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# EPA to set Gem water standards

**The Associated Press**

BOISE — A federal judge has ordered the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to promulgate strict standards to maintain and improve clean water in Idaho.

U.S. District Judge William Dwyer in Seattle Monday gave the EPA 60 days to respond to the order by writing those water quality standards for the state, said Mike McGiberty, Idaho Conservation League state issues director.

"This ruling will have immediate and positive impacts on Idaho waters, especially lakes and rivers with bull trout and other native fish," he said. The Kootenai

## U.S. judge gives agency 60-day deadline

River sturgeon is on the endangered species list and the bull trout is being considered for a designation.

Dwyer earlier demanded the state clean up 962 polluted stream segments. Gov. Phil Batt suggested moving the state Soil Conservation Commission from the Department of Lands to the Agriculture Department to more efficiently comply.

The Conservation League, Inland Empire Public Lands Council and Idaho Sporting Congress sued the EPA last year, saying it had a duty to act after the

state filed to adopt those limits to protect the water and fish.

"Because Idaho hases water pollution prevention and cleanup of these standards, the standards themselves must meet minimum national requirements that protect human health and aquatic wildlife," said Laird Lucas, attorney with the Land and Water Fund of the Rockies who represented two of the groups.

Under the federal act, the state has the authority to set and enforce those standards. The EPA, however, retains oversight to ensure minimum ones are met.

Although the EPA reported problems in Idaho water criteria to the state Division of Environmental Quality, neither agency did anything to correct them, the plaintiffs said.

They argued the state's temperature standards for the bull trout were permissively lax, while not protecting 92 percent of the streams for fish and wildlife violated the Clean Water Act's goals.

In an Oct. 25, 1995, letter to Environmental Quality, Philip Millers of the EPA in Seattle said his agency had serious concerns about Idaho's designation of unclassified waters, anaerobic fish spawning, water temperatures, and pollution.

# Downtown group hopes to extend mall look



Deteriorating sidewalks are becoming a greater safety concern for Jim Gibson and other business owners along Main Avenue.

## Twin Falls property owners must agree on financing details

**By Pat Marcantonio Times-News writer**

TWIN FALLS — Curbs crumble and sidewalks split.

Jim Gibson says it gets worse every year along the 200 block of Main Avenue West where he has had his business, Magic Valley Hearing Aid Center, since 1982.

"We are very worried about elderly people tripping and hurting themselves," Gibson said, glancing down at fissures large and small crisscrossing the concrete.

The Historic Downtown Twin Falls organization wants to redo the sidewalks, curb, gutters and add landscaping and lighting on the 200 to 300 blocks of Main Avenue West and the 300 block of Main Avenue East.

In effect, the project would extend the look of the downtown mall to those blocks, said Bryan Hayhurst, Historic Downtown board chairman.

But a majority of the 29 property owners must agree about the way to pay for the additions.

Made up of business members, the Historic Downtown organization wants to apply for a \$500,000 Idaho Community Development Block Grant.

The city of Twin Falls promises a \$100,000 contribution toward the required matching funds, but another \$400,000 is needed, director Elaine Steele said. A local improvement district (LID), financed at low interest rate over 10 to 15 years, could pay the difference.

Affected property owners would pay based on linear feet of property they own and benefits they would receive.

First the downtown organization is gauging support. At least 60 percent of the property owners must agree to the improvement district, Steele said. She sent letters to them Feb. 14 and so far

has received four back in favor.

"If we don't get the two-thirds, it won't go anywhere," Steele said. "The only way we can match the money is through an LID."

The board wants to come up with estimated costs to property owners so they can better decide, said Gibson, also on the Historic Downtown board. His rent will probably increase with the project, but the area will be safer and more accessible to handicapped customers, he said.

On the other end of the building is Kyle Harshbarger says he doesn't mind paying for the new sidewalks. He has run a key shop at 350 Main Ave. S. for 27 years.

"The sooner the better," he said. "I think it would bring new business in the long run."

"It would be an improvement to their property, an increase in value of their property," Hayhurst said.

Larry Hall of Dive Magic agrees the work could indeed raise the value of his building on the 200 block of Main Avenue West. But his add landscaping and lighting on the 200 block of Main Avenue West. But his add landscaping and lighting on the 200 block of Main Avenue West. But his add landscaping and lighting on the 200 block of Main Avenue West.

If property owners already have replaced sidewalks that meet improvement plans, they might be charged just for the benefits received, such as lighting and landscaping, Steele said.

Under city code, property owners are responsible for sidewalks, curbs and gutters. While the city has yet to force the issue, it could do so if conditions continue to deteriorate, Gibson says.

There's also the aesthetic to consider, Hayhurst adds.

The businesses within the targeted blocks are already part of the Historic Downtown area, but they may not receive as much benefit from promotions as four other blocks, where lighting and landscape were installed during the 1970s.

"We're very excited just for the

# Senators seek tougher penalties on uninsured motorists

**By Karen Tolkinson Times-News writer**

BOISE — A Senate committee unanimously approved a bill Monday to put the brakes on uninsured motorists.

The bill would cancel the registration card and license plates of the vehicle in question, and its owner would have to pay \$150 to re-register the car. Uninsured drivers would be required, by court order, to turn in their plates.

"I doubt if there's anyone who would be driving without license plates," said Sen. Sheila Sorensen, R-Boise, a co-sponsor of the bill.



Also, failing to insure a car would be a misdemeanor instead of an infraction. That's a change from current law, which imposes a \$75 fine. The current-law rates on the car owner to "immediately surrender" the registration card and license plates, but owners don't often do

so.

The bill's authors hope it will help enforce current law.

The bill has critics, though none of them testified at Monday's brief hearing.

"I don't think that raising the penalty for no insurance has much of a bite because what you're normally dealing with is a person who doesn't have very much money," Twin Falls lawyer Jeff Stoker said in a phone interview last Monday.

Stoker, a former state lawmaker, represents clients who fail to carry insurance as well as those who have been struck by uninsured motorists. Taking

license plates and adding the threat of jail time might be effective, but raising the financial penalty would harm those already down on their luck, he said.

Instead, the state should track uninsured motorists better, using information from car registrations, he said. Registrants are required to sign a statement that they will insure their cars.

"There's no follow-up on that," Stoker said. "They don't look at proof of insurance. All they do is have you sign it."

On the other side, deputy Twin Falls County prosecutor John Nicholson says every reason for increasing the penalty.

# Somber tribute bids farewell to China's Deng

**The Associated Press**

BEIJING — With piercing sirens, China bade a final farewell Tuesday to Deng Xiaoping, as 10,000 of the nation's Communist elite gathered in Beijing's Great Hall of the People to mourn his passing.

Today's memorial was a solemn and constrained affair, in keeping with a family request to honor Deng's wish for a simple ceremony.

"Today, we are at the Great Hall of the People... to hold a memorial meeting and mourn for our beloved Comrade Deng Xiaoping with profound grief," said Deng's handpicked political heir,

President Jiang Zemin, in a voice laden with emotion, wiping his eyes as he gave a somber tribute.

Deng's ashes sat in a casket cloaked by China's red flag with five gold stars, amid white flowers and evergreens. A placid portrait of the late leader overlooked the gathering.

The national anthem played, Jiang stood before the gathering and delivered his eulogy.

"The Chinese people love Comrade Deng Xiaoping, thank Comrade Deng Xiaoping, mourn for Comrade Deng Xiaoping, and cherish the memory of Comrade Deng Xiaoping because he



Remains of Deng Xiaoping are borne in a formal procession Monday for cremation in Beijing. His successor, Jiang Zemin, and other Chinese government leaders follow his coffin.

WEATHER

IDAHO Weather Tuesday, Feb. 25 AccuWeather! Forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures. Includes a map of Idaho with weather icons for various cities like Coeur D'Alene, Lewiston, Boise, Idaho Falls, Twin Falls, and Pocatello.

FORECAST Source: National Weather Service. Magic Valley: Sunny today. Highs in the 40s. Extended regional forecast: Thursday through Saturday mostly cloudy and cool. Treasure Valley: Sunny today. Highs 45 to 50. Sawtooth Mountains: Patchy morning valley fog today otherwise mostly sunny.

ACROSS THE NATION Snow swirls across Rockies, High Plains; thunderstorms hit South. The Associated Press. Snow blew through the central Rockies and the Plains Monday, delaying highway travel. Downed power lines left four public schools without heat in Ogden, Utah, closing them for the day.

ALMANAC Idaho Max Min Pcp Yesterday Min Pcp. Includes precipitation and comfort factors for Twin Falls.

IDAHO WEATHER SUMMARY Mostly sunny conditions remained over Idaho Monday afternoon. With clear wind becoming light winds again, another cool night was expected for the state.

NATIONAL WEATHER The AccuWeather! forecast for noon, Tuesday, Feb. 25. Includes a map of the United States with temperature zones and a table of Highs & Lows for various cities.

SKYWATCH Sunset today 6:23 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 7:19 a.m. Lunar phase: Full, Feb. 22; last quarter, March 2.

IDAHO WEATHER SUMMARY (continued) Mostly sunny conditions remained over Idaho Monday afternoon.

ROAD INFORMATION For current road conditions, call these numbers: Boise, 376-8028; Shoshone, 886-2266; Pocatello, 233-6724; Rigby, 745-7278; Utah 801-964-6000; the Elko, Nev., area, 702-738-8888.

Morning-after pill The Food and Drug Administration has published guidelines for "morning-after" pills. Includes a table of drug, manufacturer, dosage, and color.

'Morning-after pill' gains FDA approval WASHINGTON (AP) — American women who are raped, whose birth control fails or who just forget in the heat of the moment can use high doses of ordinary birth control pills to prevent pregnancy.

Contribution limits win senators' approval BOISE (AP) — The Senate's leadership committee on Monday endorsed legislation imposing limits on contributions to state candidates that Democrats now claim are too high and activists maintain are meaningless.

Deng Continued from A1 devoted his life-long energies to the Chinese people, performed immortal feats for the independence and liberation of the Chinese nation," Jiang said.

Circulation Ty Ransdell, circulation director. Circulation phone lines are open between 7 and 10 a.m. only. Includes contact information for mail information.

Uninsured Continued from A1 "I think it should be a misdemeanor, not an infraction," he said. "I think it's pretty important that people have motor-vehicle insurance."

Mail Department, the federal agency with the grant money, Steele said. "There has to be a partnership between the public and private sector and the private sector has to be the business owners," she said.

The Times-News Information Call 734-6326. Includes sections for Sports, Lotteries, Weather, Ski Line, Movies, and Sawtooth Report.

LOTTERY UPDATE SATURDAY, FEB. 22 NUMBERS POWERBALL 17 35 38 40. Includes details about the winning ticket and other lottery information.

# Supreme Court deals blow to term limits crusade

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court dealt a setback to supporters of congressional term limits Monday, rejecting Arkansas' effort to force a referendum on candidates who fail to embrace the restraints.

Under a new provision of the Arkansas Constitution, elected officials whose efforts in behalf of term limits were deemed unsatisfactory would have had a "scarlet letter" notation next to their names on Election Day. It would have stated: "DISREGARDED VOTER INSTRUCTION ON TERM LIMITS."

That requirement was struck down by Arkansas' highest court in its action Monday, the Supreme Court let that ruling stand without comment.

The Arkansas measure is duplicated in eight other states, where legal battles continue.

The "scarlet letter" mechanism for such provisions comes from the 1850 Northern Hawtorn novel in which people convicted of adultery were forced to wear a scarlet "A."

The amendment to the Arkansas Constitution was adopted by voters in November. Backers had hoped that the nation's highest court would use that case to remove any doubts about the validity of such steps.

"We will continue to fight in the trenches," said Paul Jacob of U.S. House. The group expects positive results in other appeals courts, which "will create

conditioning precedents that can only be resolved by an eventual decision from the U.S. Supreme Court," he said.

In other matters, the court:

- Agreed to study the Clinton administration's effort to recall oil new restrictions on who may join federally chartered credit unions.
- Refused to review a case from St. Louis in which a lower court ruled that the Commission does not forbid police from leaving the news media enter a house while it's being searched.
- Said it will use an Illinois case to decide whether citizen lawsuits can seek penalties against companies that miss a federally imposed deadline for reporting their use of hazardous chemicals.

The nation's highest court dealt a devastating blow to term limits backers in 1995 when it ruled that states cannot limit voters in Congress without amending the Constitution. Twenty-three states had taken such steps.

The court's 1995 decision also said Congress cannot impose term limits for its own members by merely enacting a law.

The Arkansas measure called on the state's legislators and members of Congress to do all within their power to win ratification of a proposed amendment limiting service to 12 years in the U.S. Senate and six in the House.

The House rejected such a proposed amendment in Feb. 13, and the Senate is yet to

resurrect it.

The Arkansas measure doesn't say whether the "scarlet letter" notation should appear in only one election or each time a person seeks office in the future.

Similar propositions have won approval in Alaska, Colorado, Idaho, Maine, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada and South Dakota.

Each measure requires those states' congressional members to push for a vote that would send the proposed amendment to state legislatures for ratification.

Court challenges are being waged in Idaho, Maine, Missouri and Nebraska — and future challenges in the four other states are likely.

The Arkansas Supreme Court ruled that the measure adopted by its state's voters violated the federal Constitution's requirement that all amendment-making efforts originate in Congress or in the state legislatures.

That ruling was appealed by a group called Arkansas Term Limits and the state, represented by Attorney General Winston Bryant.

"It's just a temporary setback," Bryant said of Monday's court action. "There's a lot of popular support for term limits."

"I am a Catholic and it is important to forgive," he said.

The six survivors, one missing in critical condition with a gunshot wound to the head. The rest were in serious but stable condition.

One victim, Pierre Demange of Verdun, France, thanked police and doctors for treating him "wonderfully throughout

the weekend on Feb. 4. The waiting period ended into five days because a weekend fell during the three-day waiting period.

"It makes no sense," Giuliani said. "He was living in a fleabag motel and you hand him a Beretta. It is totally insane."

Federal law requires aliens like Abu Kamal to be a resident for 90 days before getting a gun, although gun buying forms don't specifically say that.

Security experts agreed that no measure can stop a determined gunman.

"He could have done that in Times Square, or St. Patrick's Cathedral, or on the subway — any stage he wanted for the final act of his life," said John Jung, a senior official at Kroll Associates, a security consulting firm.

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# Shootings prompt tougher security, gun control questions

NEW YORK (AP) — A day after a Palestinian gunman went on a fatal shooting rampage, the Empire State Building tightened its security Monday.

And city officials questioned how the man could get a gun just weeks after he came to America.

The famous landmark, long a symbol of romance and tourism, was fitted with an airport-style baggage scanner and two metal detectors. The mayor said weak gun-control laws — and a security lapse — were to blame for the shootings of seven tourists Sunday on the skyscraper's 86th-floor observation deck.

The fact that the gunman — an elderly Palestinian in the country only two months — could buy a Beretta semiautomatic handgun "is totally insane," Mayor Rudolph Giuliani said at a news conference.

A Danish tourist was killed and six other sightseers were injured before the gunman, Ali Hassan Abu Kamal, 63, shot himself. Police Commissioner Howard Safir described him as "one deranged individual working on his own."

In an anti-terrorist task force was still part of the investigation, Safir said, but so far it had found no evidence that Abu Kamal was aligned with any terrorist group.

In Abu Kamal's hometown of Gaza City, relatives said he had been distraught over losing his life savings of more than \$300,000 and his ties to Palestinian radical groups. Abu Kamal called home Sunday and said he could not send tuition money to one of his sons, who is studying civil engineering in Russia, a son-in-law said.

A security camera showed that Abu Kamal concealed his weapon under a long coat while riding the subway to the Empire State Building. He took an elevator to an observation deck visited by 3 million tourists each year.

Some witnesses said he mumbled to himself about Egypt before opening fire on a group of tourists, many of them foreign. As panicked sightseers stampeded toward exits, Abu

**Empire State Building security**

Following Sunday night's shooting, the Empire State Building is taking extra steps to ensure visitors' safety. A look at new and existing security features.

The trip to the observatory begins at the concourse level, where ticket agents check to ensure visitors' safety. A look at new and existing security features.

**1. New security systems**

- Two stationary magnetometers installed on second floor checkpoint. All observatory visitors must pass through.
- Two guards with hand-held magnetometers at second floor checkpoint to check visitors at random.
- Baggage scanning system to be installed at second floor checkpoint.

**2. Existing security systems**

- 38 full-time uniform and undercover security guards patrolling 24 hours a day.
- 110 closed-circuit TV's operating throughout the building.

**3. Security at time of shooting**

- 25 security guards throughout the building.
- Four security guards present on 86th floor.
- Four closed-circuit TV's operating on 86th floor observation deck.

Kamal shot himself in the head, police said.

The Empire State Building was closed to tourists Monday morning. Tuesday will be screened by the metal detectors at the second-floor elevator to the observation deck, and will have to check their bags through the scanner.

At City Hall, Giuliani attempted to shift the focus toward gun control. He was accompanied by Rep. Carolyn McCarthy, D-N.Y., who was killed and son wounded in the 1993 shooting on a Long Island Rail Road commuter train that killed six people and wounded 27.

In both that incident and Sunday's shooting, the gunman circumvented New York's strict gun control laws by traveling out of state to buy the murder weapon, officials said.

"New York State, New York City have great gun control laws," Giuliani said. "But as the mayor said, we cannot control all the guns that are coming in from other parts of the country and that's what has to be stopped."

Officials said Abu Kamal established residence in Florida by using a married address shortly after he arrived in the United States on Dec. 24 from Gaza.

He obtained a temporary resident identification card on Jan. 30 — the same day he went into a gun shop to buy the semiautomatic, which costs about \$500 and holds 14 bullets.

Police said he was required to wait three days and received

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# Ex-aide quits administration, criticizes CIA

WASHINGTON (AP) — A former aide to President Clinton is leaving the administration in hopes of promoting "real reform" of the CIA after a prolonged battle with the agency that cost him his highest security clearances.

Richard A. Nuccio, an adviser in the State Department's Latin America bureau, was critical of the clearances last year because of his role in revelations about CIA activities in Guatemala. He made known his intention to resign in a letter to Clinton.

Nuccio criticized the administration for failing to back him even though he had put himself at risk by tackling controversial issues such as the CIA's role in the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Clinton's behalf. He warned of grave damage to American democracy unless the CIA is reined in.

The letter states that the CIA continues to rely on disreputable agents for information even though such persons are the "principal enemies of the policies of democracy and human rights" that the administration espouses.

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Clinton is due to receive the letter on Tuesday, but the Associated Press says given a copy for use on Monday. A White House official said he had no immediate comment.

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Lott knocks 'liberal bias' of TV networks

WASHINGTON — He's the broadcasting industry's biggest ally, but that didn't stop Senate Republican leader Trent Lott from grouching about what he perceives as the liberal bias of the TV networks.

"Eddie, I got my teeth and held my tongue because of my friendship with you. But the networks get under my skin sometimes. I have to tell you," Lott told former Ole Miss classmate and the industry's chief lobbyist, Eddie Tripps, president of the National Association of Broadcasters.

The Mississippi lawmaker made his remarks during an NAB conference Monday.

