (AF) keeps the upper chambers of the heart from emptying properly, which allows clots to form; a clot that lodges in the brain can trigger a stroke. Many stroke patients are given anticoagulant drugs (blood thinners) to help prevent another clot from cutting off circulation to the brain.

Previous studies had reported contradictory findings about whether AF-related stroke carries a higher long-term risk of death than stroke without AF. The Finnish study found a higher mortality rate in patients with AF, both a month and a year after their first stroke.

Researchers from the University of Turku and the Heart and Stroke Center in Turku led the study, which appears in this month's Stroke, a journal of the American Heart Association.

Ready, set, stretch those muscles
Experts may develop new exercises for computer-bound workers

Knights-Ridder News Service

Somewhere along the time line of the fitness movement, stretching changed from something you did involuntarily while yawning. It became a complex exercise regimen that, if followed with a dedication rivaling that of the early Christian martyrs, promises to save you from a life spent in pain, hunched and alone.

This development has caused many of us, never really fond of stretching anyway, to rebel. If it means putting on special clothes and hearing a lecture on agonist and antagonist muscle groups, we'd rather stiffen.

This, above all, is what Bob Anderson understands about stretching. Keeping simple is key to getting the average drone to do it. In 1975, armed only with a degree in physical education from Long Beach State University and his experience in transferring himself from a 190-pound football player to a 135-pound endurance runner and cyclist, Anderson put together a simple book of stretching routines he used and

Limber facts:

Waiting for your online service provider to respond? Stuck on the phone with the client Who Won't Shut Up? Take some time to stretch, advises Bob Anderson (who, by the way, admits his nickname is "Stretch Freak"). In his new book, "Stretching at Your Computer or Desk," Anderson advises stretching in two phases: the easy stretch and the developmental stretch. First, stretch until you feel a mild tension, hold the stretch for five to 10 seconds, and then, if the feeling of tension relaxes a bit during this "easy stretch," move a fraction of an inch farther into the stretch and hold for five to 10 sec-

onds longer. This is the developmental stretch.

- Remember:**
- Breathe easily.
 - Relax.
 - Focus on the muscles and joints being stretched.
 - Feel the stretch, and be guided by how it feels.
 - Don't bounce.
 - No pain.
 - Give your routine two or three weeks before expecting results.
- If you have an injury or recurring soreness, see a health-care provider. These stretches, Anderson writes, are not intended to cure serious problems.

ence of the new millennium: office workers who spend their days (and often their nights) behind computer terminals. The idea is to get busy people to take a break of about a minute every hour or so to go through a series of quick stretching routines with names like "online stretches" (to be used while you wait for something to load) and "office meeting stretches" (methods of releasing muscle tension that stop short of outright yawning).

The potential market for stretching at the Computer or Desk" (Shelter Publications, \$9.95) is certainly a large one. Injuries from performing repetitive tasks, such as pounding a keyboard, have become the fastest growing work-related health problem in the United States, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The number of cases reported in 1992, for example, was 144 percent higher than the number in 1988. In comparison, if you exclude repetitive-motion problems, the number of injury and illness cases was only 3 percent higher in 1992 than in 1988.

taught to others. His wife, Jean, made the line drawings illustrating the positions, basing her flawless flex-o-man on her husband's figure.

Over the years, the Andersons' book "Stretching," (Shelter Publications, \$13) has become the classic in the field, selling more than 2 million copies in 22 languages. Other books may have more sophis-

ticated graphics, more up-to-date research and authors with more academic credentials. But "Stretching" is still the kind of work that prompts strangers to accost you at the bookstore cashier to tell you how it transformed their lives.

Twenty-two years later, the Andersons have collaborated on another guide to stretching, this time aimed directly at the audi-

Stomach-reduction surgery enables women to take giant leaps toward new, fuller life

Knights-Ridder News Service

CENTRAL LAKE, Mich. — Myrtle Sprague leans down effortlessly and touches her shoes.

"See the laces?" she asks. "I couldn't bend over to tie them before. I couldn't lift my legs either. So I had to wear slip-on shoes."

And Sprague can do more today. Sit in a movie theater. Buy clothes in a store. Climb into a van. Walk more than 10 feet without gasping for breath.

For years, she could only dream of doing simple things that most people take for granted. But then, even getting out of bed can be a challenge if you weigh 676 pounds.

Sprague had tried every weight-loss method imaginable without success. As her weight and despair climbed, she managed to lose only one thing.

Hope. Imprisoned by her bulk, she rarely went out in public. She was hospitalized at least four times over the years for severe depression.

There were more than 10 suicide attempts — episodes she describes as desperate cries for help.

But a year ago this month, Sprague took a radical step. In what she and her doctors believe was her last chance of achieving normal weight, she underwent surgery to reduce the size of her stomach by 95 percent. Her path since then has been rocky but worth it, she says, because she

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now is literally half the woman she was.

Her weight has plummeted to 332 pounds and is still falling from her 6-foot-1-inch frame.

The physical transformation is obvious; her dress size has shrunk from 62 to 20. But she also has blossomed emotionally with a whole new self-image.

The reason the Michigan woman is telling her story, though, is because she wants people to know that help is available even for extremely obese people.

She also hopes that when others understand the crippling humiliation she has endured over the years, they will rethink the way they deal with overweight people.

There's one more thing Sprague can do now that she couldn't a year ago: envision a future for herself.

"This was my last chance," she says.

"A year ago I honestly thought I would be dead today. I had given up. Now I have something to look forward to."

In darker moments, Sprague would press a razor blade down on her flesh. She once carved the word "suicidal" into her stomach, forming a scar.

FDA considers adding fatty acid to nation's infant formulas

WASHINGTON (AP) — A fat found in breast milk that appears vital for newborns' brain and eye development is at the center of a fierce debate: should the government add this nutrient to the nation's infant formulas?

European women already can buy formulas supplemented with the fatty acid DHA, but no formula sold in this country contains it.

A company that licensed DHA to manufacturer Mead Johnson contends U.S. companies aren't yet selling this nutrient mainly because it would increase formula prices by 10 cents a can.

"Unless the public is demanding it, it's difficult to add it to the product so the mom knows why she's spending another 10 cents," said David Kyle of Marek Biosciences, a Maryland laboratory that sells DHA culled from microscopic marine algae.

Supporters say premature infants especially need the fat, arguing it would make formula more like mothers' milk. They cite studies that show breast-fed babies seem slightly smarter than formula-fed infants, and speculate DHA could help bottle-fed babies catch up.

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Dennis S. Voorhes

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