"I still think they are prejudiced. I still think they are bias toward the liberal side and a number of other areas," Lott said, when asked by a broadcaster in the audience how the industry could improve.

Bush set to shine points of light on summit

WASHINGTON — Former President Bush says he hopes an April summit on emergency service will help others realize what he's been saying for years: Government cannot solve the nation's deepest troubles.

"Congress cannot legislate good parenting. No president can sign a bill forcing you to be a good neighbor," Bush said Monday in a speech to the American Association of Health Plans.

Bush plans to join President Clinton and retired Army Gen. Colin Powell in leading a meeting to encourage private companies and individuals to do their part. Former President Ford and former first ladies Nancy Reagan and Lady Bird Johnson are also expected to attend the Philadelphia meeting April 27-29.

Another delay in U.S.-Russian space effort

WASHINGTON — Construction of the international space station, scheduled to begin with a Russian flight in November, could be delayed once again because the Russian space program is broke.

The Russians had said previously they were eight months behind on a service module that was scheduled to be launched in April 1998 and the United States was making plans for a temporary stand-in.

But statements made in Moscow Monday by Yuri Koptev, head of the Russian Space Agency, indicated the Russians may not be able to meet their November 1997 date for launch of a guidance, navigation and control module — the first element of the station to be put into orbit.

Former NAACP head converting to Islam

CHICAGO — The Rev. Benjamin Chavis, the former head of the NAACP, is becoming a Muslim and joining Louis Farrakhan's Nation of Islam.

"I'm turning to Allah, God bless you," Chavis told a crowd of 6,000 Sunday that turned out for a speech by Farrakhan.

Chavis is a minister in the United Church of Christ and worked for that church before he was named executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. The NAACP fired him in August 1994 after 16 months for committing \$330,000 without board approval to settle sexual harassment claims against him.

Compiled from wire reports

Study links radiation, cancer rates

WASHINGTON (AP) — A new review of data from the 1979 nuclear accident at Three Mile Island in Pennsylvania raises the possibility of stronger links between cancer and radiation exposure there, a study said Monday.

Applying new analytical techniques to the old data, the team at University of North Carolina said lung cancer and leukemia rates were at least twice as high for residents living downwind from the reactor than upwind.

But Steven Wing, an epidemiology professor who is the study's lead author, said the analysis is inconclusive and called for further study.

The new study was published in Environmental Health Perspectives. It questioned an assumption made by researchers in 1990 who studied cancer cases within 10 miles of Three Mile Island, site of the nation's worst commercial nuclear accident.

Maureen Hatch, who was at the Columbia School of Public Health in New York in 1990, assumed that exposure to radiation was relatively low following the accident. She said radiation measurements and her mathematical analyses supported that assumption.

The 1990 study found a slight increase in cancer risk after the accident. But the study said that "does not provide convincing evidence that radiation releases... influenced cancer risk" during the six-year period after the accident.

Wing's research, essentially using the data from the earlier study, also demonstrated an increase in cancer risk.

Education council endorses Clinton plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton accepted a key endorsement of his education plan Monday, and said he hoped the support would help pressure Congress to pass his initiatives.

"College is opportunity for tomorrow, and creating that opportunity is our responsibility today," he said in a speech to the

American Council on Education. The group, representing 1,700 colleges and universities, formally endorsed Clinton's proposals to make college more affordable by increasing spending on tuition tax breaks, grants, work-study and tuition savings plans.


"Your endorsement today will be a historic element in making sure that this will be a part of the

ultimate budget plan," Clinton said.


The appearance at a Washington hotel was part of Clinton's campaign to build support for his education plans as the Republican-led Congress crafts the federal budget. Republicans have promised to seriously consider Clinton's proposals, although they've raised many questions about them.

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POW aid funneled via Swiss

WASHINGTON (AP) — Desperate to help prisoners of war held by Japan, the U.S. and British governments funneled aid through a secret Swiss bank account set up by the Japanese during World War II, according to Red Cross records and long-classified War Department documents.

A historian who found two crucial War Department documents doubts the POWs got all the aid.

Overall, 21 million Swiss francs, or about \$5 million at the time, was funneled through Geneva for POW relief packages containing food, medicine and other supplies, according to a 1948 report of the International Committee of the Red Cross. The report didn't say how much of that total might have gone through Japan's secret Swiss bank account, which was set up in 1944.

The Red Cross confirmed through receipts that \$3.7 million was used for POWs. The rest couldn't be accounted for, mostly because Japan was uncooperative and refused to allow Red Cross access to POW camps.

Edward Keefer, chief State Department historian in the Asian and American section, said it is conceivable that the Allies would have done almost anything to save POWs, who were dying by the thousands across East Asia.

"This would be just another way to get money to them," said Keefer, who said he was unaware of any such secret fund. "This could be just another forgotten chapter of World War II history."

World War II historian and author Linda Goetz Holmes doesn't believe the POWs received all the aid. Holmes, who wrote "1,000 Bowls of Rice" about \$6,000 POWs who died to build the infamous Burma Railway, said 16,000 died after subsisting on one bowl of rice a day.

"Did he let the Japanese keep our money and supplies?" she asked. "They were letting POWs die. They didn't care."

It was Holmes who discovered two War Department documents, declassified in 1980, that mentioned Japan's secret Swiss bank account.

Interest in the wartime activities by Swiss banks has increased because of charges they dealt in looted Nazi gold and assets of Holocaust victims.

The 1948 Red Cross report noted that given the overseas obstacles, the only way to get relief to Japan-held POWs was to buy supplies locally. This "became essential in practice," it said.

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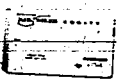
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## EDITORIAL

### School Board wisely aims to make most of each day

Time really is money, as anyone who runs a business knows. The adage is true in public schools, too — as illustrated by a remarkable statistic cited by Twin Falls' school superintendent.

Sunday's paper featured the sixth segment of our year-long, monthly series in abstract figures that dull the senses and overwhelm the brain. So many millions here, so many millions there. But Donich's \$90,000 figure brings the value of a school day into crisp focus: If a school day lasts 6 hours, the meter in Twin Falls classrooms is running at \$250 a minute.

Small wonder that school leaders are reconsidering the value of fringe activities that detract from schools' main mission.

Twin Falls School Board members have asked every principal to list the various assemblies and events that in-

terrupt the school day. Their hope is to recapture some time for more learning. It's a good idea, one that other local districts should consider copying.

Various experts denounce the standard 180-day school year as obsolete and inadequate. But a combination of tradition, economics and union contracts assure that it will survive for the foreseeable future.

Very well, then — let schools make the most of the time they have. Let administrators trim the schedule of assemblies and special programs. Let teachers stretch the school day with challenging homework assignments and let parents join in to see that the work is completed.

Nowadays, every interest group or political faction seems to have a competing idea for improving American education. Amid the cacophony of appeals, one idea that everyone surely can agree on is effective use of limited time.

Twin Falls school leaders are to be congratulated for targeting this worthy goal. Children are only young once, and a wasted hour can never be reclaimed.

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## LETTERS

### Health care provider lacking

The following is a chronicle of my husband's experiences at a local health care facility upon suffering a stroke Nov. 4, 1995.

First, I was told to take him home and wait for a phone call. His speech was slurring, he was starting a stroke. Another doctor on the same night within 45 minutes later and admitted him to the intensive care unit as a cardiovascular accident. We were told: It was thought we were complaining of sore throat, had no idea it was a stroke. In speech, they see people on important basis, we would not have been kept waiting.

On Nov. 5, doctor of record spoke to me for less than a minute to tell me one test result was OK and other had not been received; said doctor didn't speak to me again.

Three phone calls were received around here from the discharge plan nurse each time: 1) Your husband is discharged, come get him. I requested services of a neurologist twice and each time was told no neurologist would be summoned. 2) I was informed that every body dies and your husband can die at any minute. I hung up. 3) My next-door neighbor was called and asked to tell me I didn't pick him up immediately, he would be forced to pay all charges due now. I had him out of there at 4:45 p.m. Nov. 5.

My cholesterol was 319. No cholesterol control medication was prescribed by said facility.

I heard some nurses talking in ICU. They needed to have someone discharged so they could have a bed.

I have reported said provider to facility standards — boards of medicine, nursing and licensing.

My questions are: 1) Why tell caregivers to take a patient "home" when speech was slurring? 2) Why discharge patient when still suffering slurred speech and other stroke symptoms? 3) Why no neurologist? 4) Why some nurses allowed to speak to caregiver in such manner and involve my next door neighbor? 5) Why no prescription for high cholesterol? 6) Why such callous, unprofessional, inhumane treatment? I understand "triage" but not such as this.

My husband is alive, and my nerves are quite a bit better. But in all my life, I never seen such non caring health provider. It's bad enough to be ill. This was a bad experience and nothing for which said health care facility can be proud.

ANN RIDGELY  
Twin Falls

### Disabled deserve assistance

This letter is an appeal to the public. As a 50-year-old female who has been ruled by a judge from the Judicial Hearings Review Board to have a "severe" disability, but being told that I am to be denied Social Security disability benefits because my impairment does not fall within the codes set forth for determining disability, I assert that the existing rules need to be rewritten so that people with legitimate disabilities can have access to the funds that they have paid in during the years when they were able to work and contribute to the Social Security system.

I would be willing to have details of my work history as well as my medical history reviewed by any parties willing to help in an effort to change the existing codes, which I feel are inhumane and unfair to people who are in dire need of financial and medical assistance in our times of great need.

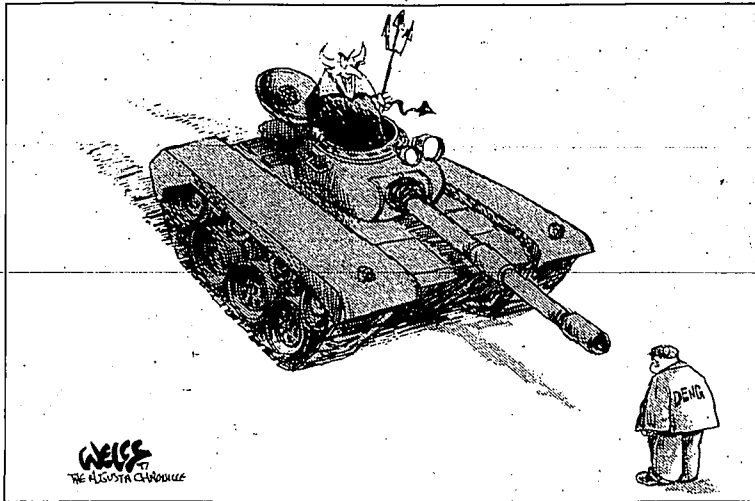
I am not blind, I am not deaf, I am not confined to a wheelchair; if you saw me on the street, it would not be apparent that I have a physical impairment, for I am a cardiac patient. There are programs in place that help the blind, the deaf, the wheelchair bound, to function in the world. Part of my disability is a state of constant fatigue brought on by years of heart disease. This condition makes the small chores that are required for day-to-day living an ongoing struggle. If one with a severe disability is forced to try to meet the demands of working full time and the time demands this requires, it leaves us in a state of total exhaustion which makes life a misery. Is this a fair system to expect us to live under these conditions? I think not.

Please write to your senators and congressmen to ask that a review and revision of the codes be made that is more fair and at the very least humane consideration be given to those of us with legitimate disabilities.

Please, as an act of Christian kindness, take the time to do this small but important act of such great importance to assist the Americans with Disabilities who fall between the cracks of the current system.

Please write today, and right a wrong that may some day help one of your loved ones in need.

SAUNDRA L. MARTIN  
Jerome



## Ken Starr: Big man (not) on campus

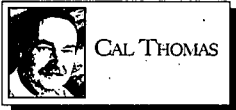
It takes a big man to admit he made a mistake, and Whitewater independent counsel Kenneth Starr showed how big he is by doing something rare in the highly charged atmosphere in which he works.

Just four days after announcing he was going to head Pepperdine University's law school, Starr called a news conference to say he had changed his mind and admit he made a mistake in misreading his responsibility to see the Whitewater and related cases through to the end.

Contrast this with President Clinton's explanation for the Chinese who contributed a fortune to his campaign. The president says unspecified "mistakes" were made by unspecified people, and now that he sees the unspecified light (having achieved the desired ends to which all of that money devoted the means), he now virtuously desires "campaign reform" and he intends to deliver the Republicans along with his own party from the political equivalent of "Mr. Bozoz."

Starr's decision to stay is bad news for the White House and for James Carville, who may try to fire up his pack of attack dogs, but will now have a more difficult time in the face of Starr's blatant honesty. When it comes to defending Clinton, Carville is only half of Starr's qualities. He is blatant.

While the public may have found it difficult to follow the many facets of White-



water, they are sure to get the picture as more revelations emerge about the alleged influence-buying of foreign nationals. In the past few days, Rep. Dan Burton, chairman of the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee, has threatened to bring contempt-of-Congress charges against former administration officials John Huang and Webster Hubbell if they continue to ignore subpoenas for documents relating to foreign campaign donations.

Energy Secretary Hazel "frequent flier" O'Leary is reported by the New York Post to have met privately with the head of China's state-run petrochemical company through the efforts of a Democratic Party donor described by White House aides as a "hustler." Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau has given federal prosecutors evidence that a Venezuelan banking family might have illegally funneled campaign contributions to the Democratic Party during the 1992 election, an indication that illegal gifts may not have been the result of routine by the president after Republicans won Congress in 1994, but a pattern going back to, when, Whitewater days in Arkansas?

A sign that things are heating up for the Clintons is their interest in joint photo-ops with schoolchildren, the money be-

ing returned by the Democratic National Committee to "improper" or "unverifiable sources," and the first call by a leading Democrat, New York Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, for a special counsel to probe the Orient express of DNC cash.

Meanwhile, publisher and former presidential candidate Steve Forbes is borrowing from the Democrats' 1995 playbook when he runs off-year ads attacking Republicans. Forbes is buying radio ads in Washington this week attacking the president for allowing his campaign to receive foreign contributions.

The Republican strategy of largely lying low since the election is paying off. The mainstream press is being forced to investigate and publicize the campaign donor story. The New York Times reported last Sunday the latest player to become public. He is California entrepreneur Johnny Chen Chuen Chung, who donated \$391,000 to the Democratic Party since mid-1994 and has visited the White House 50 times, often with foreign dignitaries like a Chinese beer executive whose picture with the Clintons is being used to sell his brand of suds back home.

Ken Starr has turned out to be the biggest man not on campus. His confession was good for every soul, except those guilty of wrongdoing. Now it's time to get on with the investigation and possible indictments of the suspects and expose the entire cast of unsavory characters who have besmirched the office of the president and are unworthy to lead this great nation.

Cal Thomas is a Los Angeles Times columnist.

## LETTERS

### Zoning commission creates order

Twin Falls County has worked more than two years to construct a plan for the future growth and prosperity of the county. We are in danger of that plan collapsing because many people have forgotten the purpose and logic behind county planning and zoning.

As population, technology and society changes, there inevitably arise conflicts of interest for the use of land. One person wants to run a day-care facility on his lot, the next-door neighbor wants to operate an open-air fruit market and a third neighbor wants to compost garbage on his property. Each provides a service beneficial for the community. The concept of zoning provides a civilized way of resolving these conflicts by setting up a zone for each interest. Although the market owner may still be allowed to operate in the compost zone, he can't prevent the neighbor from operating.

The only two other alternatives to zoning are chaos (suing each other's pants off) or monarchy (rule by an "enlightened" minority). The planning and zoning commission's job is to set up those zones on a long-term basis and enact ordinances that primarily protect that zone for the designated uses.

A rancher who has to give up the farm in the residential zone may suffer emotional trauma, but zoning law does not exist to relieve him of that distress. Same for homeowners in an industrial or agricultural zone. The two common natural responses to zoning are, "Because it's my land, can't I do what I want?" and, "Because I live here, too, aren't my desires just as important as theirs?" Both views lose sight of what is good for the whole community.

Our county commissioners and others have bent over backward to understand everyone, but it is time to stand up for the fundamentals of zoning. A potato farmer in the ag zone shouldn't have to go through a public hearing to use pesticides this year, nor a business in a commercial zone to stay open till 10, nor a homeowner to build in the residential zone, nor a dairyman to operate in the ag zone.

In regard to the Livestock Containment Ordinance, planning and zoning should use the proposal of the 1996 task force as the starting point for a final draft. Although not perfect, it does follow the correct priorities: (1) Items that all users agree upon, (2) Protecting the existence of the primary users,

(3) Protect the rights of secondary users, (4) Anything users concede to be good neighbors.

When you see the whole picture, anger and irritations turn into minor inconveniences.

MICHAEL GRAYBEAL  
Castelford

### Everyone should pay for roads

The Senate Joint Finance and Appropriations Committee recently decided to fund road repairs by denying state employees a meager 2 percent cost of living this year. This "savings" was estimated at \$8 million.

The political agenda these days is to avoid tax increases. How can anyone logically think this is not a tax on state employees? Why should state employees pay for road repair? Most citizens drive and the whole state benefits from good roads.

The logical revenue should come from a gas tax increase. Oops, I used the words "tax increase." Sorry, but there are no free cookies. Users need to pay for what they want or need. State employees aren't the only ones who drive.

ROGER A. OLSON  
Hanley

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WEST



Ron Reddish stands on a limb as he cuts a tree limb to make clearance to reattach power lines in South Ogden, Utah, Monday morning. High winds blew over the trees which crushed three cars.

## High winds wreak havoc in Utah

CENTREVILLE, Utah (AP) — High winds blew down trees, knocked out power lines, toppled semi-tractor trailer trucks and shattered windows all along the Wasatch Front Monday.

"It was cold and windy and ugly," said Ogden Fire Capt. Garn Toisma, whose crew had constant calls about downed power lines from 1 a.m. on through the morning.

No serious injuries were reported, though three semi-trucks were blown over on Interstate-15, closing the highway to high-profile vehicles in Davis County. A pickup

pulling a trailer was toppled in Utah County in the afternoon.

At Weber State University in Ogden, an estimated 100 trees were uprooted.

Winds blew the strongest in Davis and Weber Counties, gusting to 77 mph at Centerville, said Bill Alder, chief meteorologist with the National Weather Service. The wind chill was 13 degrees below zero in the morning, rising to 13 above zero by mid-day.

Crews from Utah Power & Light worked through the day to restore power to areas of Salt

Lake City northward through Ogden. The loss of power — and thus, heat — led to the closure of three Ogden elementary and a middle school.

Property damage appeared extensive in some areas. A house under construction in east Layton collapsed, and several homeowners reported garage doors being blown in and carport roofs collapsing, police dispatchers reported.

## DA seeking investigator in Ramsey case

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — The Boulder district attorney's office is looking for a seasoned investigator to work on the Jon Benet Ramsey murder case.

Assistant Boulder District Attorney Bill Wise said in a meeting with the Boulder County commissioners earlier this month that prosecutors are looking for an experienced investigator of their own.

"There have been some problems (with the police investigation), and we just need a good, experienced, probably retired police officer — probably — maybe even an FBI agent," he said at the time.

Although Wise and District Attorney Alex Hunter later apologized for the remarks about the police, prosecutors still are looking for their own investigator.

Jon Benet, the 1995 Little Miss Colorado, was found dead in her wealthy family's home Dec. 26. An autopsy report indicates the 6-year-old was strangled, beaten and possibly sexually assaulted.

It could be a career-making job for any investigator, but there's mixed reaction among those who might be considered for the post.

Former FBI behavioralist Robert Ressler said he's not interested.

"That's jumping into the frying pan, and I jumped out of it when I left the FBI," Ressler said. "All I'll say is, 'Good luck.'"

Ressler said he was surprised to hear that Wise had expressed interest in an investigator with FBI background.

"Many FBI agents have gone through an entire career without ever investigating a homicide," Ressler said. "Unless you have a murder on an Indian reservation or federal building, the FBI has no jurisdiction."

## 8 dams to be inspected

WALLA WALLA, Wash. (AP) — The navigation locks on eight Columbia and Snake river dams will shut down for two weeks beginning March 2 for annual inspection and maintenance.

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## Bill may force Clinton to keep promises

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah Sen. Bob Bennett plans to introduce legislation in Congress Tuesday that would force President Clinton to keep true to his word about the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument.

The Republican lawmaker, who unveiled the bill at a news conference here today, said the bill would put into law promises Clinton made about school trust lands, mineral development and multiple use when he designated the sprawling 1.7-million acre monument in southern Utah.

"It's time to hold the president to his word," Bennett said. "He gave us assurances about the management and use of the monument, but neglected to include these assurances in the language of his proclamation."

Clinton stunned Utah officials in September when he created the monument north of the Utah-Arizona border.

Calling the bill Utah's insurance policy, Bennett said his primary concerns are making sure the state recoups money from school trust lands and ensuring that the area remains open for kayaking, fishing, hiking, camping and grazing.

The monument includes 176,000 acres of school trust lands. The trust lands were set aside 100 years ago to generate money for public schools, primarily through development of natural resources.

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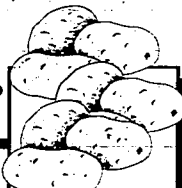
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Drip or Regular  
**Coffee**

First **2/\$9**  
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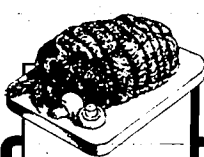
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**Seedless  
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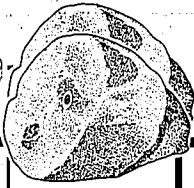
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**Baking  
Potatoes**

**\$1**  
5 lbs.



Delicious  
Boneless Beef  
**Top  
Sirloin  
Roast**

**\$1.69**  
lb.



Falls Brand,  
Semi Boneless  
Butt or Shank  
**Hams**

**99¢**  
lb.

Tender, Juicy, Boneless  
**Top Sirloin Steak** ..... **\$1.89** lb

Falls Brand, Center Cut  
**Ham Steaks** ..... **\$2.99** lb

Advance Brand, Chicken Breast,  
**Nuggets, Strips, Patties** ... **\$1.99** lb

Quick 'N' Easy Firecrest  
**Corn Dogs** ..... **4/\$1**

2.5 oz. Western Family Thin Sliced  
**Lunch Meats** ..... **2/89¢**

Falls Brand Thick Sliced Stack-Pack  
**Bacon** ..... **\$1.89** lb

Oregon  
**Salad Shrimp** ..... **\$4.69** lb

750 ML, From Chile, Conchay Toro  
**Chard. or Cabernet** ..... **\$3.99**

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**Chardonnay** ..... **\$5.99**

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**Chard. or Cabernet** ..... **\$7.49**

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**Pancake Mix** ..... **\$4.39**

18-19 oz. Western Family Chip-A-Riffic  
**Cookies** ..... **\$1.99**

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Big Bottle, 3 Liter  
**Shasta  
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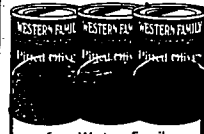
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**Cake Mixes**

**79¢**



32 oz. Western Family  
**Powdered or  
Brown Sugar**

**79¢**



6 oz. Western Family  
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**Olives**

**79¢**



40 Lb. Western Family  
Hi-Pro or Gravy  
**Dog Food**

**\$8.69**



6 Pack Cans  
**Pepsi-Cola  
Products**

**\$1.59**

2 Liter Pepsi ..... **99¢**



15 oz. Kellogg's  
**Apple  
Jacks**

**2/\$5**



18-21 oz. Pop Secret  
Value Pack  
**Microwave  
Popcorn**

**2/\$5**



12 Pack Cans, Natural Light  
or Natural Ice  
**Beer**

**\$4.29**



AROUND THE VALLEY

Police focus probe in Friday night's shooting

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls police say they know who fired the shot Friday night that hit an 18-year-old woman as she sat in the basement of a house.

Yves Castillo of Twin Falls was shot in the chest from above, and the bullet penetrated as far as her stomach, according to police reports. Castillo is listed in serious condition at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

A number of people were in the house at 168 Clinton Drive when Castillo was wounded at about 10:28 p.m., the reports say. Castillo was among a group playing pool in the basement of the home, the reports said.

A shot was fired by a person upstairs, and the bullet went through the floor and hit Castillo where she sat, the report said. Police say they have identified the person who fired the shot, and have the gun that fired the bullet, but the incident is still under investigation.

Bald Mountain skier, 31, dies from head injuries

SUN VALLEY - A 31-year-old skier, Brett Sun, died of head injuries on Friday. Sun died of injuries suffered in an accident on Bald Mountain, according to Ada County Coroner Erwin Sonnenberg.

Sunnys was taken from the Wood River Medical Center's north campus by helicopter to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center Feb. 14 after striking a tree near the bottom of the Greyhawk ski run.

A memorial service will be held at 5:30 p.m. today at the River Run Day Lodge.

Entries for St. Patrick's Day parade being accepted

TWIN FALLS - The 12th annual St. Patrick's Day Parade is planned for March 17 in downtown Twin Falls.

All entries are welcome. Bring your parade float, horse-drawn carriage, float or singing group.

The parade will form at 11 a.m. for a noon start at the west end of Main Street near the Rexner Center and Theisen Motors area. For more information, call Steve Thomas at 734-4154 or Tim Jones at 733-8235.

Municipal Golf Course's 10th hole to get airtime

TWIN FALLS - Fans of televised golf soon will get a glimpse of the Municipal Golf Course on a local television channel.

The City Council unanimously approved a measure Monday from KSNV to televise the film "Closest to the Pin" programs at Muni's 10th hole. Mayor Jeff Gooding was absent Monday.

The par-three hole will be off-limits to golfers not involved in the program for about 2 1/2 hours on each of four filming days. The program will be filmed in the mornings.

Golfers not involved in the program can sign from the ninth to the 11th hole while filming is in progress, Councilman Gale Kleinkopf said.

Glenns Ferry City Council plans meeting Wednesday

GLENN'S FERRY - A regular meeting of the Glenns Ferry City Council will be called to order at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Glenns Ferry City Hall.

Items on the agenda include an auditor's report; city insurance; Eastern Elmore County Recreation District's easement/handicapping a building permit; a sewer hookup discussion; an ordinance regarding the sale of 17 acres of city property; administrative assistant employee status; city travel policy; and the mayor's appointment of department heads.

Also on the agenda is a council discussion and a session with department heads, Fire Chief Bob Janosek, City Clerk David Hahn, Police Chief Matt Parsons and City Superintendent Butch Anderson.

Applications for Times-News internships due March 15

TWIN FALLS - Applications are due by March 15 for paid newspaper internships at The Times-News for summer 1997. Internships are expected to be offered in news reporting, advertising sales and design, classified sales and perhaps in photography and agricultural reporting.

Preference will be given to college students who plan careers in print communications. Preference also will be given to applicants from The Times-News circulation area of southern Idaho and northern Nevada. Interested students should send a current resume, a list of references, a current college or high school transcript, work samples and a cover letter. Five-employment day and alcohol tests are required.

Applications should be sent to Mary Karren, The Times-News, Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83403. Applications will be accepted until March 15. Decisions are expected by April 15.

Compiled from staff reports

A FAMILY'S LOSS



Bob and Elaine Shuck in their small residence, with their family in the background: from left, Lewis Koreen, Marsha DeLano, Kevin Reynolds and Bradley Reynolds.

Relatives remember victim of rock-climbing accident

By Kent McCleary Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A trying year turned tragic Sunday for Elaine and Bob Shuck. The couple moved to Twin Falls at the beginning of the month, after Bob's job at an auto-parts store in Wells, Nev., ended.

For now, home is a room in the Holiday Motel on Addison Avenue. Shuck's son, daughter and her husband and 2 1/2-year-old child are living with the couple, all in the motel room. Elaine Shuck, a certified nursing assistant, is the only one working.

Sunday, Elaine Shuck watched from Perrine Bridge as her son fell more than 75 feet to his death on the Snake River Canyon rim while rock climbing.

John "Rocky" LaBarbara, 22, was killed in the fall. He came up from Winnemucca, Nev., to spend last weekend with his natural family, a family he didn't know well.

Now, the few people the Shucks know in Twin Falls, the managers of their motel, are trying to raise the money to get Elaine Shuck back to Kansas for her son's funeral.

"I'm a mother, and I'm a human with a heart," motel manager Shelly Winkelman said. "I can't see this lady sending her son's body out, and not being able to have a closure."

This weekend was the first time in nearly 15 years Marsha DeLano had seen her real brother.

"I'd talked to him on the phone a few times," she said.

The family played Monopoly together one night, went skating the next. LaBarbara spent part of the last day with his family helping

him replace the starter on his car, so he could return to Winnemucca. "We'll remember him with a lot of love, and a lot of fun," Elaine Shuck said. "He died happy. He had accomplished one of his goals, which was to meet with his family again."

LaBarbara had been adopted when he was about 12 by a family living in Robinson, Kan.—that is where he is to be buried.

LaBarbara had served in the U.S. Army, and was working as a security guard at Winners Hotel and Casino in Winnemucca. He had been a bullrider, and was evidently a very good bullrider, said his brother-in-law, Lewis Koreen.

LaBarbara was supposed to start a new job this week. He had become engaged this month, Shuck said; his fiancée and her mother were to arrive in Twin Falls Monday night.



John LaBarbara, right, with his biological sister, Marsha DeLano, middle, and brother, Kevin Reynolds, left. The family took the photo at the Perrine Bridge Visitors Center just before LaBarbara went rock climbing Sunday. He fell and was killed.

"We've been with them every step of the way, and I'm not going to give up until the mother gets to go be with her son at the funeral," Winkelman said.

Winkelman estimates she'll need to raise at least \$500 if Shuck is to fly. LaBarbara's body is to leave Twin Falls today, she said; the funeral will likely be at the end of the week.

"It would be nice to have her accompany the body, but I don't see right now where that's going to be possible," she said.

The family went to the Snake River Canyon visitors' center just north of Twin Falls Sunday afternoon. They posed for pictures together.

DeLano, LaBarbara and brother Kevin Reynolds posed for a siblings photo.

Reynolds and Koreen posed for another picture, with LaBarbara between them. In the photo, they're making fun of LaBarbara's hat.

"He had gotten a Kansas City Chiefs' hat just a couple days ago, and he was real proud of the hat. Kevin and I had (Dallas) Cowboys hats, and we both hate the Chiefs, so we were making fun of his hat," Koreen said. "If he hadn't lost his hat..."

Koreen and LaBarbara had both been trained in rappelling and rock climbing while in the Army, and went climbing on the canyon wall. Koreen, who has climbed the cliffs before, said he had a rope, and intended to use it, but LaBarbara was already over the rim.

On the way back up, Koreen said, LaBarbara's hat blew off. He had started to retrieve it when a

Want to help? You can help send Elaine Shuck, mother of Sunday's canyon fall victim, to Atkinson, Kan., for the funeral. Call Shelly or J.R. Winkelman at 736-4330, ext. 11, or drop donations by the Holiday Motel, 615 Addison Ave., West. Shelly Winkelman will hold any donations to Elaine and Bob Shuck and give them to the family. Winkelman asks any checks be made out to the Shucks.

handhold gave way. "I heard the rock break. I was only two or three feet away from him," Koreen said. "I reached for him and he wasn't there."

Elaine Shuck and DeLano were standing at the rail of the bridge, holding DeLano's son, watching. They saw LaBarbara fall.

Bob Shuck said he tried to follow a trail down to the loose rock at the base of the cliff where LaBarbara landed, but couldn't get close enough. Koreen could only call LaBarbara from the bridge, trying to get a response.

Twin Falls County Search and Rescue teams took the body out to a boat on the river. The process seemed to take days, Bob Shuck said, even though the family was grateful for the help from the deputies, search and rescue and paramedics.

Solace is not easy for a family that has lost the son and brother they had known only so long. They're relying on each other, and even the toddler, Bradley Reynolds.

"Last night, it was just me and the baby, and I was trying to rest - I was overwhelmed," Elaine Shuck said. "I was trying to explain it to him, and I was crying. He said, 'Don't worry, be happy.'"

Search will resume today for young boy

The Times-News

SHOSHONE - The search is expected to resume today for a 2-year-old boy missing since Sunday evening near the Little Wood River in Shoshone.

The Lincoln County sheriff's department has not released the name of the missing child. The department has said the boy apparently was with a baby-sitter on the Tempus Ranch near the border of Lincoln and Gooding counties.

Search and Rescue crews from both counties were called to the scene at 7:22 p.m. Sunday, and have been there ever since.

Searchers used bloodhounds to aid in the search Sunday night. Scuba divers searched the river Monday, aided by searchers in canoes. Pilots also searched from planes.

Officers at the scene say they have found footprints leading to the river, but have found no other sign of the boy.

Crews called off the search Monday evening but are expected to continue the effort today, Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center officials said.

CSI approves \$25 fee hike

By Liz Wright Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - College of Southern Idaho trustees Monday broke a promise from last year, and increased tuition fees by \$25 per student.

Saving the felt badly about recommending the increase, CSI president Gerald Meyerhoeffer told the board the state's budget belt-tightening this year leaves them with few choices.

Lawnmakers in a key financial committee have passed a proposed budget bill that will give CSI \$21,000 less than it received a year ago, Meyerhoeffer said.

The student council earlier voted to support the recommendation, Meyerhoeffer told the board.

Meyerhoeffer said he worries about the increase steering students away from CSI. North Idaho College in Coeur d'Alene is \$75 cheaper.

"Any time you raise fees, you limit access," Meyerhoeffer said.

"We do appreciate the attitude of the students," CSI board member LeRoy

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City wades into ordinance debate

By William Brock Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The city is getting interested in a dairy and feedlot ordinance proposed by Twin Falls County.

City leaders listened to a status report on the draft ordinance Monday, then made a few suggestions aimed at protecting the quality of local groundwater.

"I think the city has to take a very strong position to prevent problems from the draft ordinance Monday, since Chris Livingston. He suggested that confined livestock operations be required to post hefty performance bonds to posthe cleanup work if groundwater pollution occurs.

"I don't have any problem putting into dollars and cents the cost of jeopardizing the water supply for a city of 35,000," Tallington said.

By the time groundwater-quality problems are detected, it's often too late for a cost-effective solution, City Manager Tom Courtney said. He noted that several areas in Twin Falls County already have rising groundwater nitrate levels.

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Police face pileup of car burglaries

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - A rash of car burglaries plagued Twin Falls residents over the weekend.

Police took reports of 15 cars that were broken in to, with car stereos a common target.

The random nature of the crimes makes them tough to stop, said Twin Falls Police Capt. Jim Munn.

"In reality, there's not much we can do, unless we happen to have an officer in the right place at the right time," he said.

The answer, to a large part, is up to vehicle owners.

"They have to keep valuables out of

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MAGIC VALLEY

HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Some names are omitted at patients' request. Released. Jason Evermill of Kimberly.

CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Admitted. Louise Fiercks, Sylvanus Moxley, Mary Meyers and Charlene Pickett, all of Burley; Alice Cheney of Heyburn; and Ronald Hawkes of Paul.

Released

Lawrence Ishum, Clisaria Padron, Madison Searle and Elden Tanner, all of Burley; Ernest Vaneveroy of

Rupert; Theo Wickel of Heyburn; Rellis Murphy of Hazelton; and Curtis Beddie of Oakley.

BIRTH

A baby was born to Wade and Michelle Hawkes of Paul.

MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Some names are omitted at patients' request. Admitted.

Shelene Pace and baby boy.

Released

Lucille Peirce of Heyburn. Birth. A son was born to Shelene Pace of Rupert.

DEATH NOTICES

Wynona Gee

OAKLEY - Wynona Gee, 85, longtime Oakley resident, died Sunday, Feb. 23, 1997, in Venning, Nev. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Hansen Mortuary-Barley Chapel.

Donna 'Dawn' Rice

Alpharetta WENDELL - Donna 'Dawn' Rice Alpharetta, 69, of Wendell, died Monday, Feb. 24, 1997, at St. Rose's Family Medical Center in Jerome. No funeral services are planned, with cremation arrangements under the direction of Demary's Wendell Chapel.

at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Quincy Community United Methodist Church.

The family requests any donations in memory be made to the Plumas County Museum or the Quincy Community United Methodist Church, in care of Fehman Mortuary, P.O. Box 53, Quincy CA 95731.

Vera Criddle Yorgensen

GRANT - Vera Criddle Yorgensen, 89-year-old Grant resident, died Saturday, Feb. 22, 1997, at her home.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday at the Grant 1st and 2nd Ward LDS Chapel, with Bishop Leon Clark officiating.

Burial will follow at the Grant Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and from noon until 12:45 p.m. on Thursday at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of the Payne Mortuary in Burley.

John Edward LaBarbara

TWIN FALLS - John Edward LaBarbara, 22, of Atchison, Kan., died Sunday, Feb. 23, 1997, in Twin Falls of injuries sustained in a drinking accident. Funeral services will take place in Atchison. Local arrangements are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

OBITUARIES

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

TWIN FALLS

Ardeella Buschhorn Allen, 80, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Feb. 23, 1997, at the Twin Falls Care Center. She was born Oct. 14, 1916, in Hazelton, the daughter of Henry and Anna Almira Buschhorn. She was raised in the Hazelton area. She married Wilford (Bill) Allen on Oct. 5, 1935, in Twin Falls. They farmed in Hazelton until 1968, when they purchased the Purple Sage Motel which they operated until retiring in 1977.

Mrs. Allen was an active member of the Grange throughout her life and was a member of the LDS Church.



Ardeella Allen

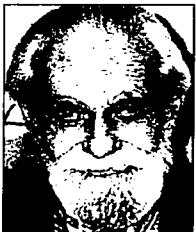
Surviving her are two daughters, Anita Jo (Varge) Rasmussen of Medford, Ore., and Sue (Larry) Pennington, Jerome; one son, Neil (Judy) Allen of Jerome; eight grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren, and one sister, Ann Mad (Charles) Thornton of Hansen. She was preceded in death by her husband, Wilford G. Allen; one son, Stanley Allen; three brothers; and one sister.

The funeral will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28, 1997, at White Mortuary in Twin Falls, with Bishop Torry McCurdy conducting. Friends and family may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday and from noon until 12:45 p.m. on Friday at the funeral chapel. Interment will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery.

both of Twin Falls; a daughter, Dacylin (Brian) Dasigolo of Twin Falls; four grandchildren, Joshua Netz, State Netz, Kami Netz and Taylor Netz, and two brothers, Larry Finney of Buhl and Ronald Finney of Twin Falls. She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Maxine Reed.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 27, 1997, at the Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl. Burial will follow at the West End Cemetery in Buhl.

Memorials are suggested to the Ronald McDonald House and may be left at the funeral chapel.



Henry A. Robinson

Henry Alvin Robinson, 81, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Feb. 18, 1997, at Rock Creek Rehabilitation & Medical Center. He was born Aug. 28, 1915, in Arkansas, to James Edgar and Julie Louise Watson Robinson. Survivors include his former wife, Marge Johnson of Carson City, Nev.; four sons, Dan, Skipp and Allan, all of Carson City, and Mike of Fresno, Calif.; and three sisters, Kathleen (Harold) Kinsey, Olive Grace Furlong and Lavonia Cummings, all of Fresno, Calif. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Forrest Odell and James Murlin; and one daughter, Donna Ellen Robinson.

We wish to recognize and thank Rock Creek Rehabilitation Center for the loving care and compassion provided to Al and his family. Special thanks to the Deacon Grill for all the hot meals, service and friendship given daily to Al. Cremation arrangements were handled by White Mortuary & Crematory of Twin Falls.

JEROME



James E. Glodowski

James Edward Glodowski, 90, of Jerome, died Sunday, Feb. 23, 1997, in Yuma, Ariz.

He was born Sept. 28, 1906, in Dodge, Neb., the son of Frank and Fannie Hanzel Glodowski. He moved to Oakley with his family in 1912, and was raised and educated there. The family moved to Jerome in 1932, and he farmed with his father until 1946. At this time he purchased his father's share and continued farming until 1973, when he sold the farm to his son.

James married Clementine (Deana) Ehrmantraut on Nov. 21, 1938, in Jerome. Following the sale of the farm, James and Deana spent the winter months in Yuma, but anxiously awaited spring so they could return home to Idaho and the farm.

Farming was his life and he never got tired of working at, looking or talking about the farm or farming. He also loved music, dancing and playing cards.

James was a member of the Catholic Church, the Holy Name Society, and was active as a foster parent for five years. Survivors include his wife, Deana; two daughters, Sister Barbara Jean of Cottonwood, Idaho, and Mary Anne Glodowski of Meridian; one sister, Wilma Williams of Blue Jay, Calif.; 10 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one son, Richard; his parents; and one sister.

A vigil service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, 1997, at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome. The funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Jerome's Catholic Church, with the Rev. Father Joseph Camacho officiating. Burial will follow at the Jerome Cemetery. Friends may call one hour before the vigil service on Wednesday at the funeral chapel.

The family suggests memorials to the St. Gertrude Convent in Cottonwood.



Ursula Barbara Nutsch

Ursula Barbara Nutsch, 78, of Jerome, died Sunday, Feb. 23, 1997, at St. Ashonus Regional Medical Center in Boise, following a lingering illness.

She was the youngest of nine children born to Ludwig and Mary Magdalene Prellwitz, born on Jan. 15, 1919, in Ewing, Neb. Ursula moved to Jerome with her sister in 1944, and married Raymond Nutsch here on June 10, 1944. They farmed northwest of Jerome until Raymond's death in 1975.

She had worked at Ore Ida, Simplot's and Tupperware until her retirement, and took pleasure in her hobbies of embroidery work, flowers and her pets.

Ursula was a member of St. Jerome's Catholic Church and she loved her children and grandchildren, as well as spending time with all her family.

Survivors include four sons, Roger (Susan) Nutsch, Carl (Anca) Nutsch, and John (Carmel) Nutsch; all of Jerome; and Andy (Deanna) Nutsch of American Falls; and two daughters, Mary Ann (Joe) Barnaga of Rupert, and Diana (Gib) Boscawen Wendell. She is also survived by two sisters, Rose Bauer of Ewing, Neb., and Catherine Nutsch of Nampa; one brother, James Barn of Gooding; 22 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. Ursula was also preceded in death by her husband; parents; a grandchild, four brothers and one sister.

A vigil service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 26, 1997, at St. Jerome's Catholic Church, with Deacon Bill Last officiating. The funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the church, with the Rev. Father Mike St. Marie officiating. Burial will follow at the Jerome Cemetery. Friends may call at the church one half-hour prior to the vigil service. Arrangements are under the direction of the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.



Lucille Dee Wageman

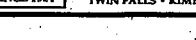
Lucille Dee Wageman, 59, of Twin Falls and formerly of Buhl, died Sunday, Feb. 23, 1997, at her home.

She was born June 7, 1938, in Twin Falls, to Merrill and Goldie Gay Finney. She graduated from Buhl High School in 1957, and married Loyd Netz in 1958. They were later divorced and in 1970, she married Leo Wageman, later divorcing.

She spent most of her working life helping others through long term nursing care, the Port of Hope, the Office of Health and Welfare, and private homes. She was disabled. She was also a foster mom and touched the lives of many kids. An accomplishment she was most proud of was 11 years of sobriety.

She loved camping, fishing, hunting and especially her vegetable garden, which she loved to grow for her family and friends and most of all, spend time with her grandchildren.

She is survived by four sons: Jack (Dee) Netz and Rob (Bully) Netz, both of Buhl, and Joe (Laurie) Netz and Jade (Jenny) Wageman.



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RUPERT



Darlene Pauli Zampardi

Darlene Pauli Zampardi, 82, of Rupert, went to be with her Father in Heaven on Feb. 24, 1997. She was born May 22, 1916, in Rupert, to Dimas and Inez Dalcilo Pauli, where she was a resident throughout her entire life. She was the fifth of six children born to his

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SERVICES

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

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union. She attended both Rupert Grade School and Rupert High School. She married Gene Zampardi, who was a lifetime friend and neighbor on June 18, 1947, at St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Rupert.

She is survived by her husband, Gene of Rupert; two sons, David and wife, Julie Zampardi of Twin Falls and Mark and wife, Shavia of Rupert; eight daughters, Mrs. Steve (Lonna) Trevino, Mrs. Les (Lisa) Tyler, Mrs. Rob (Paula) Mechnar, Mrs. Val (Jacquie) Nelson, Mrs. Gary (Noel) Maier and Niki Deaton, all of Rupert; Mrs. Ivan (Angie) Reynolds of Caldwell; and Mrs. Sam (Marina) Ward of Bruneau; 22 grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren. Also surviving are two sisters, Dora Pauli Reynolds of Portland, and Ada Marie Pauli Pope of Richfield; and two brothers,

SERVICES

Burley, 1 p.m. today, View Ward LDS Chapel. The family will greet friends from noon until the time of the funeral today at the church, (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).

Richard L. and wife, Shirley Pauli of Rupert, and Paul and wife Helon Pauli of Gooding. She was preceded in death by two sons, Gene, born July 2, 1949, and Little Angel Zampardi, born and died April 1, 1958; her parents and one brother, Lindo Pauli.

Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, 1997, at St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Rupert, and Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Thursday at the church, with Father Henry Garmona as celebrant. Burial will be at the Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel on Wednesday from noon until 5 p.m. also at the place of service one hour prior to Rosary and one hour prior to Mass. Arrangements are under the direction of the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

WEIGHT LOSS IN THE 21ST CENTURY

THE MAGIC VALLEY FITNESS & WEIGHT MANAGEMENT CENTER is sponsoring a free seminar on weight management Wednesday, February 26, 1997 Best Western Canyon Springs Inn at 7 p.m. Marc T. Astin, MD, featured speaker This seminar will offer information about obesity, its causes and its management. We are now open for appointments for those interested in weight loss. For more information or an appointment call 735-0843.

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## Panel to design new Cassia judicial building

### Committee will get efforts under way next week

By Jennifer Bunch  
Times-News Writer

**BURLEY** — A planning committee will begin drawing up designs next week for a new Cassia County judicial building.

Commissioners want to have designs in hand to present to voters. They plan to draw up designs within the next three months, and begin to bring their proposal to the public.

They hope to have a bond issue election before voters at the May 1998 primary.

The dollar amount of the bond issue has not yet been determined.

"We want an effective, good facility, but we don't want to overdo it," Cassia County Prosecutor Stephen Bywater said.

The county has been working toward a new judicial building since 1994.

At that time, a citizens advisory committee recommended that if the county wants to expand its offices, the best option is to build a neighboring judicial building. County administrative services would be kept at the courthouse.

The county wants to expand to offset security and overcrowding problems.

"We do need a judicial building, and we could fully utilize one

right now if we had the space," County Commissioner John Adams said.

The Judicial Facility Citizens Committee, originally a group of nine, has been expanded. About 30 people attended a meeting Monday with commissioners to learn about their task. The group plans to meet weekly to work with architects on building designs.

Sam Burrows, an architect with Lombard-Conrad Architects in Boise, presented the committee with five preliminary options for a new building immediately south of the courthouse.

The county bought two apartment buildings at 15th Street and Alton. It has a value for \$50,000, expecting to earn \$30,000 to \$40,000 a year to manage them.

The architects' design options include single- and two-story buildings about 21,000 square feet in size.

If voters don't approve a bond issue, the county can request court permission to finance a new building, said Burley City Attorney Bill Parsons, a member of the original Judicial Facility Citizens Committee.

Otherwise, the county legally could be forced to build adequate facilities to accommodate public services, he said. Paying off a bond issue is the least-expensive way to build, Parsons said.

The county doesn't want to be forced to build, Bywater said. If voters don't pass the bond issue, the county will need to ask why it failed, he said.



Court clerk Robin Carpenter stands at the entrance to a magistrate courtroom in the Cassia County Courthouse. The courtroom, used a couple times a week, can be reached only by walking through the narrow shelves in the law library at the top of the courthouse. Cassia County commissioners are hoping to build a new judicial building.

## Cassia approves chemical plant

By Jennifer Bunch  
Times-News Writer

**BURLEY** — Cassia County commissioners Monday approved a permit for a local man to build a chemical warehouse and mixing plant southwest of town.

Darin Moon of Moon Enterprises Inc., an agricultural consulting and chemical manufacturing company in Burley, plans a warehouse at 130 S. 100 W. The land has been used for agriculture, but is zoned for industrial use.

A Moon's of property owners who live in the area protested the plant at a public hearing last week. They said it was too close to their homes and the new Burley High School on Parke Avenue.

Yet Commissioners Lyle Woodbury and Paul Christensen found no legal reason why Moon should not be allowed to build. Commissioner John Adams was absent from Monday's meeting because of personal reasons, and he did vote on Moon's permit.

The permit can be appealed within 14 days once commissioners sign it.

Moon will manufacture OXY-COM-AC, a mixture of hydrogen peroxide and acetic acid. Hydrogen peroxide is a common household chemical used as a disinfectant or bleach. Acetic acid is a main ingredient in vinegar. Moon said he will sell the product in established California and Mexico markets, but not yet in Idaho.

Woodbury and Christensen said Moon's proposed plant is in an appropriate area, with railroad and truck access. However, he must landscape the site, to buffer the plant from the neighborhood.

In addition, Moon can use only the truck route from Interstate 84 south into Burley to transport his materials and product, and the plant cannot emit any offensive odors.

An infrequent vinegar smell could come from an outdoor storage tank.

A Moon's can't expand his operation without amending the permit.

Moon said he hopes to start building within the next couple weeks.

Chemicals such as OXYCOM-AC act much like a fertilizer, promoting plant growth. Moon also said the product fights disease-causing organisms in the soil.

Jim Baker, a toxicologist for the Idaho Department of Agriculture, said large companies use the same type of chemical as a pesticide in food processing. Using it for soil treatment is consistent with its other uses, Baker said.

The chemicals can be explosive during shipping and storage, but the dangers are easy to control, he said.

Raw products will be stored in stainless steel containers. That prevents them from reacting with other elements, which can cause the problems, said Moon, who will drill a water source on his property for use in a fire.

## Debate

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Strong local protection is needed, Courtney said, because state regulations "have not adequately protected groundwater."

The county's draft ordinance defines a confined-livestock operation as a place where more than 99 "animal units" are confined for more than half a year in a place where vegetation cover less than 10 percent of the confinement area.

In real terms, 99 animal units would amount to 70 dairy cows, or 99 dairy heifers, or 99 beef cattle, or 99 horses, or 198 pigs, or 330 goats, or 495 sheep.

In most cases, public concern over livestock

confinement operations is focused squarely on dairies.

The county's draft ordinance would limit livestock confinement operations, or LCOs, to areas zoned for agriculture or range preservation, said Justin Seamons, primary legal advisor for the county commissioners. LCOs would not be permitted in the city's area of impact, nor in the protection zones.

The size of a proposed LCO would be determined by the density of nearby dwellings. Seamons said.

More than 24 homes exist within a given boundary of the proposed operation, then it would be denied. If the number of surround-

ing homes is four or fewer, the county would entertain proposals for up to 7,500 animal units.

The specific distance has not been determined yet, Seamons said, but most discussions have involved figures ranging from half a mile to two miles.

Moreover, the county would require a letter from the state's Division of Environmental Quality or the Agriculture Department, accompanied by a letter from a professional engineer — acknowledging that the proposed LCO's sewage lagoon would be adequate. Assurances from the Idaho Department of Water Resources also would be required.

## House hisses at reptile bill

**BOISE (AP)** — An Idaho House dominated by farmers and ranchers wanted no part of a project by Boise schoolchildren to make the western rattlesnake the state reptile.

Rattlesnakes are to be feared, not revered, members declared Monday as they voted 57-13 to kill an idea advanced by a fourth-grade class at Boise's Summerwind Elementary.

More than a dozen lawmakers took part in a debate that wasn't altogether serious. But some

farmer- and rancher-lawmakers told their colleagues the danger from rattlesnakes is real. Others said the state's image would suffer if the legislation were enacted.

Next might be the famous Idaho potato. The House State Affairs Committee on Monday recommended approval for a bill declaring the state's top commodity as the official state vegetable. It should come up for a final vote by the end of the week and is considered more likely to win approval than the snake bill.

## Burglaries

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sight, park their cars in a well-lit place or in a garage if they can, and investing in a car alarm, things like that," Munn said.

According to police reports, the missing items included:

- A stereo and speakers stolen from a Caterpillar excavator parked in the 1900 block of Pomerelle Drive, sometime Thursday.
- A passenger window broken out and a stereo stolen from a car parked at apartments in the 100 block of Addison Avenue West, between late Thursday night and 5:40 a.m. Friday.
- A car and computer gear stolen from a Diebold company truck parked in the 200 block of Coronado Avenue, between 1

a.m. and 8:15 a.m. Friday.

- A driver's door window broken on a car parked in 800 block Monroe Street, about 11:50 p.m. Friday.

- Compact discs, a watch, a knife, and coins stolen from a car parked in a driveway on the 100 block of Rose Street North, between 6 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. Saturday.

- Cassette deck stolen from a pickup parked at Gem Motors, 195 Addison Ave. W., between 8 p.m. Friday and 1 p.m. Saturday. Police have suspects.

- A compact disc player stolen from a car parked in the 109 block of Quincy about 12:45 a.m. Saturday. Police have witnesses.
- A stereo, radio detector and

tool box stolen from a pickup parked in the 100 block of Fourth Avenue South, between 9:30 p.m. Friday and 1 a.m. Saturday.

- A driver's window broken out and Christian music tapes stolen from a car parked in the 300 block of Dubois Avenue, between midnight and 3 a.m. Saturday.

- A CD player, stereo and CDs stolen from a car parked in the 2100 block of Eighth Avenue North between 11 p.m. Friday and 8:15 a.m. Saturday.

- A car damaged in apparent burglary attempt in the 1300 block of Washington Street South between 5:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

- A wallet, cards, and a stereo

stolen from car packed in an alley between Heyburn and Wiseman avenues, and Ostrander and Blake streets, Saturday morning.

- A right front window broken and a leather pack, \$155 cash, and leather coat stolen from a car parked in 200 block of Addison Avenue West, between 9 p.m. and 10:15 p.m. Saturday.

- A rear door window broken on a van parked in the 1800 block of Bridgeview Boulevard.
- A car stolen from a driveway in the 200 block of Adams Street, about 5:10 a.m. Sunday.

- Hudspets stolen from a car at the 600 block Fawnbrank Apartments between 9:30 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. Sunday.

## CSI

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Craig said, before leading a unanimous vote in favor of the increase.

After the vote, Meyerhoeffer said he promised students last year he wouldn't recommend increasing fees, because the board had already asked for \$20 in additional student fees, to fund technology on campus.

"I don't think anybody recognized that was going to happen in the state of Idaho," Meyerhoeffer said.

The alternatives to increased fees were larger classes or less training in course offerings. Meyerhoeffer said. The fee increase will hire two to four more teachers for the next

school year, to keep classes small.

Without the new teachers, the college might have to restrict student admissions, which is against CSI's philosophy of allowing access to everyone at a low cost, Meyerhoeffer said.

The college is already "playing catch up" to reduce its class sizes because of a 10 percent increase in student population this spring, he said.

The college anticipates another 10 percent enrollment increase this fall, plus additional pressure on course offerings because of a new policy requiring vocational students to take additional classes, he said.

## More events

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### COMMUNITY EVENTS

#### Kennel club discusses responsible breeding

**TWIN FALLS** — The Snake River Canyon Kennel Club of Idaho will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the KMVT Community Room, 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

A presentation on "Responsible Breeding" will highlight the program. It will include information about breeding costs, process, contracts and more.

For more information about the presentation or the club, call Debbie Kovar at 736-9118 or Dorothy Sayers at 736-6458.

#### Chill supper planned to benefit Helleman

**FILER** — A chill supper benefit is planned for 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Peace Lutheran Church. Homemade bread and pie and ice cream are included.

The event is sponsored by the Aid Association for Lutherans Branch 314 in Filer to raise money for the pay medical expenses for Dean Helleman, a cancer patient.

Anyone who is unable to attend the supper but would like to support the fund-raising are asked to make checks payable to AAL Branch 3140 and send the donations to Lois Anderson, AAL Treasurer, 467 Rose St. N., Twin Falls, ID 83401. Contributions are tax deductible.

#### Young men earn Eagle Scout Award

**TWIN FALLS** — Scott Freeman and Brian Brown have earned Eagle Scout awards through the Boy Scouts of America. The award is presented to Scott and Brian at a court of honor set for 7 p.m. Thursday at the Twin Falls LDS 1st Ward Church on Elizabeth Boulevard.

To earn the award, scouts must complete at least 21 merit badges and an Eagle project.

Brian has earned 31

badges, which qualifies him for bronze and silver palms to be awarded at a later date. For his project, he conducted a used book drive and collected 950 books for the Valley House Homeless Shelter. Brian is the 15-year-old son of Dennis and Beverly Brown of Twin Falls and a member of Troop 100, sponsored by the Twin Falls LDS 1st Ward.

Scott has earned 29 badges, qualifying him to a bronze palm to be awarded at a later date. His project was the construction of new warm-up pitching mounds at the Jaycee Baseball Diamond in Twin Falls. He was assisted by eight scouts and two leaders. The Twin Falls Recreation Department supplied the materials, the Renter Center donated the use of a sod cutter and Kimberly Norseth donated the sod. Scott is 16 and a sophomore at Twin Falls High School. He is the son of Ronald and Renee Freeman of Twin Falls and a member of Troop 100, sponsored by the Twin Falls LDS 1st Ward.

**Sons of Norway plan leadership meeting**

**TWIN FALLS** — The Sons of Norway Magic Valley Lodge 2-160 is hosting a leadership conference from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the KMVT

Community Room, 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Lodge members from Idaho Falls, Boise and surrounding areas will be in attendance. Don Combes of Idaho Falls is the new zone director and is responsible for organizing the seminar. All officers and members are urged to attend; guests are welcome. For more information, call Barbara Gowdy at 326-4826.

#### Business alumni invited to party

**BOISE** — A post-game party for alumni and students of the College and Business and Economics is planned for Sunday at the Stone House at the Ram, 709 E. Park Blvd.

The party begins about 4 p.m. (after the BSU vs University of Idaho men's basketball game). Cost is \$6 per person, which includes a beverage and hors d'oeuvres. No RSVP is necessary. For more information, call Phil Bartle at 385-4128.

#### Disaster services course offered

**TWIN FALLS** — The TV movie, "Asteroid," that aired in the Magic Valley Feb. 16 and 17, showed the duties of Red Cross workers. While the earth will

probably not collide with an asteroid in the near future, there are many natural disasters that cause much destruction, such as earthquakes, fires, floods, hurricanes and tornadoes.

The American Red Cross is planning a course offering that will occur in our area. To be prepared, more volunteers are needed to join Disaster Services. The Red Cross provides necessary training on a regular basis.

Anyone interested in training is encouraged to call 733-6464 or stop by the Red Cross office, 718 Shoshone St. E.

#### Study abroad available to students

Students interested in studying abroad in Italy or Brazil have a chance now to participate in AYUSA International's Study Abroad Scholarship Program for the 1997-98 academic semester or year.

Valued at more than \$5,200, the scholarship covers most of the program fees, which include language tutoring, international airfare and placement with a host family and school.

The AYUSA Study Abroad Program provides American High School students an opportunity to expand their

global perspective by living with a volunteer host family and attending a public high school in the country of their choice.

For more information, including other scholarship countries and an application, call AYUSA International at 1-800-727-4540, Ext. 503 or 505. All full applications for Italy or Brazil must be postmarked by March 15, 1997.

## EVENTS ELSEWHERE

### Senior center sponsors tours

**RUPERT** — The Minidoka County Senior Center is sponsoring four tours this year.

An eight-day trip to Texas and Louisiana is planned for April 7. The Calgary Stampede will be the highlight of the tour days starting July 10. Fall in New England will be enjoyed from Sept. 29 through Oct. 12. Christmas in Branson will be the target from Dec. 6-11.

Early sign-up is suggested. For more information, call 436-9107 or stop by the center at 702 11th St.

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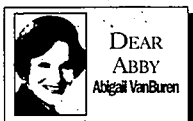
# Narcotics Anonymous helps desperate users

DEAR ABBY: I just read the letter about the heroin addict who killed herself after writing "King Heroin Is My Shepherd." Her note mentioned "the doctor who told my family it would have been better, and indeed kinder, if the person who got me hooked on dope had taken a gun and blown my brains out."

Abby, I think the doctor who said that is partially responsible for the death of this young woman. She did not need a message of hopelessness and despair, especially from a person of authority and respect.

If only the doctor had encouraged her to hurry to Narcotics Anonymous, she might be alive today. Please print this so that others who may find me "courage, strength and hope." Narcotics Anonymous can be reached at 1-800-896-8896.

DEAR CLOSE CALL: Let that letter generated a flood of mail



DEAR ABBY  
Abby VanBuren

from readers whose lives have been touched by drugs, filled with important messages like your own. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing in response to "A Saddened Mom who believes 'it takes a village.'" It really does. I'm glad someone seems to understand that children involved with drugs need to be helped by the whole community. In 17 years of age, I've already had a close friend (who was on drugs) commit suicide. I wish people would understand that people don't take drugs because they are not an addict, as convenient as that would be to believe. People take drugs

because they are depressed and believe they have nothing better to do with their lives.

"Straight" kids are taught to stay away from "bad" kids, which is too bad — because peer pressure works just as well in reverse. Peer groups are oftentimes enough to save a child. Fortunately, most of my friends have been saved from drugs by peer pressure. I shudder to think how rare that is.

—YOUNG ENOUGH TO KNOW BETTER IN NEW ORLEANS

DEAR ABBY: Thank you for the reworded 23rd Psalm, "King Heroin Is My Shepherd." It is powerful testimony against drug abuse. It is a shame the United States called 23-year-old young lady had to give her life to produce it. What a difference she could have made in the lives of others if she had allowed to reach her potential. The loss is incalculable.

I am a volunteer high school

teacher. I have already used this column as a teaching tool. Rarely do I have every student's undivided attention, but when I read your column to them, no one ever blinked. There was dead silence afterward. I know it helped to reinforce the commitment of some to stay off drugs and help their peers to stay off drugs, too.

Thank you, Abby, and thanks to the 23-year-old's family for sharing that sad suicide note with the world. I hope some good may come of it.

—DENNIS J. DAVIS, GLENDORA, CALIF.

Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us: Advice How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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## The Millers tale

It isn't "Dick" who's really bringing you those funky Miller Lite TV ads. The geeky-looking guy with the sideburns is actually a team of Swedish ad makers brought in by the Minneapolis agency Fallon McElligott to whip up the ads critics either love or hate.

## Good jobs, by George!

Job hunting in the next millennium? Let John F. Kennedy Jr. help. His George Magazine lists the occupations that will grow — and shrink — the most over the next 10 years. Bottom line — if you can clean, make change, or fire a gun, you're in the money! If you fancy being employed, be a cashier, a janitor, a retail salesperson, a food server, a registered nurse, a top executive (our fave choice), a systems analyst, a home health aide, a security guard, or a nurse's aide.

## Just the fax

If you're job-hunting right now, you'd better learn the fax of life. More and more companies just list a fax number in a help-wanted ad. Newsday reports. Some employers ask applicants to fax their resumes because the companies don't have to identify themselves and risk being deluged by callers, said Barbara Frankel Eckstein, a career consultant based in Great Neck, N.Y. "They are in control and can see who responds to that ad." And they can get those responses ASAP.

## Take the blinders off

With apologies to Satchel Paige, look behind you — some people may be gaining. Many business people are so focused on their own companies that they don't pay enough attention to

what their rivals are doing, and that can be a big mistake: Stanford and UCLA researchers told Entrepreneur magazine, "If your competitor makes a move and you don't notice, it can sneak up on you, take your market, even steal your customers," says Stanford marketing prof David Montgomery.

## A note of caution

Thinking of a career in pop music? "The road to the top is long and hard and cold," says Kula Shaker's Crispian Mills, son of Hayley. "The more successful the band becomes, the busier you become, and the more fans you have, the more enemies you have," he tells Entertainment Weekly. "So to be a successful, popular music group you also have to be four unpopular, socially alienated individuals."

# Scientists attempt to re-create origin of life

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At least once in the history of the universe, the minimum materials of a newborn and sterile planet — hydrogen, ammonia and methane — gathered themselves into organisms.

And that, on Earth, began. Scientists don't see any miracle in this creation. Life came about from a series of chemical reactions, says Jeffrey Bada, a chemist from the Scripps Institution of Oceanography in La Jolla, Calif.

To demonstrate how the spark of life might have taken hold on Earth, he and his colleagues are trying to coax it to happen again — in their laboratory flasks.

If scientists succeed, they will have done for the origin of life what Darwin's evolution did for the origin of mankind — taken it out of the realm of theology and placed it within the laws of nature.

Bada is part of a NASA-sponsored team of "exobiologists," people who study the question of life beyond Earth.

Since scientists haven't actually found life on other planets, Bada takes an indirect route to exobiology, looking at Earth life to determine the probability that life exists elsewhere. Was life an improbable accident that happened only once? Or was it an inevitable outcome of the laws of chemistry — a phenomenon that could have happened in many places throughout the universe? Last summer's claim of past life on a Martian meteorite did shift the focus in the exobiology community to the red planet, but when Bada, along with colleague Euan Becker, studied a piece of one of these Martian rocks, their analysis cast doubt on the claim of past life.

Bada and Becker contend the organic chemicals found in the rock came from Earthly contamination. The quest to re-create the origin of life in a laboratory began in

1953, with a 23-year-old graduate student named Stanley Miller.

At that time, biologists and chemists had taken apart living cells, revealing the internal working parts, like the gears and coils that run mechanical watches. They found DNA, proteins, sugars, amino acids, and other "Y-called organic chemicals that no one had seen in matter that hadn't once been alive.

"We used to think that organic compounds were only associated with life," says Miller.

There was the realm of the living and that of the nonliving, each with its own building blocks. That life could spring from non-life was anathema to science — and yet we're here, somehow.

Miller set out to bridge the gap with a simple apparatus composed of two connected glass chambers. One he filled with water, and the other with his approximation of the atmosphere — hydrogen, ammonia and methane.

Miller shot an electric current through the apparatus and after a week the water turned to a teal-colored, mineral-rich broth full of amino acids — chemicals thought to belong to the realm of living things.

More organic chemicals turned up in 1953, in a meteorite that fell on Murchison, Australia. Since then scientists have realized that dead, rocky asteroids are brimming with organic compounds — hydrocarbons, alcohols and amino acids — so much so that some of them stink when broken apart.

Now, the question is how these building blocks were put together into living things.

One problem is there is no clear line between living and nonliving things. The difference seems fairly obvious, but there is no defining characteristic that separates animal and vegetable from mineral.

The origin of life, the ancestor of us all, was therefore a molecule.

# Change can be easy

In my work helping people to achieve the changes they want in their lives, I have found no one has explained the concept of change to them.

Let's explore a few myths of change and some of the quick, simple and powerful ways we can bring about the changes we want.

Myth No. 1: Change is hard. There certainly are times when change can be difficult. But that means only that it takes commitment and constant attention. Unfortunately, we sometimes seem more committed to the belief that something is hard than we are to changing it.

Myth No. 2: Change takes a long time. Sometimes the process of change can take a while, but the decision to change can be made in an instant.

Recently, an acquaintance mentioned that he was considering dropping out of school to become a doctor. "But," he said, "I'll be eight years older when I graduate." I then asked, "How much older will you be eight years from now if you do not go back to school?" The bottom line is this: We change when we decide to change, and not a second sooner.

Myth No. 3: We can't change unless and until we get a better job. It's warmer outside, someone else changes first, etc. It's amazing how intelligent, motivated and creative we are when it comes to finding ways to change. We can change. If we simply use our brains and creativity to make the changes we want, the whole process would be

COMMENTARY  
Jeff Herring

faster and easier.

Myth No. 4: Change is complicated. Not really. Change is, in fact, very simple. We are what's complicated. Change really involves only three steps: 1) Deciding something has to change; 2) Doing all the things necessary to change the change; and 3) Distinguishing between what is working and what is not. If it's working, keep doing it. If it's not working, go back to step 2 until you find what works. Almost all failure to change can be traced to not following one of these three steps.

Now ask yourself three key questions:

• What were the specific things you thought and believed that helped you make the change?

• What were the specific things you did to get the change?

• What were the specific things you did and believed to keep the change?

The answers to these questions can give you a strategy and pattern for change. Simply apply them to situations that arise.

Remember: Change can be easy.

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Liliston Hi Cap 6200 full type combine, hydraulic unload, spring tooth cylinder, cup elevator, return elevator, P.T.O. and hydraulic operated - Case 660 self propelled combine, with cab, was running when parked several years ago - Massey-Ferguson 63 9 row corn head, 30" spacing, quick hitch model - 1961 IHC 2 ton truck, V8 engine, 5 speed, 2 1/2 ton, 6.25x20 rubber, 15 inch bed - Sure-T pick-up.

**PLANTER EQUIPMENT**  
IHC 510 24 hole grain drill on rubber; double disc; hydraulic lift - John Deere 18 hole grain drill on rubber, 7" spacing, double disc, seeder, hydraulic lift - 2 IHC 500 8 row air cycle planters, for beans or corn, markers, monitors, 3 pt. hitch.

**HAYING MACHINERY**  
Massey Ferguson 124 string lay baler, P.T.O. driven - IHC 57 string tie hay baler, P.T.O. driven - IHC 100 Dyna Balance 7' mower, 3 pt. hitch - John Deere, chisel type air bar, side rake on dual rubber - Case 7' mower, 3 pt. hitch.

**GROUND WORKING MACHINERY**  
John Deere 540 land plane on rubber, hydraulic lift - IHC 642 4 bottom 2 way plow, tip beams, trash turners, 3 pt. hitch - IHC 314 3 bottom 2 way plow, tip beams, trash turners, 3 pt. hitch - John Deere RIVA 10' tandem disc on rubber hydraulic lift, cutouts front - Triple K 15' renovator, S lines, folding wings, 3 pt. hitch, gauge wheels - Dunham 12' cultipacker - Meyers V type square nose ditcher, hydraulic and lift - IHC 3 pt. hitch.

**BEEF & BEAN EQUIPMENT**  
2 Demco 200 gallon fiberglass tanks with bolly mount frame - John Deere 6 row bean cutter - Health 1062 bean windrower, 6 row, pull type, hydraulic drive, center delivery - 6 row S line belt cultivator - Alloway guage wheels and 3 pt. hitch - Massey Ferguson 6 row 3 bar T bar bean cultivator, 3 pt. hitch - 14' tool bar with gandy applicators and 3 pt. hitch - Melrose 4 section tine tooth harrow with 3 pt. hitch.

**OTHER MACHINERY**  
Crust breaker, 6 row corn cultivator, 3 pt. hitch - Like new Demco 150 gallon fiberglass tank weed sprayer, beams, boom, 42" wide - 1961 IHC 2 ton truck, hydraulic bulano tank on rubber with burner wand and hoses - 1000 gallon fiberglass nurse tank.

**MISCELLANEOUS**  
Assorted miscellaneous items, such as chains, tools, and bolts and just a general line of miscellaneous items. Not a lot of miscellaneous, so don't be late.

NOTE: Steve has quit farming and has purchased a travel agency in Twin Falls called "Travel Agency International".

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## IDAHO IN BRIEF

### University sculpture will honor educator

**BOISE** — A late advocate of education will have a centerpiece in a courtyard at Boise State University named in her honor. A 12-foot textured steel sculpture will be installed in the memory of Janet Hay of Nampa. Hay was a past member and president of the state Board of Education, as well as a legislator. She died of cancer in 1993. The sculpture is two half circles that appear to stand side by side with no support. It symbolizes the relationship between the student and teacher, said Hay's husband, Robert. The sculpture was designed by Nobuyo Okuda, a Japanese art student and Boise State graduate who was befriended by the Hay family in the 1980s.

### Sheep tag goes low because of unit closure

**BOISE** — Idaho's special bighorn sheep hunting tag has been auctioned off for \$33,000, far less than the \$101,000 brought in last year. The tag was auctioned at the recent convention of the Foundation for North American Wild Sheep in Philadelphia. The price was lower because the most desirable hunting area, Unit 11 in the west-central Idaho mountains, was closed to bighorn hunting, said John Beecham, Idaho Department of Fish and Game sheep program manager. Respiratory disease caused a decline in the local population last winter. One bighorn tag is given to the foundation each year. Another goes to the organization for a lottery so less affluent hunters have a chance at obtaining a tag.

### Representative to dump tax code, not tea

**REXBURG** — Rep. Michael Crapo will take part in a reenactment of the Boston Tea Party, but participants will dump the U.S. tax code instead of British tea. Crapo, R-Idaho, told more than 1,000 Republicans gathered for a Lincoln Day dinner in Rexburg he will soon join Rep. Billy Tauzin, D-Louisiana, in a reenactment of the Boston Tea Party. Crapo hopes the 1997 party will lead to a revolution like the 1773 event did and cause an overthrow of the U.S. tax code. He said the national debt, burdensome regulation and an increasingly complicated code are robbing Americans of freedoms just as important as those revolutionaries fought for 220 years ago.

### Number of protected birds being shot rising

**BOISE** — In the home state of the World Center for Birds of Prey and the Snake River Birds of Prey Natural Area, the number of eagles, hawks and other raptors being shot and poisoned is climbing steadily. Since 1992, the number of birds being rehabilitated has increased nearly fourfold, and Idaho is not the only state where the majestic birds are being killed or injured in rising numbers. "It's nationwide," raptor expert Morley Nelson said. Nelson and two other Boise rehabilitators treated 200 birds last year. Some had been hit by cars, bruised their wings on power lines or had been weakened by winter storms. The majority, however, were targets.

### Officials: Study compares apples, oranges

**COEUR D'ALENE** — Kootenai County officials are critical of a survey that shows its solid waste department has more employees than any other county solid waste department in the state. According to a recent Association of Idaho Counties study, Kootenai County has 40 full-time landfill workers, far ahead of second-place Ada County, with just 10 solid waste employees. But county solid waste director Steve Wolf and Commissioner Dick Compton say the study does not take into account the fact that local solid waste services are a county operation. And in many counties, garbage disposal services are contracted and therefore did not show up on the study. Wolf said Ada County does not staff its landfill.

Compiled from wire reports

# Tax panel may be bound for showdown



**BOISE (AP)** — The House tax committee has spent considerable time in this legislative session talking about proposals to change the state tax system, but so far hasn't passed anything of note. That may change this week. Members of the Revenue and Taxation Committee will decide Wednesday the fate of legislation that would shift major public school funding from local property taxes to sales tax. The measure is sponsored by Rep. Frank Brunel, R-Leviston. At the same time Monday, the panel voted to decide local option tax bills sponsored by the Association of Idaho Cities and the Idaho Association of Counties. Both measures are given only the remotest chance of passage. Brunel's bill promises a \$140 million property tax cut. But even so, committee members raised questions about his plan, and it's uncertain whether it will get out of committee. Brunel said his legislation boils

down to a simple question: Do lawmakers want to cut local school property taxes and have school maintenance and operations funded through the sales tax? "It brings \$140 million worth of property tax relief that would be immediate and permanent," Brunel said. Rep. Golden Linford, R-Rexburg, said he was worried that chopping off local school property taxes would create a "vacuum that gets filled right back up." He noted that the change would do nothing about overrides and special elections. "I don't see this as creating that vacuum," Brunel said. Although the tax shift would cut property taxes, it also would

boost their federal and state income taxes, Rep. Dave Bivens, R-Meridian, noted. Property taxes are deductible; sales taxes are not. If a taxpayer paid \$1,000 in property taxes and itemized deductions, that could save that taxpayer \$280 in federal tax and \$82 in state tax. Other committee members noted that lawmakers have been under pressure, particularly from tax activist Ron Rankin, to do something about property taxes. Rankin has filed papers to start another initiative campaign to limit property taxes and it is being analyzed by the attorney general's office. Brunel was asked if he had heard from Rankin, possibly with a promise that the initiative would be dropped if the Legislature enacted significant property tax relief. "No deals," Brunel said. "Deal with it for what it is." Other lawmakers asked Brunel whether such a major shift in tax policy should be put

to a referendum vote. "This is my first choice," Brunel said of his efforts to get the Legislature to make the change. "It's a step on the part of the Legislature to do something about property tax relief." Randy Nelson of Associated Taxpayers of Idaho said the shift would increase the share of Idaho's tax load covered by sales tax from 26 percent to 33 percent and would cut the property tax portion from 30 percent to 25 percent. "For the folks who don't pay property taxes (such as renters), this is a tax increase," Nelson said.

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## Money-hungry lawmakers refuse to add revenue-raising tax auditors

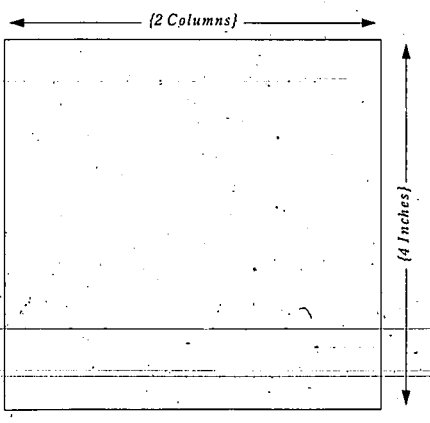
**BOISE (AP)** — After weeks of fretting over inadequate tax receipts, legislative budget writers on Monday nevertheless denied cash for two more auditors. The auditors would have been assigned to ensure out-of-state companies doing business in Idaho are paying their fair share. "We're being very shortsighted here," Sen. Bruce Sweeney, D-Leviston, said. "People have a tendency, if they don't believe they're going to be audited, to be on the short side or in the gray area."

But the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee voted 14-5 to eliminate two of the extra four tax enforcement people the Tax Commission and Gov. Phil Batt requested in the 1998 budget to beef up collections through the multi-state tax compact. The commission price tag was \$250,000. The committee cut it in half and also declined to restore the \$209,000 the administration saved to help balance this year's budget by eliminating two income tax auditors, a sales tax auditor and a criminal investiga-

tor in the tax discovery unit. Legislative leaders have been on a crusade to pare at least \$10 million from the bottom line of Batt's \$1.4 billion general tax budget as a hedge against a weaker economy and spring flood damage. But the cuts in the Tax Commission budget were greater than those their blueprint contemplated. Also eliminated was \$75,000 for a pilot project that would allow taxpayers to file short forms via telephone. House Appropriations Chairman Bob Geddes said he simply believed that in a budget as tight as the 1998 one, the state should not be starting new programs. Sen. Stan Hawkins, R-Ucon, who led the charge for the reduction, said he was not trying to dictate how the commission should run its auditing and collection

operation. But he also maintained that emphasis on revenue-generating audits creates public upheaval, undermining voluntary compliance with tax laws. Statistics compiled by the commission indicated that each income tax auditor produces an average of \$360,000 a year in returns and sales, and a fuel tax auditor about \$315,000. The commission has only 62 auditors in the two areas. A legislative performance audit last year found that the state is not collecting \$70 million in taxes each year that is collectable. And the Tax Commission pointed out that the federal Internal Revenue Service saw voluntary tax payments drop by over \$43 billion in the mid-1980s when it cuts its audit coverage from 2.5 percent of all returns to 1.1 percent.

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## CONGRESSIONAL AWARD WINNERS



Winners of the Idaho Congressional Awards are as follows, from left: Shelby Sommer, Courtney Fisher, Rachel Denny, and Natalie Hobbs, all of Twin Falls High School; Jennifer Moore of Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School; Kristina Sorensen, Alec Rupp-Smith, both of Twin Falls High School; Lindsay Wagner of Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School; Erin Whitney of Twin Falls High School; Meredith Taylor of Kimberly High School; Toni Christensen of Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School; Ebin Wadick of Twin Falls High School; Hallyl Hodges of Twin Falls High School; Jana Newby of Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School; Angela Katona of Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School; Nicole Cheatum of Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School; Laura Wells of Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School; Rachel Webb of Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School; and Kim Ziegler of Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School. Seated are Col. Bernie Fisher, Congressional Medal of Honor recipient, Sen. Larry Craig, Sen. Dirk Kempthorne, Rep. Mike Crapanzano, Teresa Little, president of the Idaho Congressional Award Council, Rhonda Tildon, casework director for Rep. Helen Chenoweth, Margo Gartz, Idaho Congressional Award Council member and Wiley Dobbs, principal of Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School.

## CLUB PROFILE



### Twin Falls - College of Southern Idaho Judo Club

**Purpose:** to teach the basics of the Olympic sport of Judo as well as bullfight character, confidence and much self defense techniques. Participants learn proper form for throws, pin holds, counter throws, neck locks, choke holds and arm bars, rules of the sport, points gained and penalty points, etc.

Players from other clubs in the intermountain area and advance to national tournaments.

**MEETS:** 6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday evenings in the College of Southern Idaho gymnasium.

**Cost:** for beginners is \$13 per semester.

**Major projects:** the club encourages judokas (judo players) to advance and become proficient enough to compete in tournaments and enter matches with

**Profile your club**  
The Times-News would like to profile your organization. Send your information along with your name, a photo and your phone number to April Crnich, Community Editor, P.O. Box 548 Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Society will hold its February meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Health and Welfare Building on Pole Line Road.

Jeff Ross will present a program on his work at the Corn Creek site on the Salmon River. He is a Bureau of Land Management archaeologist for the Jarbidge Resource Area. The public is welcome.

Please see **MORE EVENTS**, Page B3

## SENIOR CALENDAR

**Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center**  
616 Eastland Drive  
Dinner served from noon to 1 p.m. Suggested donation is \$2.50 for non-seniors under 60 and \$2.50 for children under 12.  
Today: Salisbury steak  
Wednesday: Birthday dinner with fried chicken  
Thursday: Chef's salad  
Friday: Ham/broccoli quiche  
Monday: Chinese dinner

**Activities**  
Library, Pool Room, and Bargain Center with cards, games, color television and movies. Open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Today: Blood pressure checks from 10 am. to noon.  
Wednesday: Quilting from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Line dancing at 3 p.m.  
Thursday: Pinochle at 3 p.m.  
Friday: Quilting from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Saturday: Bingo at the center.  
Monday: Quilting from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**Ageless Senior Citizens**  
310 Main St. N., Kimberly  
All dinners at noon. Suggested donation is \$2.50.  
Wednesday: Pizza  
Friday: Pork chops  
Monday: Beef stew

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

**Activities**  
Today: Cornucopia at 1 p.m.  
Wednesday: Blood pressure checks.  
Thursday: Crafts at 1 p.m.

**Friday**  
Bingo at 11:55 a.m.  
Pinochle at 1 p.m.

**West End Senior Citizens Inc.**  
1010 Main St., Buhl  
All meals at noon, Monday through Saturday; 1 p.m. on Sunday. Thrift shop open every day from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Today: Barbecue chicken wings  
Wednesday: Barbecue chicken wings  
Thursday: Beef stroganoff  
Friday: Beef stroganoff  
Saturday: Biscuits and gravy  
Sunday: Ham  
Monday: Toasted cheese sandwich with chicken noodle soup.

**Activities**  
Today: Quilting at the center. Bingo from 7 to 9 p.m.  
Wednesday: Exercise class at 10 a.m.  
Thursday: Quilting at the center. Bingo after lunch. Evening lunch at 5:30 p.m. and cards.  
Friday: Exercise class at 10 a.m.  
Saturday: Exercise at 10 a.m. Cliff Hawk & the Last Resorts will play from 7:30 to 11 p.m.  
Monday: Exercise at 10 a.m. Cards in the evening at the center.  
Evening meal at 5:30 p.m.

**Filer Senior Haven**  
222 Main St., Filer  
Dinners served at noon on Tuesday and Thursday and at 6 p.m. on Friday. Suggested donation is \$2 for seniors. Home delivered meals available each meal time.  
Today: Sloppy joe on a bun  
Thursday: Birthday dinner with fried chicken  
Friday: Hot beef sandwich

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Filer Chamber of Commerce to meet

**FILER** - The Filer Chamber of Commerce will meet at noon Thursday at the Filer City Council chambers. Regular meetings are held the second and fourth Thursdays of each month.

### Health Fair comes to Kimberly High

**KIMBERLY** - Kimberly High School is sponsoring a Health Fair Wednesday through the advanced

health class.  
"Mind Games: The Munny Minks of Drugs" will consist of a variety of activities for the student body. Classrooms in both the main building and the annex will be set up in various situations, including "Quiz Bowl," "Mink Mailing," "Natural Helpers," "Stressography," "Anti-Marijuana Mincrowd/Catwalk," "E-critical Therapy/Ready Composition," "Quilt Making" and "Fly Tying." Students will receive beads at each station in keeping with the tradition of Mind Games. A competing will be held to determine the winners of the quiltmaking contest. Various prizes will be given at separate sessions.  
Activities begin at 9:30 a.m. with the Parade of Minks" followed by the personal to various groups. Each student will be able to participate in five activities until lunch break at

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MONEY AND CLASSIFIED

SmithKline to pay \$325 million for health care fraud

The Associated Press PHILADELPHIA — A Pennsylvania pharmaceutical company has agreed to pay \$325 million to the government for filing false claims with Medicare, Medicaid and other health care agencies in 42 states, authorities said Monday.

Investigators said SmithKline Beecham Clinical Laboratories Inc., based in Collegeville, billed the government for tests that were not medically necessary, were not ordered by a doctor or were not performed. The violations occurred from 1988 to 1994,

investigators said. This is one of the largest civil health care settlements ever achieved by the U.S. government," U.S. Attorney Michael Stiles said.

He said it showed what high priority his office placed on uncovering health care fraud. The company also was accused of acquiring a doctor's Medicare business by providing kickbacks — free computers and fax machines, free SmithKline workers or payment of rent, Stiles said. Medicare law prohibits providing anything of value to a doctor to get Medicare referrals.

Patients involved — who would not have known about the false claims — include beneficiaries of Medicare and Medicaid as well as federal employees employees and retirees.

SmithKline still could face criminal charges, Stiles said. The investigation is continuing.

SmithKline executives said the violations were accidental. "It is important to understand that SmithKline Beecham Clinical Laboratories never intentionally violated any laws," said Jan Leschly, chief executive of SmithKline

Beecham, the London-based parent company. "Part of the problem, not just for SB but for the entire industry, lies in ambiguities over regulations and guidelines."

SmithKline's clinical labs also agreed to enter a monitoring program with the federal Health and Human Services Department.

The four-year investigation stemmed from lawsuits filed by three private citizens under the False Claims Act, which allows people to sue the government if the government is being defrauded. The

three citizens, two former SmithKline workers and a competing sales person, will receive 15 percent to 25 percent of the settlement.

SmithKline, with U.S. headquarters in Philadelphia, has annual sales of about \$12 billion in medical products and services, with about \$1.3 billion from the clinical labs.

The settlement involves violations in 42 states and Washington, D.C. The states are every one except Arizona, Connecticut, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah and Wyoming.

MARKETS

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MONEY

MUTUAL FUNDS

**Investors eye new funds** as market volatility continues, analysts say.

Investors are looking for new mutual funds to invest in as the market continues to fluctuate, analysts say. The new funds are expected to focus on technology, healthcare, and other growth sectors.

The market has seen significant volatility in recent months, with investors seeking ways to diversify their portfolios. Analysts predict that the new funds will attract a significant amount of capital, particularly from institutional investors.

Key areas of focus for the new funds include:

- Technology:** Funds focusing on software, hardware, and internet-based services.
- Healthcare:** Funds investing in pharmaceuticals, medical devices, and healthcare services.
- Growth Sectors:** Funds targeting emerging markets and high-growth industries.

Investors are also looking for funds with strong track records and experienced management teams. The new funds are expected to offer competitive returns and risk profiles.

As the market continues to evolve, investors are likely to remain active in the mutual fund market, seeking opportunities to grow their wealth.

# School district brings the world to its students

ORKS, Wash. (AP) — Fourth-grader Paige Worley peers into the computer to see live images of herself and students in Edmond and Clatsop counties. And brief greetings are exchanged on the information highway.

But that's just the start for Paige and some Quillayute Valley schools classmates, who will be working with students from around the state on an ambitious, high-technology project for the rest of the year.

The district is one of nine in the state working with one another, the University of Washington, Boeing, Apple Computer and others to produce some snazzy, multimedia projects.

The effort, done with e-mail, teleconferencing and other technology, is called Partnerlink '97. And students are "jazzed," Forks Elementary School teacher Dave McIrvine said.

"I'm out here in Forks," fifth-grader Tom Whitaker said. "I want to get on the Internet and see what it's like in the other parts of the state."

But there's more happening in the Quillayute Valley School District.

While fourth- through 12th-grade students are working on Partnerlink, Forks High School English teacher Marsha West is preparing to be an instructor in a "Virtual High School."

Quillayute Valley is the lone school in the state selected to participate in a national program in which West will teach advanced English on the



Fourth-grader Kimberly Church operates a computer and videocamera link recently in a rural Forks, Wash., classroom.

Internet. Forks juniors and seniors get to choose from 30 course offerings on the World Wide Web.

"I think it's the greatest opportunity I've ever been offered as an educator," said West, who has taught in Forks for 22 years.

The projects come from the district's aggressive pursuit and use of technology and grant opportunities.

In the past few years, the district has won a \$139,100 federal

grant, matched it with an additional \$174,900, and pumped in another \$285,000 to install a state-of-the-art computer and telephone system. The district has added terminals, linked them and put every classroom on the Internet, connected parents and teachers, and more.

Partnerlink and the Virtual High School are just the latest endeavors.

"The network has allowed us to

reach out and bring the world to Forks in a way we would never have been able to do before," superintendent John Jones said.

The district got an \$80,000 state grant to join Partnerlink.

The six participating classrooms get a multimedia computer, camcorder, scanner, digital camera and software that will allow them to communicate with other districts and create some dazzling work.

McIrvine, who teaches a class of fourth- and fifth-graders, wants students to examine everyday stuff, such as a Nike tennis shoe.

His students are partners from other districts will use technology to explore product conception, patents, Third-World sweatshops, marketing, geography, economics, recycling, landfills and more, McIrvine said.

The children will connect with a high school technical drawing class in Chewelah, and a Nike engineer.

They will learn to use the technology, develop Internet sites, interact and brainstorm with students in different parts of the state, and even make presentations to the community.

"It's an incredible opportunity," McIrvine said.

Tom, the fifth-grader, said, "I just hope all the other schools are going to be as into this as we are."

West, the English teacher, has similar sentiments about the Virtual High School.

The district got a five-year, \$45,000 federal grant to join the project, under which a teacher devotes most of a day to Internet-related work in exchange for access to elective classes ranging from future studies to geophysics.

The effort will allow about 50 Quillayute Valley students to take electives on the Internet each year, said Jim Bennett, former

principal and now director of technology and vocational education.

And they're the sort of classes the school normally can't offer.

"We're going to be able to provide a lot of classes geared to the individual needs of lots of kids," Jones said.

Once under way, West will spend one period daily teaching advanced placement English on the Internet, sending materials, study questions, and assignments and receiving questions and homework.

The course must be engaging and well-organized, West said.

"There'll be no winning it," she said. "It will have to be high-polished."

For two more periods, West will monitor Quillayute Valley students taking Internet courses from teachers in other schools across the nation.

The system, unlike video courses in which teachers lecture students, is more interactive and should keep students interested.

"I don't expect there will be a problem with kids getting bored," she said.

The district is confident that students will get top-notch instruction on the Internet.

"We have faith the other schools will do as good a job selecting teachers as we have," Bennett said.

## IRS says new file-by-phone service shows rapid growth

WASHINGTON (AP) — The IRS, beset by major problems with updating its computer systems and slowing the pace of its modernization program is humming along; the new system to file a simple tax return by telephone.

Internal Revenue Service said more people used its file-by-phone system in the first six months of 1997 than they did throughout all of 1996. As of Feb. 21, the IRS had accepted 3 million returns through its TeleFile system, up from 2.8 million returns in 1996, the first year the

system was used nationwide.

About 26 million taxpayers were contacted by the IRS to use the TeleFile system. They receive a TeleFile package in the mail and a personal identification number. In its first year, single taxpayers whose income was limited to wages and interest could use the system, but this year it was expanded to married couples filing a joint return, with no dependents, and a total income of less than \$50,000.

The people selected can file their taxes by touch-tone telephone 24 hours a day. They enter

information from their W-2 forms, such as wages, federal taxes and Social Security numbers.

"It's as easy as ordering a pizza," said IRS Commissioner Margaret Milner Richardson.

The IRS has come under sharp criticism in recent weeks for spending \$4 billion on computer modernization in the last decade and having very little to show for it. But Deputy Secretary Lawrence Summers said it's an exaggeration to say the entire \$4 billion was wasted, and pointed to TeleFile as one success.

## Interest rates on short-term Treasury securities mixed in Monday's auction

WASHINGTON (AP) — Interest rates on short-term Treasury securities were mixed in Monday's auction.

The Treasury Department sold \$13.2 billion in three-month bills at an average discount rate of 5.01 percent, up from 4.98 percent last week. An additional \$13 billion was sold in six-month bills

at an average rate of 5.03 percent, the same as last week.

The three-month bill rate was the highest since they sold for 5.02 percent on Feb. 10.

The new discount rates understate the actual return to investors — 5.14 percent for three-month bills with a \$10,000 bill selling for \$9,873.40 and 5.23

percent for a six-month bill selling for \$9,745.70.

In a separate report, the Federal Reserve said Monday that the average yield for one-year Treasury bills, the most popular index for making changes in adjustable rate mortgages, fell to 5.47 percent last week from 5.49 percent the previous week.

## Filing for personal bankruptcy

By Robert M. Hines Service

Q. How do I file for personal bankruptcy?

A. Filing for bankruptcy can be done in two ways: by going directly to U.S. Bankruptcy Court or by obtaining the services of a lawyer to handle the filing.

In either case, a filing fee must be paid — \$160 or \$175, depending on which type of bankruptcy you choose. And you will be required to make a court-approved statement about your finances and, eventually, to answer questions about them under oath.

If you choose to file on your own behalf, you can contact the Bankruptcy Court clerk for basic instructions, and there are various how-to books available at libraries and book stores. But be aware that lawyers who specialize in bankruptcy, perhaps not surprising,

warn that filing on your own is risky for anything but the simplest cases.

"There are some cases that you can muddle through, and do it with a self-help book. The problem is that bankruptcy is very complicated and very easy to mess up," said Eric L. Rank, a partner at Miller, Frank & Miller in Philadelphia and a specialist in personal bankruptcy. "Doing it yourself can be penny-wise and pound-foolish."

Some bankruptcy cases are handled for free by legal-services lawyers.

For those who don't qualify for "pro bono" assistance, Frank said, "a fairly straightforward Chapter 7 case" will probably cost about \$500 to \$1,000. For a more complicated Chapter 13 bankruptcy — in which the debtor continues to make payments on unsecured loans — the typical cost is about

\$1,000 to \$2,000, he said. One advantage in Chapter 13 is that the attorney's fee can be made part of the overall payment plan.

Bankruptcy specialists say that for most people, the major question in contemplating bankruptcy is whether any other solution is available, because the consequences of filing are serious and long-lasting.

One alternative is to seek help from a nonprofit credit counselor, such as the national Consumer Credit Counseling Service, which can help you devise a payment plan and negotiate with creditors.

If bankruptcy is your only option, you can expect closer scrutiny in the future if you apply for credit, said Sam Germino, executive director of the American Bankruptcy Institute, a nonprofit research and education group.

## Cost of living rises slightly in northern Utah in January

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The cost of living in northern Utah's Wasatch Front rose two-tenths of 1 percent in January, primarily due to increased transportation, utility and clothing expenses.

The region's Area Cost of Living Index, released by First Security, came in at 132.8 compared to a national rate of 136.5, based on a base of 100 in March 1989.

After experiencing drops in the local cost of living in November and December, January's gain is more representative of what we would expect to be," said Kelly K. Matthews, First Security's chief economist.

While transportation, utilities and clothing costs increased, nationally, care and restaurant expenses remained stable for January, Wednesday's report stated.

Transportation, following a

five-month slide, rode a 2.2 percent increase in gasoline prices during the month. Nationally, a drop of one-tenth of 1 percent was noted.

Residential utilities bills were up four-tenths of 1 percent after four months of stability; clothing cost two-tenths of 1 percent more, compared to a national drop of one-half a percentage point; grocery bills were 1.7 percent less, marking the third straight month of decreases.

The cost of eating out, up 1.1 percent in December, remained stable in January. Nationally, that category saw an increase of two-tenths of 1 percent.

For the fourth month in a row, housing costs remained stable. Nationally, care and restaurant expenses remained stable for January, Wednesday's report stated.

Health care expenses remained stable, compared to a national hike of one-half percentage point.

## Haagen-Dazs goes low-fat

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Minnmmmmmm — Haagen-Dazs ice cream is now low in fat. After three years of development, the world's leading maker of superpremium ice cream introduced Haagen-Dazs Low Fat on Feb. Tuesday at a celebration in Tampa, Fla., one of the country's top ice cream markets.

The slimmed-down versions of vanilla, chocolate, strawberry and coffee fudge are already in Haagen-Dazs shops, and will be in grocery stores nationwide in April.

The new stuff has fewer than 3 grams of fat per half-cup serving, about 80 percent less than the company's regular ice cream. Low fat vanilla has 170 calories, compared with 270 for regular vanilla. Haagen-Dazs is a Minneapolis-based unit of Pillsbury Co., is the first superpremium ice cream maker with national distribution to make a low-fat version, following the lead of local and regional companies.

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Section D

## MORNING LINE

### SPORTSQUOTE

The student newspaper is calling it the game of the century. Only problem is most 18-year-old kids think the century started in 1980.

—Second-year St. Joseph's coach Phil Martelli on the Hawks' home game with Massachusetts tonight

## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

**Boys' high school basketball**  
A-2 District 4 championship at CSI Wood River vs. Jenne, 7 p.m.  
A-3 Canyon Conference tournament at Gooding. Gooding vs. Wendell 7 p.m. (loser-out)

## SCOREBOARD

**Pro basketball**  
Orlando 93 ..... Detroit 84  
Atlanta 106 ..... Golden State 100  
Chicago 116 ..... Portland 89  
Charlotte 96 ..... San Antonio 84

**Top 25 college basketball**  
Men  
No. 1 Kansas 70 ..... Oklahoma 68  
No. 19 Colorado 65 ..... Wakeford 58  
No. 25 Stanford 97 ..... San Diego St. 50  
Women  
No. 6 Louis Tech 98 ..... No. 8 Tenn. 80

**Boys' high school basketball**  
Oakley 57 ..... Hageman 56  
Gardling 61 ..... Glens Ferry 47  
Deakr 62 ..... Wendell 56

## IN BRIEF

**Babe Ruth sign-ups today, Wednesday**  
TWIN FALLS - Sign-ups for Magic Valley Babe Ruth baseball will be held today and Wednesday between 7-9 p.m. at the Harmon Park Recreation Building. Players ages 14-15 may sign up today and 13-year-olds can sign up Wednesday. For more information, contact Pete Turner at 734-7643.

**Men's softball association meets Wednesday evening**  
TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Men's Softball Association will hold its first league meeting Wednesday at 7 p.m. at City Hall. All players and managers are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Cory Ochsenr at 733-2486 or Ken Gruenwald at 733-4091.

**Bowe kicked out of boot camp, Marine Corps says**  
WASHINGTON - Former heavyweight boxing champion Riddick Bowe didn't leave the Marines voluntarily, he was booted out of boot camp because he "refused to train," The Washington Post reported Tuesday.  
Marine Corps spokesman Maj. Rick Long in Parris Island, S.C., told the Post "there were a lot of occasions when he was told to do something and he just said, 'No, I'm not going to do it.'"  
Long told the Post he wanted to clarify reports that he said gave the impression that Bowe was allowed to leave the Marines last week after realizing that he had made a mistake by joining.  
"You don't sign a contract with us in here, start training, and then say, 'Oops, I think I want to go home' and then just leave," Long said. "It's not that easy."

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# Hornets stay undefeated in Canyon tourney

By Gary Leavitt  
Times-News writer

**GOODING** - Declo's strong inside game got a big boost from the outside Monday night as the Hornets remained unbeaten in the boys' A-3 District 4 tournament by downing Wendell, 62-55.

Brian Fries, Declo's 6-foot-6 post, had a big game with 16 points and 14 rebounds, but it was the play of 6-1 guards Chris Jackson and Mike Christensen that made the difference.

The Hornet swingsmen kept the offense in sync with timely passing and combined for 33 points in keeping Wendell's tight defense off guard.

The Trojans went 6-for-11 from the line in the first half but shot only one second-half free throw. In contrast, Declo shot all five free throws in the second half and made 10 of 12 in the final period.

"We finally got to come to the free-throw line in the second half," said Declo coach the Loyd Garey.

"Another thing I really liked," added the Declo coach, "was that we got our offense into a flow and didn't let Wendell dictate. And I was really pleased with Chris Jackson, who's normally assigned to guard (Wendell's Nick) Kelsey, but then he turns around and contributes 18 points - that's got to be a real plus for us."

Tonight at 7 p.m. in an elimination

game, Wendell faces sixth-seeded Gooding: The winner of that game advances to the championship round against the Hornets.

Declo 62, Wendell 55  
Wendell 11-17 15-14-62  
Declo 22-15 13-26  
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Wendell 11-17 15-14-62  
Chrismen 2-4 2-5 1-2 1-2  
Points: Jackson 2, Christensen 2, Fries 9, 3-4 2-2, C. Snow 10, 2-6, Z. King 2, 1-1 1-1, Bonker 0 0 1-1, Butler 2 1-2 2-7, R. King 0 0 0-2  
Totals: 22-24 15-26  
Jr. points: Jackson 2, Snow 10, Fries 9

*'We got our offense into a flow and didn't let Wendell dictate. And I was really pleased with Chris Jackson... he turns around and contributes 18 points - that's got to be a real plus for us.'*

—Loyd Garey, Declo coach

4 duo combined for 34 points and 15 rebounds as Gooding earned tonight's meeting with the second-seeded Wendell Trojans in another elimination game.

Gooding trailed until 4:06 in the third quarter, when Hillfield nailed a layup for a 33-32 lead.

Gooding 61, Glens Ferry 47  
Gooding 10-17 35-19-61  
Glens Ferry 17-34 15-31-50  
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Glens Ferry 17-34 15-31-50



Wendell's Nick Kelsey makes body contact with Mike Christensen of Declo in the last minute as the Hornets held the lead and controlled the ball.

# 1 pin gives Twin win

By Darnen Clow  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - The seventh and final game of the District 4 girls' bowling tournament Monday had the potential for all the drama of a seventh and final game of the Loyd Series.

But Twin Falls' one-pin margin of victory over Jerome and nine-pin margin over Gooding didn't have the Bruins biting their nails.

"I didn't know until our coach told us... after it was over," said Jerome Mary Walker. "I didn't think we'd place - we weren't hitting our spares."

The seventh and final game of the baker gave the Bruins 1,082 pins and the first-place medal. Jerome (1,081) and Gooding (1,073) followed, with Kimberly at 1,064 and Minico at 1,043. Buhl (1,005) and Wendell (892) rounded out the varsity slate.

Despite playing in the familiar Bowldrome, the Bruins bowled well under their average - something that worried coach Claudia Creek.

"I lost the rest of the teams weren't bowling any better," Creek said.

The district singles event will be held Wednesday at 4 p.m. in Jerome, with each girl bowling three games. The Tiger bowlers took first in both the junior varsity and B-divisions.

Claudia Lopez, a junior who leads the team with a 179 average, said the familiar lanes had little to do with her performance Monday.

"For me it's a disadvantage," Lopez said. "For some reason, I always bowl better when I'm not here. But for my



A spare merits a round of fives from teammates for Minico's Stephanie Banner.

teammates, I think it was an advantage."

"It feels like good practice, even though it was a competition" said teammate Rebekka Majer. "That's how I looked at it."

Sophomore Naomi Sweatfield, the youngest of the quarter, said the two hours of bowling action hadn't fatigued her.

"I'm always on the run," said Sweatfield. "I still have to go to dance class tonight."

# Top 2 SWAC teams keep pace; playoffs coming up

**The Associated Press**

The top two teams in the Scenic West Athletic Conference kept pace last week, both winning critical games at their home floors.

**College polls, page D3**

Eastern Utah (13-3, 24-4) are tied for the lead going into the final week of play, but both will face crucial road tests in their quests for the league title.

North Idaho ran past fourth-place Rick 83-61 to clinch hosting rights for the SWAC post-season tournament as the Northern team with the best league record.

But the Cardinals still have their work out to clinch the conference title outright and to claim the top seed. They play at Salt Lake and at Utah Valley this

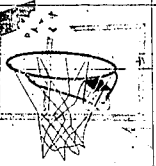
**Men's SWAC standings**

Team	W	L	Conf	Overall
N. Idaho	13	3	22	3
E. Utah	13	3	24	4
Utah Val	11	5	22	6
Ricks	10	6	22	6
Salt Lake	9	7	21	7
Snow	8	8	20	8
Utah	8	8	20	8
Utah Valley	7	10	17	12
Utah Valley	2	25	10	19
Utah Valley	0	16	6	22

## Throwing bricks

Worst field goal shooters this season (through games of Feb. 23, 1997)

Player, team	FGM	FGA	Pct.
Vernon Maxwell, San Antonio	247	646	.382
Damon Stoudamire, Toronto	357	924	.386
Allen Iverson, Philadelphia	359	918	.391
Jerry Stackhouse, Philadelphia	323	817	.395
Malik Sealy, L.A. Clippers	224	556	.403



## Bulls rip Trail Blazers early

**The Associated Press**

**CHICAGO** - The last time the Chicago Bulls played Portland, they needed Michael Jordan's 22 fourth-quarter points to pull out a narrow victory. This time, Jordan and his teammates took care of matters early.

Jordan scored 30 of his 37 points in the first half Monday night and Chicago cruised to its seventh straight win, 116-89 over the Trail Blazers.

"We were much more ready physically tonight," the Bulls' Steve Kerr said of the 83-84 victory in Portland on Feb. 4.

"That was the fifth game of the road trip and we didn't play well at all. Now, we're relaxed, rested and on a roll."

On a roll, indeed.

The Bulls are 49-5 overall and 26-1 at home, both best in the NBA by far.

They have won 19 consecutive home games. And they are on pace for 73 victories - one more than they had last season in setting a league record.

"We're in position to be able to beat that record," said Scottie Pippen, who had 22 points, 11 assists and nine rebounds. "It's the challenge of winning every night. We love to win... to see if we can do what we did last season - or better."

The Trail Blazers were without second-leading scorer J.R. Rider, who missed the game due to the death of his cousin. In addition, Rasheed Wallace didn't start because he was late for Portland's morning shoot-around.

"It wasn't too much of them, it wasn't enough of us," said Gary Trent, who led the Blazers with 14 points. "We don't have enough of us - team defense. We don't have enough of us wanting to

## Points down in the final five minutes to edge Salt Lake 74-72. The Golden Eagles will play at Snow on Friday and at Dixie

Friday and Saturday. Eastern Utah slipped past third-place Utah Valley 109-93, then came from 11 points down in the final five minutes to edge Salt Lake 74-72. The Golden Eagles will play at Snow on Friday and at Dixie







SPORTS

# End in sight for oldest on-campus college arena

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — When it's packed with rowdy fans, 71-year-old McArthur Court is a noisy shrine to college basketball and a nightmare for visiting teams.

When it's empty, it's just a homely gray gem far past its prime.

Built in 1926 and named for the university's first student-body president, McArthur Court is the oldest on-campus basketball arena still in use in the United States. More than 10,000 people can be crammed inside, all of them virtually on top of the court.

Most of the seats are stacked in three balconies, reachable only by narrow wooden stairways. The very top balcony has just three rows of seats.

People in the top balcony may have to walk down three flights of stairs just to go to the restroom. But once people are in their seats and making noise, it's a sight to behold, Oregon athletic director Bill Moss said.

The hysterical environment has been known to cause visiting teams to play poorly. When Jim Harrick was at UCLA, he seemed perpetually on the verge of a nervous breakdown in the intimidating din. Another UCLA coach, Gene Bartow, referred to the rowdy fans at Mac Court as "deranged idiots."

In a home game several years ago against Stanford, the fans' stamping shook the backboard so hard that a crucial free throw bounced off the pulsating rim.

The seats nearest the court go to students, who can't oppose players from too far, sometimes a few inches away. This year, there have been allegations that fans spat on Washington women's coach June Daugherty and hurled racial insults at UCLA players after Oregon upset the Bruins.



Built in 1926 and named for the university's first student-body president, McArthur Court is the oldest on-campus basketball arena still in use in the United States.

To protest the behavior of some of their schoolmates, student leaders topped off a section of wooden bleachers beneath one basket for last week's game against Arizona. After the Ducks upset the Wildcats, students rushed the court anyway. Green said the team was hoisted onto students' shoulders and pumped his fist in triumph.

It's all part of the storied legacy of the place affectionately known by locals as "The Pit."

But not even Mac Court lasts forever. Moss said that an indoor football practice facility is completed, the next big project will be a new arena.

"The years of panning OREGON people into that structure are fast coming to an end," he said. "We realize that we're going to do something. A new arena is on the horizon."

Arizona coach Len Clum, who became the Pit's latest apex victim last week when the Wildcats lost to the Ducks 78-

72, understands the love-hate relationship that Green has with Mac Court. When Olson was at Iowa, his team played in a fieldhouse built in 1927.

"I made the statement that that let's build a new place to recruit in, and then play games in the old fieldhouse," he said, "because the homecourt advantage on game night is unbelievable."

"But then try to bring a recruit in when there's not a crowd and the game action and tell them this is better than Pauley Pavilion. There's no question it's a real deterrent when it comes to the recruiting end of it."

Green said there is no way Oregon can expect to rise to national competitiveness without a new arena.

"To some degree, it exemplifies the investment that a university has made in a basketball program. I think what we've made an investment in football, and the investment has paid off."

The athletic department has spent \$3.5 million to upgrade the building, mostly by putting on a new roof. But once the project is completed next year, that will be the end of any major investment in Mac Court.

Green believes a new arena will be built within five years. He may not be around to see it because he has been mentioned for several other coaching jobs, most recently the one at Louisiana State.

Although there are no specific plans, Moss would like to see the new arena maintain the intimacy of Mac Court. It would seat 12,000 to 15,000 and might be built in partnership with the city of Eugene. It could cost \$40 million to \$50 million.

When Mac Court's days as a basketball arena are done, its top two balconies will be roped off, and the gym used for volleyball, wrestling and other events that don't draw big crowds.

Somehow, it just won't be the same.

## Atlanta making room for 5 outfielders

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — For now, the Atlanta Braves don't have a problem.

It's OK for David Justice and Jermaine Dye to snag fly balls together in right field during spring training workouts. There's enough time for both Andrew Jones and Ryan Klesko to take their swings in the batting cage.

But unless a trade is made by April 1, the Braves have a problem: Five outfielders for only three positions.

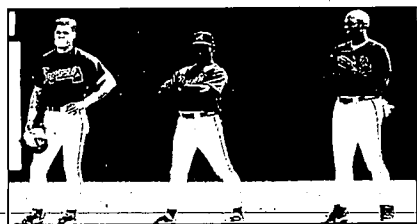
Marquis Grissom is set in center, which leaves two established veterans — David Justice and Ryan Klesko — and two promising youngsters — Jermaine Dye and Andrew Jones — battling for the openings in left and right.

"I've proven myself," said Klesko, who hit .282 with 34 homers and 93 RBIs last season. "I don't need to go out and battle for a job in spring training like I did the first three or four years I was in camp."

But there's no guarantee that Klesko will be in left field at the start of the season.

Atlanta's camp is consumed by rumors of a trade involving either Justice or first baseman Fred McGriff. If McGriff moves on, Klesko would shift from left to first base position, he played throughout the minor leagues.

Klesko would prefer to keep the current lineup intact. He's not ready to jump on the Dye-



Atlanta Braves outfielders, from left, Ryan Klesko, Marquis Grissom and David Justice wait for action during training camp in West Palm Beach, Fla., Friday. The Braves outfield is getting crowded, leading to speculation of a possible trade, and Justice is considered a candidate.

Justice bandwagon, even though both youngsters appeared to demonstrate last season they are ready to play in the big leagues.

Dye took over in right field after Justice sustained a season-ending shoulder injury and hit over 300 much of the year before, finishing at .281, with 12 homers and 37 RBIs. Jones, only 19, is considered a superstar-in-waiting, beginning 1996 at Class A Durham and finishing up by becoming the youngest player to homer in the World Series.

"I would hate to see our family break up," Klesko said. "We've got a couple of good young out-

fielders, but they're going to have to go out and prove they're ready to play up here. The other guys who are here — David, Marquis and myself — have been here for a few years. We're a bunch of ballplayers who are going to be consistent and put up some good numbers."

Justice, who has been a mainstay in the Atlanta lineup since '1990, already has said he expects to be traded as soon as another team is convinced his shoulder is fully recovered. Judging from his performance in batting practice Monday, when he hit several long drives over the right-field wall,

Justice's health is not an issue. "I'm just getting ready to play opening day, wherever I am," he said.

General manager John Schuerholz indicated that either Jones or Dye will be sent back to the minors if the Braves don't make a trade by the April 1 opener at Houston.

Jones, perhaps the most flamboyant player in the Braves clubhouse, has learned the proper deference to the veterans on a team that has been to four of the past five World Series.

"I don't think I'm set yet," said Jones, whose combined numbers with the Braves and three minor-league teams were staggering: 316 with 39 homers, 105 RBIs and 33 stolen bases. "I've still got to work for my job. I'm just trying to make the starting lineup. If I make the starting lineup, I'll make the team."

While it's clear that Jones will one day earn a spot in the Braves outfield, Dye is less certain about his future. He would probably be a starter on many other teams, but wonders if he'll get much of a chance in Atlanta.

"There's 27 other teams and two more coming in, so anything can happen," he said, referring to the possibility of a trade. "If I'm playing good, it will be hard for them to make some decisions. That's what I plan to do: make it tough for them."

## Leaf Gardens defends conduct in sex scandal

TORONTO (AP) — Maple Leaf Gardens officials defended their actions Monday in the sex-scandal scandal involving the storied hockey arena.

Brian Bellmore, counsel for the Gardens from Ottawa, said the arena was not legally bound to go to the police over allegations that some of its employees were wearing a sex ring in the building involving youngsters.

Bellmore, speaking at an emergency directors meeting, said a \$300,000 out-of-court settlement in 1993 did not preclude Murray Krusz from pursuing his allegations to police.

"Going to police was a matter for Mr. Krusz," Bellmore said. "We did not feel on the basis of the information we were given that we had any reason to do so."

Krusz, 34, went public last week with allegations that employees of the Gardens had coerced him and other boys into sex acts in exchange for tickets and hockey souvenirs.

Krusz's lawyer wrote on the Gardens in 1993, seeking damages for the alleged abuse. The

parties agreed to settle for \$600,000.

Two men who worked at the arena have been charged with indecent assault and gross indecency, and police say they are investigating dozens of other claims.

Since the story broke, Gardens management has been assailed in the Toronto press for responding to Krusz's threatened suit by having its insurance company investigate the allegations, rather than reporting them to police.

Bellmore and Cliff Fletcher, general manager of the Maple Leafs hockey club, reiterated Monday the internal investigation did not substantiate the allegations.

"We believed then and we believe now that we did the right thing," Bellmore said. "We came to the conclusion that there was no evidence" to support Krusz's allegations.

Asked why the payment was made, Bellmore said Gardens would not say how much a suit would cost as much as settling it.

## 3rd baseman takes less money to stay in Boston

FORT MYERS, Fla. (AP) — Tim Lincecum did something very strange for a Red Sox veteran. He took less money to stay in Boston and didn't take a parking shot at management.

Roger Clemens and Mike Greenwell loved their critics during the last week of the 1996 season. Jose Canseco waited until the following week when his buddy Kevin Kennedy was fired as manager.

Canseco was traded to Oakland, while Clemens went to Toronto and Greenwell to Japan as free agents. Naehring, grateful the Red Sox stuck with him through some serious injuries, never wanted to leave.

Now the Red Sox player with the most seniority, he respected Clemens and Greenwell but "they have their own views about different things. I'm not a big person to throw darts anywhere."

"I proved to a lot of people that it's not just about words," he added. "My actions were that I was going to stay loyal to the Red Sox and, now all of a sudden, I proved that by coming back here."

Cleveland offered the free agent \$10 million over three years but he would have had to switch from third base, where he was starting to make a name for himself, to second.

It wasn't as much as Cleveland offered, but it was enough. Suddenly, a very difficult decision became easy.

"When I started thinking about the dollar amounts that were thrown at me, it's kind of unrealistic," Naehring said. "The \$10 million that Cleveland said that they would pay me for three years is an outrageous amount of money."

Yet many players take the highest offer.

"Tim's response to that was: He had enough money," general manager Dan Duquette said Monday. "That, to me, is refreshing."

"This culture that wants to criticize the management, what does that accomplish for the player or the team?" he added. "Frankly, (Clemens and Greenwell) could have been more professional. They could have said, 'thank you.' The organization treated them well."

Naehring feels he was treated well in 1990 and 1991, when back problems limited him to 44 games in his first two seasons with Boston. Wrist and shoulder injuries put him on the disabled list the next two years and he spent five weeks there in 1994.

He hit .307 in his first healthy season in 1995 and .288 last year, when he missed three weeks with a hamstring injury. He also has grown as a fielder and had no desire to learn a new position in Cleveland at age 30.

"This was a small opportunity for me to show that, hey, I'm willing to take less money, to show some loyalty back to an organization," he said.



Boston Red Sox third baseman Tim Naehring stretches before batting practice Sunday in Fort Myers, Fla. Naehring, the most senior player, had an opportunity as a free agent to go to Cleveland for more money but his loyalty was to the Red Sox.

## Blues upbeat over road life

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The St. Louis Blues aren't complaining about getting hauled out of their arena for two weeks.

And it's just as well. All season the Blues have been a better team on the road than at Kiel Center.

Some point to injuries and ice conditions and playing style. But ultimately it's an mystery.

"I really don't have the answer," coach Joel Quenneville said. "We've been trying to figure it out."

The Blues left town Monday and won't return until March 9. Monday's outage is the longest at Kiel Center. The Missouri Valley Conference has the place for four days starting Friday, then Conference USA makes in for four days through March 8.

After that, because of other arena commitments, the Blues have another 11 days away from home before their next game, Monday against Edmonton.

St. Louis' 2-3-2 Calgary concluded a 2-3-2 homestand, but the Blues have a seven-game unbeaten streak (5-0-2) on the road entering Tuesday's game at Tampa Bay.

The Blues are the NHL's third best road team (35-19-5) and their current streak ties the franchise record. At home, they're 17-7-3 and respectable enough to snag a starting ceremonial check from a two-goal deficit in St. Louis on Saturday, then blow a two-goal lead against so Calgary on Sunday.

Chicago manager has helped the Blues rise above. But at home, Quenneville's record is actually worse than Mike Scumbr's.

"I really can't put a finger on why the record is that much different," said Quenneville, who is 10-7-2 since replacing Keenan but still 4-6-2 at home.

Goalie Grant Fuhr blames it on inconsistent and often poor ice conditions. True, if there are puddles and ruts both teams have to skate through it, but he said the Blues are penalized more.

"It's not the easiest building in the world to play there," he said. "The ice varies from night to night, and there's enough talent here that good ice makes this team better."

Defenceman Marc Bergevin wasn't blaming the arena. Last season he played for the Detroit Red Wings, who lost only three of 47 home games. Bergevin said good teams find ways to win.

"We need to stop with the excuses and find solutions," Bergevin said. "How come we go to Chicago or Vancouver, good ice buildings, and they'll play there? Tell me why. We go to Chicago and play decent hockey there. To me, it's not the building."

Something about the new place in the woods, though. Over their 30-season history the Blues are 604-385-132 at home. But in the last three seasons at the Kiel, they're only four games above .500.

Why? New arenas are generally more impersonal than their predecessors. Fans aren't so close to the action as they used to be and higher prices bring in more fan-bait corporate types who don't appreciate as much noise for the home team.



COMICS

**Peanuts** By Charles M. Schulz

HI, CHARLES... REMEMBER YESTERDAY WHEN I WENT TO YOUR HOUSE?  
I WALKED ALL THE WAY OVER THERE TO ASK YOU IF YOU LIKE ME...  
TO DO WHAT?  
I CAN'T STAND IT!

**For Better or For Worse** By Lynn Johnston

I HOPE THE BOYS ARE SAFE IN THE HOUSE...  
WHAT'S HEINING?  
I PUT HIM IN A BATTLE WITH HOLES IN HIS SHOES FOR NOT BRUSHING HIS TEETH AND LUNCHING EARLY.  
WELL, I HOPE HE'S OK WHEN HE GETS OUT.

**Dilbert** By Scott Adams

I'M TOTALLY FRAZZLED. THERE SIMPLY ISN'T ENOUGH TIME IN THE DAY TO MEET MY UPCOMING DEADLINES.  
LET'S HAVE AN ALL-DAY MEETING OFF-SITE SO I CAN EXPLAIN WHY THE DEADLINES ARE SO IMPORTANT.  
SO, YOUR THEORY IS THAT I'LL HAVE MORE TIME IN THE DAY IF YOU EXPLAIN SOMETHING I ALREADY KNOW?  
I DON'T HAVE A LOT OF TOOLS HERE.

**Beavis and Butt-Head** By Dean Young & Stan Drake

HOW COME YOU'RE SO LATE?  
YES, INDEED...  
...AND I WOULD, TOO, IF THIS WASN'T SO DAMN CUTE!

**B.C.** By Jimmy Krawcheck

THOSE INTERNATIONAL SYMBOLS  
SCHOOL ZONE  
FALLING ROCK ZONE  
SPEED ZONE  
OZONE

**Fishes** By Brian Crane

YOU KNOW WHAT I THINK ABOUT? I THINK ABOUT ALL THE LITTLE BUBBLES AND BUBBLES YOU CAN SEE IN THE BUBBLES...  
I SHOULD PROBABLY PUT THIS DOWN BECAUSE I MEAN TO DRAW ATTENTION TO HOW UP YOU ARE.  
YES, INDEED...  
...AND I WOULD, TOO, IF THIS WASN'T SO DAMN CUTE!

**Garfield** By Jim Davis

C'MON, WHY DON'T YOU EAT ME?  
BECAUSE YOU'RE A HALLUCINATION, THAT'S WHY!  
BESIDES, I PREFER CHOCOLATE BUGHMUTS  
NOOD PROBLEMS!  
SIGH

**Doonesville** By Frank Rosterman

THEY'RE PLAYING HOCKEY WITH HIS CHEERIOS!

**Hi and Lois** By Chance Brown

FIRST IRMA AND I TRIED TO CUT CORNERS TO MAKE ENDS MEET  
NOW WE'RE DOWNING FROM THE BOTTOM UP

**The Family Circus** By Bil Keane

"PJ's playin' hockey with his Cheerios."

**The Wizard of Id** By Brent Parker & Jimmy Hart

THIS DISPATCH IS CLASSIFIED ULTRA-TOP SECRET  
...READ IT AND EAT IT  
I WONDERED WHY IT WAS WRITTEN ON SWISS CHEESE

**Maybe it should be a jacquesknife**

**WHAT'S WHAT? L.M. Boyd**

**HOROSCOPE: Sydney Omar**

IF FEBRUARY 25 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Transform tension to broad joy...  
CANCER (June 21-July 22): Entertainment at home featured...  
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Lunar phase highlights trips...  
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your kind of day...  
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Cycle continues high...  
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You're preoccupied...  
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Know how far to go...  
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Gain foresight...  
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): What appeared out of reach...  
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Mutual legal loopholes...  
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**Hagar the Horrible** By Chris Browne

I'M TAKING A SHORT CUT FOR A WALK  
DON'T FORGET THE TORCH!  
WHOEVER LEADS OF A DOG BEING AFRAID OF THE DARK?

**Frank and Ernest** By Bob Thaves

THERE! NOW THAT DOOR IS FIXED  
THAT'S GREAT!  
NOW MAYBE YOU CAN FIX MY FRIDGE  
WHAT'S WRONG WITH IT?  
THE DOOR WON'T SHUT

**Beetle Bailey** By Mort Walker

THE DOOR WON'T SHUT

**Frank and Ernest** By Bob Thaves

WE START WITH THE BASICS— REELING, WRITHING AND RHYTHMIC TICS.

**The Born Loser** By Art Sansom & Chip

BEHOLD, GLADYS, ONE OF THE MARVELS OF OUR LIFETIME: THE HALE-BOPP COMET!  
SEE HOW BRIGHT IT IS... AND JUST LOOK AT IT GO, WOW!  
UH, BUT US... THAT'S A 7?!

**Frank and Ernest** By Bob Thaves

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**WHAT'S WHAT? L.M. Boyd**

**Horoscope: Sydney Omar**

**Yesterday's Puzzle solved:**

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WORLD

Albright to China: Improve human rights

BEIJING, AP — Declaring the U.S. relations with China are the key to world stability in the 21st century, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright warned Chinese officials Monday that she must "act constructively" and improve their country's record on human rights.

Otherwise, she said, China could lose credibility with the United States and European allies.

"I don't think it's like it is, and I don't think it's like it is," Albright said of exchanges she held with President Jiang Zemin and other top Chinese officials on the eve of a memorial service for Deng Xiaoping.

She was the only Western leader permitted to visit Beijing during a six-day mourning period for the paramount leader. Albright said she considered that "an excellent good sign" that China will move toward even greater cooperation with the United States.

Jiang put aside a speech he was preparing for the service to talk to Albright for 45 minutes. Prime Minister Li Peng gave her an hour and Foreign Minister Qian Qunzhen, two hours and 45 minutes.

Albright, speaking first at the U.S. Embassy and then at a joint news conference with Qian, signaled the Clinton administration's commitment to improving relations with Beijing. But she noted differences over human rights and a growing trade deficit — \$16 billion last year up from \$10 billion in 1995.

There is no official end to her relations with the Chinese as a key to stability as we go into the 21st century," she said. She met U.S. Embassy workers and family members.



U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright meets with Chinese Premier Li Peng Monday night in Beijing. The Chinese capital was Albright's last stop on a nine-country, 21-day worldwide trip, her first trek abroad as secretary of state.

as secretary of state, was received with respect by Chinese officials. Deputy Foreign Minister Li Zhongxing greeted her with kisses on both cheeks at Capital Airport.

But at the news conference, Albright said that "problems do remain" in China's use of missile technology and chemical weapons ingredients to other nations — suspicious center on deals with Pakistan, Iran, Iraq and Libya —

and that American and Chinese officials will meet in Beijing next month to go over them.

And she gave no indication the Chinese yielded to entreaties she made on human rights after American officials handed over a long list of jailed political foes. Only a have been released.

"We admitted we had a difference on it," Albright said of her plea that China treats its people

better. "They understood the importance of the issue."

Albright said if China did not ease up on dissidents, the United States would join with European nations in sponsoring a resolution criticizing China's record at a U.N. conference next month in Geneva.

"But there is still time," she said, mindful that political opponents are sometimes released without notice after a top level U.S.

Chinese meeting

State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns said "we don't believe, based on these meetings, that there will be any imminent breakthroughs in China's human rights record."

Qian denied the Communist government is imprisoning people for their political views. He said Chinese courts were dealing fairly with "sentenced criminals."

Former President Bush said in Washington that Deng's death will not mean an end to Chinese reforms. "All this prediction of gloom and doom ... it's not going to happen. China is not going to fall apart," Bush told the American Association of Health Plans.

He added that China has become a much more open society since he lived there as ambassador two decades ago. "There are far more human rights and individual human liberties than when I left there," he said. "I mean, I saw them with my own eyes."

On the touchy issue of China's sporadic efforts to intimidate Taiwan, Albright affirmed U.S. commitments to the Shanghai Communiqué signed during President Nixon's breakthrough trip in 1972 that first took the position there was only one China.

She urged China to deal in a humanitarian way with Hwang Jang Yop, the high-ranked North Korean official who has taken refuge in the South Korean consulate in Beijing.

And she called for preservation of Hong Kong's "way of life" when the prosperous and democratic British colony is taken over by China on July 1.

Netanyahu diverts blame for AG choice

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's lawyer blamed Israel's justice minister Monday for selecting an attorney general whose one-day appointment touched off a political scandal.

Netanyahu "is not familiar and cannot be familiar with the entire community of lawyers," said Yacov Weiroth.

"If his justice minister tells him that the candidate is excellent and has all the qualifications and all the recommendations, including the blessing of the chief justice, what should he think?" Weiroth told the Haaretz newspaper.

Netanyahu hired Weiroth, a top criminal lawyer, over the weekend after police reportedly warned the prime minister that he could face criminal charges and concern grew that the scandal could bring down the government.

Netanyahu has denied any wrongdoing and the justice minister has filed a libel suit against Israel TV.

The scandal involves one of Netanyahu's political allies, Aryeh Deri, founder of the religious Shas Party. Israel Television has said Deri conspired to get a crown, Jerusalem critic lawyer Ezer Weizman-On, appointed attorney general.



Benjamin Netanyahu

WORLD IN BRIEF

Peruvians suspend landslide rescue effort

LIMA, Peru — Authorities declared the size of a mudslide a cemetery, abandoning all hope Monday of finding any more victims under tons of mud and rocks that swept through two small Andean villages. Most of the 250 to 300 victims are buried under as much as 65 feet of mud, making rescue impossible, said fire department spokesman Alfredo Cien.

The slide of a rain-soaked hill let loose early Feb. 18 and roared down onto the sleeping mountain village in Tamborero district, 300 miles southeast of the capital, Lima.

Floods kill 2, injure 29 in Jordan

AMMAN, Jordan — Two children drowned in weekend flash floods in and around the capital and a third was missing and presumed dead, a local defense official said Monday.

The bodies of Khalid Hussein, 4, and his sister Fadia, 12, were found Sunday, said Capt. Farid Sharaa, a spokesman for the Civil Defense Department. A search continues for 10-year-old Maha Fawzi, he said.

The Al-Jazeera newspaper said 29 people were injured in 100 road accidents related to three days of unusually heavy rain that caused flash floods.

Iran leaders re-elect Sana'ollah president

MOGANSEH, Somalia — Clan leaders in the breakaway republic of Sana'ollah have re-elected Mohamed Ibrahim Egal as their president, the Somali press reported Monday.

Egal, a former prime minister of Somalia, was elected with 223 of 315 votes cast by show of hands over the weekend in Hargeisa, capital of the self-proclaimed republic. Sana'ollah is not recognized internationally.

Sana'ollah broke away from Somalia in May 1991, five months after the ouster of the late dictator Mohamed Siad Barre. The rest of Somalia disintegrated into a jumble of warring clans.

The former colony of British Somaliland has been spared much of the factional fighting and appears to have achieved political and economic stability under Egal.

Insurance infatuation at Italian station

FORTE DEI MARMI, Italy — Demonstrations organized by a police shooting squad showed the police station in the small west coast town of Forte dei Marmi, a police station reported Monday.

Residents of St. Marin, 50 miles east of Forte dei Marmi, the capital, were demonstrating for city street-cleaning service, when police intervened to disperse the crowd. An unidentified policeman shot an 81-year-old in the leg. Radio Quersogno reported, indicating demonstrations.

The crowd went to nearby Fiesole and touched the tiny police station.

Police spokesman Federico Jesu-Battista, reached by telephone by The Associated Press, would neither confirm nor deny the radio report but said it was being investigated.

Police crack down on Naples, Venice mobs

NAPLES, Italy — Police scattered scores of people Monday in separate organized crime, including the Naples-area mob and the other on a Venice region crime gang.

Fifty people were arrested for alleged association with the Camorra, the Naples-based mob is called, the Italian news agency ANSA said.

Police also seized 30 motor scooters related to drug and arms trafficking as well as robbery in connection with a "Brescia mafia" investigation. Brescia is a crucial area in the affluent northeast region of Veneto.

Air Algeria will resume flights to Paris

PARIS — Air Algérie will resume flights to Paris after a two-year ban on service caused by a dispute over anti-terrorism measures, a French official said Monday.

French authorities became concerned about security arrangements after a Paris-bound Air France jetliner was hijacked by Muslim militants in Algeria in December 1994.

They demanded the Algerian airline move its operations from Orly Airport, south of Paris, which handles mostly European flights, to the more secure Charles de Gaulle Airport, north of Paris, which handles trans-Atlantic and other long-distance flights.

Air Algérie resumed flights to Paris after the same destination. It halted flights to Paris, but continued flying to Lyon and Marseille.

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